

SHELBY TAYLOR THE MAN.

After considering the qualifications of the several candidates for railroad commissioner of the Second District, we have selected as our choice Hon. Shelby Taylor, of Crowley, La.

The popular demand of the people, not only in this State, but throughout the United States, for a fair and indiscriminate exercise of the authority vested in Commissions, and the necessity for legal knowledge, business capacity and good judgment, makes the selection of Commissioner of great importance to the people, and it is up to them to see that we secure the services of the best man in the field.

Those who are fortunate enough to know Mr. Taylor cannot but be impressed with his fitness for the office, and the casual acquaintance will mark him as energetic, tactful and thoroughly up in his knowledge and study of such questions as are likely to be brought before the Commission.

The growing sentiment of the people as to a just control of the arbitrary power of corporate wealth is forcibly and unmistakably evidenced in the platform of the Democratic party. The successful candidate of the future must not only be a man of firmness, energy and ability, but he must be a man who will conscientiously perform his duty, without fear or favor.

No testimony is more convincing than that of the community in which a man lives. Intimate association brings to light both good and bad qualities. We publish below an editorial from the Rayne Tribune, showing what people think of him who know him intimately.

THE MAN FOR THE POSITION.

Continued favorable reports from over the twenty-five parishes comprising the Second Railroad Commissioners' district, relative to the candidacy of Hon. Shelby Taylor, are highly gratifying to his many friends in this parish. The Tribune has, from the very beginning of the campaign, supported Hon. Shelby Taylor, the present mayor of Crowley, for the office of Railroad Commissioner from this district, and in doing so it has but one object in view, that is to get the man best qualified to fill that important position.

The purchase by the town of a site for a park make unnecessary the promised article on the subject. The site secured will make a very pretty park, and the approach to it can be made a magnificent drive. We understand that arrangements have been made whereby the purchase money will largely be made up by contributions, donated excursion receipts, and various helps by interested and enterprising citizens.

JUDGE THOS. M. BURNS.

Judge Burns announces that he will be a candidate for re-election as Judge for this the Twenty-sixth Judicial District, which means that he will serve for another term.

He has won for himself a reputation for being fair and impartial in his decisions, and has been sustained in most appealed cases to the Supreme Court. While just, he has been strict in the punishment of criminals, and the law-abiding citizen has felt secure in his rights and in the protection of the law as long as judge Burns has been upon the bench.

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The following extract from an editorial in the Times-Democrat, a paper strongly on the side of reform movements, is to the point and can be applied to this case: "A judge who has been found faithful, capable and trustworthy should be retained in office, because judges improve with time and with greater experience."

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

The determination of Mr. Morgan to resign his present office as representative of the parish in the State Legislature entails the loss of a very efficient and useful member, but the sacrifice is atoned by the acquisition of a candidate for district attorney who will be valuable in the position and insure a prosecutor who will be able to secure convictions in criminal cases and take care of the interests of the State and district.

As a criminal lawyer Mr. Morgan has been unusually successful, having cleared every white client charged with penitentiary offense. Considering that he has the larger part of the criminal practice of the district, this is a remarkably good showing. It has been remarked that, if for no other purpose, it would be a good thing to elect Mr. Morgan district attorney to make him prosecute instead of defend and free those charged with crime.

Be this as it may, there is little doubt of his election, and we are among those who believe his election will place in the district attorney's office an official who will be of great aid to the court in conserving the peace of the district and in punishing criminals.

Covington Society Notes.

BY OUR SOCIETY EDITOR, MATRONITA.

Of course, all who have eyes unclouded by prejudice or pessimism, can see the outward improvement of Covington, but do they note the inward advance as well?

By this I mean the reaching out for better things—better homes, better manner of living, and better service in every field.

The merchants seem to realize it with a promptness that shows that finer instinct of the businessman and woman, and in recognition are giving us a better class of goods in a better way, and are trying hard to get as close to city commodities as possible. Some of the meat markets are screened, and the meat kept free from the polluting contact of flies, and some of the grocery stores serve all goods that are fly-drawing and open to contamination within fly-proof enclosures.

It has not been many years since the village photographer, throughout the country, was considered a joke, and the people dared the ugliness and distortion of such a camera more in a spirit of fun than otherwise. This day seems to have passed, together with many other of Covington's conditions, and our town now boasts an artist whose work is far better and more finished than that of many a city man—set up in price, popularity and all the fitting that luxury can lend.

Just these few instances of our onward progress are indisputable signs of the times, and otherwise are not hard to find. Don't you agree with us good reader?

The New Orleans Picayune of Sunday last announced the engagement of Miss Laura Weiss to Mr. Jesse Elmer Gross, of Philadelphia, the wedding to take place on September 24. We heartily congratulate Mr. Gross, and extend to Miss Weiss the wish that her wedded life will be one stretch of bright, happy days.

Mrs. Charles Colton and Miss Lucille spent several days in New Orleans during the past week.

On account of the continued rains and water-soaked earth, the meetings of the Southern Tennis club were perforce discontinued. It's too bad, for the coterie were having a good time, and the games made an attractive picture in the spacious hotel grounds.

Mrs. J. M. Williams is entertaining her mother, Mrs. J. F. Jour, and her sisters, Misses Eva and Daisy.

The Friday Afternoon Euchre Club, met at the home of Mrs. Hardy Smith. Mrs. Wallace Poole won the first prize, Mrs. Bourgeois the second, and Mrs. Mercedal the consolation.

The Scrapbook, published by Munsey, instead of printing the outpouring of new-made poets, is reprinting half and wholly forgotten gems of authors of the past—ancient and modern. This seems a very wise departure; at least it is a very delightful one, and apt to be more far-reaching in its benefits, as nearly all the selections are nuggets, and ring true. For instance: "Nature has given us two ears, two eyes, and but one tongue, to the end that we should hear and see more than we say."—Socrates.

The ladies of the Five Hundred Club met at the Southern, the guests of Mrs. Sidney Prague. Despite the inclement weather, there were one or two big excursions in the town during the week. It was sad to see some of these holiday makers paddling around in the rain.

The Thursday night euchre usually held at Glen Cottage was postponed on account of the bad weather.

The Oaks had a charming gathering on Tuesday night. Miss Richard won the first prize and Mrs. Barbeaud the consolation.

Mrs. I. G. Comeaux and daughter Katie are sojourning at the Oaks.

Mr. and Mrs. John Pigott, of New Orleans, are guests at Glen Cottage.

Miss Hattie Fembles, of New Orleans, spent several days with her sister, Mrs. A. J. Nelson, in Twenty-fourth Avenue. Master Eugene Gravelly, of New Orleans, was also the guest of Mrs. A. J. Nelson, his aunt, for a week or more.

It is to be regretted that Miss Ethel Decker will not return to Covington this coming season, and that our town will be without a kindergarten. Miss Decker's school was a pleasant feature of juvenile life in our town, and the little ones loved it and were looking forward eagerly to their much-loved teacher's return, and so were many mothers. Miss Decker has been put in charge of an important kindergarten. We will all realize that in this, as in so many cases, "Blessings brighten as they fly!"

Misses Posey, of New Orleans are spending some time at the Oaks.

Mrs. Dr. Pigott was taken to the Hotel Dieu in New Orleans last Wednesday, suffering with appendicitis. Her many friends anxiously await her safe return.

Miss Katie Burns and Mrs. M. E. Burns, of New Orleans, are the guest of Mrs. E. D. Kentzel.

Abita News and Society Notes.

BY PAUL CLIFFORD.

In answer to the inquiry from the party signing, "A Visitor," I submit the following: I admit the Springs were in a deplorable condition during the recent heavy rains. Yet, what was to be done? If this gentleman who signs himself "A Visitor" would suggest some method of draining off the surplus water from around the Spring, no doubt his plan, if a good one, would be tried. I think Mr. Stire, the gentleman in charge of the Springs is to be congratulated on the excellent system he established to prevent the rainwater from entering the Spring. In regard to the bridge, there can be nothing but regret that the walk is left in such a state. But, dear reader, the Spring is the property of the Abita Springs Water Co., and does not belong to the Village, and it is due to the marked negligence of the above corporation that we were unable to reach the Spring during the high water. While all this may have been unpleasant, let us forget it all. There are duties which every citizen of Louisiana owes the State, and one of them is to forget unpleasant sights and think only of the good and wondrous benefits to health that have taken place right here in this old place.

The old Keller Avenue bridge floated away during the recent high water. This bridge was erected seven years ago, and up to a few weeks was in good condition. The loss of the bridge will be felt by parties living on the other side of the creek, who will have to use the new bridge on St. Mary street. With the roads in the condition they are at present, this will be a hard task.

Five negroes were arrested here last Tuesday, after a desperate chase and the firing of three ineffectual shots. The five blacks were charged with being dangerous and suspicious characters. They were tried and put to work on the public roads.

The trustees of the Abita Springs public school met last Sunday evening in the Town Hall. After the regular routine business had been set aside, an election was held to elect five trustees to serve the ensuing year. The following gentlemen were elected: Hon. G. E. Millar, chairman, Robert Mendow, George McNulty, R. C. Abney and Joseph Rausch.

Mayor F. Julius Heintz left last Saturday for New Orleans. Of late Mayor Heintz has not been in the best of health, and his absence will cause much regret among his many friends and admirers. During his absence Mr. Robt. Mendow will fulfill the duties of mayor.

A dispute arose between J. L. Reed, agent for the N. O. G. N. at this point and Mr. Marquez, agent for the New Orleans Picayune. It seems when the papers were thrown off the baggage car they fell into the mud and caused some damage to the papers. Marquez immediately sought Reed and demanded an explanation, whereupon Reed escorted him to the street. Later, while Mr. Reed was driving in a buggy, Marquez walked up and slapped him in the face. A struggle ensued, which was quickly stopped by the timely arrival of the Marshal. Later they were tried. Reed was acquitted and Marquez placed under a peace bond of \$150 for one year.

Pastor A. H. Kaub has returned from a delightful visit to Denver, Colo.

Miss Elise Kirsh is visiting Mrs. G. T. Fazende this week. Later, Miss Kirsh will leave here to visit friends in Washington, D. C., and New York City.

Mr. Thos. A. Block was a visitor here Wednesday.

Miss M. Vinet is summering at "Belle Rose," the guest of Mrs. George Barrant.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Holm have taken possession of their beautiful country home for the summer. Mr. August DeLansac stopped over in Abita last Saturday. Mr. DeLansac is one of the Parker Blake Co.'s most popular salesmen, who is traveling over St. Tammany in search of recreation, and incidentally grabbing up orders for "the house."

Mrs. Dr. F. Julius Heintz and Dr. L. C. Heintz accompanied Mayor Heintz to the city Saturday.

Miss A. Dupas, of the faculty of the New Orleans public schools, is summering here, the guest of Miss Louise Lacassin.

A hay ride was given by Mrs. L. Barret to Pearl River last Tuesday, and proved quite an enjoyable affair. In the party were: Misses Elise Kirsh, Rose Fazende, Louise Gelboch, Eda Guichard, Messrs. Henry Barbier, Wallace Barret and Walter Fazende. Mrs. Barret acted as chaperon of the party. On arriving home delicious refreshments were served.

The entertainment at the Town Hall Thursday night for the purpose of completing the foot-bridge across the creek was a grand success. The program included a march by the Orchestra, Address of Welcome, by W. E. Fazende; recitation, "On Easter Morning," by Louise Barthe; song, "My Name is Morgan, But It's Not J. P.," by Mr. Charles Rispol; descriptive selection, "A Visit to the Italian Quarters," by Mr. F. R. Petrovich; recitation, "St. Peter at the Gates of Heaven," by Miss Annie Petrovich; a few stunts in magic, by Prof. Chas. Fox; Ventriloquism, Prof. Charles Fox; vocal solo, selected, Mr. Ribito. W. E. Fazende was stage manager. Refreshments were in charge of Miss Eva Strain, Miss Sadie Dupart and Mrs. W. Dupart. Floor managers were Mr. Jules Schultz, Sylvan Kahn and Willie Michaelis. Miss Petrovich deserves special mention.

Slidell Notes

Slidell, La., August 7, 1908.

Special Correspondence.

Miss F. M. Moore, of Meridian, after a few weeks with Miss Vivian Comfort, has returned to her Mississippi home. A large number of new-made friends were at the trainside to see her go.

A chess and checker club was formed at the residence of J. B. Semple Tuesday night. Applications for membership should go in soon, in order that the players can get together.

There was a meet of some members of the Progressive Union Monday night last. The engineers have completed the survey of the proposed drainage canal to the lake. The blue prints have been received and figures showing the cost of the work will soon be ready for the consideration of those interested. The matter has been discussed, and the consensus of opinion is the work will help the town more than any other thing in sight or out of hearing.

E. Elmo Bollinger, attorney, has gone to his home in the "show me" State near St. Louis. He may go to Denver, and if so, has promised to bring a snow ball to Slidell in proof of his trip to the cool mountain country. It will be different snow than seen by C. A. Everitt on his visit a few years ago.

Mrs. Outlaw, of New Orleans, mother of our Dr. Outlaw, has been here for some days with her son and family.

Edw. Schinnie will soon go on his yearly vacation, and take a long journey. Says he will go to New Orleans for a week.

Why not cook with gas? A gas plant will cost less than some other things, such as wood and oil, and the satisfaction is much greater. Gulfport gets cooking gas from Biloxi, fourteen miles distant, and that proves the matter.

The brass band will reorganize some of these cool winter nights. The boys got so they could play very nicely, but the warm weather, or something else, took the ginger out of them somehow.

H. E. Badon complains of the weather and says his crops will be a failure if the rain don't stop soon. His rice cannot be harvested now, the potatoes are going to vines, cotton is getting the rust and worms, pumpkin growing soft, gourds spreading sideways, the ground too soft to plant turnips, and bad luck all over the patch.

Such things hurt the poor farmers like the mischief. Dr. Outlaw and Edw. Gause are the candidates for member of the school board from this, Ninth, Ward.

Judge Burns was in these parts last week, talking to friends upon politics. He expects to be his own successor.

How about a street railway to the lake, and on to Mandeville? It can connect with the road to Covington when built.

A double rail track from here to New Orleans is coming. It shows right here at the railroad station as a starter, look at it now.

Sidewalks are needed in some parts of this town right at the present day and date. It is however the business of the property owners and not of the town to build the same, if ever they come.

Water works are now on at the new city hall. If any doubt upon the subject, a look will show how the water works. Look and get wise.

Nothing doing at "Sans Souci" this week. Capt. Collier, Skipper, is alone in his glory, and has the ozone all by his lonely self.

Capt. John Schneider was telling friends goodbye Wednesday. He will start Monday for a trip to California and on to Portland, Ore. He will take his rifle for big game, and also promises to bring back a gold nugget, and a fresh Pillow Rock salmon. We shall miss him.

Mandeville Ticket.

This is the People's ticket, not a one-man ticket.

For Mayor H. BOREY For Aldermen A. DEPRE L. M. THOMASON EMILE DOUBOURG JAMES BAND GEORGE BIERHORST For Marshal J. N. MILLER Election Monday, August 10, 1908. Aug 8-11

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Ramsay Notes

Ramsay, La., August 6, 1908.

Special Correspondence.

Mrs. E. R. Greenlaw and two children, who have been on a visit to Hazlehurst, Miss. returned on last Tuesday. Mr. T. N. Watts, who has been away on a vacation for the last three weeks, is expected home on Sunday.

Mr. S. Keiffer, of the Frelich & Badt Co., was a prominent visitor during the week.

Mrs. S. Hardy and the Misses Mable, Minnie and Helen Hardy, who have been guest at Hotel St. Joseph for the past two weeks, returned to New Orleans on Wednesday.

Miss Josie Whelpley, of Covington, was out on Tuesday canvassing votes for the M. C. B. Library contest. She succeeded in securing quite a number and Ramsay wishes her success in her contest.

Mrs. Z. Coney, who has been spending some time in our midst, has gone to Varnado, La.

Miss Mary Carey and the Misses Graham, of New Orleans, are among the recent arrivals at Hotel St. Joseph.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Oakes, of New Orleans, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ford.

Mr. Fred Hardy, of Covington, was a visitor during the week. We have had our full share of Jupiter Pluvius' visitation. Let's hope for fair weather.

Mrs. Sarah Garner and two children, of Lake Charles, after spending two weeks the guest of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Richardson, returned home last Wednesday.

Miss Irene entertained quite a number of her friends at a progressive euchre party during the week in honor of her guests the Misses Minnie Titus, Annie Rosa and Ella Reeves. The prizes were won by the Misses Rosa Gonzales and Annie Field and Messrs. H. Webb and R. Gonzales.

Mrs. H. Greenlaw and daughter Lillian and Mrs. R. Dymond were visitors to Covington on Tuesday.

Miss Carrie Gonzales is visiting her relatives here this week.

Mrs. A. H. Gage, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Wm. Blount, left for McComb City, Miss., Tuesday.

Mr. R. J. Hinson, who has been on a visit to relatives in Alabama, returned last Tuesday.

DIED.—In New Orleans, on Saturday, Aug. 1, 1908, at 10:55 o'clock a. m., Miss Marie Emma Masson, daughter of the late Wm. J. Masson and Louise Labuse, a native of New Orleans.

Miss Marie Emma Masson was well known in Covington and has many relatives and friends here who are deeply grieved at her death. She died after a surgical operation at Hotel Dieu. Miss Masson was loved and admired by all who knew her, and her services as confidential clerk of the Board of Education, which position she held for nineteen years, won for her commendation such as is seldom bestowed.

In a very spirited contest to decide who was the most popular between Miss Barbet Englehart and Miss Jarry Canulet. Miss Canulet was defeated by a handsome vote. The vote standing 6467 for Miss Englehart and 5010 for Miss Canulet.—Madisonville Subscriber.

The following sales of wool have been made by Mr. E. Voelkel & Son, of New Orleans, at 20.10 per pound: Jessie Abney, Abney Station, 4500 pounds; Henry Keller, St. Tammany, 2500 pounds; Geo. Peters & Co., 9500 pounds; Bart Keen, Abita Springs, 3000 pounds; Jack Pelloat, 2500 pounds.

Capt. Alpuente, Sergt. H. A. Smith, Sergt. L. White, Corporal C. Sidney Frederick, Trumpeter Codfrey Champagne left Wednesday for New Orleans to compete for places on the team that is to take part in the National Competitive shoot.

There has been a petition for a school at Demourelle with thirty pupils, and a school house will be built.

There will be an important meeting of the Mother's Club Monday, Aug. 10th, at 8 p. m. All patrons of the public school are requested to be present.

Fosom Items

Folsom, La., August 5, 1908.

Editor St. Tammany Farmer: Prof. Hubbard blows his own horn.

Miss Emma Core is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. M. Rogers.

Miss Opal Moseley, of New Orleans, is the guest of Mrs. Hutchison.

Miss L. House, of Carrier, Miss., is visiting her sister, Mrs. C. J. May.

Mrs. Peter McCarty visited relatives in Covington Wednesday.

Miss Wedge, of Angie, spent last Saturday here, en route to McDougal, Mr. E. Richard, of Covington, visited Folsom Sunday.

Mrs. T. Drummond, after several weeks spent at the home of her father, Judge Milton Burns, has returned to her home at Edwards, Miss.

Mr. Geo. Fendlasson visited Covington Monday.

Mr. Julian Smith, of Covington, spent last Sunday here.

Mr. Bart Springs visited Ramsay Tuesday.

Mr. Marshall Reed, the popular express messenger of the N. O. G. N. train, left last Saturday to spend a

month with his parents at Morrow, Mrs. S. O'Neil, after some time spent at Oil City has returned.

Rev. M. M. Voyles has closed a successful Baptist revival meeting. Five members were added to the church. They will probably be immersed the third Sunday in this month.

Mr. Vol. Simmons and family are visiting Ouyka, Miss. Rev. M. M. Voyles, assisted by Rev. Shilling and Booth, organized an Anti-Saloon League with twenty-two members last Monday weeks. These gentlemen are among the most influential citizens of the parish, and while our ward is already a dry one they endeavor to drive the saloons out of the parish.

FOR SALE CHEAP.—We have on hand a large lot of ing brick, which we will sell cheap. Get your sidewalk shape to meet the demand of the new mail delivery at less expense than it will be later on. ALEXIUS BROS. &