

Saturday, February 27, 1909.

THE LAW PROTECTS, AS WELL AS PUNISHES, WHEN ENFORCED.

The greatest blessing that has ever been given to a people is a just and well regulated government. Protection by the law and security to life and property are essential to prosperity and happiness, and the further removed we become from those influences which establish and maintain a peaceable and law abiding citizenship the father removed we become from prosperity and happiness and that condition which invites into our midst an uplifting element, socially and commercially capable of advancing the parish. The nature of the pursuits and the uncentralized condition of our people make it imperative that no feeling of unrest or insecurity should exist. In this respect, St. Tammany parish has enjoyed to an unusual degree a peaceable existence. In the rural districts it has not even been found necessary to exercise the precaution of locking the doors or fastening windows on retiring at night, and slumbers have been undisturbed by thoughts of possible harm or robbery.

But this peaceable condition was suddenly interrupted by reports of robbery, incendiarism and disturbance. The vicinity of Folsom, Ramsay, Onvil and Losa became the scene of depredations that awakened in the community a feeling of dread and insecurity. For some time the perpetrators were unknown. But finally one Magee, a negro, becoming hard-pressed by his coconspirators in crime for some reason, makes confession to Deputy Willie and Sheriff Brewster and turns State's evidence, and the criminals are convicted.

It is here that is shown to the people the great benefit of having in position officials who can be depended upon to perform their duty justly and without fear or favor. Laws that are made to punish and protect are useless if not enforced. The judge who has the courage to inflict the penalty and the discretion to apply it justly, and the attorney who prosecutes with ability and fidelity to the trust imposed in him by the people, form the bulwark that stands between disorganized society and lawful obedience and contentment.

In passing sentence upon the five Holden brothers and the negro Magee, the remarks of Judge Burns were especially impressive as to the worth of good character and the standing it gives not only in the community but in the court. He said in substance that while all men are equal under the law, the effort to attain a high standing in moral character and good citizenship would be ill rewarded if it carried with it no distinction. The testimony to convict a man who was considered to be of good moral character and upright conduct must necessarily be stronger than in the case of a man of bad character. He called attention to the fact that the convicted men were not only in bad standing in this parish, but that in Tangipahoa parish, from whence they came, they had an unsavory reputation. Their settlement here had been followed by occurrences which cast suspicion upon them and gave color to the charge that they were objectionable citizens, and that on one occasion hides had been found in a well on their premises. The crimes for which they had been tried and found guilty, though upon testimony that might not have had so much weight had they been of high standing in the community, were under existing circumstances reasonably proven against them. Therefore he could see no just reason why they were entitled to clemency.

This term of court has met the approval of all good citizens. It has secured to the parish confidence in the protection of the law and will be valuable as a warning to the evilly disposed that unlawful conduct will not be tolerated. The able manner in which the interests of the people were handled by District Attorney Morgan will be a check to evil-doers and teach the difficulty of escaping merited punishment. Out of ten penal cases before the court he secured nine convictions, the tenth case being that of Leonard Cassells, indicted for murder. The case was submitted without argument, the jury was out but four minutes, and the verdict of not guilty was a popular one.

As a criminal lawyer Mr. Morgan has shown marked ability, and his services as District Attorney will be of great benefit to this parish in securing the punishment of criminals, in maintaining order, and in suppressing the lawlessness of that element that is controlled only by fear of punishment.

WHAT THE CARNIVAL TEACHES.

The success of our carnival celebration in the face unfavorable, threatening weather is a lesson that will be of value in encouraging effort on the part of our citizens. It should be borne in mind that the ability to carry to successful termination such an undertaking demonstrates the ability to push business enterprises and accomplish commercial triumphs with equal facility. It will be noticed that a socially dead town is as a rule a commercially dead town. The inability to provide amusement and pleasure indicates a lack of those qualities which go to make up a prosperous community.

The greatest trouble with Covington is that it is spasmodic. It lacks system and continuity. The great need of the town is a citizens organization—nonpartisan and nonpolitical—that will devote its energies to the upbuilding of the town and the promotion of interest in its undertakings. A body with authority to act in emergencies, so that opportunities may be quickly grasped and not lost through the slow process of disorganized action.

The Carnival Club should and probably will keep up its organization, and its membership should be increased to an extent that will realize a neat sum in membership fees.

Covington Society Notes.

BY OUR SOCIETY EDITOR.

One of the most delightful and recherché social functions of the season was the Carnival luncheon given on Mardi Gras day by Mrs. F. A. W. Davis at her lovely home in Boston St. Mrs. Davis invited a number of guests to view the Rex parade from her spacious porch ideally situated for this purpose, as it commanded a view of the gaily decorated Southern where the Queen of the Carnival and her maids were assembled for the day's festivities. Mrs. Davis, attired in a becoming silk gown, received her guests upon the deep veranda, assisted by Miss Margaret Landon, who charmingly entertained the younger guests. While waiting for the procession lunch was informally served on small tables decorated with Carnival colors, and thus regaled, the time passed all too rapidly for the guests assembled. Those present were: Mesdames Geo. Tolson, Harvey Ellis, Marmaduke Dillon, Wm. Bodebender, A. Bodebender, Wm. Dixon, Elmer Lyon, Geo. Lyons, B. M. Miller and Prof. Wm. Dixon and Elmer Lyon. A number of little folks were present who enjoyed Mrs. Davis's gracious hospitality as much as did their elders.

News has been received by friends in Covington of Mrs. Hadden and of Miss Seymour. They are quite well, but speak regretfully of Covington and their many friends in our town. Mrs. and Miss Hadden are much missed in social circles, and it is to be hoped that they will return, if but for a visit, in the near future.

Misses Sally and Alice Laurence, of New Orleans, have been the guest of Miss Sauter during the past week. Mrs. Joseph Dugas and children left on Sunday afternoon for Bayou Lafouche, where they will reside. Mr. Dugas follows in a few days, and will again resume planting, which he abandoned to come to Covington several years ago. They will leave many friends behind who regret their permanent absence.

The carnival is over, but its spirit is still in the air, for the parade and festivities offered by the people of Covington to her inhabitants will long be remembered by all who enjoyed it, as doing credit to those who planned and carried it out in all its artistic details.

The Matron's Afternoon Euchre Club was entertained by Mrs. Fred. Hardie, at the Southern Hotel, Mrs. W. J. Warren winning the first prize, Mrs. Marvin Poole the second and Mrs. Robert Aubert the consolation.

Mr. J. B. Adams, editor of the Southern Vindicator, of Hammond, was among the visitors to Covington during the Carnival and attended the ball in the evening. He expressed himself as greatly pleased with our demonstration.

Miss Helen Cefalu, of Asheville, N. C., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. L. L. Morgan, in Jefferson Avenue.

Mrs. Mathews's daughter and little child from Kentucky are here on a visit to Mrs. and Miss Mathews.

Mr. and Mrs. John Matthews and baby were visitors in Covington last Tuesday, spending the day with his mother and sister. Mrs. Bodebender entertained the Thursday Afternoon Euchre Club last Friday in her beautiful new home on Nineteenth Ave. The game was a close one, two of the ladies cutting for the first prize, a beautifully embroidered center piece, Mrs. Fred. Roehl being the fortunate winner. Mrs. Geo. Sears receiving the consolation prize.

The ladies of the Episcopal Church served a luncheon on Main street on Mardi Gras realizing a goodly sum for the benefit of the Church Guild.

Mrs. Hadden and her family are much missed in Covington where they have long been prominent in social life and the charitable work of the town. It is a pleasure to know that summer will bring them back again.

On Saturday afternoon Mrs. Colton entertained the Matron Afternoon Euchre Club. Dainty prizes were given. Mrs. F. Hardie won the first prize, Mrs. Delery the second, Mrs. Theresa Bodebender the consolation and Mrs. Wm. Bodebender the booby prize. The guests were served with delicious refreshment at the close of the game.

Miss Gertrude Mullings and her sister, Dorothy spent Mardi Gras in Covington. Their many friends here were glad to see them even for so short a time.

Mrs. J. R. M. Dillon's two guests, Misses Richard and Upton spent the Carnival season in Covington.

Rev. Dr. P. N. Parker, Presiding Elder of the New Orleans District of Methodist Churches, held the Quarterly Conference here Saturday night and Sunday. After the morning services he christened the infant son of Rev. E. A. Blandon. While here he was the guest of Mr. Harvey Ellis, at the Southern Hotel.

MARRIED—Mr. Ernest Osalman and Miss Tillie Kabel were united in matrimony at 7 o'clock Monday morning, at the residence of the bride's parents in the German Settlement, Rev. F. Matthes officiating.

Mr. Levy Bush, formerly a member of the Fourth Troop Cavalry, is now enlisted in the U. S. Army, and is stationed at the Jackson Street Barracks.

It is with regret that we learn that Sister Gertrude, Superior of the St. Benedict Convent, has been taken to the Hotel Dieu, in New Orleans, suffering from a serious burn received in the Covent laundry. Her arm was drawn between the hot rollers of the mangle and burned to the elbow.

Peter Didian, in the employ of Mr. Jancke, was drowned in the Bogue Falaya River about 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. He fell from a boat, and when found was clinging to the weeds in the bottom of the river. The body was still warm when recovered. He leaves a wife and one child.

Kirkwood or Mrs. Kirkwood both having had lots of experience in the optical line, will test your eyes free, and only charge a reasonable price for the glasses you buy at their 10 cent store.

Work on the grading of the Covington streets has been commenced.

A family reunion or the descendants of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Smith, last Sunday, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Smith, brought together a large number of prominent people from this parish and some from New Orleans and Baltimore. There were present: Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Smith, Mrs. S. V. Kentzel, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Allie Smith, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hammett, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Terreboune, Mrs. Preston Burns, Mrs. T. C. Drummond, of Edwards, Miss. Mrs. Fontaine Poole, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Anderson, Mrs. Josie Ford, J. L. Smith, Miss Annie Smith, Julian Smith, Mrs. D. V. Bell, Mrs. R. Bell, of New Orleans, Mr. and Mrs. George Masson, of Baltimore and Mr. George Masson, of New Orleans.

The alarm of fire that was sounded on Tuesday brought the chemical engine to the scene in three minutes from the time it was sounded. The fire was a small affair, originating from the kitchen stove in Mr. Meek's residence, and was quickly extinguished without damage.

Dinner of Knights of Columbus.

The dinner given at the Southern Hotel last Sunday by the newly organized Council of the Knights of Columbus was much enjoyed by all who attended. Covers were laid for twenty-five guests. The occasion was one that will be pleasantly remembered by all who attended. Toasts were made and responded to, and some very happy remarks encouraged the belief that the organization is destined to become one of the strongest in Covington. The dinner followed the election of officers and initiation of new members, a list of which is given below:

Dr. A. H. Grimmer, Jos. A. Beck, T. J. Young, M. H. Wallis, Thos. Finney, R. L. Aubert, Jas. Mulalley, Eugene Pechon, E. V. Richard, Clay V. Richard, Bernard Comenge, C. A. Alfonso, E. L. Charroppin, L. F. Cole, J. L. Smith, J. H. Smith, M. P. Planche, J. T. Stroble, J. B. Lancaster, H. J. Ostendorf, G. Galmiche, N. Trepagnier, E. Romano. The officers are: Grand Knight, J. B. Lancaster; Deputy Grand Knight, Dr. A. H. Grimmer; Chancellor, E. V. Richard; Secretary, Jas. Mulalley; Financial Secretary, R. L. Aubert; Treasurer, J. L. Smith; Warden, H. J. Ostendorf; Outer Guard, W. J. Warren; Inner Guard, J. C. Beck; Trustees, M. P. Planche, J. H. Smith, J. A. Alfonso; Advocate, Clay V. Richard.

Stroble-Toffler

Mr. Ross Stroble, of Meridian, Miss., and Miss Clara Toffler, of Covington, were united in matrimony by Judge A. O. Pons, at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. W. J. Warren, at noon on February 25, 1909. Grand Knight, J. B. Lancaster; Deputy Grand Knight, Dr. A. H. Grimmer; Chancellor, E. V. Richard; Secretary, Jas. Mulalley; Financial Secretary, R. L. Aubert; Treasurer, J. L. Smith; Warden, H. J. Ostendorf; Outer Guard, W. J. Warren; Inner Guard, J. C. Beck; Trustees, M. P. Planche, J. H. Smith, J. A. Alfonso; Advocate, Clay V. Richard.

Abita Springs Carnival

Abita Springs has been so taken up with preparations for the Carnival that nearly everything else has been at a standstill. Judge A. O. Pons, since the inception of the idea, has worked diligently for the successful carrying out of the plans, and has been rewarded by an unusually gay and successful Carnival season. He has been ably assisted by Mr. Frank Brown and Mr. Eugene Morin, who have occupied every spare moment of the short time available for the construction and decoration of floats. The arrival of the King from the Forest was heralded to take place at 4:30 o'clock p. m. on Monday and the town was filled with people from the surrounding country to welcome him and to pay him homage.

A special car was provided by the St. Tammany and New Orleans Railway and Ferry Co. for the special use of the King and his attendants, and a large delegation of the prominent citizens of Abita met him at the depot from whence he was escorted to the town hall, where the keys of the town were turned over to him by Mayor Mendow, who made an address of welcome and expressed his great pleasure in extending to his royal highness the courtesies at his command, and expressed his delight at finding his majesty enjoying such excellent health and at the prosperity of his Kingdom. The large silver key was given into his majesty's keeping amid cries of approval and rejoicing.

The majestic bearing of the King from the people the highest appreciation and confidence, and his order that the town be turned over to revelry and enjoyment was the signal for preparation to make merry and mark a period long to be remembered by the people of Abita in the annals of revelry.

All places of business were decorated and a general interest was manifested for a successful carnival season.

The ball at the Town Hall in the evening was attended from all sections, among the guests being the most prominent of its people ever congregated. Crowds came on the cars from Covington, the St. Tammany Railway running special cars every half hour for the accommodation of guests.

The coronation of the Queen took place on the stage of the hall, the King's throne being set in a bower of roses and holly and evergreens, the jewels of his crown and handsome costume shining resplendent as they reflected the light of the brilliantly illuminated hall.

As the curtain raised the King was seen seated on his throne with his attendants about him, and at his command courtiers were dispatched to conduct the Queen to his presence.

The appearance of the Queen was the signal for loud applause. She looked every bit the Queen, as with stately step she reached the stage, bowing to the King and kneeling to be crowned. She was beautifully gowned and wore her costume with a grace born of the royal blood.

The Queensmaids were severally escorted to the throne, bowing as they were seated in attendance upon the Queen. All were elegantly attired and presented as lovely a picture of beauty and refinement as ever graced a King's court.

The Queensmaids were handsomely attired in white organdy gowns and made a beautiful picture among the decorations of roses and woodland colorings.

After the ceremony the ball was opened and the crowd of maskers joined in the

dance, which was kept up until after 12 o'clock.

Refreshments were plentiful and all took advantage of the occasion to drink to the health of the King and Queen of Abita.

The music was furnished by the Abita String Band under the leadership of Mr. Frank Brown.

The King was Judge A. O. Pons; the Queen, Miss Mary Biggio; the maids, Miss Mae Michaelis, Miss Ethel Abney and Miss Marguerite Lamousin. The crown bearer was little Miss Elmira Pons. The King's attendants were: William Thalib, Alvin Biggio, Frank Brown, Jr., L. Souchon, Otis Summers, Walter Abney, Ralph Abney, Grand Marshal, Joseph Lamousin, Aids, Grayden Cook, Henry J. Pons, Uncle Sam's Boys, Vernon Demaree, color bearer; Luther Cook, Roland Abney, Ellery Demaree, Walter Allen, Laurence Grelle, Louis Grelle, W. Ipsar, Camille Koch, Walter Thompson, Clifton Keen.

The punch bowl was presided over by Mrs. T. D. Terreboune and Miss Gertrude Leonard; the coffee and lemonade, Misses Nettie Benson and Alma Leonard; ice cream, Misses Elwell and Katie Moran.

The Carnival Club wishes to extend thanks to the St. Tammany Railway Co. for their kindness in furnishing cars and to all those who assisted in making the carnival a success.

Abita will keep up its Carnival Club with the intention of turning out a much larger number of floats for next year, and will have the support of all the merchants and citizens of Abita.

Mandeville Notes

The Kings Daughters Circle will hold their monthly meeting Friday, March 5, at the Misses Rodds' residence on Marigny Avenue.

Mrs. R. B. Paine and Mrs. Fassman returned Sunday from New Orleans where they have been attending the National Congress of Mothers.

Miss Inez Ribava left Monday for New Orleans to attend the Carnival there.

Among the Mandeville visitors to Covington, Sunday, were: Mrs. J. N. Miller, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Dicks, Belle Taylor, Mrs. Baggaley and Mrs. Kohn.

Mrs. Alonzo Givens left Sunday for New Orleans to be the guest of her daughter for a few days.

The Mandeville Improvement Association will hold their meeting Wednesday, March 3, at Dr. Givens' office on Marigny Avenue.

C. A. David left Wednesday for New Orleans to buy his stock for the opening of his store on Carroll Street in April.

Harvey E. Ellis was a visitor in Mandeville, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Anderson's daughter, aged five years and nine months, died Thursday, February 18. The community extends its sympathy to the parents.

Katie Graff, of New Orleans, was one of the Sunday visitors to Mandeville.

Mr. Evans, Superintendent of Public Schools, was a caller in Mandeville, Wednesday.

Mardi Gras was celebrated with the usual animation in Mandeville. The parade was splendid and some of the floats were exceptionally beautiful. The ball given Tuesday night by the Carnival Club was a success both socially and financially. The king was Mr. Hartman and the queen Miss Edna Vix. A beautiful bracelet was presented to the queen by the king.

Lucy Ribava attended the Carnival in Covington, Tuesday.

Misses Williams and Pinkney were among the visitors to New Orleans for Carnival.

Mandeville, La., Feb. 23.—At one o'clock yesterday afternoon Rex, King of the Carnival, arrived at the Camelia wharf, on board the royal yacht Two Sons of Mandeville. His arrival was announced by the firing of a salute, and it was answered by a deafening roar of guns and the shouts of the multitude on the wharf. Never before did His Majesty receive such an ovation, and at the hands of his loyal subjects. The railroad and motor cars brought the local forces, swelling the numbers very greatly. The keys of the town were delivered by the Mayor to His Majesty, who immediately ordered that joy and good will should prevail during his short visit. The procession was formed at the foot of the wharf, headed by a score of mounted police, followed by a troop of infantry. Next came a band of music, and behind it was the King, seated on his throne, drawn by a pair of fine horses. A number of decorated carriages followed, and the streets and sidewalks were filled with crowds of men, women and children, availing with each other in their efforts to do homage to the King. The procession went east on Lake street to Marigny Avenue, then north to Monroe street, west to Girod street, south to Lake street, west to Lafitte, north to Monroe, west to Carroll, south to Lake, west to Coffee, north to Jefferson, east to Carroll, south to Lake, west to Wilkinson, north to Monroe, where it disbanded.

During the forenoon the streets were filled with children masked and dressed in most fantastic costumes, and all enjoying themselves to the highest degree.

The arrangement of the procession was as follows: First—A large squad of mounted police. Second—Troop of Cavalry. Third—King in his chariot, drawn by four horses. Fourth—Mayor and retinue in carriage. Fifth—Decorated float, representing Indian race. Sixth—Decorated float, representing Japanese race. Seventh—A log cabin illustrating negro habitation. Eighth—Uncle Sam and white race, showing progress. Ninth—Mandeville Bank, Home Industry, a carriage full of young ladies. Tenth—Edmond Bandot, vegetable wagon. Eleventh—The Seven Hundred Club, Home Sweet Home. Twelfth—Mandeville Improvement Association. Then followed a number of decorated carriages and buggies, and finally the announcement of the grand masquerade ball for to-night—Pleasure.

Cozy Cottage is one of the most conveniently situated in Abita Springs. Terms reasonable and board of the best.

Pearl River Notes

Old Neptune must have left his ocean realm and held his trident over Pearl River by the way the clouds responded to his three pronged sceptre. Any way the writer sees a little sea hard by her habitation. Jove seemed to have lost his power to thunder but made an effort and the lightning flashes took on a milder aspect, but old Boreas swept down upon a rare and high but we were thankful that no destruction was left in its wake.

February, the shortest of all the months had more red letter days this year than all the others. The twelfth being the one hundredth anniversary of Lincoln's birth day, and the twenty-second, Washington's birthday, besides the reception of the President elect last week and the carnival this week, and others, like a string of beads strung along as a sharpener to the school children's young ideas, teaching them how to shoot. The hope of the country is the children. The schools are doing grand work and there is room for more. The Mothers Congress that is soon to convene will be an example to all mothers and an eye-opener to the great opportunities they have and the power they wield as cradle rockers and world rulers in the future.

Is there a more momentous factor to be considered than the education and well being of the children of our great America. MRS. L. CARY SADLER.

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