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## THE LEADER

J. STANDER, PROPRIETOR

### DEATHS

On Wednesday, Jan. 22d, the town of Oberlin, La., was saddened by the death of one of her oldest and most prominent citizens, Joseph A. Chenier, for many years postmaster and justice of the peace. All who have known Judge Chenier, knew him to be of a jovial, social disposition, attentive to business, true and loyal to his principles. As to personal appearance, he was of a dignified bearing and possessed a vigorous constitution. It was with great surprise that we learned of his recent serious illness. About one week ago he was stricken with pneumonia. Every attention was given him, yet death claimed him Wednesday, Jan. 22d, at three o'clock. He was buried with Masonic honors at Cole cemetery in Oberlin on the following day, a large crowd of friends accompanying him to the final resting-place.

Judge Chenier was a native of this State, served in the civil war, was for fifty-three years justice of the peace, for three years was mayor of the town of Oberlin, and during the past two years has been serving the people in the capacity of postmaster. At his death he was in his eightieth year.

Many friends mourned his loss and extend sincerest sympathies to his bereaved family.

Mr. Chenier was a native of Washington, La., and that of a family composed of Mesdames Jennie Barker, Eves and Miller, there are two that survive him—Mesdames Joseph Haggerty and Hardy. Mr. Chenier returned to Washington in the '70s and formed a co-partnership with G. Carriere in the warehouse business in that town and did a lucrative business. In 1882 he left Washington and went to Oberlin Springs, where he was welcomed and was a founder of that town, known today as the thriving little city of Oberlin.

Manifested and recognized as a stalwart advocate of the race to which he belonged, he has always proclaimed the best interests of his people. Of a genial disposition, he endeared himself to the whole community in which he lived. In the darkest days of reconstruction he was foremost to advocate measures which returned to us our rights. Nothing can be said too much in favor of this old landmark who has devoted his time and attention to the welfare of the general public.

In Opelousas on Jan. 31, 1908, Onezime Carriere, an old landmark, aged 92 years, 3 months and 19 days. Mr. Carriere, though not identified particularly in any commercial pursuit of late, was a highly respected citizen of our city.

Mrs. Joachim Joubert of our city, who died in Jeanerette on Monday last, was buried here on Tuesday. Mrs. Joubert was the mother-in-law of our townsman, J. A. Budd.

At Ida, La., on Friday, Jan. 24, Mrs. H. S. Johns, nee Hope Foster, died, aged 42 years 10 months and 13 days. The deceased was a native of this parish, sister of Dr. Paul Foster and Mrs. J. G. Lawler.

The Crowley Signal says that on Monday two new wells were brought in at the Jennings oil field which increased the proven territory by adding to it a strip 300 feet wide and 800 feet long. The wells were on the west side of the field, one being south and the other west of the Noble lease.

The Jennings-Haywood Oil Syndicate brought in a good well on the tract west of the Noble lease. This is yielding under air about 1,500 barrels of oil. The Terrel well is situated south of the Noble well and is yielding under air about 2,500 barrels a day. The oil in both wells is of good quality.

The bringing in of these two wells will give an additional impetus to development in the Jennings field and a number of new wells will doubtless be started at once.

Judge Boardman, Marshal Duson, Clerk Jackson and District Attorney Esser, of the United States Court, were here for two or three days this week holding a term of court. A petit jury was empaneled

and a number of petty criminal cases disposed of. Most of the offences charged were for selling liquor without a license, many pleading guilty. The usual sentence was 30 days in jail or \$100 fine. A few civil cases were also disposed of.

### COMMUNICATION

Mr. Editor: Can you enlighten your readers on the following point: Is a canvas tent covering a wooden frame a fire-proof structure, and if it is not, why is such a contrivance permitted within the fire limits of the city. Let's have this question settled before we have a serious conflagration. SEVERAL CITIZENS.

Respectfully referred to our City Dads.

### OPIUM DENS

Special service at the Baptist Church tomorrow at 11 a. m. T. M. Thomas, Missionary from China, will tell about the home life, habits, peculiar customs and idol worship of the men, women and children. He will exhibit all kinds of curiosities. We invite you to come.

W. R. Brown,  
Pastor.

The local amateurs who presented the two-act comedy drama, entitled, "Hickory Farm," some two weeks ago, will repeat the play at Plonsky's Opera House, in Washington, next Thursday night at 8 o'clock. There will be music, dancing and refreshments after the performance.

### "WHEN WE WERE FRIENDS"

Probably one of the best attractions that will be seen at the Sandoz Opera House this season will be McCauley & Patton's production of "When We Were Friends" the beautiful comedy drama from the pen of that writer of successes, W. B. Patton, that has been causing so much favorable comment from both press and public all over the country. It is said to be purely American, and contains that essence of refinement and tender heart sentiment that are prevalent in all plays with a successful destiny. William Macauley heads a carefully selected cast, and the costumes, scenery and electric effects are said to be both beautiful and appropriate. Manager Loeb announces the date for Monday, Feb. 3d, and we predict an overflowing attendance.

### Speculation as to Probable Candidate

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capture the other 704 votes in the convention.

It is not surprising that President Roosevelt, who has always been an ardent advocate of tariff reform, should be a little thin-skinned under the allegation of Senators Foraker, Dick, Gallinger and other of the gang who opposed the Railway Rate bill, that he has been using the federal patronage to promote the nomination of Secretary Taft. The President is seriously contemplating issuing a statement describing the circumstances under which he made every appointment which has been sent to the Senate since the political game became interesting. Of course the Senators are "playing politics" as hard as anybody, but the President, while he realizes that, dislikes the allegation just the same.

Democrats throughout the country should not be too much

encouraged by the report sent out from Washington to the effect that Senator Bailey has a financial bill which he will offer as a substitute for the Aldrich bill and that he is seeking to have his measure adopted by the Democratic caucus. The truth is that Mr. Bailey never thought of springing his bill until there had appeared in the Texas press some severe criticism of his course in acquiescing so promptly to the Aldrich measure, and even now he has not even formally introduced his measure, which by the way, is an old one, into the Senate. Mr. Bailey is talking about the bill for political effect in his own state, but it is a safe guess that he has no intention of abandoning his loyalty to Aldrich and his measure. As for a caucus, Bailey was one of those who did most to prevent one, Mr. Teller, of Colorado, ably seconding his efforts.

If any proof were needed to show that in the opinion of the high protectionists any man is a traitor who suggests lowering a tariff schedule, that proof would have been afforded by the Senate this week. The President sent in his message asking that certain administrative changes in the tariff law be made, changes which he and all sincere men who have examined them regard as essential to justice. Immediately there was a furor in the Senate and the arch-stand-patters, men like Heyburn and Gallinger and others, denounced the President in unmeasured terms. They had had the message of the President read in executive session so that their constituents would not find them out in their denunciation of Mr. Roosevelt. Now they have sent the message and the proposed amendment of the tariff law to a committee where it will slumber at least during the remainder of this Congress. The changes the President recommends would not lower a schedule, but merely make for honest and just administration of the law.

Sheriff Kinney Reid of Calcasieu has won out for sheriff in the first primary, getting more votes than his four opponents combined. Sheriff Reid's race was a landslide, and an illustration of his popularity is the fact that he left Lake Charles for but two days during the present campaign, being compelled to attend the numerous trials of the now justly celebrated Reid case. C. M. Richard for assessor also made a grand stand run, finishing way ahead of his opponents. So heavy is his lead that no attempt has been made to keep tab on the vote.

The election in Catahoula parish, La., resulted in a majority in favor of a new parish.

### THE INN,

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### TO OUR PATRONS AND THE PUBLIC

Notice is hereby given that the business hours of the undersigned banks are from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m., and that from and after Feb. 1, 1908, the said hours shall be strictly adhered to.

We trust our friends and patrons will bear with us in the execution of this rule, which has become imperative for the proper conduct of our business.

ST. LANDRY STATE BANK,  
PEOPLES STATE BANK,  
THE OPELOUSAS NATIONAL BANK.  
Jan. 18—1m.

FOR SALE—Two Electric Ceiling Fans, and two Show Cases.  
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G. F. and P. A.  
H. FLANDERS,  
Gen'l Sup't.

### OFFICIAL

#### NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Republication.  
Department of the Interior, Land Office at New Orleans, La., Jan. 7, 1908—Notice is hereby given that David H. Peters of Pine Prairie, La., has filed notice of his intention to make final five year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 24198 made March 5, 1902, for the Lot 1 or Fr. NE 1/4 of NE 1/4 Section 22, Township 3 S., Range 1 W. La. Mer., and that said proof will be made before John Evans, U. S. Commissioner, at Blanche, La., on Feb. 15, 1908.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, the land, viz: Conelious Wiley, Isam West, Abraham Elliott and William Elliott, all of Pine Prairie, La.  
WALTER L. COHEN,  
Jan. 11, 1908. Register.

#### BANKRUPT NOTICE

In the District Court of the United States for the Western District of Louisiana.—In the matter of Scott & Scott—J. J. Scott and G. G. Scott Bankrupts.—In Bankruptcy No. 458.—The creditors of Scott & Scott, of Morrow in the parish of St. Landry and District aforesaid, Bankrupts. Notice is hereby given that on the 18th day of January, A. D. 1908, the said Scott & Scott were adjudicated Bankrupt, and that the first meeting of their creditors will be held at the office of the U. S. Building, in Opelousas, on the 4th day of February A. D. 1908, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the Bankrupts, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

THOS. T. TAYLOR  
Jan. 25, 1908.—2t. Referee.

#### PUBLIC SALE

ESTATE OF ALVA S. BLAKE,  
No. 6269.  
Probate Docket, District Court, Parish of St. Landry.

By virtue of an order of the Honorable Sixteenth Judicial District Court of the State of Louisiana, in and for the Parish of St. Landry, there will be sold at public auction to the last and highest bidder, by the undersigned Administrator or any duly qualified auctioneer, at the last residence of deceased, in the town of Melville, La., on  
Tuesday, Feb. 25, 1908,  
at 11 o'clock a. m., the following described property, to-wit:  
1st. One-half acre and improvements in the town of Melville, bounded on the south by First street, east by Long, north by Mathias, and west by Jones street.  
2d. Lots 5 and 6 in Block 2, town of Melville.  
3d. Lots 2 and 3 in Block No. 3, with improvements, in town of Melville.  
Terms—Cash.  
ISAAC JEFFERS,  
Administrator  
Jan. 18, 1908.

#### TRUSTEE'S SALE

In the District Court of the United States for the Western District of Louisiana.  
IN THE MATTER OF SCOTT O. ANDRUS, BANKRUPT.—In Bankruptcy, No. 445  
By virtue of an order of the Hon. the District Court of the United States for the Western District of Louisiana, granted by Hon. T. T. Taylor, Referee, in the above entitled and numbered cause, and to me directed, I, the undersigned, Trustee of the said estate in bankruptcy, will offer for sale, for cash, at public auction, to the last and highest bidder (subject to the approval of the court, and free of lien, at the front door of the Court-house of the United States, in Opelousas, La., on  
Wednesday, Feb. 12, 1908,  
at 11 o'clock a. m., the following described property, to-wit:  
One mule and one don m<sup>rs</sup>.  
G. I. O. T. EDWARDS,  
Trustee.  
Feb. 1, 1908.

#### NOTICE

LAND OFFICE AT NEW ORLEANS, LA.,  
Dec. 21, 1907.  
Notice is hereby given that Louis Andrus of Ville Platte, Louisiana, has filed notice of his intention to make final five-year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead Entry No. 24741, made July 16, 1902, for the N E 1/4 section thirty, T 3 S, R 2 E, La. Mer., and that said proof will be made before Clerk of Court at Opelousas, La., February 13, 1908.  
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz:  
Joseph Vidrine, Lucius Ortez, Joseph Landreane, Artoen Brunet, all of Ville Platte, Louisiana.  
WALTER L. COHEN,  
Register.  
Dec. 28, 1907.

#### Samuel M. Peters

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Simple and Fancy Groceries  
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STOCK FRESH AND SELECT AND PRICES LOW  
Country Produce Bought and Sold  
Give me a call. Phone 181.

#### RAILROAD TIME TABLE

Southern Pacific  
Train No. 706—East, arrives at 9:41 a. m. Mail closes at 9:10.  
Train No. 705—West, arrives at 12:10 p. m. Mail closes at 11:40.  
O., G. & N. E.  
Train No. 2—East, arrives 9:25 a. m.  
Train No. 1—West, arrives 4:30 p. m.  
Frisco  
Train No. 3—West, leaves 7:55 a. m.  
Train No. 4—East, arrives 6:30 p. m.  
For Sale—Two lots in Boagni subdivision. Apply at this office.  
Mr. A. B. Picrett has several small farms for sale near Opelousas. Terms easy.

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David Rots, President  
J. J. Perrodin, Cashier

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of Opelousas, La.

BEGAN BUSINESS SEPTEMBER 9th, 1895.

GROWTH:

	Surplus and Undivided profits	Deposits
March 31, 1896	\$ 5,518.02	\$56,300.00
March 30, 1901	17,383.02	141,220.00
March 29, 1906	41,300.22	274,245.00
March 16, 1907	53,625.01	395,300.00

Capital, paid in..... \$16,300.00  
Surplus and undivided profits..... \$53,625.01  
Amount paid in Dividends..... \$28,525.00

ACCOUNTS AND COLLECTIONS SOLICITED

## The Opelousas National Bank

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