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There are now in course of construction a fine high school building, an ice factory and various other mercantile establishments and residences; and a bank is being organized.

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## AROUND THE STATE.

Items of Interest Culled From the Louisiana Press.

Postoffice at Converse Looted by Burglars. Idle Negroes Not Wanted in Waterproof—North Louisiana Strawberries Selling at Good Prices—Fire at Abbeville.

The postoffice at Converse, Sabine parish, was looted by burglars. A ladies' auxiliary to the citizens' league was organized at Covington.

A Kaplan, of Crowley, purchased a 547-acre rice plantation near Estherwood.

Fire at New Iberia destroyed three buildings and damaged a fourth, inflicting a loss of \$2250.

Negroes in considerable numbers are migrating from Sabine parish to the new state of Oklahoma.

Citizens of Homer held a mass-meeting and formulated plans to secure a municipal waterworks system.

The fifteenth annual convention of the Louisiana Woman's Home Mission Society was held at Lafayette.

The corner-stone of a new \$60,000 public school building was laid at Shreveport with imposing ceremonies.

Four violators of the West Carroll parish prohibition law were each fined \$200 and costs in the district court at Floyd.

Louisa Black, postmaster at Fred, East Baton Rouge parish, was arrested on a charge of violating the anti-slot machine law.

The grand jury of Ouachita parish adjourned without making a report in connection with the recent lynching of two negroes at Monroe.

The Cotton Belt Railroad's new bridge across Red river at Shreveport, constructed at a cost of \$75,000, was formally opened to traffic.

Strawberry farmers in the vicinity of Arcadia are receiving forty cents per quart for their berries, which is the highest price paid in years.

Bids for the construction of a new Methodist church to replace the one recently destroyed by fire will be opened at New Iberia on April 2.

A committee composed of prominent citizens of Waterproof notified idle negroes of both sexes that they must either go to work or leave the town.

George R. Sutton, of Arcadia, was appointed to assist in locating and establishing experimental farms in the boll weevil district of north Louisiana.

The Catholic church at Abbeville was burned to the ground Friday night of last week. It is estimated that the net loss will approximate \$15,000.

The five-year-old son of David Maricelli, of Campit, accidentally shot and killed the three-year-old son of George Gillan while playing with a loaded revolver.

The police juries of the various parishes of Louisiana will be asked to appropriate funds to aid the state and federal officials in carrying on the crusade against the cattle tick.

Fearing an invasion of smallpox, the school board of Calcasieu parish adopted a resolution requiring every pupil in the public schools to be vaccinated, under penalty of expulsion.

H. C. Morris, a white journeyman painter charged with larceny, and Ike Stewart, a negro accused of murder, escaped from jail at Tallulah by digging their way through a brick wall.

A complete line of Peerless Patterns has just been received at Lemann's. Prices, 5, 10 and 15 cents.

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## NEW ORLEANS LETTER.

Sanctity of Holy Week Shadows Delightful City with its Sweet Solemnity—Revival Services at Baptist Churches—Some Opinions of John Drew.

New Orleans, La., Mar. 27, 1907.  
Staff Correspondence of The Chief.

The sanctity of holy week is upon us. This final epoch of lenten sobriety shadows our busy town with its sweet solemnity, and throughout the hours of the soft spring days church-goers through the streets and an atmosphere of sacredness and gentle religious pervades the senses like the subtle fragrance of a flower. There is much peace and calm in this season of prayer and penance which we call lent, and to my mind there has always been something more than beautiful in the way that Roman Catholics, during the closing week of the forty-day period, figuratively live out in thought and spirit and form the actual life and crucifixion of the Redeemer of the world. I love to see the little children churchward-bound, grave-eyed and earnest, with their small hands clasped about diminutive prayer books or tiny rosaries twined around their chubby fingers. There is something infinitely appealing to even the most advanced thinker in the manifestation of so much simple faith and tender religion, and I think the practice of having little white-robed, white-veiled maidens precede the priest in the triumphal march down the church aisles on Holy Thursday is one of the sweetest and most inspiring customs of the Catholic church. And again, the cherubic-looking laddies bearing lighted candles, who follow in their snowy cassocks... It is the exquisite purity of the thing that grips you like a vise and causes your eyes to blur and humbles your spirit to the dust. Easter is knocking at our door—at the door of our hearts and our consciences. Let us open and bid the spirit of its blessedness enter that our souls may rise to the realization of greater glories and holier aspirations!

Revival services were held in the local Baptist churches during the past week.

A movement is on foot to secure a decrease in the fare charged public school children on the street cars throughout the city.

T. W. Holloman was elected president of the Louisiana Sunday School Association at the closing session of that organization on Thursday night of last week.

George Wharton James, associate editor of the Arena and a noted author, lecturer and preacher, is in New Orleans making a special study of local conditions for a series of articles he is to write for his magazine.

John Drew was in town last week. They tell me that John is fearfully conceited. "So confoundedly stuck on himself, by Jove!" as one man put it; "The most self-opinionated ass on the stage—next to Mansfield," according to another, and "A matinee idol, and he knows it!"—this from a third. But to my way of thinking John Drew is a dear, pure and simple, not in the least conceited; and, anyway, with a perfect right to be. Which last remark may be paradoxical and illogical, but nevertheless eminently true. He has such a perfectly delicious and natural way about him, and his support is always distinguished by its excellence—the evidence of a good actor's willingness to share his laurels. Wait, I didn't mean to say his entire support is distinguished by its excellence—I meant to bar his leading woman, Margaret Dale was Mr. Drew's first wife. In this respect, (really, I never saw what that young woman had beyond her beauty to commend her to the histrionic world), and Margaret Illington—John seems to be long on the "Margarets"—is the present incumbent, a mild, very mild, improvement on Margaret the first. Both these ladies seem to find a difficulty in extricating their voices from their respective throats; Miss Illington struggles valiantly with hers only to have it perish finally and hopelessly in her accent. And Miss Illington's walk—shades of grace! but the lady walks across the stage with a movement resembling the convolutions of a baby seal. (I understand that in private life Miss Illington is Mrs. Daniel Frohman and that next year she will be stilling in a company of her own. "His House in Order," in which Mr. Drew starred at the Tulane last week, is a typical English play, novel in plot and exceptionally original in development, and affords this accomplished actor an opportunity to appear to wonderful advantage.

A peep at Miss Dale's newest headgear affords convincing evidence that spring is indeed upon us. It is a vision of flowers and airy loveliness, and is enough to turn a less favored sister green with envy, and the husband, father or brother who pays the bill, pale with apprehension. In the spring the young man's fancy may lightly turn to thoughts of love, but sure as shooting a woman's turns to millinery, and who shall say which subject is the more absorbing?

E. B.

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## THE WORLD'S NEWS.

Clear-Sighted Employee Replies to Times-Democrat's Criticism of Chief Engineer Stevens, and Tells of the Work Accomplished by that Capable Official!

In its issue of Wednesday, March 27, the New Orleans Times-Democrat publishes the following interesting and opportune communication:

To the Editor of The Times-Democrat:

In your issue of March 27, I find an editorial headed "The Three Diablos," who are later specified in the body of the article as Messrs. Wallace, Shonts and Stevens.

Having been for almost twenty years a reader of your paper, and in addition being a southern man, whose every sympathy is with New Orleans in her efforts to gain business, I nevertheless feel that you are unjust to at least one of these gentlemen.

Believing yourself justified (by the fact that your people have failed to secure the privileges in steamer service they sought) in criticizing Mr. Stevens harshly, you have characterized his resignation as being like that of Mr. Wallace, when as a matter of fact it is utterly different.

When Mr. Wallace tendered his resignation he had not even started to organize a working force, practically nothing that was of any great size had been done, the health conditions were such as to leave it open to discussion whether or not they were primarily the cause of his leaving, and whether or not the president and Mr. Taff were justified in their view that it was virtually a desertion under fire, the facts seem to indicate that they had good ground for this belief.

With Mr. Shonts, the resignation of whose position seems to have been satisfactory to the president, the secretary of war and others in authority, the press has been, until your article, very lenient. That there is justice in your criticism of him I neither admit nor discuss, as I believe he will either not notice it or answer it fully himself.

As to Mr. Stevens, the conditions are entirely different. Having been employed to go to the Philippines for the United States government as chief engineer, he was, as an emergency measure, switched off to the Panama canal to fill a similar position, and, like any other local employee, he came, regardless of the fact that at that time every American who came here felt that he was taking his life in his hand. Since his arrival on the isthmus, by means of his management and effective co-operation with the other department heads, and last but not least, his recognition and encouragement of the ability of his subordinates, he has placed the canal work in the position of "a going concern," not completely equipped as yet, it is true, but, save in articles of machinery necessary to start some phases of the work not yet touched, practically organized and equipped.

He leaves the work, when he does leave it, in such a condition that unless there should be a wholesale resignation of the subordinates of higher rank, practically any man of good administrative ability could take hold of it and finish it.

The lock and dam part of the work is under the charge and direction of Mr. Ripley, who, as everyone knows, Continued on Fourth Page.

Flashes of the Telegraph Wires From Near and Far.

Anti-Jewish Disturbances in Roumania Spreading Rapidly—Railroads Planning to Fight Reduced Fare Legislation—Whip Woman Killed by Moonshiners.

The anti-Jewish disturbances in Roumania are spreading rapidly. The Bank of France advanced its discount rate from 3 to 3 1/2 per cent. The first parliament of the Transvaal colony was formally opened at Pretoria.

The anti-American boycott in China has been suppressed by the imperial government. A bill making horse racing a misdemeanor was introduced in the Arkansas senate.

The captain of the steamship Olympia was arrested at Vera Cruz on a charge of filibustering. The machine shops of the Pensacola navy yard were destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of \$175,000.

Abnormally high temperatures prevailed throughout the United States during the past fortnight. The first national arbitration and peace congress ever held in this country will convene at New York on April 15.

It is feared that there will be a general uprising of peasants in the famine-stricken districts of China unless prompt relief is provided. The railroads west of the Mississippi and south of the Ohio rivers have entered into an agreement to fight all two-cent fare legislation.

Fire at Spartanburg, S. C., destroyed sixty-one houses and rendered 325 persons homeless. The property loss is estimated at \$75,000. A mob of moonshiners near Charity, Va., shot and killed Annie Hall, a white woman suspected of being a spy, and seriously wounded her sister.

A monument in honor of the Spaniards who fell in Cuba and in the Philippines during the Spanish-American war is being erected at Madrid. Nine hundred veterans in the national soldiers' home at Leavenworth, Kansas, were prostrated by ptomaine poisoning as the result of eating beef hash.

Testimony to the effect that the Russian revolutionary league hired men to assassinate government officials was introduced in a murder trial at St. Petersburg.

Cleveland Harding, a negro who attempted to assault Mrs. Ben. F. Rice near Florence, Ala., was shot to death by a mob of infuriated citizens, headed by Mrs. Rice's husband.

Horace George Rayner, who on Jan. 24 shot and killed William Whitley, proprietor of one of the largest department stores in the city of London, was tried, convicted and sentenced to death.

County Attorney J. D. McLean was instantly killed and Deputy Sheriff H. F. Scott fatally wounded by William Thompson, a notorious gambler of Fort Worth, Texas. While resisting arrest Thompson received injuries from the effects of which he died shortly afterwards.