

THE DUPATY HOUSE

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SATURDAY, APRIL 21, 1917.

Don't miss seeing "Civilization."

Abe H. Bloomenstiel made a business trip to New Orleans Thursday.

Dr. Sidney Vega visited New Orleans Thursday on business.

Dancing at Ascension Hall tomorrow afternoon, beginning at 4 o'clock.

"Civilization" shows why America should prepare for war. Gem Theatre, April 27 and 28.

Dr. A. W. Martin made a business trip to Baton Rouge last Sunday, returning Monday morning.

The prettiest little Red Cross nurses ever seen will appear at the Grand Theatre soon. Watch for the date.

Miss Hearn, of New Orleans, is spending some time at Egan Hall as the welcome guest of Mrs. Egan J. McCall.

U-boats and submarines are seen at your very doors in "Civilization." See this picture at the Gem Theatre April 27 and 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Williams left this morning for a visit to relatives at Lafourche Crossing and will return tomorrow afternoon.

Miss Bernice Weill, of White Castle, is in town for several days this week as the attractive guest of her sister, Mrs. M. F. Bloomenstiel.

Joseph Gonzales and Germain T. Gassans, prominent seventh warders, were business visitors to the parish seat during the early part of the week.

Judge Paul Leche attended a meeting of the national board of directors of the Knights of Columbus held this week in Washington, D. C. He is a member of the board.

Prof. Dennis Bertrand left this morning for Fort Sam Houston, Tex., near San Antonio, where he will stand an examination for appointment as a second lieutenant in the United States army.

Mrs. G. C. Richard returned the early part of the week from a delightful visit to her winsome young daughter, Miss Gertrude Richard, who is a student at the State Normal School in Natchitoches.

Dr. E. K. Sims has purchased a 1918-model Chandler automobile of the clover-leaf type. As regards appearance and appointments the car is one of the finest and best-looking of the many high-class machines owned in this locality.

The guards recently stationed along the line of the Texas & Pacific Railroad were taken off last Sunday, but many of them were replaced later in the week, being posted at the more important and vulnerable points, such as bridges, log trestles, coal chutes, etc.

Judge Thomas M. Milling, of the Board of State Affairs, will address a special meeting of the Ascension parish police jury to be held here Tuesday, May 8, for the purpose of explaining the plans of the board in connection with matters of assessment and taxation.

Miss Dora Kaffie was the hostess of a very enjoyable luncheon Tuesday afternoon, when she entertained in honor of Miss Bernice Weill, of White Castle, other guests present being: Mesdames Walter Lemann, Abe H. Bloomenstiel and Mose F. Bloomenstiel.

Lee Fortier and Adam LeBlanc went to New Orleans this week and enlisted in the regimental band of the First Louisiana Infantry, the former as a slide trombonist and Mr. LeBlanc as a clarinet player. Both young men were accepted and mustered in at once.

Mrs. R. H. Prosser returned Wednesday last from a delightful visit to New Orleans, where she was the guest of Mrs. T. H. Wilkinson. During Mrs. Prosser's absence her daughter, Mrs. Louise P. Ball, and the latter's little son, Hynton, were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. E. K. Sims.

After undergoing a successful operation for appendicitis at the Touro Infirmary in New Orleans, Joe Eris returned home on the 12th inst., and yesterday resumed his position behind the bar of the Opera Cafe. Mr. Eris is being warmly congratulated upon his fortunate recovery by his many friends.

Dr. Jaffray Vega, of Dayton, Ohio, who arrived here last week for a visit to his old home town, left Monday morning for Opelousas, where he will spend a while with relatives. He will come back to Donaldsonville for a brief stay before returning to Dayton to resume his post in the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.

The United States torpedo boat destroyers McDonogh and Worden passed Donaldsonville Sunday forenoon on a recruiting trip up the river, and were given a noisy greeting by the boats in the local harbor, which they acknowledged by dipping their flags and firing rockets. One of the little vessels returned to New Orleans later in the week.

A. W. Brande, one of the genial co-proprietors of the Opera Cafe, left Monday morning for Hot Springs, Ark., where he will spend several weeks in the hope of obtaining relief from a rheumatic complaint with which he has suffered for some time. Mr. Brande's many friends trust his health will be benefited by the trip, and will look forward to his early return home.

Bruner Lowrey, the six-year-old son of Rev. and Mrs. P. O. Lowrey, is convalescing from a light attack of diphtheria, much to the gratification of the many friends of the family. The disease was of a very mild type, and the quarantine placed on the Lowrey domicile by the health authorities will be lifted tomorrow.

J. Martin Love, manager of the Singer Sewing Machine Company's local office, has been transferred to Alexandria, and left for that place last week, accompanied by his wife. He is succeeded here by John B. Martin, formerly connected with the Donaldsonville office, and subsequently in charge of the office at Monroe. Mr. Martin recently returned to Donaldsonville to reside.

Wilbert Reiger came up from New Orleans recently for a brief visit to his mother, Mrs. Frank Reiger. The many Donaldsonville friends of this worthy young man will be pleased to learn that he was recently promoted to the position of private secretary to the manager of the Fairbanks-Morse Company's New Orleans agency, with which concern Mr. Reiger has been connected for several years.

Louis Dinino has bought the residence property in Faubourg la Pipe owned by the heirs of the late Albert Esneault, together with a lot of ground in Mississippi street opposite the Lemann addition belonging to the same estate. The purchase price was \$1200. Mr. Dinino, who now resides in Donaldsonville, will remove to the Faubourg la Pipe suburb and engage in the raising of poultry on an extensive scale.

Tom Chapman, efficient office manager for Joseph T. Cafero, went to New Orleans last Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Cafero, both of whom are under treatment in the Hotel Dieu. He found them both very much better, a piece of good news which the Chief takes pleasure in passing on to their multitude of friends hereabout. Mr. Cafero will have to stay in bed several weeks longer, but he is in good spirits and his recovery now seems assured. His brother, Charles Cafero, of New York city, is with him today.

Constipation and Indigestion. These are twin evils. Persons suffering from indigestion are often troubled with constipation. Mrs. Robert Allison, Mattoon, Ill., writes that when she first moved to Mattoon she was a great sufferer from indigestion and constipation. Food distressed her and there was a feeling like a heavy weight pressing on her stomach and chest. She did not rest well at night, and felt worn out a good part of the time. One bottle of Chamberlain's Tablets corrected this trouble so that she has since felt like a different person.

New Yorker Here on Visit. Charles Cafero, of New York city, paid a brief visit to Donaldsonville at the beginning of the week, and while here complimented the Chief with a pleasant call. Mr. Cafero has been a subscriber to this paper for many years, and it gave us a great deal of pleasure to meet him personally. He is engaged in the grocery business in the national metropolis, his store being located at No. 2295 Broadway. Mr. Cafero came to Louisiana to visit his brother, Joseph T. Cafero, one of Donaldsonville's most substantial and respected citizens, who is presently under treatment at the Hotel Dieu in New Orleans.

INDICTED FOR MURDER.

Special Term Court Ordered for May 14 to Try Mistretta.

Bernard Mistretta, prominent Italian store-keeper of this city, and his 15-year-old son, Gaetano Mistretta, who shot and killed Joe Spampinato near the Mistretta store in Charles street Friday forenoon of last week, were indicted for murder Thursday by the grand jury of Ascension parish.

About fifteen witnesses were brought before the judicial body, most of them being actual eye-witnesses of the sensational tragedy. Judge Philip Gilbert, upon receiving the jury's report, ordered that a special session of district court be convened Monday, May 14, to try the accused, and directed that the jury commission meet at once to draw a venire from which a jury of twelve will be impanelled to weigh the evidence.

The meeting of the grand jury to investigate the case was responsive to an order issued by Judge Gilbert. In his charge to the jury the judge pointed out that the Spampinato killing was the second Italian murder committed in this city within the short period of five months. With reference to the former tragedy, said the judge, the course of justice has been hampered by the fact that important witnesses have left the community. It was with a view of preventing a repetition of this experience in the present case that he called the grand jury together to investigate the killing while all the witnesses are on hand and prepared to testify, and while the facts of the tragedy are fresh in their minds. He added that the machinery of the law would move with all possible celerity to determine the guilt or innocence of the accused.

George Cullotta, of New Orleans, Caleb C. Weber, of Donaldsonville, and Charles T. Wortham, of Napoleonville, have been retained to defend the Mistrettas. The prosecution will be directed by District Attorney George Seth Guion.

Called to the Colors. Otto Mestayer, assistant principal of the Donaldsonville High School, and a private of Company H, Louisiana National Guard, was notified to join his company by Col. Stubbs, commanding the First Louisiana Infantry Regiment, and left for New Orleans Sunday afternoon to report. Mr. Mestayer had been here on furlough since the mobilization of the guard, leave of absence having been obtained for him in order that he might continue his work in the high school, and particularly the training of the cadet military company organized this session. Prof. Dennis Bertrand, principal of the Brusly Sacramento school, is replacing Mr. Mestayer in the latter capacity, and assumed charge of the company Tuesday afternoon.

Fair at Elise School Tomorrow. The public is invited to the fair to be given tomorrow at the Elise Memorial School in the first ward, for the purpose of raising funds with which to install sanitary drinking fountains and make other needed improvements in and about the school building. Extensive preparations for the event have been made by the committee in charge, and numerous attractions arranged that will be sure to afford pleasure to all who attend. The fair will open at 1 p. m., and there will be dancing at night, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. The patronage of the public is earnestly solicited.

High School Notes of Interest.

By R. S. VICKERS, Principal

Since the departure of Mr. Mestayer to join his regiment, the high school cadets have been drilled by Principal Dennis Bertrand of the Sacramento school. On Monday, however, Principal R. S. Vickers will take active command and drill the company at the regular hour every afternoon.

Preparations are now being made for the hike which will be taken by the company to the parish rally at Dutchtown next Saturday, April 28. The cadets will leave Donaldsonville early Friday morning, the day before the rally, in charge of Mr. Vickers, and will make the march a Dutchtown and return to Donaldsonville that night either by train or at some favorable spot this side. They will go in comparatively light marching order, but will carry all supplies necessary for two days and one night in the open. If possible, blank cartridges will be procured in time for the cadets to give an exhibition of a sham battle at the rally, in addition to the regular exhibition drill.

A two-hundred yard range will be measured off the week following the rally, and regular target practice commenced immediately. Target practice as well as drill will be continued during the summer months for all pupils who desire.

The vacant lot diagonally across from the X-Ray Pharmacy has been replowed and a model school garden started by planting seeds of various kinds under the expert direction of Charles Pizzolatto, the well-known truck gardener. It will be cultivated by the pupils of the high school under the co-operative plan. A canning club will be organized later.

The principal has written a letter to the physicians and dentists of Donaldsonville asking their assistance and co-operation in making a physical examination of all the pupils of the school before the end of the session. If he receives a favorable reply, blanks will be printed and triplicates retained by the school, one to be retained by the parent, and the third by the doctor. It is hoped that by thus calling the attention of the parents to the ailments and physical defects of the children, which in most cases result in unsatisfactory work and retardation of the pupils in their studies, means will be found to secure the necessary treatment and cure.

A lecture is being prepared by the principal on the subject of "It pays to stay in school," in which he attempts to prove by reliable statistics that the earning capacity of every boy and girl is surely and substantially increased for every year the pupil remains in school. This lecture will be delivered before the entire school in about two weeks, and every parent, as well as other interested persons, will be invited to attend.

The calisthenics class, composed of all the grades in the high school department, was photographed during the regular daily drill on Thursday. The prints will be sent to State Superintendent T. H. Harris for reproduction in his publications as well as on his lantern slides. Mr. Harris thus utilized the photograph of the cadet corps. He flashed on the screen one of the views of our cadets during the teachers' conference in Alexandria last week, much to the edification of all those assembled in the big opera house, and is using the same slide with great effect throughout other parts of the state. First class publicity for this school and Donaldsonville, according to our notion.

A fine opportunity for getting acquainted with the people of east Ascension is offered Donaldsonville citizens by the parish rally which will be held at Dutchtown, Saturday, April 28. Although refreshments may be purchased on the grounds, it can be made the occasion of delightful picnic parties, and a most enjoyable outing spent with friends. The roads are in good condition, and your automobile will take you there in less than one hour. Let's go!

Savoia-Mistretta. A notable event in local Italian circles was the marriage of Carmelo Savoia, stalwart young son of Bruno Savoia, to Miss Cosmina Mistretta, the pretty and accomplished daughter of Mrs. Frank Mistretta, which was solemnized at the home of the bride's mother in St. Patrick street at 3 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Rev. Father C. M. Chambon officiating. The bride was attended by Misses Lena Pizzolatto and Rosa Mistretta, and Messrs. Joe Mistretta and Joe Giambone were groomsmen. A large assemblage of relatives and friends witnessed the pretty ceremony, which was followed by an informal reception to the newly-wedded pair. At night they were guests of honor at a grand ball at the Mistretta home. Both Mr. Savoia and his bride are members of prominent families of the local Italian colony, and have a wide circle of friends who wish them happiness and prosperity. They will reside here, the groom being associated with his father in the mercantile business.

Church Notice. "Christ Man's Mediator and Advocate" will be the theme of the pastor's sermon at the Methodist church Sunday morning, and "Jesus Anointed at Bethany" will be the subject of the Sunday school lesson. Seats are free and the public is invited to attend the services. P. O. LOWREY, Pastor.

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PROCLAMATION OF ELECTION. United States of America—State of Louisiana—Parish of Ascension—City of Donaldsonville.

ACTING by virtue of the authority vested in me and in accordance with the provisions of the charter of the city of Donaldsonville, as amended by the general laws of the state, I, Walter Lemann, Mayor and Commissioner of Public Health and Safety in and for the city of Donaldsonville, do hereby call a general election to be held in the city of Donaldsonville on SATURDAY, MAY 19, 1917.

Mayor and Commissioner of Public Health Attest: A. J. MELANCON, Clerk.

BANKRUPTCY NOTICE. In the District Court of the United States—For the Eastern District of Louisiana—Baton Rouge, Division. In the Matter of Joseph Bacala, Bankrupt—No. 308 in Bankruptcy. To the Creditors of Said Bankrupt: You are hereby notified that the above party, of Donaldsonville, Louisiana, was, on April 7, 1917, adjudged a bankrupt in the district court of the United States, for the eastern district of Louisiana; and that the first meeting of the creditors of the said bankrupt will be held before the undersigned referee, at his office, Room 226, New Raymond Building, in the city of Baton Rouge, La., on April 30, 1917, at 12 o'clock m., whereat said creditors shall elect a trustee and fix the amount of his bond; shall determine in what manner and at what time the property of the bankrupt's estate shall be sold, and shall do such other things as may be necessary for the promotion and the best interest of said estate, and shall transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting. BENJ. H. TAYLOR, Referee. Baton Rouge, La., April 19, 1917.

NOTICE. To Non-Residents Whose Postoffice Addresses are Hereby Notified that your state and parish taxes on immovable property for the year 1916 are now due, unpaid and delinquent. If not paid in twenty days, I will proceed to seize and sell property to satisfy same and costs, as required by law. Said non-residents, together with property and taxes assessed to them, are as follows: Tom Pollard, vac. lot 10, square 193, St. Elmo, assessment \$59, taxes \$11.7. H. E. Thompson, imp. lot 1, square 70, G. Town, assessment \$70, taxes \$22.8. Edw. Moore Allen, 163.52 acres imp. n. w. 1/4, sec. 8, t. 9, r. 2, assessment \$980, taxes \$27.27. To the above amounts add interest at the rate of ten per cent per annum from Jan. 1, 1917, until paid, and costs of this notice. E. G. HANSON, Sheriff and Tax Collector. Parish of Ascension, La., April 14, 1917.

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