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"Roses Bloom For Lovers"

"Honey Moon"

Roses Bloom For Lovers.
(From the Operetta "The Rose Maid")

Lyric by Robert B. Smith
Music by Bruno Granichstaedten

Valse lento

Ros - sa bloom for lov - ers 'Neath a sky of blue,
In each pet - al hov - ers Hon - ey - dew with dew.

When Two Little Hearts Beat Together.
(From the Operetta "The Rose Maid")

Lyric by Robert B. Smith
Both: Andante.
Music by Bruno Granichstaedten

When two lit - tle hearts will beat to - geth - er, Then it is fair
weath - er. When two lit - tle heads a - gree to love al - way, 'Tis

Some of the Song Hits
In the Tuneful Opera

Sweethearts, Wives and Good Fellows.
(From the Operetta "The Rose Maid")

Lyric by Robert B. Smith
Both: Valse lente.
Music by Bruno Granichstaedten

Sweet-heart and wife and good fel - lows, True as the a - zure a - bows,
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MAYOR BEHRMAN RESENTS ATTACK

New Orleans, La., Feb. 5, 1914.
Hon. Louis Lacoste,
Sheriff, Lafayette, La.
Lafayette Parish.

Copy of Daily Press of Feb. 3
mailed me containing scurrilous at-
tack upon me composed of a tissue
of willful falsehoods upon the charge
of having been upon Edison Electric
Co.'s payroll, made against me dur-
ing my first campaign for mayor, I
was tried by the highest tribunal un-
der a Republican form of Government
—the sovereign people. It resulted in
my being elected by them and twice
since. As to my position upon the
Orleans Kenner Interurban Line, my
course has been open and above
board, guided solely by my desire to
secure what shall redound to the
greatest benefit of New Orleans. I
have no apprehension about the re-
sults of my policy on that subject in

the minds of all disinterested and
fair-minded people. The charge of
my banqueting the election crooks
who served a term in the Sommer-
ville election is as false as it is in-
famous. My position in that matter
was made public at that time. I de-
clared that the convicted election of-
ficers ought to have been committed
to an asylum for the demented. I
have always not only discounten-
anced but denounced any act to ob-
struct the free expression of voters
at the polls. The charge that New
Orleans is governed by the most
crooked and internally rotten polit-
ical monopoly that the city has ever
seen is a slander upon the city that
I am sure even political opponents of
the administration would resent.
Newspapers that opposed this admin-
istration have commended the great
improvement in conditions which has
marked the first year's adminis-
tration under a Commission Form of
Government. I have no desire to ob-
trude my views of the benefits of
Commission Form of Government up-
on the people of Lafayette as that is an
issue which they must settle for
themselves. I do not know what the
inspiration was from which the scur-
rilous article in The Daily Press was
written. The writer of that article
has challenged the institution of
criminal proceedings if his charges
are false. As mayor of a city of the
size of New Orleans it would be im-
possible for me to desert my post
here to go to another parish for an
indefinite period, but if this boast-
ful slanderer will waive the point of
jurisdiction and consent to having
proceedings, which must result in his
being committed to a felons cell for
criminal libel, instituted in the courts
of the Parish of Orleans, no time
shall be lost in according him the op-
portunity to come forward to prove
his malicious and groundless charges.
I would request you to have this
telegram given the widest publicity
and to draw upon me for whatever
expense you may be subjected to in
publishing it.

MARTIN BEHRMAN.

GOV. SANDERS ON COMMISSION PLAN

The following taken from the mes-
sage of Gov. J. Y. Sanders to the leg-
islature, session of 1912:

... Two years ago legislation
was passed authorizing certain cities
in Louisiana to judge for themselves
the merits of what may be termed the
commission form of government.
General opinion seems to coincide in
the conclusion that the experiment
as thus far tried in Shreveport has
justified itself, and the time would
now seem ripe when the legislature
might well authorize all the munici-
palities within the bounds of the
State to decide for themselves upon
this question.

It is well in this connection that
the citizens of the municipalities
should realize that clear and business-
like government is not to be found
in systems, but in the character of
the man elected. All that the com-
mission form of government can do
is to centralize authority and fix re-
sponsibility. THEREBY IN ALL
PROBABILITY INCREASING THE
EFFICIENCY of public service and
ENABLING the electorate to DIS-
CRIMINATE between the efficient
and the INEFFICIENT public ser-
vant."

Note: Caps ours.

Some opponents will likely point
out in the above views of Gov. San-
ders that he dwells upon the fact
that to secure the best results under
the commission form of government
men of proper character must be
elected to office. This is true, and
there is no doubt that in Lafayette,
as elsewhere there will be found a
generous supply of good and capable
men willing and anxious to earn the
salaries attached to the various of-
fices to be filled—men who will do
the work of the public so well under
the stimulating effect of the "recall"
that they will make a brilliant record
as public officers to the end that their

employers, the people who pay them
their salaries, will be satisfied to re-
tain them in the public service as
long as their behavior continues to be
good.

BIG MEETING FAVORS COMMISSION PLAN

Strong Addresses by Clerk of Court
St. Julien, Judge Campbell and
Mayor Martin.

PLAN A SUCCESS IN NEW IBERIA
SAYS EX-MAYOR DUPUIS.

Atty. Bell, of Lake Charles, Presents
Convincing Arguments for Adop-
tion of New Government.

A big crowd attended the meeting
in favor of commission government
Friday night; every seat in the court
house was filled and the open space
in the back crowded with those
standing. It was a larger crowd than
at the anti-meeting Wednesday night,
and fully-nine tenths of those present
were for commission government.
Also about forty ladies were present
and the Lafayette Concert Band fur-
nished music.

F. G. Mouton called the meeting to
order, Clerk of Court J. G. St. Julien
was made chairman and Atty. J. J.
Fournet secretary.

Mr. St. Julien began by giving a his-
tory of commission government. Its
discovery was made in the District of
Columbia and Galveston adopted it
after the terrible storm had destroy-
ed the city. Des Moines seized upon
the idea and improved it and from
1901 to 1910 eighty cities had adopt-
ed the plan. From 1910 to 1911, one
year, as many cities had adopted the
plan as in the previous ten years.
Commission government divided
the city administration into depart-
ments, making responsible heads. He
meant no reflection upon the present
officers. He then went on to explain
how for lack of properly setting a fire

plug near his home he had not con-
nected with the water works, waiting
for it to be reset; also for lack of
wire he had not had lights—both of
these cases depriving the city of rev-
enue. As to charges that the commis-
sion plan centralized power, he chal-
lenged the anti-speakers to disprove
the fact that the town charter provid-
ed for the appointment of all officers
by the council. He closed by stating
that he had received from John R.
Hunter, of Alexandria in answer to
his inquiry, the statement that the
people of Alexandria were highly sat-
isfied with commission government
and would not return to the old sys-
tem.

Judge Wm. Campbell was then call-
ed on. He stated he did not expect
to be called on, but whenever he was
called on, he was always there, John-
ny on the spot. He considered the
proposition simply a business one.

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wears the old style two
piece bifocal, instead he
wears the

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