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PROCEEDINGS

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MOSS POINT HAPPENINGS

Neway Items From Our Sister City, Gleaned by the Chronicle Correspondent.

Miss Alice Prime of St. Louis is a guest of Mrs. W. L. Sheppardson.

Mrs. J. C. Montgomery spent the fore part of the week in Mobile, Mr. Montgomery accompanying her home for a week-end visit at Mr. J. Bounds'.

Miss Mary Ada Stewart left Friday for Plaquemine, La., where she will teach this winter. She was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. J. W. Stewart.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pope, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Sheppardson and Miss Alice Prime composed a party who motored to Mobile Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clem Overstreet of Cleveland, Ohio, were guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Overstreet.

Mrs. F. E. Featherstun and two children returned Friday to Macon after a pleasant visit to relatives here.

Mrs. W. F. Wilcox, Mrs. E. M. Garner and Lester Wilcox of Gulfport and Mrs. E. G. Hays of Ballenger, Texas, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry V. Ilex.

Miss Annie Belle Arrington, who has been visiting Miss Mable Smith, returned Saturday to her home in Monticello.

Little John Elmer, who had the unfortunate lot fall and break his collar bone and who was carried to Mobile by his father for an X-ray examination of the fracture, is speedily recovering.

Mrs. Leon Colmer and Miss Leona Colmer were visitors to New Orleans this week. They were accompanied home by little Miss Mildred Colmer, who has been visiting in Bogalusa, La.

Miss Lucile Goff of Mobile spent Monday here with friends.

Ed Hragg of Biloxi was a recent guest of his cousin, Samuel Denny.

Mr. J. H. Pulman of Washington, D. C., was a guest of his niece, Miss Susie Pulman at the home of Dr. C. L. Eley last week.

Dr. H. P. Cole of Mobile passed through here Monday morning down the coast. With him were Misses Pringle, Ely and Rose, of Biloxi, who accompanied him home.

Miss Antoinette Dittman of New Orleans was a recent guest of the Misses Delmas.

Mrs. J. C. Calhoun and young son, John, of Mt. Olive are guests at the home of Mrs. Robert Cowan.

After a protracted visit to relatives in Meridian and other points Mrs. T. E. Williams returned Friday to the home of her daughter, Mrs. K. W. Furham.

Mrs. A. C. Graham returned Saturday after an extended trip to Canada, where she visited relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Fitzner and little Miss Mary Fitzner spent the fore part of the week in New Orleans. They were accompanied home by Miss Robbie Lee Fitzner, who has been away all summer visiting relatives in Fayette.

Mr. O. C. Cowan spent the fore part of the week in New Orleans, where he went to consult a specialist. He was accompanied by Dr. E. L. Colley.

Louis Daily came over from Mobile and spent Sunday with his parents.

Mrs. Geo. H. Reece and two children of Gulfport are visiting relatives here.

Mr. Leon Colmer attended a family reunion at the home of his father, Mr. Henry Colmer, in Gulfport Sunday.

Miss Vivian Smith of Mobile is a guest of the Misses Ciriol.

Miss Lolla Vandervall is visiting Mrs. Alex Melnis in Chicora this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cowan and Miss Louise Cowan returned Tuesday from an extended summer trip visiting points in Tennessee and North Carolina.

Lesley Rogers has returned after a short visit to Laurel.

Mrs. Horten Turner left Friday for an extended trip to Chicago, New York and Rosnoke, Va.

W. H. Melnis was a business visitor to Mobile Tuesday.

Miss Hattie McLeod has returned after a pleasant visit to Bushnell, Fla.

Miss Edwina Turner of Vinegar Bend was a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Turner.

Samuel Denny leaves this week for Davidson, S. C., where he will enter college.

Miss Mattie Campbell Jackson had as her guests Monday Misses Helen Turner, Dorothy and Helen Burkin, Len Privett and Messrs Clyde and Floyd Turner, who motored over from Laurel.

Miss Mable Smith left Saturday for Logtown, where she will teach this winter.

Mr. J. J. McIntosh left Monday for Winnipeg, Canada. On his return home he will be accompanied by his mother.

Misses Besse Byrn Borden and Leona Colmer were joint hostesses

LABOR DAY CELEBRATION.

Labor Day was generally observed on Monday by the people of Pascagoula, all the stores and places of business being closed for the day, and almost everyone taking some part in the celebration.

The Labor Union began the day with a monster parade, in which more than two thousand of their members took part, marching through the streets headed by the Fire Company brass band, and landing at the beach park where an all-day picnic was held. The union men made a fine appearance carrying the banners of their different organizations and the flags of the United States and her allies. The following unions were in the line of march: The Retail Clerks, mostly girls in gaily decorated auto trucks; Stenographers and Office Assistants of the International Shipbuilding Company; Steam Operating Engineers, Plumbers and Gas Fitters, Barbers, Machinists, Carpenters, Longshoremen, and Teamsters and Chauffeurs. Many of the buildings along the line of march were decorated with flags and bunting, giving the city a real holiday appearance.

At the park several thousand persons assembled and many kinds of amusement were offered them. Later in the evening dancing was begun, to the music of a jazz band from New Orleans, the dancing being kept up until a late hour in the night.

K. of C. INITIATION.

Pascagoula Council No. 1605, Knights of Columbus, initiated a class of fifty candidates into their order on last Sunday morning, a degree team from New Orleans and Mobile officiating at the initiation ceremonies.

The day began with a parade through the principal streets of the city of the visiting Knights and local members and candidates, the column being headed by the Scranton Fire Company Brass Band. There were over 250 in the parade, visitors being present from all the cities of the Gulf coast from Mobile to New Orleans, among them being State Deputy John H. Calkin of Vicksburg, whose address at the initiation was one of the features of the occasion. The parade ended at Our Lady of Victories Church, where mass was attended by the Knights in a body. A most delightful and inspiring musical program was rendered by the church choir. After the mass a splendid lecture was delivered by Rev. Father Twelmeyer of Mobile, which was heard by the church full to overflowing with Knights and their friends.

After the services at the church the Knights proceeded to the school hall of the Infant Jesus Academy, where the candidates were put through the degree of initiation. The greater number of the candidates were residents of Pascagoula, the others coming from other towns along the coast. A splendid banquet served by the local Knights to visiting Knights and the newly made members concluded the events of this most important and enjoyable day in the history of the local council of the Knights of Columbus.

TROPICAL STORM.

Another tropical disturbance is brewing in the Caribbean sea. Washington reports that so far the storm is of moderate intensity. It was due to pass Turks Island Thursday night and is traveling in a westerly direction.

Mrs. C. Nelson and daughter, Miss Leona, were visitors to Mobile Wednesday.

Mr. A. L. Hoyt, merchant of Franklin, La., was in town this week prospecting for a location.

On Saturday afternoon when they entertained complimenting Miss Faith Ciriol with a lovely miscellaneous shower. Punch was served by Mrs. Borden upon the arrival of the guests who were received by Miss Colmer. The Colmer home was prettily decorated for the occasion, a profusion of roses and ferns being used. Rook furnished amusement for the guests, the prize, a box of candy, being won by Miss Amelia Ruth Blumer. After serving delicious refreshments, consisting of cream and cake, the hostesses brought in a large basket prettily covered with white crepe paper and tied with a large pink satin bow, filled with gifts which she showered upon the happy bride-elect, who opened each package, admired and expressed her appreciation for every lovely remembrance. The guests who enjoyed with Miss Ciriol and the hostesses this pretty compliment were Misses Vivian Smith and Ora Ciriol, Vera Moore, Margaret and Maud Coulson, Sarah Fairley, Adele Bounds, Orpha Howell, Myrtle Hunt, Mabel Smith, Annie Belle Arrington, Amelia Ruth Blumer, Mae Herring, Vera Spann, Antoinette and Helma Avert and Mrs. Mack Duche.

Mr. Frank Pope returned Friday from a business trip to points in Texas. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Melnis and children left Thursday for a visit to relatives in Hopkinsville, Ky.

John Ciriol spent the week-end in Bay St. Louis.

ST. RY. & P. CO. SOLD TO E. J. FORD

Bids \$60,500 For Whole Property—Sale Awaits Confirmation of Federal Judge.

The properties of the Pascagoula Street Railway and Power Company were sold at trustee's sale Monday, by Deputy U. S. Court Clerk Geo. P. Money, special commissioner, appointed by Judge Holmes of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Mississippi. The sale was to foreclose a mortgage held by the Columbia Finance & Trust Co. against the Pascagoula Street Railway & Power Company. The sale was originally advertised to take place on the 18th of August, but for reasons satisfactory to all parties was postponed until Monday, September 1st.

The sale attracted a number of persons interested and otherwise, but there was an absence of capitalists willing and ready to invest in such a plant, so the bidding was not as spirited as it might have been. After the decee of the court and the advertisement of the sale was read by the commissioner and the other preliminaries settled, the commissioner began offering the property. It was offered in three parcels: The franchises of the company, electric light, street car and water works; then the rolling stock and lastly the other physical property, consisting of tracks, wires, buildings, lands, machinery, etc. On the separate parcels only nominal bids were offered. The real bidding began when the entire property was put up. There were three bidders to qualify by making the necessary deposit: Messrs J. R. Watts, representing a local company; W. J. Lindinger representing some creditors of the power company, and E. J. Ford. The first bid was for five thousand dollars by Mr. Lindinger. This was followed by other bids of from fifty to three hundred dollars, until the price was brought up to \$60,500. Mr. Ford being the highest bidder. The next highest bid was by Mr. Watts for \$60,400.00. At the conclusion of the bids Mr. Ford announced that he was not bidding on the franchises of the company, and would not accept them. Whereupon Mr. Watts announced that he was bidding on the whole property, including the franchises, as advertised and as set out in the decree ordering the sale. The commissioner then announced that he accepted Mr. Ford's bid as the highest and best, and proceeded to hand the unsuccessful bidders their deposits. Whereupon Mr. Watts announced he would allow his deposit to remain in the hands of the commissioner, and would also put up the balance of twenty-five per cent. of his bid, in case the court decided his bid was the best. This was accordingly done, and there the matter stands.

In the meantime the temporary arrangement for lights and water, made with the International Shipbuilding Company, will remain in force. The city council and citizens in general are in hopes that if the court confirms this sale the new purchasers will immediately take hold of the matter and put the old plant in good condition and go ahead with the business of supplying the city with electric current and water. It is not known what Mr. Ford's intentions in the matter are, should his bid be allowed by the court to stand, consequently all statements as to the future of the plant are merely conjectural.

To an onlooker the bids for the property were ridiculously low, as the appraisers who were appointed by the court to fix the value of all the property of the power company only recently concluded their labors and appraised the property at \$208,000.00. Many believe that it would sell for more than the purchase price merely as junk or old material.

RED CROSS.

A special meeting of the Pascagoula Chapter will be held on Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock to decide on the disposition of the chapter house. A full attendance is requested.

Mr. Hugh B. Wilson, chancery court stenographer, who left recently for the west, stopped over at Alexandria, La., to undergo the rest treatment at the U. S. P. H. hospital near camp Beauregard. Writing to several friends here, Mr. Wilson says that his health is rapidly improving and he hopes to return sometime in the early winter. Mr. Wilson is planning to proceed to El Paso, Texas.

Mrs. Otto Dorsett of Phoenix, Arizona, was a recent guest in the family of Mr. V. Ros. Mrs. Dorsett will be remembered here as Miss Eva Valverde. She was born and reared in this city and has a host of relatives and friends residing here.

Mr. J. W. Partridge, Jr., returned Tuesday from a week-end visit to relatives at Mobile.

CIRCUIT COURT ADJOURNS.

The regular summer term of the Jackson county circuit court adjourned Saturday afternoon, having been in session three weeks. The large docket was practically cleared.

Following cases were disposed of since our last report:

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Sherer Gillett Co. vs. A. J. Welch. Plaintiff taxed with costs to date and sheriff authorized to sell property seized. Case continued.

Foley & Co. vs. W. H. Nelson. Plaintiff taxed with costs to date and case continued.

E. Crawford vs. P. S. Moak. Judgment for plaintiff \$100.

State vs. P. S. Moak. Violating motor vehicle law. \$10 and costs.

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SPECIAL SCHOOL TAX WINS.

The election held throughout the county, outside special school districts Saturday to vote on the question of an additional school levy of three mills, carried by a majority of 159 to 62.

The vote of the several precincts was as follows:

Wade—For 21, against 7.

Hurley—For 33, against 3.

Orange Grove—For 22, against 1.

East Side—For 3, against 0.

Pecan—For 16, against 0.

West Pascagoula—For 16, against 3.

Bluff Creek—For 35, against 38.

Carterville—For 9, against 10.

As Mr. W. R. Smith, president of the Sea Food Company, was walking toward his home on the river Wednesday, a runaway horse plunged in front of him, and in the attempt to get out of the way Mr. Smith fell and was run over by the frightened horse. Two ribs were broken, another fractured, and he was badly bruised by the hoofs of the horse and the wheels of the wagon.

NEW MANAGER AT DIXIE

Mr. Abley, for the past year manager of the Dixie theatre, has resigned. His successor is Mr. A. D. Treloar, who is no stranger to the playgoers of this city. The new manager is personally very popular, has been a successful theatre man of this city and Moss Point for several years and brings to the Dixie a thorough knowledge of the amusement game. The theatre and its patrons are fortunate in his selection.

The connection between the Pascagoula St. Ry. & P. Co. wires and the electric plants of the International Shipbuilding Co. was completed by the city Friday and the lights turned on that night.

Miss Ruby Gautier is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. R. Ray, in New Orleans.

Mr. E. L. Martin of Atlanta with a party of stockholders of the Great American Oil Co., was here during the week on business connected with the company. It is rumored that the company will begin drilling on their holdings near Orange Grove next month.

LEE M. RUSSEL THE NOMINEE

Meeting of State Executive Committee to Canvass Returns is Quiet.

Jackson, Miss., Sept. 2.—The Democratic State Executive Committee met here at noon today to canvass returns from the primary election of last Tuesday. There were no contests of any character and the work of the committee was done swiftly and without any friction.

Lieutenant Governor Lee M. Russell was declared the nominee for governor. Mr. Russell receiving 77,453 out of 146,984 votes cast, his opponent, Oscar Johnston, receiving 69,531. Mr. Russell's majority was 7,922. State Senator H. H. Casteel was declared the nominee for lieutenant governor, as he received a total of 68,884 votes while his opponent, John F. Frierson totaled 68,042, which gave Mr. Casteel a majority of 842 votes. This was the closest contest of the lot, and both Mr. Frierson and Mr. Casteel were present when the committee tabulated official returns. When Mr. Casteel was announced as the winner, Mr. Frierson handed him a letter of congratulation.

For supreme court clerk W. J. George received a vote of 78,320, and George C. Myers received 69,008, out of a total of 137,223 votes cast. This gave Mr. Buck a majority of 19,217 votes and made him the leader of the ticket.

For railroad commissioner of the southern district, out of 46,769 votes cast, C. M. Morgan received a total of 24,396, and Dr. F. M. Sheppard, incumbent, received 22,373, which gave Mr. Morgan a majority of 2,023.

W. R. Wilson, incumbent, received 33,773 votes for re-election as railroad commissioner of the northern district, his opponent, C. L. Horne, receiving 22,134 votes. This gave Mr. Wilson a majority of 11,639 ballots and made him one of the easiest winners of the entire list.

SCHOOL NOTICE.

The public schools of the city of Pascagoula will open Monday, September 8, 1919, at 8:30 o'clock. Pupils are requested to be on time at each of the several schools.

Appropriate ceremonies will be had at the Central High School at 8:30 o'clock, and at the Piaggio School at 10 o'clock. Parents of the children of all schools are requested to be present at the opening, and it is especially desired that the parents of the children of the Piaggio school district be present at 10 o'clock. In order that some of the fathers of the Piaggio school may be present at the ceremonies, the management of the International Shipbuilding Company will grant them an hour from ten to eleven o'clock on application to the office.

To that there may be no confusion as to which school a child should attend, the following instructions are given:

The Beach School District embraces all south of Grant street and its extension due east to city limits. All children living in this district in the fifth grade and under, will attend this school. All others the Central High school.

The Piaggio School District embraces all south of Community avenue and its extension west to the river and east to the city limits, and north to Grant street and its extension east. All children living in this district in sixth grade and under will attend this school. All others Central High School.

The Central High School embraces all north of Community avenue and its extension west to river and east to city limits, and all south of Laurel street and its extension west to river and east to Telephone road. All children of any grade living in this district will attend this school.

The Lake Avenue School embraces all north of Laurel street and its extension west to river and east to Pascagoula street, and all north of Telephone road. All children living in this district in fifth grade and under will attend this school. All others will attend Central High school.

Parents are requested to promptly supply their children with books and other materials as per lists given by the several teachers.

Board of Trustees.

Lieutenant Sam Walker of the regular army is here on a short visit to his parents, Prof. and Mrs. S. P. Walker. The Lieutenant is proceeding from New Jersey to Ft. Ringold, where he will be stationed in future, and received permission to stop off here en route.

The Infant Jesus Academy opened Monday with a large enrollment and prospects for a most successful year.

Pascagoula Lodge No. 45, I. O. O. F., planning the erection of a handsome lodge hall on their lot on North Pascagoula street.