

THE TENNAN GAZETTE

ST. JOSEPH, - - - LA.

FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 1916.

TWIN SESSIONS.

Fidelity to tradition usually is commendable. But where the public's interest would be promoted by a departure from tradition, such departure is also commendable.

For generations we have stuck to a system of making laws in Louisiana because the system was founded by our ancestors. But the results show the system makes for confusion and inefficiency and the question arises whether revolution of the system isn't in line with sound public policy.

Senator Provosty has fathered two constitutional amendments which represent the thought of the Louisiana Bar Association on the subject. If they are submitted and a proper educational campaign made, showing the people how much is to be gained by a change in the system, we believe the amendments will be ratified on their merits.

One of the bills proposes split biennial sessions of the General Assembly. The first would meet on the second Monday in May, for fifteen days in off years and twenty days in the year of the general State election. The second session would meet not less than three nor more than six months after the first, the date to be fixed by the Legislature, and sit for forty-five days.

The first session would transact business as now, except that no bill or amendment could be reported by committee or acted on. Exceptions would be, necessary appropriation bills and such emergency legislation as the Governor, Lieutenant Governor and Speaker might designate as requiring immediate action.

Between sessions copies of all bills and amendments would be printed by the Secretary of State and transmitted to State officers, members of the Legislature, presidents of police juries, mayor of cities, judges of courts, libraries and, at a nominal cost, to all persons applying therefor. If necessary, committees would sit at the capital within thirty days of the second session to give hearings on important measures. Final action on the bills and amendments would be had only at the second session.

Under our present single sixty-day session, bills pour into the Legislature like a mountain torrent. In the congestion that ensues these are killed or passed with none of the deliberate consideration which must be a part of intelligent lawmaking.

It is not because the members are unwilling to give the bills this consideration. It is because no time is afforded them to do so.

At the session of 1914, for instance, 1,445 bills appeared. Of these 312 became laws, making 660 pages of printed acts. But the amazing fact, which proves the case, is that whereas in the first thirty days only two acts, one to pay the per diem of members, were passed, 245 or two-thirds of the whole were rushed through in the last five legislative days.

What real part did the Governor, constitutionally a part of the law-making power, have in confecting this mass of legislation, when it is stated that he signed 223 of these laws in the last five days of the session?

Is it any wonder then that in four years 170 of our laws have gone to the Supreme Court for interpretation and construction, that 50 have been attacked on constitutional grounds, and that 24 have been wiped of the statute-books because they were not constitutionally sound?

If the first amendment is submitted and these facts hammered home, there can hardly be any doubt of what the people will say on the proposition of split sessions.

The second of Provosty's amendments would be worth passing even if the other were not. We have shown that the Governor had only five days in which to considered the policy and constitutionality of no fewer than 233 laws. Being merely human he could not even read the bills, let alone digest them, and his signature was attached to most of them on the word of those who sat around the Executive and read the bills for him.

The Provosty amendment would correct this condition. It provides that the Governor shall have ten days to consider each bill and that this time shall be allowed him even in the case of bills which reach him on the day of adjournment. In other words it is proposed to give the same legal force to a bill signed within ten days after the close of the session as if it were signed while the sitting was still in progress; and as this follows the Federal system the wisdom of such a change in the constitution is self-evident.

No harm would come from the passage of both amendments. They are designed to meet an evil of vital moment to the whole people. The people ought to be permitted an opportunity to pass judgment on a plan to cure it.—New Orleans Daily States.

The Gazette is in receipt of a post card from Mrs. Alice Solomon, of New York City, a souvenir of the Allies' Bazaar, which has been the center of attraction in the great metropolis the past week for the aid of the war sufferers. The card is surmounted with a collection of flags representing the seven Allies.

Miss Aldine Ellis is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jas. S. Johnston.

Mrs. Jennie Rogers of Vicksburg, is visiting Mrs. W. M. Davidson.

Mr. Geo. N. Clarke is visiting his son, Dr. Geo. N. Clarke at St. Joseph.

Mrs. N. H. Clark is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Brigham, at Waterproof.

Mrs. Oscar Levy and Master Loria have returned from a visit to New Orleans.

Miss Pauline Abraham is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Elgutter at Baton Rouge.

Mrs. M. Kullman and children motored up to St. Joseph last Sunday for couple hours visit with friends.

Mr. Ben Crooks of Vidalia, and Mr. Geo. Murray of Natchez, were guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Stanley.

Mrs. A. M. Smith and son, Master Magruder, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Byram and Master James Edward, at Alexandria.

Mr. J. W. Ward has disposed of his Dodge car and has invested in a Hudson Super-Six, and without argument, it's some car!

Mrs. I. R. Morris, of California, is visiting relatives in this parish, and spent several days this week with Mrs. Helen Abraham.

Mr. L. L. Pearson of Memphis is a visitor to the parish this week and went out to see the Marydale plantation, in which he is largely interested.

The rose-bud set of St. Joseph society gave a very pleasant little dance at the Hall on Monday night, which was greatly enjoyed by all present.

Miss Louise Johnston is enjoying a most deserved vacation from her duties at the post office. She is visiting relatives in the lower part of the parish.

Hon. E. C. Rhodes, President of the Fifth Louisiana Levee Board, was a visitor to St. Joseph and Tennessee parish this week on inspection tour of the levees.

A white man, a State convict in the levee camp now engaged at Claggett, attempted suicide this week by poison. We understand he was resuscitated and is recovering.

Mr. Victor Sachse, the popular commercial traveler, was a visitor to St. Joseph this week. This was Mr. Sachse's boyhood home and he never fails of a cordial welcome from our people.

Mr. A. J. Sevier, Sheriff of Madison parish, and Mr. T. P. Kell, Levee Commissioner from Madison parish, were visitors to St. Joseph this week and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ward.

District Court, with the Grand Jury in session, will convene next Monday, 19th inst. Owing to lack of criminal business the petit jury was not drawn for this term, and which is most creditable to our parish.

Mr. Walker, general relief man along the McGehee-Ferriday division of the M., H. & L., and who is well known here, was this week the recipient of congratulations, having become the proud papa of a pretty girl-baby.

Mr. Alex Blackman returned this week from a visit to his uncle Mr. Hyman Blackman, at Arkansas City. Alex was accompanied home by his cousin, Master Nathan Blackman, who visited with him before returning home.

Mr. Chas. E. Wilds of St. Joseph has accepted the agency for the four great cars, the Chalmers, the Dodge, the Studebaker and the Hudson. These are all popular and high-class cars and none better can be had. Motor enthusiasts who are contemplating buying cars should see Mr. Wilds.

Mrs. B. B. Young and daughter, Miss May, left this week for Knoxville Tennessee, where Mrs. Young accepted a position as matron at the University of Tennessee. They will both be greatly missed here and their friends are loath to see them leave us, but will wish them success and happiness in their new home.

That the high water of last February was damaging to the roads and bridges of Tennessee parish is shown by the total paid out by the Police Jury at its March and June meeting for re-building of bridges, carried away by the water, and which amounted to about six thousand dollars. But other than these unpleasant reminders, the flood of 1916 is now only a memory—no great is the come back to this great country.

Miss Cox, representing the State-International Sunday School Association, was a visitor to St. Joseph on Wednesday and to Newellton on Thursday, and lectured at each town on Sunday School work. Miss Cox is very enthusiastic in this great work and is accomplishing much good by arousing interest and promoting enthusiasm every where she speaks. She was accompanied to St. Joseph by the local pastor, Rev. Mr. Fox, and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. A. Gorton, of Waterproof. Mr. Fox and Mrs. Gorton also went to Newellton with Miss Cox. While in St. Joseph, Miss Cox and Mr. and Mrs. Gorton were entertained by Mrs. B. F. Bonney and Mr. Fox by Mr. and Mrs. German Baker. Quite a number of out-of-town people were prevented from attending Miss Cox's lectures by the inclement weather.

St. Joseph Electric Theatre.

TUESDAY

WORMWOOD

FRIDAY

CHALICE OF COURAGE

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Messrs. Maxwell and Geo. Bland and Miss Crebbin of New Orleans and Miss Rose and Master Millard Bland were visitors to St. Joseph on Friday evening.

STATE TAX SALE

ON

MOVABLE & IMMOV-

ABLE PROPERTY.

STATE OF LOUISIANA

VS.

DELINQUENT TAX DEBTORS.

STATE OF LOUISIANA,

PARISH OF TENNESSEE,

ST. JOSEPH, LA., June 16, 1916.

BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY vested in me by the Constitution and laws of Louisiana, I will sell at the principal front door of the Court House in which the Civil District Court of said parish is held, within the legal hours of judicial sales, beginning at 10 o'clock A. M., on

SATURDAY the 15th day of JULY, A. D. 1916,

and continuing on Monday the 17th day of JULY, 1916, and each succeeding day, until said sales are complete, all property on which taxes are now due to the State of Louisiana and Parish of Tennessee, and Fifth Louisiana Levee Board, to enforce collection of all taxes assessed in the year 1915, together with interest thereon to the 1st day of December, 1915, when same became delinquent, at rate of ten per cent per annum, until paid, and all back taxes, the names of said delinquent tax payers, the amount of taxes due by them in the assessment of said year, and the property assessed to each to be offered for sale as follows:

ANDERSON, F. A.—Part of lots 4 & 7 in sq. H. of Routhwood ad. to Newellton, ass'd at \$200. Taxes and forced contribution, \$4.56. Interest and cost to be added.

ALEXANDER, MARTHA—Lot 3 of 1-3 Greena Green and being in Sec. 5, T. 10, R. 10, 2d ac. ad. to Newellton, assessed at \$100. Taxes and forced contribution, \$4.99. Interest and cost to be added.

BERRY, EST. OF MARY—House on lot 1, sq. P. of Waterproof, ass'd at \$50.00. Taxes and forced contribution, \$1.31. Interest and cost to be added.

DOUGLAS, HENRY—Lot 14 of Nebraska T. 14, R. 11, E. 30 acres Ass'd at \$1.50. Taxes and forced contribution, \$6.44. Interest and cost to be added.

DAVIS, JULIA—House and lot in St. Joseph, E. by lot of Mary W. by lot of Stewart, ass'd at \$200.00. Taxes and forced contribution, \$4.25. Interest and cost to be added.

GREEN, HEIRS TO HARRIET—The North West quarter of lot 4 in square P. of Waterproof, and house assessed at \$200.00. Taxes and forced contribution, \$2.10. Interest and cost to be added.

KINSTER, LAUREN—Lot 2 in square D. of Routhwood addition to Newellton, assessed at \$150.00. Taxes and forced contribution, \$5.94. Interest and cost to be added.

MOORE, NELLIE—Lot 7 in square B. Jacoby's addition to Newellton, and House, assessed at \$25.00. Taxes and forced contribution, \$6.56. Interest and cost to be added.

NEWELL, MISS, Y.—Lot and residence in Newellton, North by Verona lane, East by lot of Mrs. Gordon, South by Routhwood Lane, also a 2 acre lot on Lochland, assessed at \$50. Taxes and forced contribution, \$17.06. Interest and cost to be added.

PHILLIPS, CHARLES—A house on rented land, in Waterproof, ass'd at \$50.00. Taxes and forced contribution, \$1.31. Interest and cost to be added.

BILLA BEN—A part of lot 4, sq. H. of Routhwood ad. to Newellton and house 120 x 132 ft. ass'd at \$25.00. Taxes and forced contribution, \$1.82. Interest and cost to be added.

TURNER, E. H.—An undivided 1/2 of a tract of land in South West corner of South West quarter of Section 25, Township 12, Range 10, 25 acres, assessed at \$100.00. Taxes and forced contribution, \$3.98. Interest and cost to be added.

TURNER, JESSIE—An undivided 1/2 of a tract of land in South West corner of South West quarter of Section 25, Township 12, Range 10, 25 acres, assessed at \$100.00. Taxes and forced contribution, \$3.98. Interest and cost to be added.

COCHRAN, JOS.—Dalla, Section 52-54-55, Township 13, Range 12, 2 Horses, 1 Wagon, 1 Buggy, 200 chickens, assessed at \$25.00. Taxes and forced contribution, \$8.41. Interest and cost to be added.

COCHRAN, JOS.—Fractional Section 18 and 15 and that part of Section 18 in Township 13, Range 12 East, lying South of Bayou Vidal, except 14 acres owned by T. P. Kell, 300 acres assessed at \$50. Taxes and forced contribution, \$29.94. Interest and cost to be added.

DENNIS, MRS. L.—Lot of Decurbun, in Township 14, Range 11, 550 acres, assessed at \$200.00. Taxes and forced contribution, \$80.00. Interest and cost to be added.

TAYLOR, H. W.—100 acres standing timber on "Medina" plantation, assessed at \$600.00. Taxes and forced contribution, \$21.00. Interest and cost to be added.

On said day of sale, I will sell such portions of said property as each debtor will point out, and in case debtor will not point out sufficient property, I will at once and without further delay, sell the least quantity of said property of any debtor which any bidder will pay for the amount of taxes, interest and costs due by said debtor; the sale will be made without appraisal, for cash, in legal tender money of the United States, and the property sold shall be redeemable at any time for the space of one year, by paying the price given with 20 per cent interest, and costs.

Sheriff and Ex-Officio Tax Collector Tennessee Parish, La. ST. JOSEPH, LA., June 9, 1916.

Notice to Mortgage Creditors

OFFICE OF SHERIFF AND TAX COLLECTOR OF TENNESSEE PARISH, LA. ST. JOSEPH, LA., JUNE 9, 1916.

IN CONFORMITY WITH SECTION 82, ACT 85 of 1898, notice is hereby given to all parties having mortgages upon real estate in the Parish of Tennessee on this date of the year 1915 have not been paid, that I will begin the sale of same at the Court House door, on SATURDAY the 15th day of JULY, 1916 and that a number of pieces of property so delinquent are now being advertised in this paper in conformity with the law preparatory to sale. The attention of mortgage creditors is especially called to the advertisements of tax sales, and they are warned to take such steps prior to the sales as may be necessary to protect their rights.

JOHN HUGHES, Sheriff and ex-Officio Tax Collector Tennessee Parish, La.

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JUDICIAL ADVERTISEMENT.

SUCCESSION SALE.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Tennessee, Tenth District Court.

Succession of J. E. Farlow, dec'd.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that by virtue of an order of sale to me directed, by the above named Honorable Court, in the above styled matter, I will, on

SATURDAY, the 25th day of JULY, A. D. 1916,

offer for sale on the premises of said succession at Waterproof, in this parish, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M., to the highest bidder, for cash, and according to law, all the right, title and interest in the Succession of J. E. Farlow, deceased, in and to the following described property, to-wit: Lot No. 6, in Half Block No. 2, McAllister Addition to Waterproof, measuring 100 x 200 feet. Lot No. 8 in Half Block No. 2, McAllister Addition to Waterproof, measuring 100 x 200 feet. Lot No. 1 in Block 5 of said addition and buildings. Lot No. 2 in Block No. 8 of said addition and buildings. Lot No. 7 in Block 1 of said addition and buildings.

Terms of Sale: Cash, to pay debts of said Succession. J. M. GORTON, M. D., J. O. CUREY, Clerk 10th District Court. Waterproof, La., June 2, 1916.

JUDICIAL ADVERTISEMENT.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Tennessee, Tenth District Court.

Succession of James W. Kline, deceased.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that John W. Kline, Administrator of the Succession of James W. Kline, deceased, has filed his final account in the above named succession. Now, therefore, unless written opposition thereto be filed in my office within ten days after first publication hereof, same will be homologated, as prayed for.

[L. S.] Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, this 6th day of June, A. D. 1916. J. O. CUREY, Clerk 10th District Court. St. Joseph, La., June 6th, 1916.

JUDICIAL ADVERTISEMENT.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Tennessee, Tenth District Court.

Succession of J. G. Kline, deceased.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that H. L. Smith, Administrator of the Succession of J. G. Kline, deceased, has filed his final account in the above named succession. Now, therefore, unless written opposition thereto be filed in my office within ten days after first publication hereof, same will be homologated, as prayed for.

[L. S.] Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, this 7th day of June, A. D. 1916. J. O. CUREY, Clerk 10th District Court. St. Joseph, La., June 7th, 1916.

JUDICIAL ADVERTISEMENT.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Tennessee, Tenth District Court.

Succession of Miss Mary Furryear, deceased.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that H. L. Smith, Administrator of the Succession of Miss Mary Furryear, deceased, has filed his final account in the above named succession. Now, therefore, unless written opposition thereto be filed in my office within ten days after first publication hereof, same will be homologated, as prayed for.

[L. S.] Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, this 7th day of June, A. D. 1916. J. O. CUREY, Clerk 10th District Court. St. Joseph, La., June 7th, 1916.

JUDICIAL ADVERTISEMENT.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Tennessee, Tenth District Court.

Succession of John Buckner, dec'd.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that Martin Jacoby, Administrator of the Succession of John Buckner, deceased, has filed his final account in the above named succession. Now, therefore, unless written opposition thereto be filed in my office within ten days after first publication hereof, same will be homologated, as prayed for.

[L. S.] Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, this 7th day of June, A. D. 1916. J. O. CUREY, Clerk 10th District Court. St. Joseph, La., June 7th, 1916.

JUDICIAL ADVERTISEMENT.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Tennessee, Tenth District Court.

Succession of George Parker, deceased.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that H. L. Smith, Administrator of the Succession of George Parker, deceased, has filed his final account with the above named succession. Now, therefore, unless written opposition thereto be filed in my office within ten days after first publication hereof, same will be homologated, as prayed for.

[L. S.] Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, this 6th day of June, A. D. 1916. J. O. CUREY, Clerk 10th District Court. St. Joseph, La., June 6th, 1916.

JUDICIAL ADVERTISEMENT.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Tennessee, Tenth District Court.

Succession of G. C. Goldman, deceased.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that H. L. Smith, Administrator of the Succession of G. C. Goldman, deceased, has filed his final account with the above named succession. Now, therefore, unless written opposition thereto be filed in my office within ten days after first publication hereof, same will be homologated, as prayed for.

[L. S.] Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, this 6th day of June, A. D. 1916. J. O. CUREY, Clerk 10th District Court. St. Joseph, La., June 6th, 1916.

JUDICIAL ADVERTISEMENT.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Tennessee, Tenth District Court.

Succession of G. C. Goldman, deceased.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that Mrs. Elizabeth S. Goldman, Executrix of the Succession of G. C. Goldman, deceased, has filed her final account in the above succession. Now, therefore, unless written opposition thereto be filed in my office within ten days after first publication hereof, same will be homologated, as prayed for.

[L. S.] Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, this 15th day of June, A. D. 1916. J. O. CUREY, Clerk 10th District Court. St. Joseph, La., June 15th, 1916.

JUDICIAL ADVERTISEMENT.

NOTICE OF 1st ANNUAL ACCOUNT.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Tennessee, Tenth District Court.

In Affairs of the Minor—Mattie O'Kelley Walker.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that J. B. Walker, natural tutor of minor Mattie O'Kelley Walker, has filed his First Annual Account with said succession. Now, therefore, unless written opposition thereto be filed in my office within ten days after publication hereof, same will be homologated, as prayed for.

[L. S.] Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, this 14th day of June, 1916. J. O. CUREY, Clerk 10th District Court. St. Joseph, La., June 14, 1916.

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In writing the book for the "Battle Cry of Peace" Commodore J. Stuart Blackton has shown the almost ludicrous inadequacy of our National defense, and though the whole performance is essentially a piece of preparedness propaganda done in motion pictures, this lesson does not detract from the dramatic value of the production. In fact it is one of the most dramatic spectacles imaginable, showing the invasion of this country by an unnamed foe, our whole fleet having been sunk after a violent resistance beneath the guns of a better equipped enemy. The aeroplanes and huge guns demolish our coast defenses and burn our cities. Resisting citizens are lined up and mowed down by machine guns, leaving the women and children at the mercy of the foe.

The "Battle Cry of Peace" is booked for St. Joseph for Monday and Tuesday, July 24-25. This is a remarkable spectacle and ranks along with the "Birth of a Nation," of which great picture it is companion piece. It were well for the interested to apply early for seats, as the demand no doubt will be great. The seating capacity of the St. Joseph Electric Theatre is scarcely two hundred, and while four shows will be given, we have no doubt the experience so many had at Lake Providence will be repeated here. We understand many at that town who wished to attend the show but who delayed getting tickets until the eleventh hour were unable to obtain seats, even the aisles be jammed and standing room was impossible for the last to arrive.

THE FLYING HORSES HAVE ARRIVED.

The carrousel or merry-go-round, recently purchased by Mr. C. R. Darden, has arrived and was being unloaded today and to-morrow (Saturday) will be in operation on the commons adjoining the bank. The outfit is absolutely modern, is safe and will afford much pleasure to our people. As we understand the first day's operation will be complimentary to the public, the forenoon to the white and the afternoon to the colored population. Mr. Darden will run his merry-go-round here for several weeks and will then go on the road, visiting various other towns in Louisiana and Mississippi during the summer.

NEWELLTON NOTES.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Willard motored to Natchez to attend the Willard-Straud wedding.

Mrs. I. R. Morris, of California, and Mrs. Abraham, of St. Joseph were visitors here this week.

Mrs. Dunbar Newell and children, of Chiglanoga, spent a day or two here last week with relatives.

Among the commercial travelers here this week was Mr. Victor Sachse, who is always welcome in our town.

Mr. Hyman Salomon and Mr. and Mrs. Julius Salomon and little son motored to Jackson, Miss., last Sunday, returning Tuesday.

Dr. M. D. Purnell, of Shreveport, and Mr. Jno. G. O'Kelley, of New Orleans, were visitors to Newellton and vicinity this week, and each gentleman received a cordial welcome from old friends, as both were former residents of this parish.

Mr. C. L. Clark this week received a car-load of Fords, which brings his total sales up to 18 Fords for this year, besides several Dodges. All of the cars contained in this shipment have not yet been disposed of, and since it is difficult to get orders for Ford cars filled promptly, due to the over-worked factories, it behooves those who may