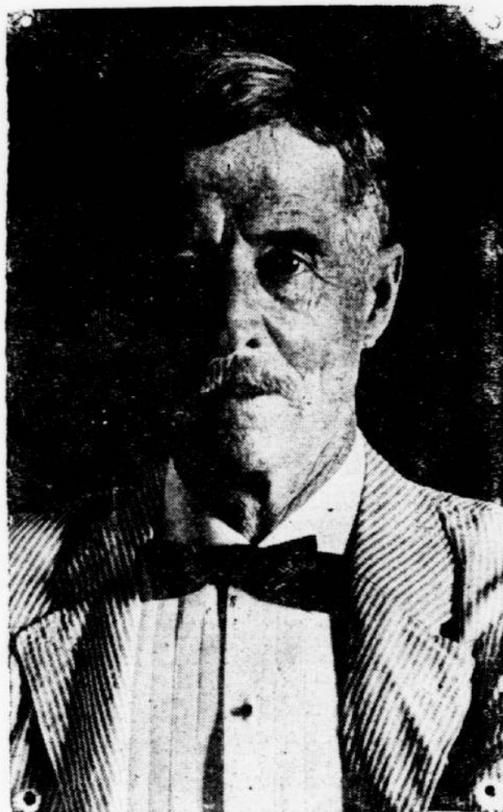




To Governor **JOHN M. PARKER**



The well-wishers and friends of the Parker Administration, take this opportunity and this medium to express to His Excellency, the Governor, John M. Parker, their deep and sincere appreciation of the accomplishments of an administration that is less than one year old. Only a short twelve months ago Louisiana was in the midst of a heated political campaign, with John M. Parker, the leading and dominant figure of that campaign. The cause, and what the man stood for, were triumphantly successful, on the twentieth day of January, and from that date Louisiana turned eyes to the front, and now, in the first year looks back and points with pride to the things done, knowing that the future holds still bigger things.

We recall with pleasure that even before John M. Parker had been inducted into office, he had completed the work that increased the revenues of the state by many millions of dollars, and this was done without burdening the already over-burdened farmers, merchants, and other individual business men with increased taxation, but rather these additional millions were levied, and paid almost without protest upon the natural resources of the great State of Louisiana. This one achievement alone proved to Louisianians that their incoming Governor had accomplished more before even becoming the Executive than many another Governor had accomplished during the entire four years of administration.

And with these added revenues Louisiana's unfortunates are being given improved care and treatment such as has never been known in the history of the state. There is to be the new Agricultural College, which will be as fine as the finest in the country, and one that will prove a boon of inestimable value to all the agricultural prosperity—a prosperity upon which rests the success of any commonwealth.

And when has there been a session of the State Legislature, which gave to Louisiana so many and such forward-looking laws as did the last Assembly? All these will enable Louisiana to take her rightful place among the sister commonwealths, and mean its growth and expansion. There was the law to protect investors from unscrupulous stock salesmen, the laws which give the protectors of our lives and property, the police and firemen, increased compensation, shorter hours, and a law that treats these men as human beings. But the most important of all is the call for a Constitutional Convention, a measure which the people have only recently overwhelmingly ratified. Louisiana with a new Constitution will rapidly go forward—it will make possible a splendid system of highways, bring civil service into public employment, taking the place of the spoils system of political patronage.

All this and much more has been accomplished in the brief period of the administration of Governor Parker. There has not been a single check to the success of his efforts.

The undersigned friends and well-wishers of Governor John M. Parker feel that they can wish for him no higher success than that, during the remaining years of his administration, he may continue to build a finer, a better and greater Louisiana. Governor Parker, we wish you all the Happiness of the Yuletide Season, we offer you our heartiest and most sincere good wishes.

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