

How Whisky Men Talk.

Most any advocate of saloons can tell you about car loads of whisky and beer that are shipped in every week to this or that place, and at the same time he will assert that he never saw so many boys and men getting drunk as he sees in this prohibition country.

The street committee are having a big ditch or canal opened into the lake drain near the oil mill. This will relieve Colfax of the burden of water that accumulates near the depot when there is a big rain fall.

Prohibition does prohibit in the State of Maine, in spite of all the statements to the contrary; and after thirty years trial the State is decidedly "dry," if statistics prove anything, and everybody who knows anything knows they are almost infallible.

We are in receipt of so many communications this week from the advocates of prohibition, that a number of them have to be left over until another time. Send them in, friends, and we will do the best we can for you as long as our space holds out, using our best judgment as to what to publish and what to withhold.

The voters of Grant parish are interested in morality, intelligence and education. Therefore they will go to the polls February 20th and vote against the sale of whisky and public debauchery; and on February 27th they will again go to the polls and vote for liberal appropriations for public education.

We were pleased to shake hands last Saturday with Mr. M. M. Fisher, the prominent Winnfield banker and merchant, who was the guest of his brother-in-law, Mr. J. A. Hyde, while here. The Winn Parish Bank, of which Mr. Fisher is the president, began business Jan. 1st, with a capital of \$50,000.

Mr. Will A. Strong has assumed editorial control of the Winnfield Southern Sentinel, and is out with his salutatory in the issue of that paper of Jan. 12th. Mr. Strong has our best wishes for success along the splendid lines of enterprise which he maps out in his salutatory.

Mr. Geo. W. Fouke, of Texarkana, came down Tuesday night and has been spending the time looking over his extensive interests here. The Big Pine lumber plant, his new tram road, known as the Big Pine Northern, and the Fouke Press Brick plants, were all found to be in satisfactory condition.

Mr. F. M. Bostick and a number of the citizens on Cane river are moving to have the mail route from Chopin to Marco changed so as to have the route start from Colfax, which is the natural distributing point, and altogether more convenient to all concerned.

Program of Colored Teachers' Meeting.

- To be held at Colfax, La., Saturday, Jan. 20, 1906, viz: 1. Roll call. 2. Reading of minutes. 3. Address by Supt. J. N. Warner. 4. "The Character of a Good Teacher," by David Smith, Jr. 5. "How We Should Spend Our Vacation," by Harriett A. Johnson. 6. "How to Teach Writing," by J. W. Gulins. 7. "One Method I Used in Getting Regular Attendance," by Indiana Smith. 8. "Some of the Qualifications of a Teacher," by A. J. Tademey. 9. "How to Improve the Country School," by Ada F. Hall. 10. "State Course of Study." Discussion led by C. W. Scott. 11. Miscellaneous business. 12. Election of officers. All friends of education are cordially invited to attend. H. C. ROBINSON, Pres. C. W. SCOTT, Sec'y.

Ward Five Protests Against the Whisky Election.

Georgetown, La., Jan. 13, 1906. Editor Colfax Chronicle: We, the undersigned citizens and voters of ward 5, desire to say that the petition from ward 5, asking for an election to take the census of the voters of Grant parish relative to the sale of intoxicating liquors, was not presented to us, neither did we know of its circulation until it was presented to the police jury and the election ordered. We therefore consider it unjust that the police jury has gone ahead and ordered this election, and forced the tax payers to pay for an election that they did not want, especially when four of the principal wards in the parish are protected from the sale of liquor by laws passed by the Legislature.

- O H Cooper SA Hammons W L Dickerson J P Croon R L Kennon W P Watts A Browning H B Gibson Lee Chandler WE Ward J H Cooper WH Colbert G L Barrett JS Gibson T W Reden WF Corley D J Payne James Sullivan A H Barrett EA McCartney J T Chandler W J Westberry Wyatt Corley Albert Hood O U Payne WE Laurence Jas B Mhoon WS Hancock B W Pippet LH Smith E H Cooper CL Tally W P Frinson J W Holness R B Darnell J W Holmes CR Hurd CC Christal W W Sketoe W J Chandler W J Adams A B Thompson, Jr Talion Chandler A B Burns Lewis Stone ME Waldron O S McCoy LE Smithy D Johnson Oliver Curry J T Arterburn J T Merritt J A T Pierson Thos O Nugent A J Delanne J M Hopkins A P Delanne Bert Hill S E Cochran W H Allen S E Mabb J M Pinkerton H A Davis S J Orr H W Dunn ME Bandy H Bennett Chas L Morgan J Hines S J Simmons D H McNeal Wm Wainwright A M Lofton J W Smith E L Epperson LD Harvey H J Lynn Frank L Miller P B Robinson Geo L Watkins Chas Dorman John R Thames E W Griffin Ed Thompson M D L Andrews Robt Nugent James Bell BD Beckinsell T L Smythe J Russon B A Delanne J W Sketoe J H Grimmett J M Key W H Boss L G Cathey J A Bradford D D Williams J R Williams J M Brazier F P Tillman J A Blackshear M Ruhn F E Brazier R M Willott Willie F Illmet J H Brazzell J W Denn Thos E Neil L P Northern W A Murray J H Snelser P M Plickard J W Trusty

Georgetown, La., Jan. 13, 1906.

We, the undersigned citizens and voters of ward 5, saw the petition relative to ordering an election to take the census of the voters relative to liquor license, but it was not presented to us in time for us to get up a counter petition, though we refused to sign it.

J P Wooten CE Sketoe T M Bradford A J Dunn J A Childers G G Delk A W Wheeler W A Nugent WE Rodgers

He Falls in Again.

Among the new subscribers to the Chronicle is Mr. W. H. Jordan. He was on our list for a long time, but "fell out" with the editor because we opposed free silver, farmer's union in politics, or some other defunct issue. Anyhow, he says the editor is more than half right all the time, and you can always know how the Chronicle stands when it comes to a question of right and wrong. We thank him for the compliment, and are glad to welcome him back on our list of subscribers. May he live long and prosper, and if we can't agree on all things, we will at least give each other credit for honest convictions.

We were pleased to receive a call on last Wednesday from Rev. P. W. Lofton, H. L. Brian, V. R. Boyett and L. R. Morgan, who were a committee delegated by the ward seven mass meeting to get up data relative to whisky prosecutions. They found that the average expenditure for this purpose in Grant parish for the last few years has been from \$1000 to \$1400 a year. The expenditure of \$1200 or \$1500 a year in Grant parish, which has a yearly revenue of \$30,000 and more, is not at all likely to bankrupt the parish.

The Chronicle is pleased to have the endorsement of the friends of temperance, and the editor returns thanks for the many expressions of kindness they have seen fit to bestow upon him. We appreciate it very much, but can truthfully and earnestly say our position would have been the same if we had to stand alone.

Ward Seven Mass Meeting.

Hargis, La., Jan. 16, 1906. Pursuant to call, a large and enthusiastic number of the citizens of ward seven, Grant parish, La., assembled in mass meeting this day at Hargis, with J. W. Ethridge as temporary chairman, and U. E. DeWitt temporary secretary, and adopted the following resolutions and organization for the purpose of conducting a prohibition campaign throughout Grant parish.

On motion duly seconded the temporary organization was made permanent, after which the assembly listened very attentively to the following speakers: A. P. Durham, H. L. Brian, H. M. Michael, and J. L. Fletcher. Also the people were well pleased with the remarks of Miss Lucy Ragan, president of the Woman's Christian Union, who addressed them as follows:

Mr. Chairman and Friends—The chief aim of the Woman's Christian Union, in popular estimation, is the annihilation of the liquor traffic. This is correct as regards our immediate object, but at the same time it should be understood that this aim rests upon certain basic principles which preclude specific limitation of effort or achievement. If we cannot have total abstinence, or if we cannot annihilate the liquor traffic, we can do the next best thing, put temptation out of the way of those who might become addicted to the habit, or in a measure suppress the traffic, as stepping stones to our chief aim.

Even if you are not a total abstemious, or a member of some church, you can, at least, be a good citizen and join hands with the Christian people to help put down an acknowledged evil that is detrimental to the moral, educational and financial interest of your parish.

We have better schools and more of them in the last twenty years since prohibition became a law. We have now trebled the money in the treasury than we had in 1877. It is a shame to the men of our parish that they do not make an effort to protect the men who are running "blind tigers" in open violation of the law, and are contemplating voting for a greater evil, the open saloon, as a remedy, for the sake of a small revenue. "Woe to him that buildeth a town in blood, or establisheth a city in iniquity. Better is a little with righteousness, than great revenues without right." (Prov. 10: 8). As sure as you vote for the licensed saloon and place temptation in the way of your children, your neighbors and your neighbor's children, in the great day of Judgment God will require their blood at your hands. You are your brother's keeper whether you will or not.

Some argue that to vote for prohibition takes away a man's liberty. I hope no intelligent man will advance that old worn-out theory in this enlightened day. There is no way of selling your liberty than by becoming a slave to appetite. A moderate drinker soon becomes a slave, his mind, body, soul and farm are all included in the sale. Science now demonstrates that alcohol is a poison and is not necessary as a medicine; on the contrary, is injurious.

If the good people of our parish do not want this evil in their midst, they should make every effort to prevent the imposition, by coming out to the polls and voting against it. They have the power to check the evil, and should not fail to enforce their wishes.

It was moved and seconded that the chairman appoint a committee of three to draft resolutions. The chairman appointed Rev. L. M. Nichols, A. P. Durham and H. L. Brian. It was moved and seconded that the chair appoint a committee on organization, resulting in the appointment of P. W. Lofton, G. L. Ethridge and Jesse Deen.

It was moved and seconded to adopt the report of the committee on resolutions, which was carried unanimously. Report is as follows:

Whereas, There has been ordered an election to be held throughout the parish of Grant on Tuesday, the 20th day of February, 1906, to determine whether or not we shall license saloons in this parish; and whereas, we have had saloons banished from the entire parish for five years and from most of the parish for more than ten years; and whereas this period has been one of unexampled prosperity, financial, educational, and religious, whereas our wealth has been doubled, our schools have flourished beyond comparison, our churches have grown and elevated morals and public sentiment, and our homes have increased in number and in all the comforts of life; therefore be it

Resolved by this mass meeting of the citizens of ward seven, assembled at Hargis school house on this 16th day of January, 1906, That we deplore the action of our police jury in ordering said election without general demand from the people; that we deprecate the attitude of one of our newspapers, the Peoples Demands, in attempting to shape public sentiment in favor of saloons by an unfair and one-sided presentation of the facts; that we urge the people to investigate both sides of this awful and impor-

Call for Prohibition Mass Meeting At Fairfield, January 24, 1906.

We, the undersigned citizens and voters of Grant Parish, Louisiana, hereby call a General Mass Meeting of all citizens opposed to the licensing of saloons in our parish, said meeting to be held at Fairfield on Wednesday, January 24, 1906, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of better arranging the fight for our homes, and against the great whisky evil.

Good speakers will be present and much important business will be done. The election to determine this matter is set for February 20th, and we have no time to lose.

- P. W. Lofton, U. E. DeWitt, J. M. Bullock, W. E. Kees, R. S. Garrett, E. S. Murrell, W. T. Moore, R. D. Brown, S. K. Smith, J. W. Barron, F. B. Hayward, B. A. Maxwell, W. I. Wainwright, G. L. Etheridge, L. M. Nicholls, A. P. Durham, H. M. Michael, Ace Teddlie, R. E. Jackson, J. F. Fletcher, V. R. Boyett, H. A. McManus, W. H. Smith, James H. Walker, Silas D. Jones, W. P. Robinson, G. W. Kees, J. I. Kees, L. Z. Price, Z. R. Lovell, B. F. Pitman, J. F. Peters, E. C. Gates, E. L. Roberts, William Smith, J. W. Ethridge, J. E. Deen, M. E. Jackson, J. L. Fletcher, H. T. Nicholls, M. E. Teddlie, L. E. Drewett, F. N. Brian, H. L. Brian.

tant question, and to call up their remembrance of the dark days of saloons and debauchery; that we approve the position of our papers, the Colfax Chronicle and Verda Vernacular, in opposing the saloon, and we urge upon them the necessity of sparing neither time nor space in fighting this monster; and that we pledge them our support both in this fight and in every contest for right and home.

Resolved further, That we join in the call for a general mass meeting of the citizens and voters of the parish, to be held at Fairfield church, on Wednesday, Jan. 24th, 1906, and urge the attendance of all good people, to assist in organizing and beginning this campaign.

- L. M. NICHOLS, Chmn. A. P. DURHAM, H. L. BRIAN.

On motion duly seconded the meeting adopted the report on organization, as follows:

We, your committee, feeling the necessity of organizing the entire parish, recommend the endorsement of a committee by this mass meeting, to take charge of the parish campaign, and the appointment of a committee to manage the local campaign in ward 7. For our local committee we name the following, viz: Ward 7 committee—J. L. Fletcher, L. M. Nicholls and J. W. Ethridge.

PARISH COMMITTEE.

- For the parish committee we recommend the following: Ward 1—H. G. Goodwyn, J. H. McNeely and J. Q. Long. Ward 2—Dr. W. P. Robinson, Rev. I. M. Brian and B. F. Teddlie. Ward 3—J. W. Barron, S. D. Cooper and Rev. W. N. Creed. Ward 4—O. C. Watson, J. W. White and Jas. E. Nugent. Ward 5—D. I. Payne, A. J. Dunn and O. H. Cooper. Ward 6—J. R. Smith, Melton Smith and Rev. J. R. Miller. Ward 7—P. W. Lofton, H. L. Brian and John I. McCain.

We recommend the above for a parish committee, and that the secretary of this meeting notify each one, and urge them to be at Fairfield for better organization at the general mass meeting Jan. 24, 1906.

This report to be adopted subject to revision at Fairfield, in case any person named prefers not to serve. Respectfully submitted, P. W. LOFTON, G. L. ETHRIDGE, J. E. DEEN.

It was moved, seconded and carried that a committee of five be appointed to meet the parish mass meeting called to meet at Fairfield on Wednesday, Jan. 24th, 1906, namely: Committee—John F. Fletcher, Ace Adams, V. R. Boyett, J. M. Wardlow and M. E. Jackson. Alternates—Ace Teddlie, H. M. Michael, F. N. Brian, E. S. Marrel and Geo. L. Ethridge.

It was moved and seconded that a committee be appointed to examine the poll list and ascertain the number of legal voters in the several wards and precincts, and also to get a correct court record of the amount of funds used in prosecuting the "blind tigers," and the revenues derived from fines imposed on same. The chair appointed P. W. Lofton, V. R. Boyett, H. L. Brian and L. R. Morgan, as said committee.

On motion the meeting then adjourned. J. W. ETHRIDGE, Chmn. U. E. DEWITT, Sec.

district 10, in Grant parish, and known by the subdivision of Grant parish into school districts as Friendship, for the purpose of taking the sense of the people of said district on the proposition of levying a 5 mill tax on all the taxable property in said district for a period of 5 years in aid of public schools of said district. The tax so levied to begin and be in force with the year 1906.

The said election to be held at FRIENDSHIP CHURCH. In said school district, and in all things in accordance with the general election laws of the State of Louisiana, and due returns made thereof as the law directs.

Witness our official signatures this 15th day of January, A. D. 1906. J. A. Williams, J. A. Harvey, R. W. Richardson.

Members of the Board of Supervisors of Election of Grant Parish, La. State of Louisiana, Parish of Grant. By virtue of the authority vested in us, and in accordance with an ordinance of the police jury of Grant parish, La., we do hereby appoint the following commissioners and clerk of election to hold an election on the 27th day of February, 1906, in district number 10, or what is known as Friendship school district, for the purpose of taking the sense of the property tax payers of said district on the proposition of levying a special 5 mill tax on all the taxable property in said district for a period of 5 years in aid of the public schools of said district.

Commissioners—Zack Lovell, Wash Kees and Davis Kitterling. Clerk—Irrving Wainwright. The above named commissioners and clerk are authorized and ordered to hold said election at the above named place and at the above named time, in accordance with the general election laws of the State of Louisiana, and due returns and process verbal make in all things as the law directs.

Witness our official signatures on this 15th day of January, 1906. J. A. Williams, J. A. Harvey, R. W. Richardson.

Members of the Board of Supervisors of Election of Grant Parish, La. Order of Election. State of Louisiana, Parish of Grant.

By virtue of the authority vested in us, and in accordance with an ordinance of the honorable police jury of the parish of Grant, adopted by the said body at its regular meeting for the month of January, 1906, an election is hereby ordered to be held on the 27th day of February, 1906, within school district known as district number 4, or Flagon school, for the purpose of taking the sense of the people on the proposition of levying a special tax of five mills on all the taxable property in said district for the period of 5 years in aid of the public schools of said district. The tax so levied to begin with the year 1906 and continue for the full period of 5 years.

The said election to be held at FLAGON SCHOOL HOUSE in said district, and in all things in accordance with the general election laws of the State of Louisiana, and due returns made thereof as the law directs.

Witness our official signatures on this 15th day of January, 1906. J. A. Williams, J. A. Harvey, R. W. Richardson.

Members of the Board of Supervisors of Election of Grant Parish, La. Order of Election. State of Louisiana, Parish of Grant.

By virtue of the authority vested in us, and in accordance with an ordinance of the police jury of Grant parish, we do hereby appoint the following commissioners of election and clerk to hold an election in school district number 4, known as Flagon, for the purpose of taking the census of the property tax payers of said district on the proposition of levying a five mill tax on all the property in said district subject to taxation for a period of 5 years.

Commissioners—H. S. Garlington, J. F. Holloway, O. K. Hataway. Clerk—Wiley Walker.

Said election to be held at Flagon school house in said district on the 27th day of February, 1906. The above named commissioners and clerk of election are authorized and ordered to hold said election under the general election laws of the State of Louisiana and make their return or process verbal of the same as the law directs.

Witness our official signatures on this 15th day of January, 1906. J. A. Williams, J. A. Harvey, R. W. Richardson.

Members of the Board of Supervisors of Election of Grant Parish, La. Order of Election. State of Louisiana, Parish of Grant.

By virtue of the authority vested in us, and in accordance with an ordinance of the police jury of Grant parish, we do hereby appoint the following commissioners of election and clerk to hold an election in school district number 4, known as Flagon, for the purpose of taking the census of the property tax payers of said district on the proposition of levying a five mill tax on all the property in said district subject to taxation for a period of 5 years.

The said election to be held at CLEAR CREEK SCHOOL HOUSE in said district, and in all things in accordance with the general election laws of the State of Louisiana, and due returns made thereof as the law directs.

Witness our official signatures on this 15th day of January, 1906. J. A. Williams, J. A. Harvey, R. W. Richardson.

Members of the Board of Supervisors of Election of Grant Parish, La. Order of Election. State of Louisiana, Parish of Grant.

By virtue of the authority vested in us, and in accordance with an ordinance of the police jury of Grant parish, we do hereby appoint the following commissioners of election and clerk to hold an election in school district number 3, or Prospect, for the purpose of taking the sense of the people on the proposition of levying a special tax of five mills on all the taxable property in said district for the period of five years in aid of the public schools of said district. The tax so levied to begin with the year of 1906 and continue for the full period of five years.

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Members of the Board of Supervisors of Election of Grant Parish, La. Order of Election. State of Louisiana, Parish of Grant.

By virtue of the authority vested in us, and in accordance with an ordinance of the police jury of the parish of Grant, La., we do hereby order an election to be held on the 27th day of February, 1906, in school district No. 3, known as Big Creek school district, for the purpose of taking the sense of the property tax payers in said district on the proposition of levying a special 5 mill tax on all the taxable property in said district, for the period of 5 years, in aid of the public schools of said district.

The tax so levied to be in force commencing with the year 1906, and the election to be held in accordance with the general election laws of the State of Louisiana, and due returns thereof made according to law.

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Members of the Board of Supervisors of Election of Grant Parish, La. Order of Election. State of Louisiana, Parish of Grant.

By virtue of the authority vested in us, and in accordance with an ordinance of the police jury of the parish of Grant, we do hereby appoint the following commissioners and clerk of election to hold an election in school district No. 8, known as Big Creek school district, for the purpose of taking the sense of the property tax payers of said district on the proposition of levying a 5 mill special tax on all the taxable property in said district for a period of 5 years, in aid of the public schools of said district.

The tax so levied to be in force commencing with the year 1906, and the election to be held in accordance with the general election laws of the State of Louisiana, and due returns thereof made according to law.

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Members of the Board of Supervisors of Election of Grant Parish, La. Order of Election. State of Louisiana, Parish of Grant.

By virtue of the authority vested in us, and in accordance with an ordinance of the police jury of the parish of Grant, we do hereby appoint the following commissioners and clerk of election to hold an election in school district number 5, or Gear Creek school district, for the purpose of taking the sense of the people on the proposition of levying a special tax of five mills on all the taxable property in said district for the period of five years in aid of the public schools of said district. The tax so levied to begin with the year 1906 and continue for the full period of five years.

The said election to be held at GEAR CREEK SCHOOL HOUSE in said district, and in all things in accordance with the general election laws of the State of Louisiana, and due returns made thereof as the law directs.

Witness our official signatures on this 15th day of January, 1906. J. A. Williams, J. A. Harvey, R. W. Richardson.

Members of the Board of Supervisors of Election of Grant Parish, La. Order of Election. State of Louisiana, Parish of Grant.

By virtue of the authority vested in us, and in accordance with an ordinance of the police jury of Grant parish, we do hereby appoint the following commissioners of election and clerk to hold an election in school district number 5, known as Gear Creek, for the purpose of taking the sense of the property tax payers of said district on the proposition of levying a five mill tax on all the property in said district subject to taxation for a period of five years.

The said election to be held at CLEAR CREEK SCHOOL HOUSE in said district on the 27th day of February, 1906. The above named commissioners and clerk of election are authorized and ordered to hold said election under the general election laws of the State of Louisiana and make their return or process verbal of the same as the law directs.

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