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PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, November 11th, "ARMISTICE DAY," should ever more be celebrated and commemorated as the most epochal date of the world's history, as the GREATEST DAY among the free peoples of the earth. On November 11th, 1918 "our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor" were saved and confirmed to mankind by the valiant and patriotic American soldier, who saved the blood stained French Poilu, and the British Tommy.

Let us make those soldiers feel that their sacrifices have not been made in vain. Let us be united, young and old show our appreciation, of the material and spiritual significance of that triumph. Let us rededicate our lives to that living patriotism in the ordinary walks of life.

Let us manifest, and pledge our undying gratitude to those soldiers, some of whose earthly remains sleep beneath the poppy-covered fields of France, but whose spirits abide with the Nations for which they made the Supreme Sacrifice.

THEREFORE, I, EDWARD L. LOEB, Mayor of the City of Opelousas, La., do hereby proclaim that on November 11th, 1921, from the hour of 11 o'clock, A. M. to 4 o'clock, P. M., all commercial pursuits shall be suspended, and at the hour of 11:45 o'clock, A. M. to 12 Noon all bells in the City shall be tolled and all heads shall be reverently bowed for Three minutes, in tribute to the soldiers of the World War, who by their heroic sacrifices saved civilization from the abyss of destruction, and made forever secure freedom and independence we enjoy and cherish.

Given under my hand and seal, at Opelousas, La., on this 7th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-one.

EDWARD L. LOEB,
Mayor of Opelousas.

Attest:—J. J. PERRODIN,
Clerk.

GOVERNOR PARKER LEFT MONDAY TO ATTEND ARMS MEET

President Calls Him; Bouchaud to Occupy Executive Office

Baton Rouge, La., Nov. 5.—Gov. John M. Parker has accepted the appointment as a member of the advisory committee of the American delegation to the armament conference, which was tendered him last week by President Harding.

He will leave for Washington Monday, to be absent the better part of the week.

Two telegrams are on his desk, one from President Harding, the other from secretary of state Hughes, both urging him to be in Washington Nov. 10, for an important meeting of the disarmament committee.

"I have no idea what the specific business is in hand, but in response to these telegrams, I felt that it is my duty to go," said the governor in substance.

While friends were delighted at the honor conferred upon him and wished him to accept, they are reluctant to see him leave the capital during the closing stages of the extra session.

Gov. Parker's selection is accepted here as a national recognition that he has been paid him. The advisory committee is composed of one cabinet member, Hebert C. Hoover, and leading men from the entire nation.

His absence from the state will automatically make Lieut. Gov. Bouchaud acting governor. His entire time, it is understood, will be taken up with executive duties, and it may be that he will sign new acts of the legislature.

With Mr. Bouchaud absent from the senate, it will fall to the lot of John E. Johnson, president pro tempore, to preside over the senate.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WILL ENTERTAIN WEDNESDAY

On account of the regular meeting being on All Souls Day the council met Wednesday night and did not hold its usual entertainment. The newly elected officers will be hosts at the meeting Wednesday night November 9th and the Knights Ladies will be treated to a chicken-gumbo. Remember it is for Wednesday night the 9th.

Some very important matters will be brought before the council at this meeting and a very large attendance earnestly requested, at the same time remember the gumbo.

Miss Platte is planning an initiation for Sunday, November 13th, and sends a cordial invitation to all to help them make the 13th a gala day for old Villeda Platte.

O'BRIEN'S BIG EXPOSITION SHOW HIT OPELOUSAS

The big O'Brien exposition show opened here Tuesday night under the auspices of the local post of the American Legion, and comes highly recommended as a high class amusement in every sense of the word.

Dick O'Brien, no doubt will be remembered by many of his friends made in this community while a former resident, Mr. O'Brien operated the old Lacombe hotel here, some years ago.

EXPLOSION KILLS HENRY DAVIS AT BEAUMONT, TEXAS

MR. DAVIS IS THE SON OF ONE OF ST. LANDRY'S MOST PROMINENT CITIZENS

Mr. R. D. Davis and son R. D. Davis Jr., passed through Opelousas on Monday in route from Beaumont, Texas, where they were called by the death of Henry Davis, eldest son of R. D. Davis of Morrow, La.

Young Davis was instantly killed in an explosion at the Magnolia Oil Refinery at Beaumont. He had been in the services of the company for about ten years and rose to the position of superintendent of the high pressure department. He was a young man about thirty years of age and held in the highest esteem by all who knew him.

The body of young Davis was laid to rest in Beaumont and floral offerings were numerous and costly. The Magnolia Refinery sent a blanket of American beauty roses that covered the entire caasket, which was indeed an open manifestation of the high esteem in which his employers held him.

He was considered one of the most popular young men of that section of the country. He was a member of the Odd Fellows, W. O. W. and had been elected to take the 3rd degree in Masonry, but death called him in the meantime. Young Davis was vice president of the Gulf Coast Line Timber company.

The Clarion extends deep sympathy and condolence to the bereaved family.

MRS. BIENVENUE HOSTESS AT ENJOYABLE BRIDGE PARTY

Mrs. Lionel Bienvenue was hostess at her home.

The following ladies were present: Mesdames: S. Brown, F. J. Dietrich, John Brown, Bert Edwards, Henry Lastrapes, Laurent Lacombe, Harold Lastrapes, Eugene Bercler, George Bienvenue, Joe Firnberg, Adolphe Jacobs, Clinton Mornhivog, Vance Miles, Regni Mornhivog and Miss Mathilde Estorge.

Mrs. George Bienvenue captured first prize, Mrs. Henry Lastrapes, second and Mrs. Adolphe Jacobs third. Next meeting will be at Mrs. George Bienvenue.

CROWLEY'S BIG ARMISTICE PARADE FORMATION GIVEN

Line of March for Big Celebration Announced by Captain Phil Goldstein

ENTHUSIASM RAMPANT CELEBRATION NEARS

All Fraternal Organizations Are Expected to Take Part And Assist

Armistice Day celebration will be observed in Crowley on a very large scale this year, and many weeks have been spent in the thorough organization of different committees that will have full management.

Phil Goldstein, who has been one of the most praiseworthy workers for the celebration has mapped out the full line of march for next Friday, and has requested the newspapers to announce the formation so that there will be no misunderstanding when the time arrives.

Enthusiasm is rampant and Crowley is ablaze with gliding tales of just what will happen in Crowley on that day. It is understood that all fraternal organizations will take an active part in the parade and add much color and distinction to the whole affair.

The parade will form on East Hutchinson venue, north and south sides head resting west of court circle. All organizations will be ready promptly at 9:30 o'clock as the march will be taken up promptly at 10:30 a. m. without fail.

Grand Marshal and aids, selected from American Legion.

First Division of the American Legion. Music.

Companies of Militia, Boy Scouts, Red Cross.

Second division, School children of Acadia parish; fraternal orders; St. Vic Temple No. 211. D. O. K. K. of Beaumont, Texas.

Football teams of Crowley and St. Charles college.

Third division, Music; Decorated autos; Fleets and Trucks.

Fourth division, Tractors, etc.. Fire Department.

Route of parade, Court Circle, West side Parkerson Avenue to Southern Pacific railroad crossing; to East side of Parkerson Avenue to Court circle to North Parkerson Avenue to seventh street where parade will disband.

The mayor, city council and invited guests will review the parade from the balcony of the Egan Hotel, which place has been designated as an official reviewing stand.

CITY OFFICIALS MAKING NEEDY IMPROVEMENT

Electric Wires of City Being Rapidly Put in Tip-Top Shape

The city officials have been busy some time overhauling the electric wiring of the city, removing bad poles and are gradually putting them in first class shape.

Mayor Loeb and the city fathers have also prepared to put into action two sprinkling forces. One will sprinkle in the day time and the other will take care of the streets at night. This is indeed a comfort as the dust has been something awful and this new ruling will not doubt be hailed by the merchants as a great relief.

The drainage work is progressing nicely and never in the history of Opelousas has there been so free of bad pools and the drainage is perfect. The folks in the city are very pleased with this much needed improvement and one can easily hear praise of the city and of the city administration for this work.

Dr. O. P. Daly and little daughter, Anita of Lafayette spent Monday in town.

Jno. E. Boagni who is attending L. S. U. at Baton Rouge spent the weekend here with his mother, Mrs. M. S. Boagni.

Official Tex Rickard boxing contest pictures of the famous Dempsey-Carpentier fight will be shown at the Princess theatre on next Monday and Tuesday, November 14 and 15. This picture is now showing in New Orleans to capacity houses.

HALL'S DEATH CASTS GLOOM OVER STATE

Former Governor's Sudden Demise Shocks Relatives and Host of Friends

CONDOLENCE SENT TO STRICKEN FAMILY

Flags Ordered at Half Staff as State Mourns Eminent Jurist

Full military honors will be accorded ex-governor Luther E. Hall, who died Sunday night, by order of Governor Parker. It was announced from the state adjutant general's office Monday afternoon. Three volleys will be fired over the grave at Bastrop, Louisiana, at the hour of the funeral, by Company A, Louisiana national guard of Alexandria.

In New Orleans, Battery A, Washington Artillery will fire 17 guns, at the foot of Canal street at the hour of the funeral. The funeral, it is said, took place at 3:30 p. m. Tuesday.

The sudden death of former governor Luther E. Hall, at his home Sunday night from an attack of heart failure, threw a pall of sorrow over the city and state as the news of his untimely passing became known. At the home, 1223 Webster street, a continuous stream of friends, state and city officials, made their way Monday morning to offer consolation to the widow, mother and children of the former chief executive of Louisiana.



Ex-Gov. Luther E. Hall

Judge Hall has been ill ever since an attack he received at Baton Rouge last Thursday when arguing against the injunction suit being tried before Judge Brunot in regard to the democratic nomination for the Monroe vacancy on the supreme court bench. At that time it was believed that Judge Hall was suffering from an attack of acute indigestion. When returning to New Orleans from the state capitol he told friends accompanying him that he was feeling in the best of health and on his arrival in this city at the advice of his physician Dr. Charles Gelbke, he went to bed and was treated for a cold that was feared might develop into influenza.

Sunday at 5 p. m. Dr. Gelbke visited his patient and the former governor stated that he was feeling very much better and thought that he would be up and around Monday. Late Sunday night, Mrs. Hall and Luther E. Hall, Jr., sat by the bedside chatting with Judge Hall who was in excellent spirits and as his son stated his intention of going to bed a few minutes before 10 o'clock, Judge Hall made some slight remark at which all three laughed heartily.

As his son left the room Judge Hall closed his eyes and his wife sitting at his bedside, heard him give a deep sigh and noting a sudden change hurriedly called her son. Only a glance was needed to tell that the former governor of Louisiana had died. A later medical examination showed that he had died from an unsuspected attack of heart disease.

Arrangements for the funeral service were made Monday morning. The services will be held at the late home 1223 Webster street, at 5 p. m. and the body will then be taken to Bastrop, La., for interment, leaving on the Texas and Pacific train at 7:30 p. m.

Honorary Pallbearers The honorary pallbearers for the funeral services of Judge Hall were named Monday morning as follows: Governor John M. Parker, Chief Justice F. A. Monroe, Attorney Gen-

OPELOUSAS HIGH LOCK HORNS WITH JENNINGS HIGH

JENNINGS AND OPELOUSAS WILL GIVE BATTLE AT GIRON'S PARK ON FRIDAY EVENING

Coach Mendoza informs us that his boys are making fine preparations for the game with Jennings High school at Giron's park on Friday at 2 o'clock.

While the home boys have met with defeat in every instance, they have made a splendid showing, when you take into consideration the fact that everyone is green at the business and the greater part of the team had taken little or no part in athletics.

Meet them with a grim face boys, and fight like tigers and we believe that you will send the Jennings aggregation home sick, so put every effort forward.

The game is called for 2 o'clock and the boys expect a large crowd to watch them wallop Jennings, so fall them not.

BETTER PACKING CAMPAIGN FOR POSTOFFICE ON

Postmaster G. L. Lassalle Makes Appeal to Patrons For Safer Parcel Post

Postmaster G. L. Lassalle is again active in trying to give to the patrons of the Opelousas postoffice better and more efficient service. He comes this time with a timely appeal for the securely wrapping and tiring of all parcel post packages. The Christmas season is nearly on us and he asks that each and everyone give him their assistance and co-operation and he will give them first-class service. The following is the message to you from him:

"Opelousas, La., Nov. 7, 1921. "As there is a nation-wide campaign on at this time for more care in packing and addressing parcel post matter the local post office desires to take this opportunity of addressing a few words of advice to the patrons of this office regarding the manner in which parcels and all mail matter should be prepared for transmission in the mails.

"Wrappers of weak or unsubstantial paper should not be used as mail is handled often and subjected to pressure and friction in the mail bags hence if not securely wrapped and well tied it may be damaged. It must also be plainly addressed and bear the address of sender in the upper left hand corner. Never write an address in lead pencil as this is never plain and is easily erased in handling. When sending a parcel don't enclose any writing in the parcel as this makes the parcel subject to first class rates and there is a severe penalty attached for this offense.

"Don't wrap the parcel in dark paper and don't tie with thread or weak twine.

"The postal department has notified postmasters not to accept parcels that are not well packed and plainly addressed and hereafter all parcels will be scrutinized and those not up to the regulations will not be accepted. This rule is put into effect for the benefit of the patrons as many people lose their parcels through their own carelessness in preparing the package.

"The parcel post is saving the people a great deal of money in charges. Let us all try to co-operate with the postal department in reducing all losses to the minimum. If every package were strongly packed and properly and plainly addressed there would be very few complaints or losses.

"Yours for improved packing. "G. L. LASSALLE, "Acting Postmaster."

K. OF C. PLAN BIG FAIR TO TAKE PLACE SOMETIME SOON

Committee Has Been Appointed—a Real Big Celebration Planned

At a regular meeting held here on last Wednesday night the Knights of Columbus appointed various committees to take care of all preparations for a rip-roaring big fair. Mr. L. Bienvenue, G. Richard, and J. M. Prescott were appointed on the committee, and they will work with another committee appointed by the Grand Knight of Opelousas Council.

They have also planned to have quite a few of the fairer sex to lend a helping hand, and in due time the committee will call upon the ladies asking their assistance.

MISS DELLA BOURDIER NEW ERA CONTESTANT

We understand that Miss Della Bourdier of this place will be the Opelousas contestant for the big 1922 Model Dodge Touring car, the grand prize offered in the New Era contest of Eunice, La. While there are five prizes offered, we understand from Miss Bourdier that she is determined that the Dodge shall be hers and you know that is half of the battle.

According to reports she has secured at least enough to give her four hundred (400,000) thousand votes all ready and the battle has just begun. There is nothing like a real fighter and Miss Bourdier will no doubt give the other contestants the race of their lives.

Mr. L. A. Andrepoint, editor and publisher of the Crowley Daily Progress, of Crowley, La., and Mr. Edgar Andrepoint, also of Crowley were in Opelousas on Friday and Saturday of last week transacting business.

NOTICE OF CONSOLIDATION

The board of directors of The Clarion Company, Ltd., owners of the St. Landry Clarion and the Star-Progress decided at a meeting held Tuesday morning to consolidate the two papers under the name of THE CLARION-PROGRESS.

The consolidation is made so that more time can be devoted to the publishing of a larger and better paper, the efforts of successful newspaper publishers being put forth to give to St. Landry parish the combined products of the two best newspapers ever published in this parish.

We believe that in consolidating the two papers that we will better be able to serve you and at the same time give you the very best weekly paper published in South-west Louisiana. It shall be our pleasure to make The Clarion-Progress so very good that no family in the confines of the Parish of St. Landry will want to be without the home paper.

The Clarion-Progress is the official journal of the parish of St. Landry and of the City of Opelousas, and it will be our aim and earnest efforts to make it worthy of being called the official journal.

The subscribers of the St. Landry Clarion and of the Star-Progress will be put on the mailing list of The Clarion-Progress; those receiving the two papers will be given proper credit, thereby assuring many subscribers of the consolidated papers a paid up paper for the next two years. Those holding subscriptions for a longer period will be taken care of accordingly.

We ask the people of the parish to bear with us and give us their co-operation and we assure them that The Clarion-Progress will at all times be a power for truth and justice, and that it will be the pride of the community and parish.

With this issue The Star-Progress gives way to the steady march of progress, and passes into history, and in so doing, we feel that as owners of the Star-Progress we must extend our sincere thanks to our many friends throughout the parish for their kind and generous patronage and hope to serve them in any way possible through the columns of The Clarion-Progress.

RUMBLING OF OIL NEWS FROM PINE PRAIRIE HEARD

If Reports are True, Evangeline Parish May be Big Oil Center

The editor of the Star-Progress was informed on Saturday that the possibilities of Pine Prairie becoming a large oil center was very bright. It is reported that a real well is at hand and that all preparations have been made to handle it. They have a strainer and a cap on the grounds and there seems to be some real foundation for the information that a well is expected to blow in at any minute.

We are told that oil was real in evidence at a depth of 1300 feet but it would be in much greater quantity at a deeper depth and they are over a about 2800 feet. The prospects of a well are so great that they are preparing to put down a second well.

The oil excitement in this section has run very high at different periods and now there is quite a stir at the possibility of having within sight a gusher.

BASKET BALLGAME AT HIGH SCHOOL THURSDAY EVENING

Port Barre Girs Will Play the Opelousas High School Girs

The Port Barre school girls will lock horns with the Opelousas high school girls on Thursday on the high school grounds and a lively game is looked forward to, as both teams are reputed to be in the very best of shape for the scrap.

We are told that the Opelousas girls expect to take the honors in easy style, we also hear that the Port Barre girls are in first class shape and will give the home team a game of their life.

The public is cordially invited to come out and see the game and at the same time do their part.

The following is the line-up for the home team: Miss Louis Ventre, forward; Miss Altha Littell, forward; Miss Pearly Williams, guard; Miss Lynn Burleigh, guard; Miss J. Gullbeau, jumping center; Miss Lillian Boagni, running center.

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