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SCHELL'S PENNSYLVANIANS HAVE ARRIVED

The Guests of Citizens of St. Landry Parish Last Tuesday, the Twelfth.

OPELOUSAS DAY MONDAY

City-wide in the Party, and the Object is Inspecting the Plant of the Union Irrigation Company.

Sixty-five strong, Schell's party of Pennsylvania business men passed through Opelousas Thursday evening, on their way to Washington.

They come here to inspect the Union Irrigation Company's mammoth canal, being built in this parish, and will remain here until next Tuesday, the 12th.

They came on a special train, consisting of several Pullmans, a diner and observation car, which left Lancaster, Penn., last Monday. A stop was made at Vicksburg, Baton Rouge and New Orleans. A party from the Opelousas Progressive League, consisting of Sheriff Swords, Clerk of Court Andrepoint and Percy Dunbar, met them at Baton Rouge, where Sheriff Swords addressed them in behalf of Opelousas.

At Washington the party was received by the citizens of that town in a fitting manner. Creole gumbo was served, and speeches galore made. Yesterday was spent in inspecting the plant of the Union Irrigation Company, and to-day an excursion to Eunice and Crowley and Mamou will take place.

Next Monday is Opelousas Day. On that day the party will visit Opelousas, and be the guest of this city for a day and a night.

The party will arrive in Opelousas at about 9 o'clock Monday, and the local committee in charge desires to ask the people of Opelousas to meet the visitors at the depot, in carriages. "The Union Irrigation Company's plant," said Mr. Schell, the enterprising manager and promoter of the scheme, to a Times-Democrat reporter, which will irrigate from 10,000 to 30,000 acres of land, is now nearly completed. The buildings and foundations are ready, and the machinery, and the five-mile canal is eight-tenths completed. The machinery is ready for shipment, and the plant will be in operation by April.

EUNICE TOWNLOT SALE.

Hotel & Booths Will Sell at Public Auction Lots in Their Addition.

We take pleasure in directing our readers' attention to the full page ad of Messrs. Nacol and Butte in this issue. There are some facts in connection with this advertisement of unusual significance. As the advertisement states, the lots both improved and unimproved, will go to the last and highest bidder, irrespective of what that bid is, and in the second place the terms and conditions of the sale are most favorable to prospective purchasers.

This Eunice is growing rapidly and offers a splendid field for investment which is not to be despised. The railroad facilities which it has, alone, command it to the speculator, and we have no doubt that they will be attracted there on the occasion of this sale. The fight for the parish seat between Eunice, Mamou and Ville Platte, and if the parish seat should be located in Eunice, as the Euniceites confidently predict, anyone purchasing a lot at this sale will unquestionably realize large profits. For private reasons Messrs. Nacol and Butte are desiring their holdings on the market at this time, and invite the public to make a personal investigation of the location, title and availability of them before purchasing. This proposition looks good, and the fact that Hon. H. B. Barthelemy is to conduct the sale is a guarantee that no misrepresentation or shady practice, common to such ventures, will be tolerated. The sale begins on Saturday the 16 and ends on the 25th. Rates on all railroads.

CANE DERRICK WILL BE READY FOR BUSINESS MONDAY

Mr. E. S. Isaacs is erecting a derrick for the loading of sugar cane aboard cars to be shipped to the Lafayette refinery, and it will be ready for business Monday.

This "long felt want" to use a mechanical expression, as heretofore it has been a problem as to how the farmers could best load their cane for shipment. Mr. Isaacs' derrick is located on the Southern Pacific track. He advises farmers to use him before bringing in their cane, as a means of saving their time.

WARM FAREWELL TO MR. J. ADAM BUDD

Prominent Citizen Leaves Opelousas to Enter Business in City of New Iberia.

BANQUET AT THE LACOMBE

Men of All Walks of Life Gather to Bid Him Goodspeed and to Express Regrets at His Departure.

Bankers, merchants, lawyers, artisans, officials—men in every walk of life—gathered at the Lacombe Hotel last Monday evening at seven o'clock to bid goodspeed to Mr. J. Adam Budd, who left the next day for New Iberia to make that place his home, having purchased the Smith saloon there. His family will follow him in January.

His solid honesty, his love of family, his good citizenship, his liberality towards all enterprises affecting the uplift of the town, and his noted charity to the needy, were the theme of the speeches made—and nearly every one present hesitated not to say something.

Mr. Budd has been a citizen of Opelousas all of his life—he was born and reared here—and the esteem in which he is held in the community was plainly shown by the sentiments expressed at the banquet.

Among the speakers were Hon. E. B. Dubuisson, Hon. Dudley L. Guilbeau, Hon. Peyton R. Sandoz, Dr. Jno. A. Haas, Mr. John W. Lewis, Mr. B. Bennett, District Attorney R. Lee Garland, Sheriff M. L. Swords, Mr. L. Austin Fontenot, City Clerk Chas. F. Bailey, Mr. G. H. Cretin, Mayor Halphen, Dr. R. M. Littlell, and many others. District Attorney Garland was toastmaster.

Mr. Dubuisson paid Mr. Budd's domestic life, his love of family, and the way he had cared for his loved ones, a beautiful tribute. Dr. Haas, who has had extensive dealings with Mr. Budd, spoke strongly of Mr. Budd's honesty. "I have always found that his word was his bond, as the old saying is," said Dr. Haas, "and if J. Adam Budd needs a financial friend in his business in New Iberia, or anywhere else, I am ready to serve him to the best of my ability." Dr. Haas is president of the St. Landry State Bank. Mr. Dubuisson is president of the Opelousas National Bank.

Mr. John W. Lewis, who was during the late campaign a prohibition orator, said that, while he had no apologies to make for his stand in that fight, he could not help express regret that prohibition should make it necessary for the loss to the community of such a valuable citizen as Mr. Budd. Mr. Lewis said that in promoting several enterprises here, he had never been "turned down" by Mr. Budd when his aid was sought.

The other speeches were on the same line.

TEXAS COTTON CROP IS REPORTED MUCH SHORT.

Fort Worth, Texas, Oct. 3.—Basing his statement upon a personal inspection of the entire cotton belt of Texas, Joe E. Edmondson, state organizer of the Farmers' Union, who returned to Fort Worth Monday morning after a six weeks' trip over the cotton sections, declares that the crop this year will be the smallest in the history of the State in proportion to the acreage planted and that the entire crop will not reach 2,000,000 bales.

"In making my estimate of less than 2,000,000 bales," said Mr. Edmondson, "I do not base my calculation upon what merchants and other people told me. It is made from a careful observation from the fields as well as from other data that I could gather."

According to the estimate of Mr. Edmondson, the crop will fall more than 1,500,000 bales short of last year. The crop of 1908 was 3,500,000 bales.

Mr. Edmondson also said that he did not believe there was now 40 per cent of the crop in the field. While he did not make a close inspection of the grain and hay crop, he says he does not believe more than half a crop of feedstuffs will be made.

It Was Arthur David.

In last week's issue of the Clarion an account was given of the arrest of John David for selling liquor in violation of the prohibition law.

It should have read Arthur David. They are brothers, and keep a stand together, but it was Arthur who pleaded guilty, to selling liquor, and was fined.

—Mr. Michel Billodoux, of Mamou, was in town this week, attending to important business.

FARMERS MEET AT PRAIRIE RONDE

St. Landry Parish Farmers' Union: Have Very Successful Meeting, And

ORGANIZE JUVENILE UNION

Miss Minnie Carron Present With Her Band of Young People, Which is Made Feature of the Event.

Editor Clarion.—The St. Landry Farmers' Union No. 19 convened with the Prairie Ronde Local on Sept. 30th, with President R. Lee Mills at the helm, and Secretary Jack Lamury on deck. With such a crew you may well imagine that the ship made a successful cruise.

There were forty-five delegates present, representing eleven locals, with probably two hundred and fifty members on the ground.

Miss Minnie Carron, of Eunice, was present with her band of juveniles, who contributed largely to the program.

The young people are very enthusiastic in the union. They organized the young people of Prairie Ronde, twenty nine strong. A meeting was fixed for the 15th inst. at 2 o'clock p. m. to take place at Lawtell, which all members of the Prairie Ronde and Belleue locals are expected to attend, and to which any union members are cordially invited. We hope this meeting will be largely attended for it is expected that business of vital importance to the above three locals, at least, will be transacted.

The next parish meeting will be held with the Belleue local on the 8th of Dec.

FEATURE RACE LAST SUNDAY WON BY DANIEL J.

The races at the Dillon-Gratton Track (formerly the Haas Track) last Saturday and Sunday were attended by good crowds, and proved highly interesting.

The feature race between Daniel J., entered by E. K. Wallior, and Bobby Good, entered by W. A. Ransen, of Jennings, was won by the former, best time 2:11 1/2. Much interest was taken in this race, as both horses bore fine records. Daniel won all heats.

An amusing feature was the mule race. Several celebrities were behind the mules, and one rising driver suffered the humiliation of having to dismount from his gig and follow Beck, holding the reins from behind the gig. Why the usual stunt, has not yet been fully explained. It is whispered however, that Capt. Stewart, the driver of another mule, had something to do with the affair, and the fact that John Ogden's mule (John was the unfortunate man who had to finish the race foot) had her name changed from Maud to Oil of Mustard, may be significant. And the further fact that Ogden could not even sit in the automobile to drive back to town that evening has led many to believe that the seat of the driving sulky had had been monkeyed with.

The entries in the mule race which took place Saturday, were as follows: Maud, driven by Jno. N. Ogden, Jr.; Dora, driven by Capt. A. D. Stewart; Jake, driven by E. K. Wallior; Tobe, driven by Gilbert Haines; Susy, driven by A. Milliman.

Capt. Stewart came out ahead, but owing to the fact that the stretch was made in a dead run, the judges ruled him off the track and suspended him from any future mule race, and awarded the race to E. K. Wallior, the next best mule.

The other races were: 2:29 Class.—Jennie C., by J. J. Thompson first; Almira Moore, by A. Milliman, second; Golden Grace, by Dr. H. S. Joseph, third.

Three-Year-Old, pace—Rose Onward, by Haines Brothers, of Rayne, first; Joe William, by John Clay, Sunset, second; Francis T., by J. J. Thompson third. Lucy K., by D. M. Fontenot, and Alice B., by N. Breaux, also ran.

Sunday's races were attended by a larger crowd than on Saturday, owing to the many excursions which came to town on that day.

The free-for-all was won by Daniel J., entered by E. K. Wallior, Bobby Good coming next. The Rosary also ran.

In the green class, Springdale, entered by J. F. Case, of Jennings, won first money, with Rose Onward, by Haines Brothers, Rayne, second, and Joe William, by John Clay, third; Lucy K., by D. M. Fontenot, and Harry E., by J. N. Prather, also ran.

Auction sale of lots. Lawtell, Wednesday, 27th inst. Band; Barbecue.

CLOSING DOWN THE LID TIGHT AND FAST.

Ordinance Before City Council Prohibiting Even the Carrying of a Flask.

LAID OVER FOR REPAIRS.

Belief that the Council Will Not Pass the Sanitary Law...Measure Draconic in the Extreme.

If the ordinance which Alderman John W. Lewis is farthinging passes muster before the city council, it will henceforth be unlawful to have whisky in your private residence. It will likewise be a violation to carry about your person a "topette" or any container having within alcoholic, vinous or malt liquor. Again, it makes the proprietor of a building occupied by a blind tiger as guilty as the keeper thereof, and includes in the dragnet everything down to the bottle washer.

It also provides that any officer upon affidavit of a reputable citizen, has the right to summon a posse and raid any place where it is suspected any liquor is within, and the finding of the liquor is prima facie evidence that he is conducting a blind tiger.

The law is a copy of the law now in force at Ruston, La., and has the sanction of the Supreme Court. There some months ago a man was arrested on the streets, and a flask of whiskey found on his person. The City Judge fined him \$100, and upon appeal by the defendant to the Supreme Court, that tribunal sustained the fine.

The ordinance was offered by Mr. Lewis at a meeting of the Board of Aldermen held last Tuesday evening.

The legality of the ordinance was referred to the city attorney, who was present, and he said he had not drawn up the ordinance, he would not vouch for it until he examined into it. Hence it was deferred until a future session of the council will be called to consider it.

It is believed that the ordinance will fail of passage, the majority of the Board considering it too drastic in scope.

The ordinance provides that blind tigers be declared a nuisance, and that offenders shall be fined a minimum of \$25 and a maximum of \$100, or thirty days in jail, or both. After the tiger is ordered to abate, the offender shall be amenable to a separate offense for every twenty-four hours that he shall violate the law.

The law includes in its scope the owner of the house, place or shop in which a tiger is operated, together with the keeper, clerk, hirelings or lessee.

Section 3 provides that "Whenever the Mayor or City Judge is informed by the oath of a reputable person, made before a competent officer, setting forth that he has good reason to believe alcoholic, vinous, malt or any other intoxicating liquors is being illicitly kept in any house, store, room or any other place within the corporate limits of the city of Opelousas, for the purpose of illicitly disposing of same, and describing the place and naming or pointing out the keeper, owner, or lessee thereof, it shall be the duty of the Mayor of the city or City Judge to at once issue a warrant directing the City Marshal or any other city or parish officer to summon a posse and go into such place or places and ascertain the truth, and if the officer shall find evidence of such illicit business he shall arrest all persons found in charge of said house or place, and the owner, keeper, or lessee of said premises, and the owner of said liquor, and carry them before the Judge, who shall investigate the charges by trial."

Sec. 4 is the one which authorizes the arrest of a person having on his person any liquor. It provides that "When alcoholic, vinous, or malt liquors are found in the searched premises, or in the possession of any person, or on the persons upon whom or in whose possession the illicit goods are found, it shall be considered prima facie evidence of the guilt of the owner, keeper, lessee, or premises, or person, upon which the goods are found, that it is for illicit purposes, and for the maintaining of a public nuisance."

The City Attorney places the construction mentioned in the introduction to this article, to the ordinance. In fact, as said before, the Supreme Court upheld a decision coming from Ruston, inflicting a fine of \$100 for having on his person a flask of whisky, under the very same ordinance which is now before the Opelousas Board of Aldermen.

—L. C. Smith of Chataignier paid us a pleasant visit last Saturday. Mr. Smith says that "la politique commence a rouler" and the fighting for the seat of the new parish of Evangeline will be a hard one from now on.

BIG REGISTRATION FOR EVANGELINE PARISH

Some Twenty-Four Hundred Votes are Registered in the New Parish.

HEAVY EUNICE REGISTRATION

City on the Border Line Shines Brightly in the Contest...A Hot Time in the New Parish.

Up to the closing of the registration office on Wednesday evening, October 6th, the registration in the new parish of Evangeline totaled 2439.

With the registration of Thursday and Friday, it is estimated that the total will easily exceed 2500.

This is considered exceedingly large, as the total registration in the entire parish for the election for the portals to students, desirous of benefiting from either of its three courses, preparatory, commercial and classical.

In spite of two destructive fires, the college has in reality never closed its doors against aspirants after the training conferred by the Fathers of the Society of Jesus, though so crippled in its accommodations, as to render a numerous gathering of students within its venerable walls impracticable.

Remembering with gratitude the benefits derived in former years from the old institution, parents resident in the surrounding towns and yet more distant localities, were clamorous in their entreaties, that the Fathers should again rebuild the college; and to satisfy these legitimate desires, and to offer enticing conditions to prospective students, the Fathers decreed, the past year, to erect at the old site, a thoroughly modern and commodious building, which would meet every need of parent and pupil.

Since the laying of the corner stone of the present College, March 23rd, 1909, work has progressed rapidly, though efficiently, and to-day the college can boast of a building as complete in its accommodations and college facilities, as can be found in the South.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Votes. Total 2439.

AUTOMOBILE GARAGE FOR CITY OF OPELOUSAS

The Opelousas is soon to have an up-to-date automobile garage. Messrs. H. E. Estrope, John W. Lewis and others are forming a company to be known as the Opelousas Automobile and Garage Co., Ltd. These gentlemen have already secured the agency for the celebrated Buick car, which has been brought into recent prominence by the many endurance and speed tests to which they have been successfully subjected, and it is easy to predict that the venture will be a successful one.

When it is considered that St. Landry is one of the largest and most populous parishes in the State, and that there are only two automobiles in the entire parish, as compared to the hundreds in daily use in our sister parishes, the field at once becomes most promising. The preliminary advertisement of the new concern appears in this issue, and in our next week's issue will be found the charter.

We wish these enterprising gentlemen a full measure of success in their new venture.

Arnaudville Local News.

Miss Mimie Morrogh left during the past week for Port Barre, where she will remain a week or two as the guest of Miss Grace Morrogh.

Miss Paola Fuselier of St. Martinville arrived here this week, and will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Olivier for some time.

Messrs. J. M. Olivier and C. J. Gaidroz made a business trip to St. Martinville recently.

Miss Grace Morrogh, after spending two weeks here with relatives, returned to her home at Port Barre, accompanied by her cousin, Miss Mimie Morrogh.

Mr. J. A. Guidroz made a business trip to Opelousas one day this week. Miss D. Butler arrived last Monday to take up her position as principal in the Arnaudville public school, which opened this week. Mr. Hy. G. Durio is the assistant teacher in the same school.

Mr. and Mrs. Noel Breaux and Miss Lucrecia Breaux attended the races in Opelousas last Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. S. P. Delacroix has just returned from Bowling Green, Ky., where he was taking a course in telegraphy at the Bowling Green Business University. We understand that he has completed his course.

FAMED ST. CHARLES COLLEGE OPENS DOORS

Phoenix-Like, It Has risen from the Ashes of Two Destructive Fires.

MAGNIFICENT NEW BUILDING

One that Does Credit to the South.—Precautions Taken Against Recurrence of Destruction by Fire.

Grand Coteau, Sept. 30.—Patrons and friends of the St. Charles College, Grand Coteau, La., in the parish of St. Landry, under the direction of the Jesuit Fathers, have at last witnessed the accomplishment of their desire to see the College reopen: for to-day, in the presence of a numerous gathering of parents and friends, this ancient landmark of learning in the South threw wide its portals to students, desirous of benefiting from either of its three courses, preparatory, commercial and classical.

In spite of two destructive fires, the one in 1900, the other in 1907, the college has in reality never closed its doors against aspirants after the training conferred by the Fathers of the Society of Jesus, though so crippled in its accommodations, as to render a numerous gathering of students within its venerable walls impracticable.

Remembering with gratitude the benefits derived in former years from the old institution, parents resident in the surrounding towns and yet more distant localities, were clamorous in their entreaties, that the Fathers should again rebuild the college; and to satisfy these legitimate desires, and to offer enticing conditions to prospective students, the Fathers decreed, the past year, to erect at the old site, a thoroughly modern and commodious building, which would meet every need of parent and pupil.

Since the laying of the corner stone of the present College, March 23rd, 1909, work has progressed rapidly, though efficiently, and to-day the college can boast of a building as complete in its accommodations and college facilities, as can be found in the South.

The massive structure, 383 feet in length and of three stories, with a central section of four stories, will afford ample accommodation for the 200 students. It is finished handsomely throughout, and ornamented with its turrets and miniature battlements, presents somewhat of the appearance of an ancient castle of feudal times. Especial care has been exhibited in providing large, light-some and airy classrooms, study halls, and dormitories, together with bath-rooms and lavatories equipped with modern sanitary plumbing, etc. Steam heat will render the huge building warm in winter, and numerous windows and other devices, insure a pleasant coolness for the season of summer. The lighting will be supplied by an acetylene gas generator, installed in the grounds, amply sufficient for the needs of the college. And as the College has twice during its past history suffered heavily from devastating fires, future contingencies of like nature have been provided against, by introducing two fire-proof sections, each 50 feet in length, which isolate, as far as fire is concerned, the east and west wings from the central section of the college. Thus in any event, a serious catastrophe would be impossible.

As to location, St. Charles College can lay claim to special and inviting advantages. Grand Coteau, as its name implies, is situated on an elevated plateau in one of the most fertile and healthy sections of Louisiana. It is within easy reach of the station, Sunset, on the Alexandria branch of the Southern Pacific railroad, which offers a means of easy communication with neighboring towns and New Orleans.

The grounds are both spacious and beautiful, abounding in shady groves and stately avenues of oak, and extensive play-grounds. Few parks in deed of our greatest cities possess greater natural beauties than do the grounds surrounding St. Charles.

Both parents and pupils are enraptured over the college campus, which, with its football and baseball facilities, outdoor gymnasium and handball courts, supply every advantage to be had from a regulated course of athletics. These advantages, together with the more solid benefits accruing from the thorough, intellectual and moral training of the Fathers of the Society of Jesus, who from the year A. D. 1540 have stood in the foremost rank of the world's best educators of youth, insure for actual and prospective students that justly lauded boon of "mens sana in corpore sano"—a sound mind in a sound body.

Thus, the college of St. Charles, after many vicissitudes during a

DEATH OF CAPT. GARLAND MOURNED

Supreme Court Adopts Resolutions, and His Life-Long Friend Belchers Eulogy.

CITIZEN AND LAWYER

Deceased Was Honored Throughout the State...Fought Gallantly for His Southland During the War.

At the annual memorial exercises of the Supreme Court of the State, held last week, a fitting tribute was paid the memory of the late Henry L. Garland, Sr., a most touching part of the exercises being the address of his life-long friend, Judge E. D. Estilette.

As Judge Estilette says in his address, their intimacy bordered on brotherly love—they more than esteemed each other, they were as brothers.

Judge Estilette's address was as follows:

"An uninterrupted intimacy bordering on brotherly love, extending back more than half a century, enables me to speak knowingly of my departed friend. He died just two days before attaining his eighty-second year, and of that life, he devoted more than sixty years to the active and successful practice of his profession. He was a close and ardent student of law. Possessing indomitable energy, he soon attained a high position among his fellow members of the bar, and was justly looked upon as one of the leading lawyers in southwestern Louisiana. His business received at his hand the closest attention, and no lawyer appeared in court better equipped with the law and the evidence in support of the cause entrusted to him. His integrity was beyond question, and he enjoyed the implicit confidence of his clients. But while we refer to his professional success, it behooves us to recall the many noble qualities which adorn the character of the man.

"He was the embodiment of kindness. His every lineament bespoke a generous and sympathetic heart. Plain, affable in his manners, he possessed, at the same time, that suavity which always distinguishes the true southern gentleman. He never failed to win the respect and affection of all those who came in contact with him. No man in St. Landry was more loved and respected. While ever faithful in the performance of his private duties, he was equally so in the discharge of his public duties. When the tocsin of war was sounded, and the southland called her sons to her defense, Henry L. Garland was among the first to organize a company of the elite of St. Landrians. He led them to the seat of war. As their captain, he participated in the memorable battle of Shiloh. On that sanguinary field many of his gallant boys sealed with their life-blood their devotion to the cause they believed to be just.

"Returning home, he found ruin and desolation, his fortunes swept away, and a heavy burden of debts resting on his shoulders. In no way discouraged, he resumed the practice of his profession, and such was his success, he was soon able to discharge every cent of his indebtedness, to procure for his children and grandchildren every advantage, and to surround his home with every comfort.

"But to speak of him without referring to that quality, which he possessed in an eminent degree, would fall far short of our duty to his memory. Charity, which stands above love and hope, and which more than anything else distinguishes the truly good man, was a peculiar trait of his character.

"No worthy cause appealed to him in vain. His purse was ever open to the needy deserving assistance. Devoted to the cause of public education, he was ever ready to give to it largely of his fortune. Aye, not content to exercise his generosity at home, when an appeal was made for means to protect this city from the ravages of an epidemic, he was among the largest contributors to that cause.

"To him Providence granted the boon of a long life. We have consigned to earth all that was mortal of Henry L. Garland, Sr. The flowers of spring will bloom over his grave, the autumn leaves will cover it as a mantle, sweeping and through the weeping willows mournfully bending over his last resting place, the gentle breezes will sing a requiem to his ashes and engraved, not on granite shaft, but deep in our hearts, is this inscription: "He was one of our best citizens, a good and considerate husband, a kind and generous parent, a true and faithful friend. He has left to us a precious legacy—the memory of a well-spent life."

The resolutions, adopted by the Supreme Court, follows:

Whereas, the Hon. Henry L. Gar-