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POLICE JURY REFUSES PROHIBITION ELECTION

Decisive Vote of Six to Three Against Granting Petition of those Asking that the Question be Re-Submitted.

By a decisive vote of six to three, the Police Jury of St. Landry Parish last Wednesday refused to grant an election on the question of whether or not saloons shall be licensed in the parish of St. Landry.

The Police Jury met at 10:40, with a full membership present. It was known before the vote was taken—before the jury met—that the prohibitionists would carry the day handsomely.

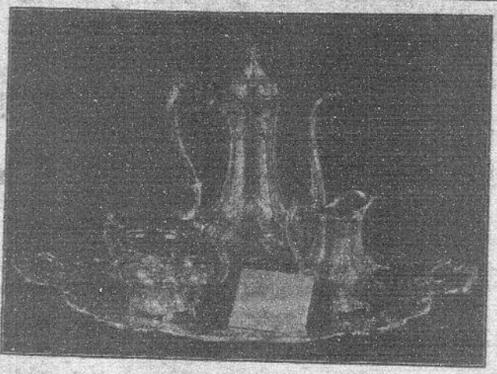
SILVER SERVICE PRESENTED TO OPELOUSAS

Oyster Commission's Crack Patrol Boat is Recipient of Opelousas' Appreciation.

WICKLIFFE MAKES SPEECH

Speaks On Swords and Garland On Putting Down Whiskey and Andrepoit On Inflection.

Baton Rouge, Nov. 15.—It was a jolly crowd that met in the Governor's parlors at noon to-day, the occasion being the presentation of a Silver Service, the gift of the city of Opelousas to the patrol boat "Opelousas," of the Oyster Commission.



SILVER SERVICE GIVEN TO "OPELOUSAS" BY OPELOUSAS.

BELL COMPANY TAKES IN WESTERN UNION

Mergers of Telegraph and Telephone Companies is Accomplished, With Capital of ONE BILLION DOLLARS

Boston, Nov. 16.—A long stride towards the complete control by one corporation of all wire communication in the United States was made today by the acquisition by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company of the Western Union Telegraph Company.

OPELOUSAS TO ATTEND RAILROAD MEETING

Progressive League of this City Contributes Toward Defraying Expenses of THE PALMETTO CONFERENCE

Last week the Clarion had an editorial urging the people of Opelousas to organize and endeavor to get a proposed new road, which now has Port Barre as its destination.

SUPREME COURT TO HEAR CONTEST CASE

Highest Tribunal Gives Preference to Contested Election from St. Landry, Involving CREATION OF EVANGELINE

The Supreme Court of the State of Louisiana has advanced on the calendar the suit of Leonce Sandoz et al. vs. J. Y. Sanders, Governor of Louisiana, et al., which is the case contesting the election for the division of the parish of St. Landry and the creation of the parish of Evangeline.

MR. DURIO APPOINTED PROBATE OFFICER

Judge O'Neill Turns Over Juvenile Offenders to Popular Street Commissioner. THE LASH IS HIS REMEDY

The last Legislature, among other fool laws, passed the Juvenile Act, which has for its purpose—in practice—the unbribing of every youth under 17 years to commit any crime that he may choose to commit.

J. MORGAN SANDOZ APPOINTED U. S. COMMISSIONER.

Position Formerly Held By Dr. R. M. Littell Given to Assistant Postmaster.

Mr. J. Morgan Sandoz, assistant postmaster at Opelousas, has been appointed United States Commissioner for the Western District of Louisiana, a position formerly held by Dr. R. M. Littell, and before him by the venerable Ben Bloomfield.

TRUCK GROWERS MEET IN SPECIAL SESSION NEXT MONDAY.

President Albright, of the National Produce Co., Will Address Meeting.

A special meeting of the South-west Louisiana Truck Growers' Association will be held at B. R. Spiane's Atwood Plantation Monday morning next, at 10 o'clock, and it is urged upon all members, and those desiring to become members, to be present, as there will be "something doing."

COTTON RECEIPTS AT COMPRESS GREATER THAN EXPECTED.

It appears that, after all, the cotton receipts at the Opelousas Compress will not be as "measly" as at first anticipated.

The Compress has made several runs this season, and has so far pressed 9,500 bales of cotton. It is believed that fully 11,000 bales will be pressed this season.

"THE GREAT DIVIDE"

The Most Successful American Play to Be Produced Here Next Week.

Probably the greatest dramatic event of the season will be the presentation of "The Great Divide," which is announced for next Friday night, November 26th, at the Sandoz Opera House, when Henry Miller will present a superb company of distinguished players in William Vaughn Moody's masterful drama of American life.

COURT OF CLAIMS.

Claim of Jean Malveau, of St. Landry Allowed—Uncle Sam Pays \$50 A Bale.

The United States Court of claims last week allowed the claim of Jean Malveau, for seven bales of cotton destroyed by the Federal forces during the civil war, giving \$150 a bale, or a total of \$1,050 for the seven bales.

BITTEN BY MAD DOG

Convict the Victim of Bite at Metairie Camp, and Sent to Prison.

Melville, La., Nov. 13.—A negro convict named Alex Freeman, serving a life sentence, was severely bitten by a mad dog this morning, at the convict camp, a few miles from here. He was taken to the Pasteur Institute in New Orleans.

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT.

Invitations are out announcing the wedding of Miss Georgiana Calloinet and Mr. Sidney Sandoz, to take place at St. Landry's Catholic Church on Wednesday, November 24th.

AND NOW COMES LOWER MAMOU AND WANTS DIVISION ANNULLED.

Citizen of that Section, Which Went Heavy for Division, Now Wants to Come Back.

Nov. 19th, 1909. To the Editor of the Clarion: The cry is, "Still they come!" The accompanying letter is self explanatory:

Basile, La., Nov. 18th, 1909. G. L. Dupre, Esq., Opelousas, La. Dear Friend: I only trust and hope that you will be successful in your suit before the Supreme Court in bringing back to Old St. Landry, Evangeline, for God knows that we don't want Ville Platte at our Capital, and in writing you this, I am only expressing the sentiments and feelings of nearly every voter in lower Mamou.

OPELOUSAS NATIONAL GUARD NOW HAS A READING ROOM

Company C Will Participate in the New Orleans Carnival—Will Be in the Lake Charles Shoot.

Company C of Opelousas has established a reading room in its armory, where daily papers and magazines are kept for the benefit of its members.

Louis Minor has opened a restaurant in the building popularly known as the Villaseca Corner, Bellevue and Market.

MR. TURNER MAY MAKE OPELOUSAS HIS HEAD-QUARTERS

New Superintendent of State Anti-Saloon League Likes Opelousas, and Wants to Remain Here

Rev. A. W. Turner, the newly elected President of the State Anti-Saloon League, will probably make Opelousas his headquarters. He wants to remain here, where he has been pastor of the local Methodist Church for the past two years.