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## EDWARD L. LOEB WINS GLORIOUS VICTORY

Present Incumbent Is Re-Elected By A Handsome Majority---Gosselin, Stelly and Eastham Win---Danel and Hays Tie In Second.



Hon. Edward L. Loeb won a glorious victory at Tuesday's election when he was re-elected mayor of the city of Opelousas by 27 votes majority over his opponent, Dr. James A. Shaw, a prominent dentist of this city. The flattering vote which Loeb received on last Tuesday is attributed by the mayor's intimate friends to the fact that the people of Opelousas have endorsed his policy of governing the municipal affairs and to his personal popularity. Mr. Loeb has proven on many occasions that he was working strenuously for the good of the town; and has placed the credit of Opelousas back where it belonged, after it was little better than nothing at all for several years. The employees of the city do not have to discount their checks 10 per cent now-a-days, and it is the intention of Loeb never to allow the municipal checks to be discounted, as long as he will be at the head of the local government. The election was carried off very quietly, though the voters displayed a great deal of interest in it. Never before was a local political battle fought so hard. And never before was there such a heavy vote cast as at the mayor's election on last Tuesday, the total vote cast for the candidates for mayor being 899.

The greatest surprise of the day was the tie vote for the candidates for aldermen in the second ward, both L. L. Danel and W. A. Hays receiving 46 votes. It was never entertained by either side that the result would be thus, as both factions were claiming that their candidate would be successful. The two aspirants for that position will have to run over sometime next month and it is predicted that a hard fight will be made by the friends of both candidates to bring victory on their side. The contest for alderman-at-large was also very interesting and close, Mr. Arthur Gosselin defeating "Mine Host" Cretin, of Lacombe Hotel fame, by 27 votes majority. This fight was a very friendly one, though perhaps not quite as hard fought as the mayor's. All victorious and defeated candidates are wearing smiles and have resigned to the will of the people. There is no more talk of politics and everybody has gone back to busi-

ness as happy as if there never would have been held an election. Mr. Simon Stelly, present member from the third ward was successfully re-elected over Mr. A. S. Brown, Sr., by a majority of sixteen votes. In the big fourth the Loeb ticket was given a substantial majority, Mr. E. K. Eastham, defeating Mr. C. Percy Dunbar, who was seeking a re-election by eleven votes. There are already two Loeb men elected, whilst one Shaw man and one neutral man were also successful. The fight now will be made in the second ward to give a majority either one way or the other. The spirit displayed by Mayor Loeb's friends Tuesday night, no doubt made Mr. Loeb feel very grateful for the distinguished honor bestowed upon him, by sending him back to preside over the city's affairs. At his home, where he was escorted by many of his friends, Mr. Loeb stated, in his speech that he would administer the affairs of the city in the same just, impartial and progressive manner as he did during the last two years. He admitted that he might have made mistakes, but as this is only a human act, he took it for granted that the majority of the voters of the city did not construe these few errors by the city's executive as being detrimental to the welfare of the community. With a heart full of gratitude he thanked those friends who bestowed upon his shoulders, as being re-elected mayor of Opelousas, now numbered among the most progressive cities in Louisiana. Under Loeb's administration there has been made thousands of dollars of improvements. Several miles of pavement practically all constructed, and many other things too numerous to mention were done during Loeb's first time. The power plant which was a heavy burden on the city's shoulders has been remodeled and instead of making the city lose over six hundred dollars per month it is earning approximately one thousand dollars monthly. The electric light and water services have been vastly improved, and now Opelousas can boast of as splendid a service as any town in Louisiana. With the old debts practically

## MOURET HAS A VERY SANITARY MARKET

Dr. Dowling Will Be Unable to Find Fault With This Market.

Mr. Albert Mouret, who has been in the meat market business, for several years, in this city, recently erected a very neat looking, as well as sanitary market on the northern end of city, across the street from the corporation limit. Mr. Mouret's market makes a very creditable showing from an observer's point of view. But the well known meat man boasts of one of the most sanitary markets in the parish. Not only that, but he claims that his prices are as reasonable as any butcher's in the city. The market is now opened and many of Mr. Mouret's patrons have already gone back to him, whilst many new ones, without in any way interfering with the other markets' business, are numbered among the Main street meat man's customers.

wiped out and a progressive Board of Aldermen to back up Mayor Loeb it is expected that the in-coming administration will be as progressive as the outgoing. The voters expect to see things change during the next two years.

The result per wards is as follows:

MAYOR		
	Loeb.	Shaw.
Ward:		
First.....	52	52
Second.....	44	48
Third.....	52	44
Fourth.....	65	42
	213	186

Loeb's majority 27.  
ALDERMAN-AT-LARGE

Cretin. Gosselin.		
Ward:		
First.....	42	62
Second.....	28	62
Third.....	54	39
Fourth.....	61	49
	185	212

Gosselin's majority 27.  
ALDEERMEN

Hays. Danel.		
2d Ward.....	46	46.
Majority 0.		
3d Ward.....	54	38
Stelly's majority 16.		
4th Ward.....	50	61
Eastham's majority 11.		

The ever accommodating Clarence Hayes was nominated City Marshal without opposition. Mr. Hayes has served in this office for six terms and is soon to enter into his seventh. This is the fourth time that he is nominated without opposition. Mr. Marius A. Fields was also nominated without opposition. He will occupy Mr. Dave Blacksher's seat in the city council. Mr. Fields is a personal friend of Mayor Loeb. The handsome majority received by Mr. Loeb is indeed flattering, because twenty-seven votes over such an opponent as Dr. Shaw is a very great majority. The defeated candidate for mayor was always a very able man and stood well in the community. Whilst the majority of the voters of the city voted against Dr. Shaw everyone of these are glad that he will still be a prominent figure in the professional world of Opelousas. The Board of Aldermen chosen at the last election is composed of some of the leading citizens of Opelousas and it is gratifying to have such honorable and deserving men to aspire for places on the city council as the victorious and vanquished candidates. What makes Mayor Loeb's victory more glorious is the fact that every member of the present city administration, with the exception of Mr. Simon Stelly, fought him strong. City Marshal Hayes being the only one who remained neutral, taking no part with either side, as he considered both sides his friends.

## CHURCH POINT CANNING FACTORY DOING FINE

40,000 Cans of Acadia Products Sold In and Around Church Point.

The canning factory which was erected by Mr. Sidney Estilette at Church Point recently, has proven to be a very great success. Over forty thousand cans of black berries, pears, okra, beans, peaches, figs, tomatoes, sweet potatoes and Louisiana syrup were canned in Church Point this season, and everything has been sold, with the exception of a few cans of syrup. When Mr. Estilette spoke about establishing a cannery in the Acadia town he was met with a good deal of discouragement, being told that it would not be successful whatever. However being full of energy and realizing that a canning factory was badly needed in this section of the country, Mr. Estilette went ahead and erected his factory. Now he is preparing to enlarge it and has all the confidence in the world that he will be much more successful than heretofore.

The Church Point factory is the only one of its kind in this portion of Southwest Louisiana and now the young proprietor of this establishment is receiving the glad hand-shake from all his friends, assuring him that he will succeed. Several of the local stores have purchased some of Mr. Estilette's products and from all reports these have all given thorough satisfaction. These goods are, however, invariably sold with a guaranteee.

## FLANDERS BREAKS ARM RUNNING AFTER KID

General Superintendent of O'Gee Meets With Accident at Flanders Park.

Mr. Harry Flanders, General Superintendent of the Opelousas Gulf & Northeastern railroad, was the victim of an accident during the week. Whilst enjoying life in the popular Flanders' Park, at Half Moon Lake, about fifteen miles from this city, the well known railroad man, endeavored to catch one of his pet goats, which he has in the park, and as luck would have it he missed the little animal, at the same time falling on his shoulder, breaking his arm. Sheriff Marion L. Swords, an intimate friend of Mr. Flanders, who is one of the best jokers of Opelousas tells this on the O'Gee superintendent. "The Board of Directors of the O'Gee passed a resolution, at its last meeting in this city, trying to prohibit Mr. Flanders from running after little kids. But Mrs. Flanders says that Harry is perfectly harmless." However, Mr. Flanders is getting his arm into shape and expects to have it out of bandage in the next few days. Mr. Swords is still teasing him, though.

## Card of Thanks.

I desire to thank my friends and voters of the third city ward for the honor they bestowed upon me at the election in this city on last Tuesday, by re-electing me as their representative. I will endeavor at all times to do all in my power to perform my duty as honorably as any man can, and I will stand for the betterment of the affairs and conditions in our progressive city. Again thanking you for your esteemed favor, I am  
Gratefully yours,  
SIMON STELLY.

## OPELOUSAS MAY GET FARMERS CONVENTION

President Mills Endeavoring To Have State Meeting Held Here.

President R. Lee Mills, of the Farmers Union, was in this city, on Tuesday, and stated that he was trying to have the annual state meeting of the Union held in Opelousas. From present reports North Louisiana is putting up a hard fight against Southwest Louisiana for the meeting, and it is the opinion of Mr. Mills that unless the Progressive League and the people of Opelousas assist him in bringing the convention to this city, some North Louisiana town is apt to land the meeting. Opelousas was host for the Farmers Union a few years ago; the favorable impression made on the visiting farmers from all over the state leads Mr. Mills in believing that it would not be a difficult matter to get the convention for Opelousas. Mr. Mills would appreciate it very much if the Progressive League would show some signs of assisting him in anyway, and it would be advisable for that body of public spirited men to confer with the President of the Parish Farmers' Union, to ascertain just what would be required for landing the convention, which is to take place in the last week of July.

## WOODMEN INSTALL OFFICERS

Ceremony Followed By A Dutch Lunch.

Willow Camp No. 47, W. O. W., of this city held its regular meeting on last Thursday night and installed the recently elected officers. Despite the rain which fell all the afternoon there was a large crowd of Sovereigns present, due to the fact that notices had been sent out notifying them that there would be refreshments served after the installation. Sovereign D. M. Fontenet acted as installing officer and upon the completion of the impressive ceremony Sovereign Isador Isaac, chairman of the refreshment committee, who had been ably assisted by Sovereigns Jos. Garbo and H. D. Larcade, Jr., announced that they had prepared a Dutch Lunch for the entertainment of the camp. It is not necessary to go into details as to what this was; it is sufficient to say that it was greatly enjoyed by all present who were unanimous in their expressions of appreciation of the excellent work of the committee. The officers installed were: Leon S. Haas, Consul Commander; Isador Isaac, Advisor-Lieutenant; H. Bodemuller, Banker; E. Lee Gil, Clerk; P. P. Hidalgo, Escort; Warren Meginley, Watchman; Sidney Ducharme, Sentry.

The camp is still growing steadily and is one of the strongest fraternal orders in the city. A cordial invitation is extended to all young, as well as middle-aged men who have no insurance, to join and help swell the roll of membership and at the same time provide protection for their loved ones.

## Stock-Holders Meeting.

Notice is hereby given to the Stockholders of the St. Landry Clarion that a meeting will be called on the 10th of March at 10 o'clock a. m. Tuesday, for the purpose of electing five members of the Board of Directors, and transacting other business that may come before the Board.  
YVES ANDREPONT,  
President.  
GEORGE VIDRINE, Secty.

## DOCTORS TO DECIDE HOSPITAL QUESTION

Prospects Of A Municipal Sanitarium For Opelousas Look Very Good---Committee To Meet In City Soon.

The municipal sanitarium question which is attracting the attention not only of the doctors of Opelousas and surrounding country, but also the public in general, is to be settled within the next few weeks, when the committee appointed by the newly elected president of the Parish Medical Society, Dr. Brown, will meet in Opelousas to decide whether or not a Municipal Sanitarium is the thing for Opelousas. Dr. Robert M. Littell, who is on this committee and who is very eager to secure a sanitarium for Opelousas, is at present collecting data from every city, wherein there is a hospital, in Louisiana. He will make a report at the approaching meeting of his committee, and it is thought, whilst the doctor did not express his opinion, as yet, that his data will be strong enough to justify Opelousas to erect a municipal sanitarium. Everything will be decided by the committee when it will meet here, and it is expected that it will decide upon the old St. Landry High School building, which, in the minds of many of the most prominent citizens of Opelousas, is the ideal place for the hospital. The location is very good; the money it will save the city is thought to be sufficient to justify the city authorities to convert this large and spacious, as well as desirable building, into an up-to-date sanitarium.

Every doctor in Opelousas agrees that this city needs a hospital; there has been too much money leaving this parish every year and going to the New Orleans hospitals not to justify Opelousas in erecting a sanitarium. Over \$30,000 left this city last year, and with that sum of money, Opelousas surely ought to be capable of upholding a sanitarium. It is generally understood that the Progressive League will soon take a hand in this matter and will work hard to obtain the cooperation of the Mayor and the members of the Board of Aldermen in securing a sanitarium for this city. The city council no doubt will favor the proposition, and it is hoped that the progressive League, under the leadership of one of the most progressive citizens of this community, Mr. Lorenzo Mornhinveg, will soon get busy on these lines, as the St. Landry High School building, which is the property of the city will soon be vacated. Practically every town in Louisiana the size of Opelousas has from one to two hospitals. Many of these places are not as prosperous as this city, but realizing the great importance of having a sanitarium in their community the progressive citizens of these towns did not hesitate to erect hospitals. Opelousas should follow their example and have a sanitarium here before the summer months are over.

## DIMMICK SATISFIED WITH ROAD TRACTOR

The Machine Bought From Crowley Man For First Ward Doing Good Work

Mr. Frank Dimmick, president of the police jury, who recently bought from Mr. F. M. Joplin, of Crowley, a road tractor for the first ward, is evidently pleased with his deal. He states that he has tried the machine widening the roads where the banks were from one to six feet high and at no time has the engine failed to pull more than two graders could stand. Mr. Dimmick is of the opinion that the Huber Gas Tractor, which is now in the possession of the first police jury ward, is the best tractor he has ever seen, when coupled up to two graders. This machine was bought for use in this ward, and it is expected that real soon the surrounding country will get good roads, even where there will be no gravel, as Mr. Dimmick intends to have some very good work made out of the dirt roads. The improvement in the highways of the parish, as a general rule, begin to be noticeable, and if the progressive spirit already manifested by the leading citizens and officials continue the day is not far off when old St. Landry will have typical modern thoroughfares. The first ward, in which Opelousas is situated, is leading the other five, but it will not be long before the sixth will be coming up nearer to the first. Dr. R. B. Chachere, of Basile, was in Opelousas this week on a visit to his father, Mr. Jim Chachere. Mrs. Dan Edwards left Friday for the Crescent City, where she has gone to visit her son, Mr. George Edwards, now a resident of that city.

## DR. MAYER ORGANIZES MEDICAL SOCIETY

State President Is Given A Rousing Welcome In New Roads.

Dr. Fred J. Mayer, president of the State Medical Society, returned from New Roads, parish of Pointe Coupee, Wednesday, having organized the Pointe Coupee Parish Medical Society, with Dr. Carruth as president and Dr. Becknell as secretary. Dr. Carruth is a very talented physician, who has been practicing in New Roads for over thirty years. Dr. Carruth besides his medical attainments is a profound student of philosophy and quite an original thinker along psychic lines; he is the son-in-law of the old warhorse of Pointe Coupee, Judge Claiborne. A meeting was held at the courthouse under the auspices of the Parish Medical Society for the benefit of the public, on which occasion Dr. Carruth delivered a brilliant address. Dr. Mayer followed with an address on the "Economic and Sanitary Future of New Roads" in which he sounded a note of optimism to dispel, if possible the economic gloom that pervaded the atmosphere of the parish pointing out that the temporary depression in land values would be speedily overcome when the outside world would realize the unrivaled fertility of the soil, get away from the one crop idea, cooperate along agricultural and economic lines and above all things sanitize, advertise and invite the outside world to see what they had to offer, for to see was to invest. Judge LeBlanc of the District Court in eloquent terms voiced the thanks of the audience to Dr. Mayer for his note of optimism.