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INTEREST SHOWN IN DELEGATE ELECTION

Regulars Make A Clean Sweep In All Wrads Of New Orleans.

CONTEST SPIRITED IN SOME PARISHES

Pleasant Uses His Influence In Vain Attempt To Defeat Thomas C. Barrett As Delegate From Caddo.

The contests for delegates to the constitutional convention, in parishes where several are aspiring for the honors, was spirited. In Caddo parish one of the bitterest political factional fights ever pulled off was brought to a close on Tuesday night, with the election of M. Foster, Perry P. Keith, Henry Hunsicker and Thomas C. Barrett. The fight was centered on Lieutenant Governor Barrett, who is considered to be an aspirant for the Governorship; the anti prohibitionists and Attorney General Ruffin Pleasant, who is also a seeker after Hall's job, used their influence to defeat Mr. Barrett, who came out fourth in the race.

In Onchita parish there was a spirited contest also but Col. F. P. Stubbs and A. Scholars were elected despite formidable opposition put up by O. C. Dawkins and C. H. McHenry.

In New Orleans the regulars organization were victorious in every contest; Robert Ewing, national committee man from Louisiana, despite severe opposition by the defunct Good Government League was victorious against Ermon.

The many friends in St. Landry of John Chamont, a former resident of St. Landry, were glad to learn of his decisive victory over two opponents.

It was reported that a heavy vote was cast, considering the time of the year the election was held, the farmers being busy in the fields. In New Orleans it is said that practically seventy-five per cent of the voting strength was recorded.

DR. MAYER BACK FROM PANAMA EXPOSITION

Opelousas Physician Reports Having A Time Galore In The Far West

Dr. Fred. J. Mayer, president of the Louisiana State Medical Association, and one of the best known orator-physicians in the state, returned on Monday night from the Far West, after spending three months, taking in the exhibitions at San Diego and San Francisco. During his tour of the West Dr. Mayer viewed some of the most historical, as well as some of the most beautiful places in the United States.

Dr. Mayer, it will be remembered, left Opelousas on the 20th of April, going to Fort Worth, where he was one of the honored guests of the Texas Medical Association, delivering one of his masterpieces on Hygiene. During his trip Dr. Mayer visited the Grand Canyon of Arizona, the Petrified Forests, Pikes Peak and several other historical places. He remained in San Diego for several weeks, taking in the sights and tak-

B. P. O. E. TOURNAMENT PLEASURES MULTITUDE

DR. A. J. PERRAULT CAPTURES FIRST PRIZE—MISS MARGARET SANDERS, CROWNED AS QUEEN—GOOD MUSIC BY LAFAYETTE BAND

Members of Antlered tribes from all parts of the state gathered at the Elks Tournament and races held in Opelousas last Sunday. Wide publicity had been given and the railroads ran excursions from all directions. And hundreds took advantage of the opportunity to visit Opelousas and see an interesting program. Aside from the races and tournament a very good baseball game between De Quincy and the locals afforded much pleasure to the fans. The game was one of the best seen on the local diamond this season as was "anybody's" game from start to finish. The result in a 2-2 tie.

The big event of the day was the tournament which had been carefully arranged by Edwin Roos. Excellent prizes had been offered and they called out five contestants Dr. A. J. Perrault, Tony Bercier, Charles Burr Robert Brower and Paul Boagni. They finished in the order named.

A monstrous crowd had assembled to watch the sport and the contest was one to gladden the heart of one loving such sport. Dr. Perrault and Tony Bercier tied for the lead in the number of rings, each having nine to their credit, but Dr. Perrault had the better of his opponent in the time. However in order that it might be clearly demonstrated who was the stronger player, another trial was had, and Dr. Perrault gathered in all four, making his score thirteen out of a possible sixteen while his opponent getting but one made it ten out of the possible sixteen. The winners average time was 6 2-5.

Manager Roos was given much favorable comment for the nicety with which the event was handled. To the judges Willys Roy, Herbert Calaghan and Dr. A. J. Shaw and the time keeper Dr. Capell the thanks of the managers were given as they carried out their parts nicely.

Dr. Perrault the winner received a fine saddle while Tony Bercier a bridle was awarded. He was also given the privilege of crowning the queen by Dr. Perrault who relinquished all claim to this

he also did some effective work in Southwest Louisiana; in the way of boosting Louisiana. In San Francisco he took in the famous \$65,000,000 show, which Uncle Sam is holding under the auspices of the Panama Canal.

While in California Dr. Mayer was entertained by the San Diego Press Club, which organization was entertaining the National Editors Association. "Doc" got in with the National Editors and a splendid time with the brainiest newspaper men in the nation. He was received as one of them, having gone there as the Exposition Correspondent of the St. Landry Clarion. He also attended the convention of the Pan-American Medical Association.

How To Kill Cattle Ticks

In the recurrent issue of Farm and Fireside, the national farm paper published at Springfield, Ohio, a contributor reports the progress made in the South toward getting rid of tick fever. The losses to the cattle in-

dustry from tick fever amounted, last year, to \$25,000,000. In the following extract taken from the article appears a report of how ticks are gotten rid of and of the progress that has been made in cleaning them out.

"Keeping cattle away from tick-infested pastures during a period long enough for all of the ticks to die from lack of food, and dipping the cattle in vats containing an arsenical solution, are two methods to exterminate the tick use by the Bureau of Animal Industry of the United States Department of Agriculture in co-operation with the state and the county governments of the South.

"In 1906 when the exterminating work began, there were about 741,515 square miles of tick-infested territory within the States below the quarantine line eight years some 225,000 square miles, or a third of the infested district, had been entirely freed of fever ticks. The cattle of this freed area enter the Northern market under identical conditions with Western and Northern cattle. In tick-free territory thousands of pure-bred, hardy Northern cattle have been introduced.

The ball was one of the most charming social events of the season and the large assembly thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The music was all that could be desired the majority of the society people of the city were present and the event will long be remembered as one of the most pleasant of the season. After the tournament a racing card was enjoyed. Laura McEwen won the free-for-all purse of \$150.00 her time being 2.22 1-2. The next event was won by Colorado Patch, there being three starters. The winner received a purse of \$75.00

To E. K. Wallor who had charging of these events the racing fans offered their praise for the excellence of the card.

Music was furnished by the Lafayette band under the leadership of Dr. Girard. Lafayette has cause to be proud of their musicians as their work added much to the pleasure and gaiety of the occasion. The B. P. O. E. again demonstrated their claim to the title "Best People on Earth" and this is especially true of the order when it comes to entertaining. The officers of the local lodge are as follows:

E. R., Fred. Hollier; L. K., Dudley L. Guilbeau; Loyal Knight, Louis White; Lecturing Knight, F. C. Allen; Sec's, L. H. Morhinveg; Esq., Dr. A. Perrault; Chaplin, E. K. Eastham; Tres., H. D. Larcade, Inner Guard, J. P. Parnett; Tyler, A. S. J. Campbell, Trustees, J. A. Haas, M. Winsberg and J. G. Lawler.

OPPOSITION TO TAX CONSIDERED SMALL

Plaquemine and Mallet Tax-Payers to Vote Favorably On Proposition.

DRAINAGE ADHERENTS WILL BE VICTORIOUS

Twenty Thousand Acres Of Land Will Be Drained If Acreage Tax Is Voted On September 1st.

Over twenty thousand acres of land, more than half of which are no revenue producers, will properly and substantially be drained, if the ten cent acreage tax, which will be submitted to the land owners, between Opelousas and Prairie Ronde and Lawtell, is voted favorably.

Dr. Charles F. Boagni, an experienced financier, and one of the most successful business men of St. Landry, is at the head of the Board of Commissioners and like the other members of the board, is very enthusiastic over the prospects of the tax carrying. All of the land owners are in favor of the proposition and are devoting considerable time in advocating the passage of the tax, on September 1st.

It is estimated that the non-resident land owners will pay practically half of the entire tax, thus assuring those sturdy farmers, who reside in the Plaquemine and Mallet Drainage District a substantial drainage system at a minimum cost.

Instead of paying from eight to twelve cents a cubic yard for the removal of the dirt, as has been the custom, the drainage board will pay only about four to six cents, due to the fact that the parish owns one of the best dredge boats in the state.

As it is the intention of the members of the drainage board to give relief to it is to the advantage of the tax-payers to vote favorably on the proposition. There is no question of the work not being done, provided the tax is carried, as the business men and farmers are all desirous of having every acre in the Bayous Plaquemine and Mallet Drainage District thoroughly drained.

FOGLEMAN REPORTS MORROW CROPS GOOD

Former Boll Weevil Stricken Country Will Harvest Big Cotton Crop

Arthur Fogleman, a prominent farmer and resident of the Morrow section of St. Landry, while in this city on Saturday, attending to business, stated that the crop condition in his section were splendid.

Morrow Station was properly the hardest hit section of the parish, when the dreaded boll weevils made their appearance in this country. Conditions have changed, however, and Morrow will soon begin to harvest one of the largest country crops in recent years, according to Mr. Fogleman's statement.

Mr. Fogleman is a member of the school board from Morrow and is very popular with his constituents.

OFFICIALS WILL BE ELECTED WEDNESDAY.

FAIR ASSOCIATION UNDER WAY OF PERMANENT ORGANIZATION AND WEDNESDAY MEETING WILL DECIDE ALL

Never before in the history of St. Landry has the permanent organization of a parish fair association seemed more apparent than at the present time. Everything has been so arranged that the association will be permanently effected on next Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock, when the subscribers to the capital stock of the St. Landry Farmers' Fair Association will meet for the purpose of electing officers of the Fair Association.

The association was temporarily organized at Saturday afternoon's meeting, with Dr. R. M. Littell, as President, R. Lee Mills, Vice-President and Edgar Andrepoint, Secretary. The president was authorized to appoint a committee to draw up a suitable charter to be presented at the Wednesday morning meeting.

Every subscriber to the capital stock of the fair, is urgently requested to be present at the Wednesday morning meeting, which will take place in the police jury room. In order to perfect organization a majority of the subscribers to the capital stock must be present, either in person or by proxy. It is therefore imperative that all who can should attend this meeting, which will decide the parish fair.

So much enthusiasm has been aroused throughout the length and breadth of the parish that it is an established certainty that if St. Landry holds a parish fair this fall it will mean the establishment of a fair association on a permanent and paying basis.

The parish gave \$300.00 to the fair, the city has donated \$200.00 to the good cause and 250.00 is expected from the State Department of and agriculture citizen have al-

STEWART MANAGER OF COSMOPOLITAN HOTEL

Major A. D. Stewart Succeeds A. G. Bourdet As Head Of Popular Hostelry

The announcement that Major A. D. Stewart has been made manager of the Cosmopolitan Hotel, says the New Orleans Times-Picayune of Sunday, will be received with satisfaction by the entire traveling public, as Major Stewart, in the capacity of assistant manager, made the hotel one of the most popular in the South. Major Stewart, succeeds A. G. Bourdet, who goes to the Country Club as secretary and manager.

Major Stewart is well known in the business, social and military life of the South. For four years he was a member of the Legislature, representing St. Landry parish in the House. While serving the state as legislator he took active part in getting through many of the measures calculated to better general conditions, and it was always his aim to conserve the rights of his people.

His military record includes real service during the Spanish-American war. He was little more than a youth when the United States and Spain joined issues and sought arbitrament of the sword, but, desiring to serve his country, enlisted with Third Kentucky Volunteers, becoming first lieutenant. His command was

ready subscribed over six hundred dollars and it is expected that by the time the fair is held over one thousand dollars will have been realized from those interested in the welfare of St. Landry.

It is the intention of those who have evinced more interest in the undertaking that only a portion of the money available this year be used in the 1915 fair, which will be held on October 25, 26 and 27. By doing this the fair association will assure the farmers of the parish a splendid fair for 1916, when all those desiring to compete in the fair will have ample time to make all preparations.

It is understood that the stockholders will request Dr. R. M. Littell to accept the presidency of the fair association, as he has been taking an active part, for the past several years, in an endeavor to organize a parish fair. Dr. Littell thinks that a farmer should be placed at the head of the organization, while his many friends are of the opinion that he is the logical man for the position. A place on the executive committee will be made for R. Lee Mills, president of the St. Landry Farmers Educational and Co-operative Union of America who has been vitally interested in the fair movement in this parish for a number of years. Edgar Andrepoint, it is understood, will most probably be made the secretary, while Austin Perkins or Dr. J. A. Haas will be elected treasurer of the St. Landry Farmers' Fair Association. A number of vice-presidents, from every section of the parish, will be elected, so that co-operation from every community can be expected in the fair organization.

OPPELOUSAS IS VOTED FARMERS CONVENTION

At the annual convention of the Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of America during the past week Opelousas was voted the most progressive and hospitable city in the state. The farmers who attended the convention feel that Opelousas takes more interest in the tillers of the soil than any other place in Louisiana and for that reason Opelousas will be given the next annual convention of that body.

Not only was Opelousas honored at Alexandria meeting but the parish was given fit recognition by the state body, three members from St. Landry being elected state officials. Miss Minnie Carron of Eunice was unanimously re-appointed state secretary-treasurer, while R. Lee Mills received all the votes for member of the state executive committee, and Edgar Andrepoint was also given a place on that important committee, after an interesting voting contest.

Farmers Union conventions have been held in here on two occasions, both proving howling successes; the people of this city were so hospitable to the visiting farmers that they are anxious to come every year if it were possible, just to show their appreciation of Opelousas hospitality. A large delegation from St. Landry attended the Alexandria meeting, which was a business success.

Dr. W. J. Healey, after spending a short vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Healey at Opelousas, returned to New Orleans, on Tuesday, to take charge of the Dental Office of Dr. J. J. Sarazin, as Doctor Sarazin is now under going treatment at Hotel Dieu. Dr. Healey expects to practice his profession in the Creole City with Dr. Chas. A. Tuller,

VISITORS LOUD IN PRAISES FOR CITY

Mayor and Street Commissioner Had Streets In Splendid Shape

EXCURSIONISTS THINK THIS IDEAL CITY

Opelousas Is Complimented For Its Suitable Location And Natural Beauty By Visitors.

The several hundred white excursionists who visited Opelousas on Sunday went away with a fair taste of the genial hospitality of the people of this city, as well as imbued with the natural beauty of this place. All were loud in their praises of this community, many proclaiming it an ideal little city.

Mayor Loeb and Street Commissioner Halphen had all the paved streets cleaned and sprinkled for the occasion, adding considerably to the appearance of the city.

The crowd which visited Opelousas on last Sunday is estimated at two thousand, of which one thousand were white. The Elks, as well as the citizens of Opelousas, entertained the visitors in true Opelousan fashion and no one went away sorry that they had spent a day in this place.

Judge Kerr announced on Monday morning that only one arrest, for disturbance of the peace, was recorded. The police force considered Sunday one of the quietest days in the annual of police records of this city. Everything was pulled off just right and every one was satisfied.

While in this city many of the visitors took occasion to view the surrounding country in automobiles and it is needless to add they were very deeply impressed with what portion of the parish they saw.

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