

THE CLARION

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FOR CONGRESS
 We are authorized to announce the candidacy of
L. LAZARO
 for Congress, Seventh District, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary.

THE DEATH OF THE PROPOSED CHARTER

For many years the citizens and taxpayers of this city have endeavored to secure relief under a new charter for Opelousas, but as often as one charter was proposed there would be opposition to it so that no headway was made. This time, however, a charter, in all intents and meetings with the general approbation of the citizens of this city, with few exceptions, was proposed. It had some disagreeable features it is said and for those reasons the whole charter was made to suffer.

Opposition soon cropped up to the proposed charter, and in most cases that opposition can be traced to supposed municipal politicians. One side fought hard for the charter while the other side fought it, until both sides got tired of it and the charter went by the wayside. The Clarion advocated certain changes to the present charter and we believe yet that the changes are essential to the city's future welfare. Not being lawyers, however, we were not in a position to judge of the legality of the proposed charter, and we frankly admit that there might have been several sections of the charter which could not have brought good to Opelousas. Nevertheless Opelousas has attained nothing and is just as far from getting a new charter now as it was ten years ago.

We believe that if politics would be left out of the proposed changes to the present charter and that both municipal political factions would come together a charter which would do credit to Opelousas could easily be adopted by the legislature and ratified by the people of this city. Probably it could be arranged so that the voters of Opelousas could express their wishes as to exactly what form of charter they desire; a suggestion which we believe to be good is that the voters be allowed to express their preference between two charters diametrically opposed; that they vote on each section and those sections receiving the majority of votes be summed up into one charter. When this is done and the charter submitted to the legislature our legislators will be in a position to accomplish what is expected of them. As it is now, however, some believe that certain sections of the charter are good, others object most vehemently to them, while the same people believe that other sections are exactly what is needed.

The only way to have a new charter in Opelousas under present conditions is for the people to pass upon one, two or more different kinds of charters, then they will get just what they want, and if the charter is not practicable the people themselves will gladly shoulder the blame.

It would not do for those who favor a new charter to give up the fight at this stage of the game; we believe that practically every voter in Opelousas wants the present charter changed in certain respects, but still there are a large number who are opposed to vote a new charter, which had bad features contained in it.

We cannot criticize nor approve of the actions of our legislators in opposing the proposed new charter, because we frankly admit that there were so many different views on the subject that it was rather difficult for them to land terra firma safely. However we believe that the time is ripe to agitate the changes in the present charter if anything is to be accomplished at the next session of the legislature.

DON'T LEAVE THE PARTY

It would be a fine thing for the bosses of Louisiana, if a lot of independent, but excitable Democrats, irritated by the passage of the execrable primary election bill, should flock up to the Registrars' offices and put themselves down on the books as Progressives, Republicans, or Independents. Do not do it, gentlemen. This is just what these Bosses hope to accomplish by this bill. They desire to drive out of the Democratic party every independent citizen, every man thoughtful enough to form his own judgments on public men and affairs, every man who will not permit them—the Bosses to do his thinking for him, and execute their cunningly contrived dictates with his vote. They desire to keep in the party every man whose vote they can control through the lies of self-interest or fear, and every man who is so ignorant as not to know that the penalties written into this law

The Peoples State Bank of Opelousas, La.

Hereby gives notice to its patrons and the public that, beginning July 1st, 1916, Savings Depositors with them will bear 4% per annum interest, compounded semi-annually, in accordance with savings customs.

**DAVID ROOS, President,
 L. J. LARCADE, Cashier.**

against political freedom are so much balderdash that cannot be enforced.

They think that they will retain enough interested voters, cemented together by what the great Democrat, Grover Cleveland, called "the cohesive power of public plunder," and enough ignorant voters herded together by threats of jail, and enough sentimentalists who live so far in the past that they do not know the Civil War is over—they think they will retain in these classes enough votes, absolutely subject to their dictates, to permit them to elect public officials to control Louisiana's government under their orders indefinitely.

They will succeed in this, too, if enough intelligent Democrats permit their unrestrained resentment to take them out of the party which has been temporarily reduced to the control of these Bosses.

So sit in the boat, gentlemen. Don't become overheated.

You are better Democrats than your Bosses. Don't let your Bosses drive you out of the Democratic party.

Do nothing in a hurry. Take plenty of time to think things over. If it becomes desirable to organize a great independent movement to sweep the Bosses of the late undemocratic Democratic caucus out of control of your public institutions, this work can be undertaken in due time.

It will probably be easier and more expedient, however, to put them out of control of the Democratic party. It would be a pity to leave the Democratic party in their hands.

A word in the same tone may well be addressed to the loyal Louisianians who some time ago aligned themselves with the national Progressive party.

Let them not get upset or excited over Col. Roosevelt's fickleness and flock off to Mr. Hughes or to the Socialist or Prohibition tickets. Let them sit in the boat a few weeks and see how the tide sets.

The first concern of all Louisianians is Louisiana. Let them not become unduly aroused over the affairs of the nation. Louisiana needs improvement in her political institutions and stimulation in her economic life far more than most other parts of the nation.

Let every Louisianian save his thought and his vote for use at home. Louisiana's destiny must be worked out in Louisiana.—New Orleans Item.

DUPRE CALLED HIS HAND

T. Sambola Jones, the sorrel-topped statesman from Baton Rouge is quite a clever talker and somewhat of a humorist but it will be a cold day in August when he tackles Judge Dupre of St. Landry. When the bill raising the salary of the Commissioner of Agriculture was under discussion, Dupre denounced the graft and demanded if it had been known that had he intended to ask a raise of salary as soon as he got on the job, if the present commissioner could have possibly been elected. Jones, in defending the graft, likened it to a fat succession and asked if Dupre would not hit for a \$2500 fee if he got the chance. When Dupre came back at him Jones realized that he had got hold of the business end of a hornet and it was so hot he let go in a hurry and called it a jest.—Abbeville Meridianal.

Dispatches state that Governor Pleasant has been selected as the Fourth of July orator at Baton Rouge. This was only to be expected. Nothing can equal, much less exceed, the love and tenderness that Baton Rouge lavishes upon an incoming governor. The sun does not officially rise until he reaches the state house, and when he walks down Third Street, the flags are hung out in his honor. Then the citizens take him into every little squibble which other towns settle for themselves, and if he is weak enough to show the slightest sympathy of any side—good night! as our old friend Shakespeare was wont to remark. Governor Pleasant has taken the Baton Rouge degree by observation, however, and may escape the common fate.—Lake Charles American-Press.

TWO BANKS TO PAY FOUR PER CENT ON DEPOSITS

Peoples and Planters Banks Are Now Able to Accommodate Their Patrons to 4 Per Cent.

Two of the most popular and progressive banks in Opelousas have decided to pay 4 per cent, compounded semi-annually, on savings accounts and time certificates of deposits. These two banks are the Planters National and the Peoples State, and judging by their past performances, the news, which is announced in their advertisements in another column, will be received as glad tidings by those who have money "to store away."

The two Opelousas banks, who on the first of July, will begin to credit their savings depositors with four instead of three per cent, are doing a volume of business on a small capital and at small expense. Hence they can accommodate their patrons to four per cent on savings accounts, and gladly do so.

In several cities of this state, Shreveport, New Orleans, Bunkie and others, banks allow four per cent on savings accounts and the two progressive Opelousas banking institutions, always willing to do as much for their patrons as any other bank, readily concluded that they would increase the allowance on savings accounts one cent.

The cashiers of the Peoples State and Planters National are young, progressive and popular, which accounts for their desire to increase the savings account interest.

CALOMEL DYNAMITES A HEAVY HSI999TIS

Crashes Into Your Bile, Making You Sick and You Lose A Day's Work

Calomel salivates! It's mercury Calomel acts like dynamite on a sluggish liver. When calomel comes into contact with sour bile it crashes into it, causing cramping and nausea. If you feel bilious, headache, constipated and all knocked out, just go to your druggist and get a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tonic, which is a harmless vegetable substitute for dangerous calomel. Take a spoonful and if it doesn't start your liver and straighten you up better and quicker than nasty calomel and without making you sick, you just go back and get your money.

If you take calomel to-day you'll be sick and nauseated tomorrow; besides, it may salivate you, while if you take Dodson's Liver Tonic you will wake up feeling great, full of ambition and ready for work or play. It's harmless, pleasant and safe to give to children; they like it. July-1

CHICOT PREPARING TO GREET TUESDAY VISITORS

The members of Chicot Camp No. 655 W. O. W. have made all necessary preparations for the big fourth of July celebration in the Evangeline village. Some of the most prominent politicians of the seventh congressional district will be on hand for a handshaking contest. It is the plan of the entertainment committee to have Dr. Ladislas Lazaro, T. A. Edwards and Judge Barbe, candidates for congress, Judge B. H. Pavy and District Attorney R. Lee Garland as some of the principal speakers. Other speakers of prominence such as Peyton R. Sandoz, John W. Lewis and others will most likely be on hand also. O. C. Clark of Alexandria will speak in the interest of Woodcraft.

The Chicot Woodmen are striving to raise funds for the erection of a Woodmen hall, and if the weather is favorable on next Tuesday, it is the belief of the entertainment committee that a large portion of the funds necessary for the proposed hall will be raised.

Since it has been rumored that candidates who will oppose the present judicial officials will formally announce their entrance in the contest at the Chicot meeting, it is very probable that a large number of politicians and their friends from here will attend the Chicot Fourth of July celebration.

MORRIS-NEEDS ILLIM SHIVL GIRLS

By Beatriz Michélena

Please do not think me the impersonation of pessimism if I take occasion in this "talk" to enlarge somewhat upon the difficulties that I last week told you would surround an endeavor to enter the motion picture profession. As a matter of fact I am exceedingly optimistic. I believe that there is no one who has a more abundant or a longer abiding faith in the efficiency of ambition and hard determined work.

If you are going to try to get into pictures, there is only one safe and sensible way to start about it—and that is with an expectation that you are to experience a real struggle and will have reason to call upon every ounce of courage and patience you possess.

Therefore I'm going to warn you against two enemies to your success. One is the irresponsible stories you have read about this or that actress who has fallen immediately into star roles and a big salary with no effort or fight for what she got; the other is your well meaning but deluded friends who tell you that you are as beautiful and talented as any one appearing on the screen, and should consequently demand as much recognition and salary, and demand it with no delay.

I can tell you honestly that there is no one who has achieved anything in the motion picture profession who has not worked hard for her success. The struggles with some have been more obvious than with others, but, whether it has been there in every case and the success has been the reward of grit and fight.

When your friends tell you how easily you will succeed in pictures, thank them as politely as you can, but do not take their words to much to heart. Our director tells me that the girls who apply to him for a "trial" because their friends are sure of their immediate success, are each day numerous enough to furnish every producing company in the United States with a leading woman. A very few of these many applicants will some day be sure enough leading women, but they are the ones who will the most successfully disregard what their friends have said, and consequently be the more ready to start out with a determination to work and wait until success is theirs.

RECIPE

The following recipe was accidentally dropped by one of the bashful boy graduates of the St. Landry High School, a few minutes after he was awarded his diploma. One of our prominent fellow-citizens "spied" it and thought it worthy of publication. The young man and young ladies of Opelousas may accomplish matrimony by the following recipe:
 One armful of a pretty girl,
 One lovely face,
 Two laughing brown or blue eyes,
 Two rosy cheeks,
 Two lips like strawberries,
 Mix well together and pressed to lips.
 Results will be astonishing.

Take one piece of a dark piazza, And a little moonlight, Press into a little hand, Two ounces of attraction, One ounce of romance, Add one or two whispers, Dissolve a half dozen glances, Into a weak silence, Indulge a small quantity of hesitation, One ounce hesitation, two ounces yielding, Place a kiss on flushed cheek.

NEW TINKER LOCATES HERE

J. R. Kleiser, who has been operating a tin shop at Crowley for the past ten years, has located in Opelousas and is now employing a force of three men. Since coming to this city Mr. Kleiser has been liberally patronized and as he will soon have the most up-to-date shop of its kind in this section of the state. It is expected that he will do splendidly here.

RAISE 2 POUND TOMATOES

Octave Durio probably has the record for large tomatoes, having produced wheelbarrow loads of tomatoes tipping the scale to the tune of 2 pounds. Large tomatoes are not unusual sights in and around Opelousas, as the lands around here are the most fertile in the Union. The tomatoes produced here by many of the citizens tend to prove the assertion that anything that is planted in St. Landry soil can beat the same products of any community.

REFINERY IS REPAIRED AND READY FOR WORK

Syrup Factory Has Been Remodeled and Tested So That It Will Be Ready for Successful Run

The Opelousas sugar refinery, which was recently purchased by Crockett & Weil, of Alexandria, has been thoroughly remodelled and repaired, work being completed on the factory on Thursday afternoon. Every part of the machinery was fully tested and found to be in good condition.

The owners of the Opelousas sugar refinery expect to have a successful run and the cane planters have been assured good prices for their products.

PARISH FARMERS WILL MEET AT PRAIRIE RONDE

Regular Quarterly Meeting of the St. Landry Union to Be Held on Tuesday, July 13th

The regular quarterly meeting of the St. Landry Farmers' Union will be held at the Prairie Ronde school house on Thursday, July 13th. At this meeting the officers for the ensuing year and delegates to the state convention will be chosen.

This meeting of the farmers will be one of the most important of the present year and a large attendance is expected.

State President I. N. McCollister and one or two other state officers, including Miss Minnie Carron, secretary, will be present.

PELICAN TEAM HUMBLED BY BOY SCOUTS NINE

Interesting Game Staged Between Rival Youngster Teams at Comeau Park Wednesday

The Boy Scouts team trimmed the strong Pelican team, better known as the Clary team, by the score of 7 to 5 at Comeau park on Wednesday afternoon before a good sized crowd. The Scouts played in the field like veterans, while they finally succeeded in knocking the Pelican pitcher out of the box.

The Scouts and Pelicans often tie up and the games usually prove interesting, as well as hard fought.

No. 666

This is a prescription prepared especially for MALARIA or CHILLS & FEVER. Five or six doses will break any case, and if taken then as a tonic the Fever will not return. It acts on the liver better than Calomel and does not gripe or sicken. 25c

500 VOLUNTEER WANTED

To join those already enlisted as regular customers of my Electric Shoe Shop. Where you will get your shoe repairing done by modern electric machinery with as quick service as our modern machine guns do in time of war.

BOSTON ELECTRIC SHOE SHOP
 I. CHAPMAN, Prop.

FOR RENT a residence in the east-erg part of this city on the street leading to the race track, three rooms, dining room, kitchen and pantry, a large lot and a big barn. Cheap. Apply at this office. feb 26-17

The Strong Withstand the Heat of Summer Better Than the Weak. Old people who are feeble, and younger people who are weak, will be strengthened and enabled to go through the depressing heat of summer by taking regularly Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic. It purifies and enriches the blood and builds up the whole system. 50c.

PAROCHIAL SCHOOL ENDS MOST SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Interesting Exercises Are Held at Grand Coteau Convent on Last Saturday

Grand Coteau, June 24—the twenty-sixth annual commencement of the Parochial School was held at the school house Saturday before a large audience. The program was well rendered. Misses Helen Barry, Eleanor Burleigh and Irene Oge took part in the dialogue entitled "Abou Ben Adhem." Recitations were given by Misses Rita Barry and Olga Peck. The songs were as follows: A Message to the Sacred Heart, Nid, Nid Nodding, Lullaby, The Lily and the Rose, and The Flag Song. An Indian drill by the boys was all that could be desired. The graduates were Misses Helen Barry, Eleanor Burleigh and Irene Oge.

A spelling match took place for a gold pin given by Rev. M. A. Grace, S. J. Out of thirty-six who were in the contest twenty-six remained standing. These drew for the pin which was awarded to Miss Gladys Gardiner.

The gold medal for the highest average donated by Petelin Brothers was won by Miss Irene Oge.

The gold medal for good conduct donated by Lawrence Barry was merited by Octave-Guilbeau. The medal for good conduct was given by the votes of the students which was ratified by the teachers.

After the exercises Father Grace thanked and congratulated the students for the interesting program.

There will be two retreats for laymen at St. Charles College this summer. The first one will be in French and will commence on the night of July 27, and close in the morning of the 31st. It will be given by Rev. Paul Louvel, S. J., a missionary of St. Charles College. The English retreat will begin on the night of Aug. 11 and will close on the morning of August 15. Those desiring to make either retreat should notify Rev. M. A. Grace, S. J., president of St. Charles College.

HOWARD VIDRINE IS A VICTIM OF TYPHOID

Howard Vidrine, 18 years, 7 months of age, died at the home of his father, Ambrose Vidrine, in Plaisance, on last Saturday afternoon, after being ill only a few days with typhoid fever. Young Vidrine fell ill in Opelousas and was carefully attended to by Dr. Shute, but on Thursday of last week Mrs. Vidrine came to town and finding her son apparently well decided to take him back home. On Friday the youth became worse and on Saturday expired, after having fought with the assistance of the doctors, death as hard as possible. Interment took place at the family graveyard at Moundville.

Howard is the third of the Vidrine family to die in the last year and a half, one, Marshall, having been killed a few months ago by a negro.

Mail for the Soldier Boys who went to the Front should be plainly addressed in order to insure its prompt receipt by the addressee.

The name of the addressee should be fully and legibly written with pen and ink, give his rank, company, regiment or organization to which attached. The postage should be fully prepaid, and name and address of sender written in upper left-hand corner on address side.

Parcel Post matter should be substantially and tightly wrapped in either very strong paper or cloth, purely tied.

As this is a matter important to all concerned, other papers will please copy.

Present address of the Louisiana Troops is "Camp Safford, Alexandria, Louisiana." The Mississippi Troops are at "Camp Swept Taylor, Jackson Mississippi."

NOTICE TO TEACHERS—The examination for teachers' certificates will be held July 24, 25, 26, for whites; and July 27, 28, 29, for negroes.

Examinations will be held on the above dates beginning July 24th, at 8:30 A. M., at the High School Building, Opelousas, La.

Teachers who expect to take special first grade subjects must notify the Parish Superintendent of the subjects they expect to take before July 15th, so that questions may be prepared.

W. B. PRESCOTT, Supt. Schools of St. Landry Parish. July 1st, 16

TAKING BIG CHANCES

It is a great risk to travel without a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, as this preparation cannot be obtained on the trains or steamships. Attacks of bowel complaint are often sudden and very severe, and everyone should go prepared for them. Obtainable everywhere.

CONVENT WILL TURN OUT FULL-FLEDGED TEACHERS

Bill Empowering Local Academy to Award Diplomas and Confer Degrees Is Passed by House

The Immaculate Conception Convent will henceforth turn out full-fledged teachers, as the bill introduced by Representative Dupre, empowering the local academy to confer degrees and award diplomas, was passed by the overwhelming vote of 90 to 7.

The Opelousas convent diploma will be regarded as high as the state normal diploma, and no graduate will be compelled to stand examination in order to secure a first grade teacher's certificate.

The good sisters, who have charge of the Immaculate Conception Academy, have been assured the attendance of a large number of young ladies from this and surrounding parishes who have heretofore been constrained to go to the State Normal so as to qualify as teachers.

ESTRAY Taken up by the undersigned at Mallet as an estray one half face, four years old, yellow-brown cow, with a four weeks old heifer calf. No ear marke. Brand on left hip about thus:



Said animal has been in neighborhood about 3 years. Owner or owners of said animal are hereby notified to come forward, prove property, pay costs and take same away.

MATHIAS ROUJEAU, Opelousas, La., R. F. D. No. 5, Care of Lucien Durousseau.

TAKEN UP A white mare between ten and twelve years of age, weighs about eight hundred pounds, stout and low built, branded about thus:



Been on my premises for about six weeks. Owner will please come forward, prove property, pay costs and take the mare.

P. P. HIDALGO, Route No. 5, Opelousas.

TAKEN UP A brown mare about 14 hands high, branded on left shoulder about thus:



Been on my place about three weeks or a month. Owner will please come forward, prove property, pay costs and take same away.

CHAS. T. MILSTED, Opelousas Route No. 4, July 1st

CHAMBERLAIN'S COLIC, CHOLERA AND DIARRHOEA REMEDY

Every family without exception should keep this family preparation at hand during the hot weather of the summer months. Chamberlain's Colic Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is worth many times its cost when needed and is almost certain to be needed before the summer is over. It has no superior for the purpose for which it is intended. Buy it now. Obtainable anywhere. July 1

CONSTIPATION AND INDIGESTION

"I have used Chamberlain's Tablets and must say they are the best I have ever used for constipation and indigestion. My wife also used them for indigestion and they did her good," writes Eugene S. Knight, Wilmington, N. C. Chamberlain's Tablets are mild and gentle in their action. Give them a trial. You are certain to be pleased with the agreeable laxative effect which they produce. Obtainable everywhere.

BILIOUSNESS AND STOMACH TROUBLE

"Two years ago I suffered from frequent attacks of stomach trouble and biliousness," writes Miss Emma Verbruyke, Lima Ohio. "I could eat very little food that agreed with me and I became so dizzy and sick at my stomach at times that I had to take hold of something to keep from falling. Seeing Chamberlain's Tablets advertised I decided to try them. I improved rapidly." Obtainable everywhere.

A BUSINESS ROMANCE

There are a few people in any civilized part of the world who have not heard of the well-known kidney remedy, Doan's Kidney Pills. The story of the introduction of this remedy from country to country would read like romance.

It is a strong testimonial to the merits of a remedy which has now been on the market for fifty years and for the progressiveness of a typical American business firm, Foster-Milburn Company, Buffalo, N. Y., who have inspired confidence everywhere in their advertising, by the use of local testimonials. adv