

VOTE FOR THE CITY IMPROVEMENT BOND ISSUE NEXT TUESDAY IF YOU WANT OPELOUSAS TO GO FORWARD—A VOTE CAST IN ITS FAVOR IS A VOTE FOR PROGRESS AND ADVANCEMENT

BOND ISSUE \$250,000 FOR MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENTS SURE TO CARRY

The property taxpayers of this municipality will be called on shortly to vote a bond issue for the purpose of extending and improving the water works and electric light systems, and also for the purpose of extending and improving the drainage of the city. The tax carries a bond issue of \$250,000, and thus far no opposition whatever has developed in any quarter. Indeed all of our thinking men and women realize that our systems of electric light and water works are in a precarious condition, and that money must be made available at once for a complete renovation and improvement of such systems. We learn that the electric light plant is kept

in operation by what might be termed "main force and awkwardness." Superintendent Burgess insists that the plant in its present condition cannot stand the strain much longer. The Clarion is heartily in favor of this bond issue, congratulates Aldermen Stelly and other members of the board on their progressiveness, and sincerely trusts that no opposition will be used to combat the project. It should receive a unanimous vote of the property taxpayers.

Mayor Loeb has set his heart on this proposition, and feels confident of the result. He says he has found public sentiment generally favorable.

Mrs. Saizan President Anti-Tuberculous League

A meeting for the purpose of effecting a permanent parish tuberculosis league for St. Landry was held last Wednesday afternoon at the Elks' Club, and was attended by a number of well known citizens interested in the promotion of this work.

Ever since the Christmas Seal campaign last winter carried on under the chairmanship of Mrs. J. P. Saizan, the matter of permanent reorganization has been paramount. Now that it has taken definite shape those vitally interested feel the first step must be followed by an extension of interest to engage the entire parish.

The meeting was preside over by Mayor Loeb who called on U. L. Casper of New Orleans, executive secretary of the state league. He reviewed in a few words the objects of the state organization and its obligation to assist in every way possible to establish the local organizations which are to deal with the problems within their respective territorialities. He laid great stress upon the need of this organization especially in Louisiana where the annual number of deaths is 3,000, which on the most indisputable authorities means that there are between 25,000 and 30,000 active cases of tuberculosis in the state now.

Mayor Loeb expressed concurrence in Mr. Casper's statements and said he was ready to receive nominations for the several officers required in a parish organization. The balloting resulted in the following:

- President, Mrs. J. P. Saizan.
 - Vice-President, Mr. W. F. Prescott.
 - Secretary, Miss G. Sandoz.
 - Treasurer, Dr. J. A. Haas.
- The associate vice-president for each of the wards of the parish was appointed as follows:
- First Ward, Mrs. G. L. Dupre.
 - Second Ward, Mrs. Simon Levy.
 - Third Ward, Dr. F. O. Pavy.
 - Fourth Ward, Mrs. Robert Schuler.
 - Fifth Ward, Mrs. Alice Boucher.
 - Sixth Ward, Mr. J. U. Lyman.

Next in order was the appointing of a Finance and Membership Committee, the following five were selected: Mayor E. L. Loeb, chairman; Mrs. U. B. Robert.

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The league will have its two-thirds of the Christmas seal sale fund, amounting to something over \$700.00 with which to start. As soon as possible the literature pertaining to the anti-tuberculosis work will be placed in the hands of every citizen of St. Landry and the help of each individual is solicited in this mighty work.

DEJEAN-HARRIS

A wedding of much social interest was the union of Mrs. Julia Anderson Harris to Mr. James A. Dejean, which took place on last Monday afternoon at the Methodist Rectory, Rev. Harper officiating. The wedding was a very quiet affair the only witnesses being Mr. A. J. Perrault and Miss Ruth Harper.

The contracting parties are very prominent socially, and have the most ardent wish of this community for their future happiness.

They will make their residence for the time being with the mother of the groom Mrs. Ernest Dejean.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Ollie Richard and Miss Pearl Darbonne.

Adam Courville and Miss Amada Thibodeaux.

James A. Dejean and Miss Julia Anderson.

George Mamalakis and Miss Francis Guidry.

St. Charles Alumni Ass'n To Meet June 13

Grand Coteau, La., June 2.—The eighth annual meeting of the St. Charles College Alumni Association will take place in the K. of C. Memorial Hall at three o'clock P. M., on Sunday, June 13. The object of the association is to foster and preserve friendly relations between Jesuit alumni; to strengthen and keep alive the traditions of their alma mater; to maintain a fellow-feeling between the former students of all Jesuit colleges; to use its best endeavors to promote the moral, mental and social well-being of its members, and to further by every legitimate means the influence and interests of St. Charles College. It is the desire of the association to make of this meeting a grand rally of the old boys, and with this object in view, it asks that each one make every effort to be present, bringing with him as many of his former college mates as possible. In the morning at eleven o'clock there will be solemn high mass at which Rev. A. F. Isernberg, Rector, St. Michael's Church, Crowley, La., will preach the baccalaureate sermon. The mass will be sung by the Boys' College choir. The officers of the association are as follows: Very Rev. E. A. Diebold, S. J., honorable president; Dr. C. A. Gardiner, Sunset, La., president; Rev. F. X. Twellmeyer, New Orleans, first vice-president; Dr. J. T. Abshire, LeRoy, La., second vice-president; Dr. T. T. Tarlton, Grand Coteau, La., third vice-president; F. Vavasseur Mouton, Lafayette, La., fourth vice-president; J. Q. Gilbert St. Julien, Lafayette, La., secretary; Joseph P. Colomb, Lafayette, La., treasurer. The commencement exercises at the college will be held Monday, June 14, at 9:30 a. m.

The closing exercises at the Sacred Heart Academy and Normal school will take place on Monday the fourteenth, and those of the Sacred Heart Parochial school on June 22. Both of these schools are taught by the Religious of the Sacred Heart.

HARDING OPPOSES DRASTIC LOAN CUT

FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD HAS NOT DEFINED NON-ESSENTIALS, HE SAYS

Washington.—Governor Harding of the Federal Reserve Board, in a statement, declared that the board was opposed to the use of "drastic or oppressive measures" in bringing about a reduction of long standing loans. The board's views were expressed in response to a letter from Representative Garner, Democrat, Texas who said that Texas wool and mohair growers feared efforts of the federal reserve banks to hasten deflation might prove disastrous to them since many of their loans soon must be renewed on account of a drought. The growers thought these loans might not be renewed it was explained because of the campaign against "frozen credits" and loans on so-called non-essentials.

Governor Harding explained that while the matter was one for purely local determination he believed the banks were not forcing settlements of loans where such action would handicap production of any commodity.

The pledge given by representative bankers at a recent conference her to support his policy of reducing outstanding loans was not intended to cause indiscriminate curtailment, Mr. Harding said. He said the board had not attempted to define non-essential loans, adding that in each instance the reserve banks must decide whether the loan would result in further deflation.

COLLEGE R. O. T. C. ON ONE DAY HIKE

ENGAGE COULEE CROCHE MOSQUITOES AND RETIRE AFTER A SHARP SKIRMISH.

Grand Coteau, La., June 4.—The R. O. T. C. unit of St. Charles college returned Sunday, May 30, from a one-day camping trip. The boys left the college at 2 p. m., Saturday, May 29, and had hiked five miles to J. M. Gardiner's plantation near Coulee Croche, arriving there at 3:40 p. m.

Immediately upon arrival at the camp, packs were unslung and the young soldiers proceeded to the work of making camp in true military style. Shelter tents or "pup" tents as the boys call them, were pitched in short order, the kitchen was established and everything generally put in first-class order. One squad was detailed for kitchen police and the rest of the battalion went for a swim. A complete kitchen outfit and the necessary rations for twenty-four hours were taken in a wagon and at 6:30 p. m. "mess call" was sounded and the "mess line" was formed. By 6:45 p. m. everybody was seated on the ground industriously using his mess kit. The five-mile hike in full pack and the work of making camp had made the boys very hungry and the "K. P.'s" were kept busy dishing out seconds. After supper had been eaten and the mess kits washed and put away the boys were turned loose until taps at 10 o'clock. Taps found few of them in their tents, however, as there seemed to be too much doing for anyone to leave merely for sleep. Shortly after 11 o'clock all turned in and began to fight a bitter battle with mosquitoes for sleep. It was a losing fight for the boys and shortly after midnight small fires and smudges began to make their appearances and from that time until dawn the camp presented a very picturesque scene of the small fires glowing here and there, and a crowd of boys, each wrapped in his blanket, seated or lying in a circle around the fire.

Reveille at 6 a. m. was hardly necessary as practically the entire camp was awake by that time. Field mass was said at 7 a. m. by Rev. A. Cuyel, S. J., and breakfast followed at 8 o'clock.

After breakfast the boys scattered over Mr. Gardiner's plantation, some going into the rice fields for frogging, while others to the woods for blackberries, some others, though very few, crept quietly into their tents and caught up some sleep that they had failed to get the night before.

The president of the college, Rev. E. A. Diebold, S. J., accompanied by the vice-president, Rev. MacDonnel, and the treasurer, Rev. Baker, visited the camp in the morning and complimented the boys on the neat, clean appearance of everything.

A slight shower at 10 o'clock drove all the boys to cover under their tents and gave them a taste of some of the discomfort of soldiering. At 1:30 p. m. the tents were struck, the packs made up and at 2 o'clock the hike back to the college was started. The sun was very hot and the packs got very heavy before Grand Coteau was reached, but not a boy fell out on the road. Upon arriving at the college the equipment was put away and everyone enjoyed a cool swim. The boys all agreed that it was a great life if you didn't weaken and despite the hike, the mosquitoes, all were glad they had gone.

The idea of the entire camp was to teach the boys, as a part of their military training in the R. O. T. C. how to make a camp for the night. All the equipment was regulation U. S. army equipment, issued by the government to the college for the R. O. T. C. instruction. The entire camp was in charge of Captain C. L. Steel, who is detailed at professor of military science and tactics at the college. Captain Steel was very well pleased at the manner in which the unit made the march with heavy packs and with the dispatch and military precision with which to camp was pitched.

The college authorities and the students are very grateful to Mr. Gardiner for his kindness in extending to the unit the use of his place which was ideal for making camp.

The R. O. T. C. activities for the year will be terminated on June 3, when all uniforms and equipment will be turned in. The work accomplished during the year in military art has been very satisfactory and every one is looking forward to a banner year for 1920-1921.

NEW SHERIFF PUTS TABOO ON POKER IN THIS PARISH

"Ancient and Honorable" Game Goes Under Ban as Thibodeaux Begins

SEVERAL TO STAND TRIAL AND TEST LAW

Sheriff Thibodeaux Says He Will Make Good His Campaign Promises to the People of St. Landry

Strictly in line with his anti-election promises to the people of this city and parish, Sheriff Chas. Thibodeaux had no sooner assumed his office of sheriff, than he began his activities to suppress gambling in Opelousas and the entire parish. The sheriff played no favorites, and he steadfastly followed the scent wherever it took him—to friend or foe, to the high or the low.

The sheriff did more than this, he made a personal visit to all the pool rooms, and served notice on the proprietors that they must obey the laws, and especially as to the presence of minors in pool games, and the practice of permitting dice games in inner rooms. He said he had been thus far unable to obtain sufficient evidence upon which to predicate affidavits but that he had learned minors were permitted to engage in pool games, and that dice throwing was a common practice. This he proposed to stop at any price, and he would give these places special attention in the future.

The sheriff also has taken the position that even pool rooms are not allowed under the law to have screens ways or windows, and he may in the near future order the removal of these means of hiding and screening the minors, and the crap games, which have become notorious here in these places.

Under the gambling ordinance the sheriff preferred affidavits against the following citizens, who are charged with infringing the ordinance, on May 29, 1920: S. L. Hebrard, A. S. J. Campbell, Leonie Carriere, Yorick Ledoux, Mayo Ledoux, Dublanc Ledoux and Leo Guilbeau.

The defendants contend that they are protected by club charters and were simply engaged in enjoying a friendly game. Besides they say that ordinance is illegal and unconstitutional.

No man can justly censure the new sheriff for doing just what he promised the people to do in his anti-election speeches, and all who know him confidently predict further and more sensational developments. Only the lines of law enforcement.

Party at Louis Andrus Home.

A very enjoyable lawn party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Andrus, of South Bellevue, Saturday night, in honor of Mrs. Andrus' sister, Miss Jonnie Landry of Basile. Those participating were: Misses Martha, Eve and Pauline Lavergne, Edna and Vivian Andrus, Ethel and Louise Mills, Georgia Horaist, Leonie Bernard, Virginia Sibille, Jonnie Landry, Gertie Peck, Daisy Bacon, Maude Bertinot, Edna Burleigh, Amanda, Louise and Agatha Lavergne; Messrs. James and Chap Mills, Earl Vautrot, Charles and Numa Lavergne, Curley Wimberley, Paul McBride, Remi, Raoul and Henry Sibille, Aristide Darby, Alex and Jesse Solleau, Odell and Oliver Andrus, Johnny Peck, Alex and Francis Lavergne, Oscar LeGer, Louis Dugal, Roland Sibille, Earl Gardiner and Leo Sibille of Donaldsonville; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Andrus, Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Mills, Mr. Jules Carson, P. Higgins.

Delicious refreshments were served on the lawn and various games were played.

Two Louisianians Graduate From George Washington

Washington, June 2.—Miss Heloise Lazaro, daughter of Representative Lazaro of the Seventh Louisiana District and Lemuel E. Greene of New Orleans are among those being graduated today at the George Washington University. Both Miss Lazaro and Mr. Green received the bachelor of arts degrees.

ATHLETIC ASS'N GIVES BANQUET

AWARD SWEATERS AND LETTERS MEN WHO HAVE MET REQUIREMENTS

Grand Coteau, June 3.—On Tuesday, June 1st, the annual banquet of the St. Charles College Athletic Association was held in the students' dining hall at the college and was attended by forty-four students and faculty members. Following the banquet an elaborate ceremony was held in the Knights of Columbus hall during which letters were awarded and sweaters were presented to the baseball players who had fulfilled the association's requirements for winning a letter. The entire student body, faculty members and very many other guests attended the ceremony. The following team members received sweaters and were awarded letters:

Captain Ewell Smith, Old English "C" with service stripe; L. Broussard, Old English "C"; A. Trahan, Old English "C"; D. Gonzalez, baseball "C" with service stripe; E. Hebert, baseball "C" with service stripe; Coach M. J. Fagan, Old English "C"; R. Abshire, O. Broussard, F. Harrison, J. Johnson, M. Young and Manager L. Gardiner, base ball "C". The Old English "C" is the highest honor that a player can receive in the association and may be worn only by those who have made their letter in all of the major sports of the college year. The service stripe indicates that the player has received the same honor the previous year.

The voting for basket ball captain and for base ball captain for next year resulted in the following elections: Ewell Smith, basket ball captain; John H. Johnson, base ball captain.

At the banquet, which is undoubtedly one of the biggest events of the college year, John H. Johnson was toastmaster and called on the following guests to respond to toasts: Captain C. L. Steel, U. S. A., "Our Future"; Lesley Gardiner, "College Spirits"; Simon Mistrot, "Our Rooters"; Captain Ewell Smith, "Our Baseball Team"; Edward Hebert, "From the Mound"; Rev. T. King, S. J., "Our Team on Trips"; Coach M. J. Fagan, "Our Season"; Mr. P. A. Roy, S. J., "The Association's Work During the Year".

The program followed during the awarding of letters after the banquet was as follows: Overture—"Marche" Dansante—College Orchestra.

Our Letter Men—Rev. E. A. Diebold, S. J.

St. Charles—Dr. C. A. Gardiner.

How Peck Pecked the Score—Song—Simeon, Mistrot.

College Spirit—Edward Dubuisson.

Our Base Ball Team—Lesley Gardiner.

March—"Under the Eagle"—College Band.

Planting the Poppies—Rev. T. King, S. J.

Our Season—Coach M. J. Fagan.

Awarding of Letters, Presenting of Sweaters.

CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI

Grand Coteau, June 4.—On Thursday the feast of Corpus Christi high mass was sung in the morning at the Sacred Heart church followed by the benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. On account of the inclement weather the procession on the college grounds was postponed to next Sunday, June 6, immediately after the half-past nine o'clock mass.

The annual retreats at the Sacred Heart convent for the ladies of the world will be given at the end of the month. The French retreat will begin at 7 p. m., June 21, and close at 8 a. m., on June 25. The one in English will commence at 7 p. m., June 28, and will end at 8 a. m. on July 2.

A HAY RIDE.

Palmetto, June 4.—Mrs. J. A. Reulet and Mr. J. H. Bernard entertained a few of their friends on a hayride Wednesday night in honor of Miss Marguerite Norton of Hammond, La. Among those present were Misses Mabel Norton, Helen Taylor, Wilda Clark, Lottie Ganson; Messrs. Hicks Thoms, Floyd Hawkins, Herbert Taylor, Leon Clark and William Ganson.

The crowd was chaperoned by Mrs. M. A. Petty and Wallace McDaniel. Delicious refreshments and cold drinks were enjoyed by all.

Democratic Convention Selects St. Landry Man

A Deserved and Well Merited Recognition Conferred Upon Hon. Dudley L. Guilbeau. Convention Ignores Wine and Beer Issue and Elects Delegates to the National Convention

The state convention met at Bat-Orleans on Rouge on the 3rd instant, and Third District—Delegates, Congress among other things elected Hon. Man Whit P. Marton, Lafouche, and Dudley L. Guilbeau, prominent St. Wilson Peterman, St. Mary; alternates Landrian as permanent chairman, It John Marx, Assumption, and W. A. had been predicted that Mr. Hicks of Montgomery, Lafayette; presidential Shreveport would be given this place, Dr. H. St. Martin, Lafourche, of honor, but evidently the delegates Fourth District—Delegates, O. G. were not unmindful of the prominent Thomas, of Ringgold, Bienville parish and fitness of our fellow citizen and J. E. Smitherman, Shreveport; al-Hon. Dudley L. Guilbeau, and prompt-ternates, H. T. Liverman, Mansfield, ly and unanimously selected him (DeSoto parish and J. M. Foster, Shreveport; presidential elector, A. E. Wilder of Homer; Claiborne parish.

It goes without saying that irrespective of political lines the people of St. Landry will feel highly honored in the selection of one of her favorite sons. Mr. Guilbeau has always stood out in the open on every political question and was the leader in this parish of the Parker forces. His management of the Parker campaign here was both astute and conservative, and he merited and deserved the commendation of all men for his leadership and strategy in bringing about the large majority which was accorded Mr. Parker.

The convention was altogether harmonious and followed the program proposed by Gov. Parker. Resolution commending the administration of President Wilson, commending the importance of national highway development, urging a speedy conclusion of the peace treaty and expressing confidence in the constructive policies of Gov. Parker were reported to the convention by the committee on resolutions.

The following were elected delegates to the national convention to be held in San Francisco:

First District—Delegates, N. C. Carbajal and Alex Pujol, New Orleans; alternates, Albert Estopinal, Jr., St. Bernard parish, and F. I. Williams, Plaquemine parish; presidential elector J. W. Barkfull, New Orleans.

Second District—Delegates, Charles F. Buck, Jr., and Rodney Wood of New Orleans; alternates, Harry W. Fitzpatrick, New Orleans and Sheriff Leovvil, St. Charles parish; presidential elector, Thomas Kileen, New Orleans.

BAILEY DROPS OUT OF SENATE RACE

SAYS FRIENDS ARE FREE TO SUPPORT ANY OF OTHER CANDIDATES

Baton Rouge, La., June 2.—Louisiana's four-cornered race for the United States senatorship, lost one of its corners Wednesday morning when James J. Bailey, secretary of state, announced that he had decided to withdraw from the race.

"I entered this race on my own motion and I am withdrawing on my own motion," said Mr. Bailey. "I have not made any deal and I am not supporting any one of the candidates left in the race. My friends are free to support any one they like, and I desire to express my deep appreciation for their offers of support."

Mr. Bailey's withdrawal probably remaining candidates. He entered the will be received with gladness by the race three months ago, "without consulting anyone," and had received many assurances of support. A politician of the quiet type, he presented the unknown quantity to others in the race. They could not satisfy themselves as to how large or how small a figure he would present in the campaign.

Mr. Bailey is just beginning another four-year term as secretary of state, to which office he was re-elected without opposition.

Congressman Jared V. Sanders, Edwin S. Broussard and Donelson Cafery are the three candidates left in the race. There are decided rumblings of another, former Governor Ruffin G. Pleasant; but he is saying nothing. The large vote given the state suffrage amendment by the house of representatives Wednesday caused the gossip to fly faster Wednesday night that he will be a senatorial candidate. He is leading the fight against the ratification of the federal suffrage amendment, and for the submission of the state suffrage amendment to the voters of Louisiana.

Feast in Honor of College President

Grand Coteau, May 27.—The feast of Very Rev. Emile A. Diebold, S. J., president of St. Charles college was celebrated at the college Tuesday. The preceding afternoon the students tendered him a reception consisting of songs, recitations and music. At the conclusion father president granted them a holiday on Tuesday amid cheers and yells. At night before a large crowd, Rev. Albert Biever, S. J., former president of Loyola University, New Orleans delivered an interesting lecture with illustrations on the life of St. Joan of Arc. On Tuesday the following priests were guests of the president: Rev. Fathers Albert Biever, S. J., of New Orleans, Collard of Opelousas, Teurlings and Keller of Lafayette, Jansens of Washington, Chapelle of Port Barre, Sarrajin of Carencro and Masbeo of Broussard.

WINDY CITY SALOONS REPORTED WIDE OPEN

Chicago, June 3.—"Every saloon in Chicago is wide open," said Major A. V. Dalrymple, prohibition enforcement chief of the central district. When asked the reason why the mayor said "because the police will not co-operate with me."

"I would not say they are acting on orders not to enforce the prohibition law," continued Major Dalrymple, "but I do know they are not co-operating with me. If they were the saloons would not be open. The police are countenancing the situation."

"Chicago certainly is the ideal convention city of the country. You can bet a dollar against a cancelled postage stamp that the Republican convention will overthrow the Democratic convention in San Francisco five to one in point of visitors—you know why—don't ask me."

As She Saw the Elephant.

Little Catherine, aged four, saw an elephant at a circus for the first time. Looking at it, she exclaimed: "Oh, mama, look at the fat horse with a tall near his eyes."