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State Press Association Holds Interesting meeting In Monroe La.

The Louisiana Press Association was in annual session in the City of Monroe on June 8th, 9th and 10th and while discharging the business of the association, was given fitting entertainment by the various clubs and organizations of the city.

President Krebs of Lake Charles, who for several years has added very materially to the interest and advancement of the association, called the house to order at 2 p. m. Tuesday, with about 100 members present, representing every section of the State. After addresses of welcome from the Mayor of Monroe and Gov. L. E. Hall by proxy, with response made by Hon. Tom Holland of Greensburg, the President's annual address was given, showing the usual deep thought and strong expression of Mr. Krebs.

Several subjects of interest were presented and discussed and the various committees appointed, after which came adjournment and independent sight seeing till 8 o'clock when all repaired to the Elks Club to enjoy a smoker with good music and dancing thru the evening.

Owing to the fact that President Krebs and several others had to return home after the close of Tuesday's session, the election of officers and place of meeting for next year was given place at the morning session Tuesday. The following officers were elected: President, Leon DeCoux, Kentwood Commercial; First Vice-President, Mrs. J. Vol Brock, Era-Leader, Franklinton; Second Vice-President, S. M. Lewis, Leader, Ruston; Treasurer, L. L. Lipp, Gazette, Oak Grove; Secretary, L. E. Bentley, New Orleans.

Baton Rouge was unanimously selected as the place for holding next year's meeting.

The Shreveport Times in detail spoke as follows:

While the convention did not go on record as favoring woman's suffrage and woman's rights, it chose a woman for first vice-president, who is in line for the presidency at the next annual session.

Dr. Oscar Dowling, president of the state board of health, was the first speaker today, using as his subject, "Fraudulent Advertising

to the legislature covering public printing. The Arkansas publicity act, which was initiated by the Arkansas Press association, was explained by C. A. Berry, of Huttig, Ark., and it is possible that a similar act may be drawn by the committee.

The president also was authorized to name a delegation from Louisiana to attend the joint meeting of the Arkansas association at Texarkana next year.

One of the best papers was that of Hugh Mercer Blain, of the School of Journalism, Louisiana State University, who spoke on "What Schools of Journalism Can Do for the Country Editors." W. H. Scanland of the Bossier Banner, one of the oldest members of the organization, gave interesting reminiscences of Louisiana journalism. William Beer of the Howard Memorial Library, New Orleans, spoke entertainingly on "Louisiana's First Newspaper." The name of the publication was *Moniteur de la Louisiane* and its long time editor and published was Jean Baptiste Fontaine.

Mrs. J. Vol Brock, of the Franklinton Era-Leader, gave many valuable suggestions on how to reach and interest the entire community and made a strong plea for a little more publicity for those in the humbler walks of life. A strong paper was that of J. M. Scanland, of Vermillion News, which was read by Lee Lanier, on "Publicity Grafters." The paper urged that everything appearing in a newspaper besides straight reading matter news and editorials be paid for at regular rates.

Mr. Scanland said that he made it a practice to send back at their expense, all work of the paid press agent, and it had the effect of causing these gentlemen to discontinue sending him advertisements for which they were unwilling to pay.

After the adjournment of the afternoon session, Fire Chief F. J. Roddy, called out the fire-fighting apparatus of the city and an exhibition was given by the firemen for the benefit of the newspapermen.

The delegates were given a ride through the city in automobiles and a visit was made to the State Training Institute, the government locks and dam in the Ouachita river, and the Monroe salt water natatorium. At night a brilliant reception was tendered the visitors at the Riverside Club. A luncheon was served and dancing was enjoyed till a late hour.

At Thursday's session a heated discussion took place between Dr. Dowling, president of the state board of health, and some members of the Press Association. After a short tilt however, peace was restored by acting President L. E. Bentley, placing a ban on personalities.

The resolutions prepared by the committee were read, discussed and adopted and final adjournment was taken at noon, after which the members left for their various homes by the afternoon trains.

The members of the association are delighted with the cordial hospitality of the people of Monroe and are agreed that no community ever worked harder to give them pleasure and entertainment than they have. Editor J. J. Smith of the Monroe News-Star has been untiring in looking after the comfort and enjoyment of his brethren of the press. The meeting adjourned Thursday.

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in Relation to the Country Press. His remarks provoked an animated discussion, participated in by Geo. B. Campbell, A. J. Franz, Lee Lanier and W. T. Holland. Mr. Holland thought it was a good idea for the state board to furnish a list of fraudulent and fake remedies to the press. For himself, he said, he was not in favor of placing the ban on all patent medicines until it is established they are fakes. He declared he was a living example of what a certain brand of liver medicine and new life pills could do for a man. Indiscussing a certain preparation put up for women and said to contain a large percentage of alcohol, Colonel Holland declared he knew nothing of this particular remedy, but he did know of one 'favorite' prescription which would not be well to condemn in the presence of his wife.

At the afternoon session Dr. Dowling made a statement regarding the prevalence of paludism in many portions of the state. He said the state board is making an effort to ascertain the number of cases, cause of disease and proper treatment.

He said it was held by the United States health authorities that the disease is caused by the unbalanced diet, and he was inclined to accept that view.

Among the interesting papers read at Wednesday's session was "Reminiscences of Louisiana Newspapers," by W. H. Scanland, of the Bossier Banner. The subject could not have been placed in more capable hands when it is considered Mr. Scanland has been actively engaged in the newspaper business in Louisiana over half a century.

"Louisiana's first Newspaper" was the theme of an address by William Beer, of the Howard Memorial library. He revealed many interesting points in the newspaper history of the state. Jno. A. Fox, of Memphis, secretary of the Mississippi river levee association, addressed the convention on the importance of the federal government, taking over the river improvement work, and asked for the cooperation of the press of the state.

The president was authorized to appoint a committee of three to draw up an act to be submitted

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The numerous duties devolving upon officers of the Fair Association during the past two weeks and the several institutions of paramount interest—the Summer Normal School, the Baptist protracted meetings and political conferences—have side tracked work on the Fair.

Lumber has now arrived and construction on the new exhibition hall will shortly begin. This new building will have several main entrances, will be well lighted and ventilated, and will contain an area of floor space exceeding that of the former building. The present building will, however, be utilized to advantage. A rest room, which proved to be so useful last year, will be improved upon this year. The sanitary regulation, the refreshment stands, and the places of amusements to be provided will add materially to the pleasure of attending the Fair and Exposition.

Recently it was asked: "what is a fair?" In answering, briefly, some one of experience and knowledge, states, that besides being "a market place" it is a place for exhibiting products in friendly rivalry with a view of obtaining better products either in the product, the method of producing or in the proceeds of selling. Incidentally, persons living remotely apart are brought face to face with each other when cordial greetings may be exchanged, new acquaintances profitable and plans for successful cooperation satisfactorily consummated.

The farmer who is already a success lends his influence, by his presence and exhibition, to the end that general improvements may follow and prosperity supplant adversity. As a man loveth his horse or wife, and shows them off to gratify his vanity, may he cultivate the power of example by exhibiting improved breed of livestock and abundant fruits of an industrious family. In the former he may excite envy; in the latter he elicits admiration. So every man is called upon to develop his talents and induce his neighbors to do likewise.

At the Fair in October, and while watching the progress of preparations for it by others, don't permit yourself to lag behind. Get your stuff ready. Let it be such that may be produced by natural means or by artificial. Then assemble the specimens at the proper time and attend all conferences leading to information as to shipping and marketing.

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more terrible than British guns, famine, from German doors.

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When she came with her family to this country her training stood her in good stead. From the little farm in Roseland she whetted the jaded appetites of fat-jowled and fat-pursed Chicagoans with cucumbers in December.

And some of the drippings wrung from those same fat purses sent to Germany have procured an iron cross. The cross is very cunningly engraved on an iron bar pin. Very useful too, to hold up a skirt or to finish a V neck.

She will take a neutral Norwegian steamer from New York, rounding Scotland, and landing at Christiania, Norway, and thence to Hamburg.

There she will engage in digging up lawns and planting cabbage and potatoes. Even the Kaiser's lawn has been dedicated to that service.

And thereafter on gala days sauerkraut will be served a la trench.

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Roseland, La., Girl Gets Good Job in Kaiser's Agricultural Department.

In the lowly cabbage Miss Emitt Heinrich, lately of Roseland 1, La., expects to find a high service, a service to her country. Passing through New Orleans Wednesday she told of her prospective entrance into the horticultural service of the German government. She will add her mite in keeping that enemy

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