

Vote for Ventress J. Smith for Senator. Iberia Parish should have Representation. His Name is on the Democratic Ticket

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DEMOCRATIC MEETING TO-NIGHT.

Posters are out advertising a Democratic Rally to be held in the Elks Theatre building to-night at 7:30 o'clock. Aside from Col. Ruffin G. Pleasant, the nominee of the Party for Governor of Louisiana, the other prominent gentlemen who will discuss the issues of the campaign are Hon. Jared Y. Sanders, Jas. Wilkinson, Murphy J. Foster and Ventress J. Smith, Iberia's candidate for the State Senate. The meeting is purely local, no effort whatever being made to bring in from the Third District free excursion parties as was done on Tuesday night by the Progressives. The fact that Saturday night is a time when nearly every business man is engaged winding up the week's business it is a very bad night for a political meeting, however, we are satisfied a good sized audience will be on hand to listen to the addresses.

Cisterns and Tanks. Screening of all description.—Bertrand Lumber Co. Ltd.

CASH PRIZES OFFERED BY CIVIC LEAGUE TO NEW IBERIA GIRLS.

BETTER BABY CONTEST FOR NEW IBERIA.

In connection with the Redpath Chautauqs to be held in New Iberia April 7th to May 2d inclusive, the Civic League has decided to incite emulation in the selling of the tickets, by having a contest which the young ladies of our City are invited to enter. This contest will be an attractive one and in view of the pleasing program offered to the public by this series of entertainments will doubtless, have many entries. The Civic League with the endorsement and assistance of a number of business men of New Iberia, expects to sell 400 tickets, each ticket to entitle the purchaser to fifteen interesting Chautauq features. After the sale of the 400 tickets, one-half the cash receipts taken at the door will be divided by the Committee into three cash prizes to be given to the young ladies who have disposed of the greatest number of season tickets at two dollars each. All neighboring towns are to have an attractive system of advertisement and season tickets may be sold in these places as well as in New Iberia. An interesting feature of Chautauqs week will be a Better Baby Contest so popular now throughout the country into which parents are invited to enter their children. Physical perfection in health, weight and measurements will be judged by a committee of physicians and prizes distributed to the winning babies. This plan will be more generally considered and discussed later. Great interest has been aroused in New Iberia by the announced coming of the Chautauqs which has always proven in every community where it has been introduced of so much educational value and high class entertainment. Application for tickets may be made to Mrs. D. A. Dimitry.

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THE ELECTION NEXT TUESDAY.

We are at the end of a most unique campaign, and the hour is at hand for us to ascertain if the great bulk of the voters of Louisiana, believe in Party principle or have determined to efface all lines in their allegiance to individuals. To those of us who believe that men should align themselves freely in any Party from which they believe to derive the greatest good for the State or country, there can be no complaint because other men believe that the greatest good is to be found in the Republican, Progressive, Socialist or other Party, and so align themselves. They are adhering to some fixed principle. But the principles of the Republican, the Progressive, the Socialistic parties are necessarily at variance. It is inconceivable that there could be any union of all of these parties, or any two of them but for one temporary common cause. The common cause now, is hatred of the Democratic Party, and the burden of the tale is, that the Democratic Party in Louisiana is the breeder of all the woes—real or imaginary—of which hostile orators declaim. The most remarkable incident of it all is, that the head and front of this opposition is Honorable John M. Parker, who headed a movement of Democratic reform four years ago. The platform which he and his associates announced, covered every reform he and they could think of. The Governor and Legislature carried out every promise of the platform, submitting to the people only those which had to be submitted; and these only, suffered rebuff. What has the present State Administration done, which justifies any attack on the Democratic Party? Surely, not the failure to carry out the reforms Mr. Parker had promised, from the same platforms on which he now denounces the Party. It is the privilege of any one to re-adjust his politics when and how he pleases; but why should they join hands with those who are endeavoring to give a death blow to the Party of their allegiance? Can they believe that Mr. Parker, as Governor would try to maintain the doctrines of any other Party then, temporarily, those of the Progressives, and finally those of the Republican Party? He surely will not aid or advocate the Democratic principles. Let Democrats pause and consider before they give the thrust to their own principles.

Some of the older ones have fought Republicanism side by side with the fathers of the leaders of this new enemy. Many of this generation have fought the Republican Party under the leadership of men who now lead Progressivism. What has made Republicanism now acceptable to Louisianians. What is it that justifies those who preached it for years, now to denounce Democracy as the source of all ills?

At the recent Parker Rally in this Parish we saw the spectacle of a Republican leader—and by the way, a good citizen—the central figure in the exercises, and another estimable citizen, who for years, as a Democrat had spent his time and talents in holding up to scorn the political principles of the Republican leader, share with the Republican the privilege of heaping curse on the Democratic Party.

We have no right to quarrel with our friends who wish to leave the Democratic Party. They may go all the way to Republicanism, as they shortly must, if they do not wish to be bereft of all Party. They are our friends and neighbors with whom we wish to live in goodly relations—and with whom we hope to join in the upbuilding of our Parish and City. But, in the name of reason, let not Democrats, who wish to remain Democrats, lend the only strength to the opposition upon which it can ever hope to destroy the Democratic Party. The hour is at hand for you to decide. Abide with your Party and aid within its ranks to rectify what may ail it. You may aid your Party in doing better things by standing with her in counsel and work. You surely will not by taking up the dagger, and while proclaiming friendship, give the stab.

But above and beyond all of that, what reason can a Democrat, who thinks he is justified in voting for Parker, have to strike at his Democratic Sheriff and Clerk and Assessor, or any other, for that matter.

Have they not vested an assurance of public safety with George Henderson as conservator of the Peace.

Have they any belief that the opponents of Gabi LeBlanc and Maumus equal these experienced servants, in safeguarding the records.

Do they believe that Louis Delahoussaye's opponent for Assessor measures up to the job in any way to be compared.

There is no desire to disparage the gentlemen who are our local opponents—but why should Democrats go to them in preference to our party candidates.

At all events let them stick to the local Democratic organization, so that when the realization of their error will have dawned on them, they will at least have the comfort that will come from that much of party fealty.

WHO GETS THE TARIFF?

New Iberia, La., Apr. 8, '16.
Editor Enterprise:

Just at this time while the campaign for the General Election is on, and while our United States Senators are clamoring for the credit for the retention of a tariff on sugar, primarily for the protection it furnishes the sugar industry. Secondly or incidentally for the revenue it furnishes the Government, you can hear discussions along some particular line by parties well informed. But from the "wiseacre" you can hear it all.

That the man who tills the soil and produces the cane bears the whole burden, I think there is no question, and that he gets very little or no protection from either the Federal or State Government. I think there is also no question.

It may sound rather broad to you but the man who grows the cane is the only man who takes any risk and the only man whose returns, in the entire handling of the crop from the time it is planted, until it reaches the consumer, are purely speculative.

The price of labor is fixed, the derrick man's fees are fixed, the railroad freights are fixed, the refinery's profits are fixed at a minimum, below which it cannot fall, with no limit to which it may not rise. And all of the above fees and freights and profits

are figured out of the cane before the producer is considered, and the only item in the above list that is restricted or under any control by either the Government or State, is the railroad freights and that is regulated by the Railroad Commission.

I do not see how the freight and derrick charges can be eliminated altogether. Neither do I see any advantage or profit that would redound to the cane grower, for in cases where a cane grower is fortunate enough to be near enough to the factory to haul his cane to the shed and dump it on the cane carrier he gets no more for it than the man who ships his cane a hundred miles and pays freight of 75c per ton, loading 25c and commission to the derrick man of 10c extra. Who then absorbs that \$1.10 extra that should go to the man who raises and delivers the cane?

Ask the man who raises the cane if he gets it.

In exceptional cases I have known of as much as a 50c "bonus" being paid where cane was delivered at the shed, but why 50c? If the 50c belonged to the producer of the cane then surely the \$1.10 did.

That there is an understanding or a "gentleman's agreement" among the refineries, I do not think anybody questions. Last year a refinery that is looked upon as a "small" one, but that bears an enviable reputation for square

dealings, signed up numerous contracts at 90c per cent, with a 50c "bonus" clause, shortly afterwards they canvassed the country and called in all their contracts, telling the people they had made a mistake, and that the bonus was to be only 25c. I am told that the reason of this was the management of a neighboring refinery called on them and demanded that they comply with their agreement as to prices.

The settling price for cane is always based upon what sugar sells for on the New Orleans market during the week of delivery. (Do you know what that means? No! Then ship something to New Orleans once to be sold for your account) and that price is usually 90c per cent. Now you would think at 90c the shipper would reap the full benefit of any rise in the price and upon its face it looks that way, but let us see at 4c a pound for sugar, cane at 90c would bring \$3.60; at 6c a pound for sugar, cane would bring \$5.40.

Now at 160 pounds of sugar, which is very conservative, to the ton of cane, at 4c the factory would get \$6.40 while at 6c they would get \$9.60 or \$3.20 per ton more out of a ton of cane that would have cost them only \$1.80 more, and I have not included seconds nor the black strap in above figures.

So you can see at a glance their contracts are very cleverly made to guard them against any loss on a low price of sugar with no limit as sugar advances. And there are a number of other things I might enumerate, and would gladly go into if the evil could be corrected, and why shouldn't it be?

These same people have sought for and received relief at the hands of the Governor and the Legislature from the oppressions of the Sugar Trust. Why should they not be made to stand in the judgment and receive from the hands of our law-makers the same just rebuke that has been meted out to the Sugar Trust?

Can you point out to me any more unjust dealing of the Sugar Trust than of these same people who have received relief at the hands of our State Government who by fair means, or foul, get a

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strangle hold upon our cane producers and then gradually tighten up until they have them entirely at their mercy when they give the screws the last turn and out in the road the grower goes, homeless, friendless, penniless.

I think it would be fitting and proper for our Legislature to place under State control the central sugar factories of the State as all public utilities should be and a great and good turn could and would be done the masses if the press of the State would launch and urge such a campaign now before the convening of a new Legislature.

Respectfully yours,
G. O. PHARR.

OH! MY BACK.

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SPECIAL MEETING OF CIVIC LEAGUE.

A special meeting of the Civic League at which all members are urged to be present will take place at Hotel Frederic on Monday, April 17th at 4 P. M. Teachers are especially invited to attend as the League earnestly desires their co-operation in advertising the coming Chautauqs' entertainments.

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DEMOCRATIC MEETING

TO-NIGHT

ELKS THEATRE, NEW IBERIA

7:30 O'CLOCK

All Citizens who are Interested in hearing the Real
Issues of the Campaign discussed are Invited.

SPEAKERS:

RUFFIN G. PLEASANT
(CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR)

JARED Y. SANDERS JAMES WILKINSON
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The Ladies are Especially Invited