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LOUISIANA HAPPENINGS

STATE UNIVERSITY WILL CLOSE ON THE 27TH.

A Murderer Escaped From the Alexandria Jail and Surrendered to the Sheriff of Grant Parish.—Natchitoches Grand Jury Reports a Decrease in Crime.

Wanted in Florida.

Opelousas.—Sheriff Swords, on receiving a warrant Friday evening for the arrest of Jack Tatten, at once left for Morrow Station, where he thought the man was living, and captured his man without any trouble. Tatten is wanted in Madison county, Fla., for murder, and has been living at Morrow Station, this parish, about two years under the name of A. C. Currie. A \$100 reward was offered for his arrest.

Shot an Ex-Sheriff.

New Orleans.—An attempt was made late Friday night to assassinate ex-Sheriff Stroble, of St. Tammany parish, while seated in his residence. He was slightly wounded. The assassins made their escape. A negro has been arrested for the crime and great excitement prevails. Sheriff Stroble was in office until the last election. He has hunted down many criminals and has gained the enmity of that class. Officers are searching for the guilty persons.

Reward for a Murderer.

St. Joseph.—One hundred dollars reward is offered by the sheriff of this parish for the arrest and delivery at this place of Gus Smith, who brutally murdered his mistress on Black water plantation in this parish, one evening last week. Smith is a ginger-brown negro, about 5 feet 10 inches high, weighs about 165 pounds, has large eyes, one upper tooth gone, and talks very rapidly. When last seen he wore a bandless wine colored hat, No. 11 box-toed gaiters, black jeans pants and striped coat.

Grand Jury Reports a Decrease in Crime.

Natchitoches.—The grand jury made its final report Saturday and was discharged without day. Seventy-seven true bills were presented, but the jury states that crimes are decreasing. The public institution and officers are commended for their efficient conduct, and the parish treasurer complimented upon the condition of his books. The road overseers come in for a reprimand for neglecting their duty, but this appears to be the only dereliction found by the grand inquest.

Capt. Barrett on Gov. Heard's Staff.

Alexandria.—Capt. E. J. Barrett, of this city, has received from Adjutant-General Jumel his commission as major and side-de-camp on the staff of Gov. Heard, which took effect from and after the 14th of June. Although Capt. Barrett was a soldier in the Federal army during the war and has for thirty-six years been a Republican, he has lately attached his fortunes to those of the Democratic party. During the late war with Spain he enlisted and was commissioned captain of Company L, Hood's immunes.

Fire at Grand Lake.

Lake Charles.—Sol Bloch's general merchandise store, at Grand Lake, burned to the ground Friday night. The cause of the fire is absolutely unknown. Mr. Bloch closed his store at 9 o'clock and the alarm was sounded at 10 o'clock. The building was in flames and beyond control before any one arrived on the scene. The loss to Mr. Bloch was serious. He had recently put in the stock, and the store building was entirely new. The total loss will approximate \$2,500; insurance \$1,200. Mr. Bloch has not decided whether he will rebuild or not.

The State University to Close on the 27th.

Baton Rouge.—The Louisiana State University will close its doors on the 27th inst., with an enrollment of 370 students for the session. The commencement programme will begin with the subfreshmen exercises on Friday night, the 22d, and end with the alumni reunion on Wednesday night, the 27th. The commencement sermon will be delivered by Bishop Alexander C. Garret, of Dallas, Tex.; the address to the Y. M. C. A. by the Hon. R. F. Reed, of Natchez, Miss.; and the commencement address by Dr. Henry Louis Smith, president-elect of Davidson College, North Carolina, and the alumni address by John H. Overton, of Alexandria.

Primary to Nominate Mayor.

Opelousas.—The Democratic executive committee of this town met at the court house Saturday afternoon and called a white primary for June 26th, for the purpose of selecting a candidate for the office of mayor, and to be recommended for appointment by the governor. This action was made necessary because of the resignation of O. J. Thompson as mayor, and by reason of the fact that there are several aspirants for the office. Governor Heard has been apprised by telegram of the above, and requesting that executive action be suspended for the present. The newly elected board of aldermen organized Friday evening by electing the following officers: Nathan Roos, treasurer; W. R. Cochran, clerk; J. G. Lawler, street commissioner; L. Dupre, attorney.

Runaways Prevented From Marrying.

Lake Charles.—James Snow, an employee of the Watkins railroad and Miss Roseita Goe, both of Lake Charles, were passengers on the west bound train from Lake Charles Friday afternoon. The occasion of their rather sudden departure was a determination to get married notwithstanding the opposition of the seventeen year old girl's stepfather, David Bruce. He soon found out about the departure and called on Chief of Police Dees, who at once wired to the officials at Orange and Beaumont to arrest the couple. After the brakeman's call at "Beaumont," a happy couple alighted from the train only to fall into the arms of waiting officers. Snow was placed in prison and some good ladies took charge of the girl. Both parties were returned to Lake Charles.

Escaped Jail and Surrendered.

Alexandria.—Silas G. Garret, a young white man, charged with the murder of his wife by the administration of poison at Montgomery, Grant parish, about six months ago, made his escape from the Alexandria jail late Friday afternoon. The jailer regarded him as a "trustee" and was in the habit of releasing him during the day and giving him the privilege of the jail yard. This practice had been continued some time, and as Garret has always been in on hand to be locked up at night, he had gained the confidence of the jailer, who did not suppose that he would betray it. As soon as his flight was discovered deputies were sent in pursuit, but they could find no trace of him. It was learned, however, late Saturday afternoon that he had gone to Colfax and surrendered himself to the sheriff of Grant parish and will be returned here. It is supposed that Garret is endeavoring to feign insanity.

New Orleans Notes.

John Guidridge, a colored longshoreman, was killed Saturday in a fist fight with another negro named Henry McCray, at Erato and Tchoupitoulas streets.

The State supreme court has issued some important court rules and amended existing regulations.

Mrs. Spuhler, an insane woman, shot and dangerously wounded James Carver, one of a party who had visited her house in St. Claude street for the purpose of evicting her from her home.

A family in the Fourth District had a narrow escape from death by poisoning, Saturday.

James Kelley, a carriage driver, committed suicide by taking carbolic acid.

Wheeler Has Received His Commission.

Washington.—Gen. Joe Wheeler has received his commission as brigadier-general in the army of the United States from President McKinley. By direction of the president Gen. Wheeler was assigned to the command of the department of "the lakes with headquarters at Chicago. He relieves Brig. Gen. James F. Wade, who has held that commission temporarily in connection with his regular command, the department of the Dakotas.

Charter for Bank in Hawaii Granted.

San Francisco.—Col. G. W. McFarlane and associates of Honolulu, have been granted a charter to organize the First National Bank of Hawaii, which bank will act as a government agent in the payment of Hawaiian government obligations.

Gyp's Abduction a Practical Joke.

Paris.—The mystery of the abduction of "Gyp," Comtesse de Martel de Janville, is at last cleared up. La Matin publishes a full confession of the chief perpetrator of the affair who is an artist named Karl, a character of the Latin quarter and famous for his practical jokes.

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The prohibitionists of Missouri nominated candidates for state offices, Friday.

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Cremation is becoming increasingly popular in Paris, and the crematorium erected at the cemetery of Pere Lachaise has already been found to be too small.

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