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## THOSE WHO WILL PAY MORE.

"We are told that the State must have more money, and the tax amendment is the scheme by which the people are to be more heavily taxed. Somebody must pay more taxes if more taxes are to be collected. In many respects the proposed tax scheme looks like it is a gold brick handed to the voters. Telling the voters that they are to be more heavily taxed and nevertheless will have to pay less taxes, looks somewhat fishy."

This is read in cold print in a Louisiana newspaper, and is an awful example of the undigested stuff which editors, from prejudice or inertia, will sometimes permit to slip into their columns. It is obvious that if more money is raised, more taxes must be paid into the State treasury, but no logical and fair person should make the statement without the accompanying remark that the State proposes in the system of tax revision to lighten the burden on the great mass of tax-payers, by levying taxation on other sources, that have either never borne their just proportion of taxation, or have never been taxed at all.

It is equally obvious that individuals now paying taxes, say on their real estate, and who also own an automobile, deal in futures, or in stocks or bonds, will have to pay more taxes; and that very large estates must pay a proportionate inheritance tax, but no one would seriously question the justice of this, unless it be the individuals themselves that are most concerned, if they be lightweights, certainly not the man whose closest acquaintance with these larger evidences of wealth, is a whiff of gasoline as the joy-wagon goes by, or whose modest patrimony comes within the exempted class.

But even the individual taxpayer of larger wealth will profit by the segregation of taxes, since if he does not have to pay both state and parish taxes on the same property, the aggregate is bound to be less than the amount he is now paying.

No system of taxation is perfect, but any system that seeks to have the richer man pay his just proportion of taxation comes nearer being perfect than one wherein no successful effort is made to reach him for that purpose.

## HOME GOVERNMENT ASSURED.

Perhaps in its home government feature, the proposed separation of taxes will most appeal to the citizen, intelligent and independent, who wishes to keep the reins as near at hand as possible. The State of Louisiana first tried the equalization of assessments through a State Board, that was expected to succeed in that task after securing the compilations from the parish assessors. But a trial of eight years has proven how impossible such equalization is, even as other States have discovered. But the proposal to segregate the taxes, leaving to the parishes and towns the sole right to tax certain most obvious objects of taxation, while the State taxes more general sources of revenue, whose values may be more arbitrarily fixed, wipes away at one stroke the whole question of the justness of assessments as affecting state taxes. A parish may assess its lands as it pleases, providing only sufficient revenue by taxation for actual needs, or it may assess according to any other economic plans it has. The matter will bear no unjust relation to another parish's, since no other will be affected either directly or indirectly. At present, the question of assessments may mean that the parishes are bearing disproportionately their share of state taxation. While under the new system, as proposed, it may occur that a parish rich in railways or natural resources may thereby pay more to the support of the government, the very nature of these sources, being more general in nature, can be more equitably taxed by one commission composed of experts, than would be the case if the assessments lay with a home official, who would not take the broader, all-over-the-state view.

Governor Hall set apart Oct. 8th as "clean up" day, but Judge O'Neill cleaned up on the 8th.

## JUDGE O'NEILL WINS.

The immense vote again tendered Judge O'Neill is another popular protest against the renewed attempt made that the legal fraternity alone are fitted to select judges for the commonwealth. This arrogant idea is put forth by individuals, by legal gatherings, and occasionally by the press. In the O'Neill-Reid campaign it was the "quiet argument" that the lawyers could best decide, as experts. Making no allowance for private grudges or prejudices, this would be true, but is not true in practice, these gentlemen being as liberally disqualified as the proletariat by prejudice. At any rate, the people have gone blithely along and voted for the judge they wanted, undeterred by the more or less friendly advice of the better-qualified-to-decide class.

And it would seem that they have chosen wisely. A judge, who has never had the reversal of a criminal case, and only five civil cases, is "some judge."

## THE CONGRESSIONAL ELECTION.

The returns from Tuesday's Congressional primary denote the defeat of Ferd C. Claiborne by a decisive vote, yet the followers of that stalwart young Democrat have every reason to feel proud of the race he made.

There are several reasons for the defeat of Mr. Claiborne, none of which bear any reflection upon him and which by the time another campaign rolls around may react to his benefit.

In the first place Mr. Claiborne is a man of limited means, while his opponent was a man who had considerable financial backing. The sworn statements of the two candidates in the first primary show that Mr. Morgan spent over eight times as much money as did Mr. Claiborne. This, of course, refers only to the legitimate expenses of the campaign and not to any of the large sums put out to buy votes in favor of Morgan, which was done in parts of the district. Neither does it include the purchase price of the large quantities of whiskey which were sent by Morgan supporters to dry portions of the district.

Another reason that contributed to Claiborne's defeat was the fact that the secretaryship to Mr. Morgan had been promised in advance and was the cause of giving him a majority in a parish that would otherwise undoubtedly have gone to Claiborne.

Again, had Mr. Claiborne been able to engage his opponent in joint debate in every parish in the district, as he attempted to do, he would have made a much better showing, for no one could help recognizing his superiority after a comparison with his opponent.

Mr. Morgan has reason to be thankful that he comes from one of the largest parishes in the district and that his opponent was unknown in that section.

There were no contests of any sort in Mr. Claiborne's section of the district, while there was a second primary for district attorney in two of Mr. Morgan's parishes, and the candidacy of Judge Reid to bring out the vote.

We are sorry for Mr. Claiborne's defeat but would rather have lost with him than to have won with Morgan.

## WOMEN ON SCHOOL BOARDS.

Nine-tenths of the teachers in the public schools of Louisiana are women. It is the mother who hears the lessons at home and prepares the children for school day after day. It is preposterous that she should have no choice, therefore, in the management of the schools of the state. In the adoption of this constitutional amendment—putting women back in the position she occupied in school affairs prior to 1898—Louisiana will again take her place in the ranks of the progressive states of the Union—the states that are making most progress in all educational matters. The adoption of this amendment will mean more to the public schools of Louisiana than anything else which has occurred in years—when women give of their enthusiasm, their ability and their love to the school affairs of the state, as they will in future, those affairs will be better managed and the children will have a better chance.

## NOTICE!

Jackson, La., Sept. 23, 1912.  
Proposals will be received by the Board of Administrators of the East Louisiana Hospital for the Insane, at Jackson, Louisiana, for delivering to the above institution the following:

2,000 lbs. ear corn, 76 pounds per bushel.

Right reserved to reject any and all bids.

(Signed)

CLARENCE PIERSON, M. D.,  
Superintendent.

Rub-My-Tism will cure you.

## FAIR AMUSEMENTS

Are Going to Be Unusually Excellent This Year.

## GREAT COMPANY DIRECT

No Freaks or Fakes Will Be Allowed This Year—Mr. Kline, Who is One of the Country's Best Showmen, Will Furnish Clean Attractions.

In the matter of general amusement that has been arranged for this year's Louisiana State Fair, there is no greater announcement to be made than the one by Secretary Louis N. Brueggerhoff to the effect that the Gladway attractions will be furnished by Herbert A. Kline, the peer of carnival show people. From the opening day, October 30, until the end of the last day, Nov. 6, the Kline shows will be in operation, and the Gladway, and there will be variety enough to please everybody.

Many people go to the Fair to "take in" the carnival attractions. Exhibits don't amuse them very much. They want something that will require no thought or study; something that will simply entertain without any effort on their part. And it is this that the Kline shows will furnish.

Throughout the country Herbert A. Kline's ability as a carnival entertainer and leader is recognized. He is considered one of the very best in that line of business. This is evidenced by the large number of fairs, carnivals and expositions that he attends. His shows are constantly in demand, for the various managers know what to expect when Kline is booked. In securing this carnival man and his collection of entertainers the Louisiana Fair Association feels fortunate. They have had him before and he has pleased immensely. Last year he was here and once before he furnished the Gladway amusements. The fact that he has been engaged again indicates the favorable impression he has made. The visitors have been pleased and have told the management so, and the management, having the pleasure of the visitors at heart above all else, has considered that it has done a popular thing in persuading Mr. Kline to return.

These shows will be strictly clean. Besides their moral atmosphere, they will be of educational character, and those "taking them in" will learn something as well as being entertained. There will be no fakers or freaks in the aggregation. Heretofore some of these have been shown, but this year nothing of the pit or freak sort will be operated. It will be a line of shows that will "leave a good taste in the mouth." There will be nothing to make one shudder and shake as if some creepy creature were going to make an attack and nothing at all to make one think he or she had been taking a "bit of a sifter dose." The ride of this class has been looked after carefully. This is the report reaching the secretary's office, Manager Kline giving his word for it, and knowing Kline like they do, the Fair Association's officials feel safe in making the announcement.

Some of the shows that will be operated here have been his drawing cards about the different fair circuits. Some of them are quite novel and more than worth the price of admission. It will be the finest bunch of Gladway attractions in the history of the fair, according to the reports received about the 1912 assortment. There will be between twenty and thirty of these shows, and the price of admission will be reasonable. No skin games of any kind will be tolerated. To please the patrons is the determination of Manager Kline and also of the Fair Association, and both will see to it that nothing to cause disclosure will be in evidence. Don't forget the dates: Oct. 30 to Nov. 6, eight days fair.

## EXHIBIT OF MACHINERY.

And Farm Implements to be Made in Two Fine New Buildings.

Farmers of Louisiana and neighboring states are rapidly turning from the old to the new of cultivation for the new and scientific methods which to large extent call for the use of modern tools, instruments and machinery. In order to give the farmers opportunity of seeing the various kinds of machinery and implements by which farming is made easier and more profitable, the fair association has arranged for a gigantic exhibit.

Two big buildings have been erected for this exhibit. The buildings are brick and are 68x30 feet each, being large enough to accommodate the displays of many exhibitors.

There are also five acres of outdoor space set aside for the purpose of exhibition and demonstration by the machinery and farm implement houses, and the incentives at hand indicate that all of it will be needed to accommodate these making exhibits at Shreveport.

There has been a machinery exhibit at all of the fairs given under the auspices of the Louisiana association, but none of them will compare in magnitude to the one expected this year, from October 30 to November 6, inclusive.

Prof. Doran of the Louisiana State University will act as superintendent of this department.

## RAILROAD RATES LOW.

Tickets to Be Sold Cheap to Accommodate Fair Visitors.

A generosity shown by the railway companies in the matter of low rates for tickets is going to help in swelling the crowd at the Louisiana State Fair this year. The rates are the lowest that have ever been authorized for the fair at Shreveport. Secretary Brueggerhoff went to work on his plans right after the fair closed last year, and as a result he is able to make the announcement that extraordinarily low rates are going to be offered for the fair this year, from October 30 to November 6, inclusive.

These rates will apply on all the railroads entering Shreveport. In every section there will be the same advantages as in the other sections. An unusual feature of the rate matter this year is that the reduced fares will apply all over Louisiana, something not allowed heretofore. It has also been arranged for the low rates to apply from Arkansas, Texas and territory points within a radius of 175 miles from Shreveport.

In order to handle the crowds that will visit the fair at Shreveport the railroads are getting ready to put extra rolling stock into service. Many new cars will be used to accommodate the passengers to the fair.

It is also announced that the different roads will have excursion days when special trains will be run and the rate will be lower than on any other days.

In giving these reduced rates the railways have evidenced appreciation of the State Fair as an important institution. There is no doubt that the arrangement will prove popular.

# COME TO THE LOUISIANA STATE FAIR

## OCT. 30 - NOV. 6<sup>TH</sup>

### SHREVEPORT, LA. - 8 DAYS.

\$25,000 IN PREMIUMS AND PURSES.

GREAT AGRICULTURAL AND LIVESTOCK FAIR. BOYS' CORN AND PIG CLUB - ALSO GIRLS' TOMATO CLUB EXHIBITS.

## WONDERFUL AMUSEMENT PROGRAM

SEE LOUIS DISBROW IN HIS 290hp JIC AUTOMOBILE IN HORSE RACES - 5 DAYS - AUTOMOBILE RACES - 3 DAYS - NOV. 3-5-6 OCT 30-31 - NOV 1-2-4

SHREVEPORT BRASS BAND GOOD SHOWS ON THE GLADWAY [FREE, EVERY NIGHT] FIREWORKS DISPLAY HORSE SHOW IN THE COLISEUM AT NIGHT [FREE, EVERY NIGHT] FIREWORKS DISPLAY

ADMISSION - DAY - 50¢ - AT NIGHT AFTER 6 P.M. - FREE

## EXCURSIONS ON ALL RAILROADS

WRITE FOR CATALOG. LOUIS N. BRUEGGERHOFF, SECY.

## SUCCESSION SALE.

State of Louisiana, Parish of West Feliciana, 24th Jud. Dist. Court.

Succession of A. Villeret, deceased.

In obedience to a commission to the Sheriff directed by the Hon. Court aforesaid, in the above entitled Succession, I will offer for sale to the highest bidder at the front door of the Court House in the Town of St. Francisville, La., at the hour of 11 o'clock A. M. on

Thursday, October 31, 1912, the following property, to-wit:

1st. One lot of ground, situated in the State of Oklahoma, in the County of \_\_\_\_\_ City of \_\_\_\_\_

2nd. Open accounts as per inventory on file.

3rd. Judgment in favor of A. Villeret against Ellis Nasiff, of date February 10th, 1910, for the sum of \$950.00, with interest and costs.

4th. Two-thirds of one share of the Capital Stock of the Cosmopolitan Bank and Trust Company, of New Orleans, La.; also participating certificates attached.

5th. Five shares of the Bayou Sara Brick Co.

6th. A one-half interest in one hundred shares of the Capital Stock of the Bayou Sara Oil and Mineral Company.

Claim against G. M. Lester valued and appraised at \$200.00.

Terms of sale—For what it will bring on 12 months' credit, purchaser to give 12 months bond with security, and bearing 5 per cent. interest.

J. H. CLACK, Sheriff.

## LOUISIANA RAILWAY & NAVIGATION CO., REDUCED RATES.

Barnum and Bailey Circus, Baton Rouge, La., Nov. 1, 1912.—Bayou Sara to Baton Rouge and return \$1.10. Tickets on sale Nov. 1st. Return limit Nov. 2nd.

F. E. FARR, Agent,  
Bayou Sara, La.

## DAILY PARADE OF STOCK

Will Be Made at State Fair—Night Parade Also Promised.

One of the principal drawing cards at this year's State Fair at Shreveport will be the parade of the prize-winning stock. Each afternoon, commencing at 2 o'clock, there will be a grand parade in front of the big new steel grandstand in which there will be room to accommodate all those desiring to witness the scene, and each night there will be a similar parade in the big coliseum in which there is a mammoth arena and elaborate illumination and plenty of seats.

Heretofore this parade has proved popular, even without a coliseum and with an old grandstand. As new conveniences have been provided and arrangements made for a parade at night as well as in the afternoon, this feature of the fair promises to be more of a drawing card this year than ever before.

The prize winning cattle, horses and mules will be shown in these parades. As a large number of fine animals are going to be exhibited, the parades promise to be participated in by numerous animals as well as those of high qualities and beauties.

This parade is told in detail in the catalogue, which Secretary L. N. Brueggerhoff will gladly mail any one asking for it. The fair opens Oct 30 and runs eight days.

## SIXTH CONGRESSIONAL VOTE.

Complete returns from the sixth congressional district show that Lewis L. Morgan, of Covington, has won the nomination over Ferd C. Claiborne, of New Roads, by a majority of 1,859. The complete returns by parishes follow:

Parish	Claiborne	Morgan
Ascension	711	431
Iberville	483	372
West Baton Rouge	377	51
Pointe Coupee	603	226
West Feliciana	238	91
East Baton Rouge	736	550
Tangipahoa	700	1,205
Washington	308	648
St. Tammany	64	1,579
Livingston	385	615
East Feliciana	153	274
St. Helena	180	299
Totals	4,443	6,402

ADVERTISE EVERY WEEK.

## "THE SOUTH'S GREATEST SCHOOL OF BUSINESS." SOULE COLLEGE.

NEW ORLEANS, LA.

YOUR BOY AND GIRL

Should be given the best training to prepare them for success in business. Personal instruction, Free Employment Department, Complete College Bank, College Store and Wholesale Office. No misrepresentations to secure students. Through the success of its 22000 former students, Soule College is recognized everywhere as a Wide Awake, Practical, Popular and Successful School.

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## Every Progressive Planter and Farmer

is having telephone service installed, that he may instantly communicate with the merchant, the physician, and, in fact, every one of any importance. He can secure daily market quotations. Telephone service on the farm is a source of pleasure to every member of the household—it keeps every one perfectly CONTENTED.

Call or write our nearest Manager for information regarding FARMER TELEPHONE SERVICE. Interesting literature will be sent also.

## CUMBERLAND TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

(Incorporated.)

"My cattle brand ad has caused the capture of one of my cattle, nine miles from home. This value will pay for my ad about 5 years," writes F. S. Percy, the only cattle-owner in the parish, who advertises his cattle brands in the parish paper. If he finds same profitable, why would not you?

Public is requested not to purchase corn from tenants on Rosedown, Inheritance and Hazlewood plantations until settlement for rents has been made. JAS. P. BOWMAN, 5oct8t.

## Edenborn Line

(Louisiana Railway & Navigation Co)

Announces

LOW ROUND TRIP RATES TO THE

## Louisiana State Fair

at

## Shreveport

OCTOBER 29 TO NOVEMBER 6th.

\$3.60 SPECIAL \$3.60

ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1st,

HIGHEST ROUND TRIP RATE

WILL BE \$3.60

Limited to return, leaving Shreveport Sunday night, November 3rd.

For other rates and information see Local Agent, or address

E. C. D. MARSHALL,

General Passenger Agent,

Shreveport, La.

Don't forget when fall house-cleaning to send your old magazines to this office to be sent to the State Farm at Angola. No reading matter has been sent there since the high water, and the supply must be running short. As soon as a box can be filled, it will be shipped. Mrs. Wm. Kahn has sent in donations of reading matter.

Advertise your Cattle Brands in THE TRUE DEMOCRAT and thus protect yourself.

## "LITTLE ADS."

FOR SALE—Indian Runner Ducks, \$2.75 a trio, or \$1.00 each. Sugar Cane also for sale.—WHITMAN WILCOX, Wilcox P. O., La. 1202t.

FOR SALE—Red Rust-Proof Seed Oats and Pea Vine Hay.—JAS. P. BOWMAN.

STRAYED—On Aug. 15, one little dark-brown mare about 5½ hands high, branded on hip and on shoulder with circle "D." Finder will please pasture her and notify me. I will come for her and give \$5 reward. THOMAS HAGGROVE, 5oct4t. Plettenburg, La.

STRAYED—One red cow and two spotted cows, branded H on hip. Suitable reward will be paid to person furnishing information leading to recovery of these cattle. EDMOND BELL, Wakefield, La. 5oct4t.

WANTED—To purchase the Acts of Louisiana Legislature, held at Opelousas in 1862, and at Shreveport in 1864 and 1865. (Small pamphlets.) L. S. BOYD, 312 C. St., N. W., Washington, D. C. (28sept4t.)

Underwood Type-writer for sale. Terms, cash. Also one second hand surrey in good condition. MRS. T. P. KILBOURNE.

LOST STRAYED OR STOLEN One black mare mule about 11 years old, 15% hands. Suitable reward for her return to J. F. IRVINE CO., Ltd.

FOR SALE—Grade Hereford Cattle, Lespedeza Hay and Seed. EDWARD BUTLER, St. Francisville, La.

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## Tony Sansoni.

ST. FRANCISVILLE, LA.

The public is hereby warned against buying corn from tenants on the Oakley, Ogden and Downs plantations, and against cutting wire fences for cattle-driving or any purpose whatever. LUCY L. MATTHEWS. 31aug6t.

Oak and pine wood for sale in cord and stove lengths. MISS LUCY MATTHEWS. 31aug6t.

SOLDIERS' CHRISTMAS BOXES. Miss Lise Allain, custodian La. Div. U. D. C., is sending out the annual appeal for the Christmas feast for the veterans at Camp Nichols, the State Confederate Home. In a personal letter to West Feliciana Chapter, Miss Allain says: "I hope you will be able to respond as generously as you have always done." This will serve as a reminder to those who give so freely, each year, to cheer the old soldiers' declining years. Donations of the usual kind will be received at this office for shipment to the Home, with the proviso that every thing be sent in before Dec. 1. 5oct4t.