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SATURDAY, AUG. 14, 1915.

In the issue of the Banner last week the President of the Police Jury notified the public that in constructing the model road on the bed of the public road, it would be necessary, from time to time, to place temporary barriers on the public road as the work progressed; that to obviate, as far as possible this inconvenience, the Police Jury had arranged to have temporary roads through the adjacent fields for the use of the travelling public at the location where the work was being done on the new road, and that, as each section of the model road was completed according to contract and accepted by the Police Jury, the barriers would be immediately taken down. This action on the part of our parish authorities was eminently proper and absolutely necessary. Every good citizen will accede to that, because the road cannot be properly constructed if everybody or anybody travels over it while in the course of construction.

Now, in defiance of the notice given by the President of the Police Jury, some persons traveling at night have ruthlessly torn down the barriers across that section of the public road just below Franklin where the model road is in course of construction and driven their vehicles over the incomplete road, thereby causing extra work by the contractor and retarding the completion of the road.

The Police Jury is working in the interest of the public by providing for their use and convenience a permanent modern highway. It has the right to establish these barriers for the purposes and time shown. Not only that, it has the power to enforce a compliance with that right when legally and reasonably invoked.

The voters of the Progressive Party should not let their interest lag, because their nominees for delegates to the Constitutional Convention are unopposed. It is true that these delegates are certain of election, but it is equally true that the strength of the Progressive Party in this parish will be gauged by its opponents and, perhaps, by the independent voters by the number of votes it will be able to cast on the 31st of this month. We claim that two-thirds, at least, of the white registered voters in this parish are Progressives. We should make that claim sure by the ballot on election day. We owe that to the party.

Things look a little squally again between the United States and Mexico. Carranza is about to deport the U. S. Consul at Vera Cruz. Mexican marauders continue to cross the Rio Grande near Brownsville and destroy the property and take the lives of citizens of the United States in the State of Texas. It looks like Carranza is determined to create such conditions that will force the United States to intervene. We think that those conditions exist now. Of course war is always to be regretted, but necessity sometimes makes war imperative—not for conquest, but in the name of humanity and the preservation of civilization.

Attorney General Pleasant did the correct thing when he decided that the candidates of the Progressive Party for delegates to the Constitutional Convention should be put on the official ballot. His decision proves that there is, at least, one Democratic office-holder in Louisiana who has the firmness to resist the perpetrations of a great wrong even against the all-powerful influence of partisan politics.

The third annual meeting of the Southern Cattlemen's Association will be held at Birmingham, Ala., August 18, 19 and 20, 1915. Special reduced passenger rates for the round trip have been secured on all lines in the territory of the Southern Passenger Association, and summer tourist rates, 2c a mile, from points in Southern Passenger Association. On the program are a large number of men who are prominent among the cattlemen of the South, because they have done things. The program is one of instruction.

**Special Meeting of the
Police Jury.**

FRANKLIN, LA., Aug. 12, 1915.

Pursuant to a call by the President, a special meeting of the Police Jury was held this day. The meeting was called to order by President Chas. N. Frost. Roll call showed the following members present: T. Aucoin, Gabriel Haydel, Gustave Thorguson, Jno. R. Drackett, Geo. J. LeBourgeois, F. E. Robertson, W. N. Gooch, Geo. J. Prevost. Absent: Oscar Boudreaux, Alyre Robichaux.

President Frost then stated fully the object of the meeting. After a full discussion of the appointment of a Jury of Freeholders by the President, members of the Jury and Mr. Rene Himel, attorney, representing Mr. John D. Bell, the following ordinance was introduced by Mr. Gooch, who moved its adoption, seconded by Mr. LeBourgeois:

Be it Resolved by the Police Jury of the Parish of St. Mary, in special session assembled, pursuant to call, duly and legally given, by C. N. Frost, President, on the 11th day of August, 1915, that

Whereas, the Parish of St. Mary is at present having built from parish line to parish line, a model surfaced public highway; and

Whereas, it becomes necessary in the construction of said public highway and in the interest of the people of this Parish, to lay out and trace a new roadway, beginning at some point at the upper or Northern entrance of the town of Franklin, and going towards the town of Baldwin, and

Whereas the laying out and tracing of said new highway is of immediate necessity, therefore

Be it ordained by the Police Jury, in special session assembled, pursuant to call aforesaid, that W. P. Dinkins, Jacob Anderson, Adolph Parro, Oscar L. Boudreaux, J. E. Loustalot, G. L. Klein, all being freeholders and residents and inhabitants of the Parish of St. Mary, be, and they are hereby appointed as a jury of freeholders, who, upon taking the oath prescribed by law, and especially prescribed by Section 3369 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Louisiana, shall trace and lay out a highway to the greatest advantage of the inhabitants, and as little as may be to the prejudice of the enclosures through which said road shall be laid and traced; shall assess the value of the property so taken, and such damage in favor of any person through or over or upon whose property they shall trace said road, as it shall be determined the property owners should suffer.

Be it further ordained, that the said jury of free holders herein named, after they shall have laid out and traced said road in the manner prescribed by law, and especially as prescribed by Section 3369 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Louisiana, shall file with this Police Jury a process verbal of their findings, both as to the road, the width, its right of way and its area, and as to its value and all damages assessed in favor of the property owners, which process verbal will then be considered by this Police Jury.

Be it further ordained, that all previous proceedings of this Police Jury, and all ordinances or resolutions in conflict with this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed.

By request Mr. Drackett, seconded by Mr. Robertson, moved to amend the ordinance now before the Jury in this particular, to-wit: That the following persons, Messrs. R. E. O'Neil, Arthur Richard, Dolph Parro, M. Boudreaux, Marvin Morris, W. P. Dinkins, be appointed instead of those named in the ordinance.

The President then instructed the Secretary to call the roll on the amendment to the ordinance, which resulted as follows:

Yeas: Robertson, Prevost.
Nays: Aucoin, Haydel, Thorguson, LeBourgeois, Gooch.

Mr. Drackett requested the President to excuse him from voting, which was granted.

The President then declared the amendment lost.

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Yeas: Aucoin, Haydel, Thorguson, LeBourgeois, Gooch.
Nays: Robertson, Prevost.

Mr. Drackett requested the President to excuse him from voting, which was granted.

The President then declared the ordinance carried.

A letter was read from Mr. Emmet Alpha, attorney for the Gibbon estate.

Moved by Mr. Thorgeson, seconded by Mr. Haydel, and carried, that the letter be received and placed on file.

The following ordinance was introduced by Mr. LeBourgeois, who moved its adoption, seconded by Mr. Prevost.

AN ORDINANCE

Requiring the Road Contractor building the model highway in the Parish of St. Mary, Louisiana, shall post signs of non-traffic over certain portions of the road while being constructed and after construction for a certain period of time, and making it a crime for the public to enter or travel upon said road by any other means than foot passage, and prescribing the penalties thereof.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Police Jury of the Parish of St. Mary, in special session assembled, pursuant to call of its President, Charles N. Frost, duly and legally issued on the 11th day of August, 1915, that

WHEREAS, the Police Jury of the Parish of St. Mary has awarded to Hampton Reynolds, a contract for the construction of a model surface highway through the Parish of St. Mary; and

WHEREAS, in the grading, preparation and construction of said road it is necessary that

or a certain period of time (in fact until such time as the Contractor shall complete a certain portion of said roadway, and shall have thrown it open to the traveling public) that said road or portion thereof under construction be closed to all except foot traffic and

WHEREAS travel over said road during its construction, and before its completion is injurious to the final perfection of said surfacing and of said road; and

WHEREAS it becomes necessary to restrict travel over the public road now under construction for a certain period of time, therefore.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Police Jury of the Parish of St. Mary, in special session assembled, that Hampton Reynolds, Contractor aforesaid, and his agents and employees be, and he is hereby required to close to the travelling public such portions of the public highway that he may be preparing for surfacing or may have surfaced until such time that such portion of said road is in proper condition to be opened to public traffic, and that to this end, he shall post or cause to be posted conspicuous notices directing the public not to enter or travel over such portions of said public road during its construction, or after its construction, until the road shall be opened to public traffic, by any other means than foot passage.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any person or individual, who in disregard of said notices, shall enter upon or travel over said road by any other means than foot passage, until said road is open to public traffic, shall be guilty of a crime and upon due conviction, in any court of competent jurisdiction, shall be fined not less than five dollars and not more than twenty-five dollars, and in default of payment, shall be imprisoned in the parish prison for not less than five days nor more than thirty days.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall take effect from and after the date of its promulgation.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

CHAS. N. FROST, President.

W. H. LATHAM, Secretary.

The President then instructed the Secretary to call the roll on the ordinance, which resulted as follows:

Yeas: Aucoin, Haydel, Thorgeson, Drackett, LeBourgeois, Robertson, Gooch, Prevost. Nays: None.

The President then declared the ordinance carried.

The following resolution was introduced by Mr. Thorgeson, who moved its adoption, seconded by Mr. Aucoin:

Be it Resolved That the Engineers be instructed to close the estimates for the road contractors on the 25th of each month, and submit said estimates to the Police Jury for their approval at their regular meeting on the first Wednesday of each succeeding month, and upon the approval by the Police Jury, warrants shall be drawn in favor of the contractors for such payments.

The President then instructed the Secretary to call the roll on the resolution, which resulted as follows:

Yeas: Aucoin, Haydel, Thorgeson, Drackett, LeBourgeois, Robertson, Gooch, Prevost. Nays, none.

The President then declared the resolution carried.

Moved by Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Aucoin and carried, that the President, C. N. Frost, be authorized to employ some one to check the books of the Secretary, W. H. Latham.

Moved, seconded and carried that the Jury adjourn until tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock to resume consideration of unfinished business included in the special call of August 11, 1915.

CHAS. N. FROST, President.

W. H. LATHAM, Secretary.

Crockeryware of all kinds at Neil McNeill's 5 and 10c store.

High Cost of Motoring.

On June 1 the number of automobiles in the United States passed the 3,000,000 mark for the first time, which leads the Scientific American to make the following calculation:

"To run 3,000,000 cars for one year requires at the very least 1,000,000,000 (one billion) gallons of "gas", worth \$130,000,000; 20,000,000 gallons of lubricating oil, worth \$8,000,000; 12,000,000 tires, worth not less than \$16 a piece, or \$193,000,000; accessories and extra comforts, goggles, gloves and caps at \$50 a car, \$100,000,000; garage charges on short tours (exclusive of gas and oil), \$100 per car per year, \$200,000,000; repairs made necessary by wear, tear and accident (exclusive of tires), \$50 per car per year equals \$100,000,000. Total running expenses for all cars in use, \$730,000,000. Add thereto the value of the 600,000 new cars purchased during the year at an average price of \$750, equals \$450,000,000, we get the immense total of \$1,180,000,000 spent in a single year (1915) on the sport of motoring.

LOST.

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STATE OF LOUISIANA,
PARISH OF ST. MARY.

Be it known, That on this second day of August, 1915, before me, Paul Kramer, a Notary Public, duly commissioned and qualified within and for the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana, and in the presence of the witnesses hereinafter named and undersigned, personally came and appeared: A. M. Underwood and Adam Short, both residents of the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana, herein appearing in their capacities as President and Secretary-Treasurer, respectively, of the BELLEVUE PLANTATION COMPANY, LTD., a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana by an act executed before Charles F. Borah, Notary Public, in and for the Parish of St. Mary, State aforesaid, on the 10th day of July, 1906, and recorded in Book 52 of Mortgages, Folio 410, Entry No. 32,300, of the Clerk's Office, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana; who declared that, at a meeting of the stockholders of the Bellevue Plantation Company, Ltd., held at its domicile on Bellevue Plantation, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana, on the 2nd day of August, 1915, for the purpose of considering the amendment of Article V of the Charter of said Corporation, held after due compliance with all of the provisions of law and the requirements of the Charter of said Corporation, Article V of said Charter of said Corporation was amended by the vote of each and every stockholder of said Corporation, constituting the entire capital stock of said Corporation, and the said A. M. Underwood and Adam Short further declared that at said meeting they were authorized and directed to appear before some competent notary public, commissioned and qualified within and for the Parish of St. Mary, Louisiana, to execute the proposed notarial act and declaration of said amendment, required by law, for the purpose of affording authentic evidence and permanent record.

Wherefore, the said appearers declared, in pursuance of the authority thus conferred on them, that, at the said meeting held on 2nd day of August, 1915, Article V of the Charter of the Bellevue Plantation Company, Ltd., was amended so as hereafter to read and be, as follows:

ARTICLE V.

All the corporate powers of this corporation shall be vested in a Board of Directors to be presently composed of three (3) stockholders, two of whom shall constitute a quorum, who shall be elected annually on the first Monday in August of each year beginning with the first Monday in August of the year 1907, and shall hold their respective offices until their successors are elected and qualified. All such elections shall be by ballot, and each stockholder shall be entitled to one vote for each share of stock standing in his name on the books of the corporation; which vote shall be cast in person or by proxy, and it shall require a majority of the stock present or represented to elect.

No person shall be a member of the Board of Directors of this company who is not a stockholder in said company.

The Board of Directors, while presently established at three, shall, upon a two-thirds (2-3) vote of the stock of the company, be increased to five should the stockholders of said company be increased to that or a greater number. Should the Directorate be increased to four or five, it shall require three to constitute a quorum.

In all matters relating to the management and general business of said company that may require an action of the Board of Directors, a majority of the Directors shall control; but should it be desired to buy or sell real estate, or mortgage or otherwise hypothecate same, or to pledge or hypothecate the crops grown by said company, or to borrow money or to issue any note or other evidence of indebtedness for or on behalf of said company, it shall require a two-thirds

(2-3) vote of the stockholders of said company at a meeting called for that purpose upon the written request of the holder or holders of not less than twenty-five (25) per cent. of the outstanding stock of said corporation after notice duly given in writing by the Secretary to every stockholder in said corporation not less than ten (10) days prior to the date of said proposed meeting, unless such notice be waived by all of the holders of the stock of said corporation.

Thus done and passed at my office, at Franklin, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana, on the day, month and year first above written in the presence of A. G. Reeves and W. P. Dinkins, two competent witnesses, who have hereunto signed their names with said appearers and me, Notary, after due reading of the whole.

(Signed) A. M. UNDERWOOD,
President.

ADAM SHORT,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Witnesses:
A. G. REEVES,
W. P. DINKINS.

P. KRAMER,
Notary Public.

Clerk's office, Franklin, La.
Received and filed for Recordation at 9:30 a. m. Aug. 3, 1915.

W. H. KRAMER, Clerk of Court.

Clerk's office, Parish of St. Mary, Louisiana.

I, Wilbur H. Kramer, Clerk of the 23rd Judicial District Court, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana, Ex-Officio Recorder thereof, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original as on file and of record in my office, recorded in Book 1 of Incorporations, under entry No. 53 of date August 3rd, 1915.

In evidence whereof, witness my official signature and the impress of the seal of my office, this 3rd day of August.

WILBUR H. KRAMER,
Clerk Ex-Officio Recorder.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

23rd Judicial District Court—Parish of St. Mary.

E. Wm. Dreiholz vs. H. C. Tellotte. No. 14,030.

By virtue of an order of seizure and sale issued out of the Honorable 23rd Judicial District Court in and for the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana, and to me directed, in the above numbered and entitled suit, I have seized and will offer for sale, for cash, without appraisal, to the last and highest bidder, at the front door of the Court House in the Town of Franklin, Parish of St. Mary, La., on

SATURDAY, THE 18TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, A. D., 1915,

between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., the following described property, to-wit:

That certain tract or lot of ground, lying and being situated in the Town of Morgan City, La., St. Mary Parish, Louisiana, and more fully described as being the east half of lot number one (1) in square Q in Ditch's annex to said Town, and having a front on Ditch's Avenue, running back between parallel lines thirty-seven and one-half (37 1-2) feet apart, the east line being one hundred and twenty-five feet long together with all the buildings and improvements thereon.

W. T. PETERMAN, Sheriff,
Sheriff's Office, Parish of St. Mary, La.
August 3, 1915.