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**Driving At
Democracy.**

It is very convenient and all-inclusive, for the heads of the party, or the bosses as sometimes we hear, to constantly prate about "democracy" and the "people." Just look at it now; can anything be more convincing (they say); than the spectacle of three men running for Governor? Why, every citizen, or any citizen can run for Governor—that's what we stand for.

Yes; that sounds good, but what has been, and is the practice? All three of the candidates are flirting around the City leaders; they all want to be the choice of the City leaders, as each knows it to be the first requisite to get these leaders to win.

This is only driving at democracy; it is apparent only, and nothing real. Democracy and the people have very little to do with the case—it is the organization line-up or nothing.

John M. Parker, with characteristic directness, said that it was the office holder vs. the people. The three candidates now before the public are professional office-holders; and the only good recommendation either of them have, is that it is not discreditable to hold office. Of course not, some of the very best people hold office, but this does not qualify the holder of one office, to hold all other offices.

We are not selecting candidates at this time; but it does seem to be time to get down to business and real democracy, and quit driving at democracy, and to select one man that will represent the entire state, and not one who will owe allegiance to any political organization. Get some man who has had long business relations and dealings with all classes of business men; a man who is willing and able to represent Louisiana, and not a man who represents the City only, or the country only. The best way to get this particular candidate is to turn down all old-line politicians and office-holders, and pick a man from out the business field; a man who know business better than he does politics.

The postal authorities at Washington, recognizing the ability of postmasters to make mistakes in getting letters in the wrong boxes, have fixed a penalty of \$200 on persons taking mail out of an office other than their own, and not returning it immediately. This law also includes newspapers. The excuse that it is the postmaster's fault cuts no ice. If you have been getting other people's mail you had better take warning or you may get yourself into trouble.

Our favorite, Robert Warwick, in "The Stolen Voice," Friday, Oct. 1st. An excellent feature released by Wm. A. Brady. Don't miss this excellent photo drama.

Grand Jury Report.

To the Honorable Thomas M. Milling, Judge Twenty-third Judicial District Court of Louisiana, in and for the Parish of St. Mary:

We, the foreman and members of the Grand Jury, duly empanelled and sworn to enquire within and for the Parish of St. Mary, Louisiana, in and for the Twenty-third Judicial District Court thereof, respectfully beg to submit this, our final report:

We have examined into a large number of alleged offenses, and after due inquiry, have found thirteen true bills, six of which were reported in open Court in our partial report filed on Wednesday, the 22nd day of September, 1915.

In addition to the true bills already reported to your Honor, we have found the following true bills:

State of Louisiana vs. Alexander Aschiel, Jr. Carrying concealed weapons.

State of Louisiana vs. Isaac Mingoe. Petit larceny.

State of Louisiana vs. Charles Frost. Assault and battery.

State of Louisiana vs. Earl Geiling. Trespass.

State of Louisiana vs. Henry Green. Burglary and larceny.

State of Louisiana vs. Jack Conner. Burglary and larceny.

State of Louisiana vs. Ike Warren. Shooting with intent to kill.

We beg to report no true bills in the following cases:

State of Louisiana vs. Clarence Etienne. Assault with intent to kill.

State of Louisiana vs. Manuel Ford. Obtaining goods by false pretense. No. 4945.

State of Louisiana vs. Manuel Ford. Obtaining goods by false pretense. No. 4946.

State of Louisiana vs. Earl Hankins. Accessory before the fact, to shooting with intent to murder.

State of Louisiana vs. Arthur Landry, Taylor Hebert, and Jarvis Simoneaux. Larceny.

State of Louisiana vs. Walter Yancy. Assault with intent to rape.

State of Louisiana vs. Victoria Heasley. Assault with intent to kill.

State of Louisiana vs. Virginia Bell, et als. Assault and battery. No. 5021.

State of Louisiana vs. Virginia Bell, et als. Assault and battery. No. 5020.

State of Louisiana vs. Willie Shepherd. Larceny.

State of Louisiana vs. Morris Martin. Non-support of wife.

State of Louisiana vs. Susie Jackson, et als. Assault and battery. No. 5018.

State of Louisiana vs. Henry Ruffin. Concealed weapon.

State of Louisiana vs. Frank Lee. Assault with a dangerous weapon.

State of Louisiana vs. Herbert Collins. Striking with intent to kill.

State of Louisiana vs. Annie G. King, et als. Assault and battery. No. 5018.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

We have inspected the Court House, the Jail and the St. Mary Central High School building, all in the town of Franklin, and we find all the buildings in excellent condition. The jail is clean, sanitary and exceptionally well kept; the court house building is neat and in splendid good order, and we feel that some good word of commendation should be said of Mr. W. T. Peterman, the custodian of these buildings, and we take this occasion to express our appreciation of Mr. Peterman's care in keeping the court house, the jail and the public grounds surrounding the court house.

PUBLIC OFFICIALS.

We have checked the accounts of the Parish and School treasurers and the Sheriff's books and accounts, with what care we could in the limited time devoted to the checking, and we find the accounts apparently correct.

PUBLIC ROADS.

We have not been able to make a thorough inspection of the public roads throughout the Parish, but we have made a very careful inspection of the new model road now under construction between the town of Franklin and the village of Centreville.

We find that the Road Commission, the members of the Police Jury and the other officials and employees, who have this work in hand are giving to same their best thought and time, and we take this occasion to express our confidence in the members of this Commission, the Police Jury and the Engineers in charge of the work, and believe that they will finally give the people of the Parish a good road at the least possible expense.

We recommend to the public generally that they be patient in their judgment of officials in charge of this work and accord them an opportunity to demonstrate their honesty and ability in the handling of the work, and the money necessary to its completion.

We wish to thank the Court and all other officers for the courtesies and assistance which we have received at their hands during our labors.

After investigation and inquiry and upon complaint from the various patrons of the Adeline school, we find the conditions existing unsatisfactory with reference to this school, to the extent that the pupils are not supplied with proper equipment, such as desks and other necessary physical conveniences. It is complained by patrons of this school, that the general standard of this school is not as good as like schools in this Parish. We therefore recommend that the Superintendent of Public Education and the members of the School Board make an investigation of conditions at the Adeline school, and make proper provision for the comfort of the pupils attending.

Respectfully submitted:
V. H. RENTHROP, Foreman.
Received and filed, Sept. 24, 1915.
WILBUR H. KRAMER, Clerk.

All the new ideas in men's hats, caps and shoes. See middle window at Bell's.

Odd Bits of News.

Davenport, Wash.—When County Prosecutor David McCallum passed a horse hitched to a railing, the animal nipped at him and began to prance around. Struck by the strange actions, the prosecutor stopped and recognized a mare which he, as a farm lad, had raised but had not seen for eight years. Bystanders declared the horse's recognition of the man was unmistakable.

St. Albans, Vt.—W. L. Plumley, of North Clarendon, has a pet dog which he declares climbs trees to the height of 32 feet. The dog's nails are slightly more pointed than those of an ordinary dog, and the padding on his feet is broader. Veterinarians are at a loss to understand how he accomplishes his feat.

Bluefields, Nicaragua.—Jose Aguido is an example of strange reversal to the savage. When his sister violated an edict regarding marriage to her cousin, Aguido cut out her heart, baked it and ate part of it. He confessed and will be hanged.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Mrs. R. C. Nuckles, of Dallas, Texas, has a six-inch pet Chihuahua with an appetite for diamonds. A recent meal consisted of a valuable stone from a handsome lavalliere. A veterinary performed a delicate operation before the gem was recovered.

New York, N. Y.—Mrs. Jeanette Schwartz, 106-years-old, who weighed less than 25 pounds died recently. She was two and a half feet tall. At a party held just before her death, she recited and danced. Of late she had the habit of awakening during the night and calling for a glass of beer.

New Bern, N. C.—A 3-gallon carboy of "monkey rum" in the office of U. S. Commissioner Chas. B. Hill, showed the color of the liquor to be milky and the smell like that of molasses. Moonshiners in North Carolina are making and selling it in large quantities. It is made of water, molasses and certain unknown chemicals. After working, the liquor is 100 proof, and a saucerful will burn for five minutes when lighted. The "monkey rum jag" lasts three times as long as a whiskey drunk, and ends with frightful delirium tremens.

Notice to Gus G. Gross, his Heirs or Assigns, of Sale of Property for Taxes Year 1914.

FRANKLIN, LA., Sept. 24, 1915.
SIR:—Take Notice, that on the 26th day of June, 1915, I, the undersigned, purchased at tax sale the following described property, to-wit:
240 acres, the N. W. 1/4 and the S. E. 1/4 of the N. E. 1/4, Section 6, T. 15. S. 1/4, R. 8, E., for the following taxes, to-wit:

State Tax	\$ 3.00
Parish Tax	5.40
Atch. B. S. C. Tax	.60
Good Roads Tax	.75
Confederate Vet. Tax	.60
Interest	.39
Notice	.25
Adv.	2.00
Recording Deed	1.50
Deed from Tax Collector	2.00
	\$15.89

The deed of this property was recorded in Book 3-M, page 463, No. 42870 on July 2, 1915.

The address of yourself being unknown, this notice is given to you by publication in accordance with the terms of Act 224 of 1910, of the General Assembly of the State of Louisiana.

You are hereby further notified that I have taken possession of said property.

L. A. LOUSTALOT.

STATE OF LOUISIANA.

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

Succession of Baptiste Olivier, deceased. No. 3606.

Under and by virtue of an order of sale, to pay debts issued out of the Honorable 23rd Judicial District Court of Louisiana, and to me directed, in the above numbered and entitled succession, I will sell, for cash, to the last and highest bidder, in front of the principal front door of the Court House, of the Parish of St. Mary, Louisiana, in the town of Franklin, on

SATURDAY, THE 30TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 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 lot or tract of land lying and being situated in Patterson, St. Mary Parish, La., having a front of 51 feet on the west side of a lane in the rear of the Brown addition to Patterson, La., by a depth between parallel lines of 175 feet, being known, designated and described on a map of the lands of Mrs. Maggie D. Brown, as No. 55, together with all the buildings and improvements thereon and all the rights, ways and privileges thereto belonging and appertaining.

WILBUR H. KRAMER, Administrator.

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