

**CITIZENS OF WELSH ORGANIZE TO FIGHT
DIVISION.**

**Resolutions Passed Instructing Dele-
gates to go to Baton Rouge.**

That parish division is not so popular as the advocates of it would have one believe, was demonstrated here Thursday, when at a meeting of a committee appointed by a mass meeting of citizens a few days previous, authorized to take whatever action should be deemed best, a ringing resolution was adopted against parish division in any form. After a most careful canvass of the situation it appeared to the committee that a division of the parish at this time would be very detrimental to the tax payers and citizenship in general of the new parish, therefore the following resolutions were adopted:

RESOLUTIONS:

"Resolved, that it is the sense of this meeting that the committee appointed at the mass meeting in the town of Welsh, held for the discussion of parish division, be and is here instructed to oppose in any form the division of Calcasieu parish and if necessary, to send delegates to Baton Rouge instructed to appear before the Louisiana legislature there in session to oppose any and all bills presented to the legislature contemplated to divide Calcasieu parish."

It is generally understood that there will be a considerable opposition to the division proposition even in the would-like-to-be parish seats of the proposed new parishes, and that DeRidder, La. Arthur, Kinder, DeQuincy and Singer will take active measures against division.

SHERIFF REID CASE.

**Trial This Month Will Be the Eighth
Seven In This Parish.**

The case of the state ex rel vs. Sheriff D. J. Reid will be tried for the eighth time on June 19, venue being made transferring the case to Rapides parish.

The case was tried seven times in Calcasieu parish within one year's time and each trial resulted in a disagreement. Attorney General Guion took the case in charge after the last trial and filed a motion for a change of venue. Hon. Jno. R. Hunter, district attorney of Rapides, will prosecute on behalf of the state. It is thought that a verdict will be reached this time.

In Judge Russell's Court.

We have read somewhere that if a man is married and happy, why, let him alone; if he is married and unhappy, let him bear his lot and beat his wife. But that was a long time ago, in the old wild days when might was the only law and the weak were the prey of the stronger. In this day and age, when civilization reigns supreme throughout the land, the man who abuses his wife will find it is neither a profitable nor pleasant form of pastime or amusement. As an evidence of this fact Howard VanNess was escorted to town Thursday night by Constable Fontenot, charged with the above described violation of the law. Arraigned before His Honor Judge Russell Friday morning, the package handed to him was in the nature of a request for a bond of \$1000. It appears that Mr. VanNess' friends were all absent that morning, and the bond was not forthcoming, so when the Sunset Limited passed through Friday afternoon and made a hole through the sky line as it faded away into the dim distance towards Lake Charles, Mr. VanNess went with it at the expense of the parish. He was domiciled in the Calcasieu jail, where in all probability he will linger and languish in durance vile until the grand jury meets in July, when he will be tried for the aforesaid misdemeanor.

Moral: If a man must vent his anger upon some one, he should do so by kicking the family cat. This may seem hard on the cat but it is easier on the man.

For Sale or Trade.

Two lots in Dautel subdivision at corner south of Goodreau residence. Cheap on terms to suit or will take any kind of live stock in trade.
Philip Miller, Jennings, La.

LAST GRAND RALLY.

**Entertainment By Home Talent Draws
Large Crowd.**

The last grand rally of the present prohibition campaign occurred at the Auditorium in this city last Sunday evening, when a large crowd gathered to witness the rendition of a select program by home talent in the cause of this noble work. Long before the time set for the exercises to commence the house was filled to its full seating capacity, and a number who were unable to obtain seats remained standing.

The participants of the occasion were introduced by Mr. L. E. Robinson, who precluded the rendition of the program proper by a short talk, stating the nature of the meeting, and invited any saloon man present to speak in defense of the saloon if he wished to do so. There was no response to his invitation, however, leaving us to infer that if there were any saloon men in the audience they realized that they were in a hopeless minority, and not lacking wholly in prudence by not taking the platform.

The selections on the program were interspersed throughout the entertainment by prohibition songs sung to the hymnal airs.

First on the program was "The Saloon, What It Is and How It is Operated," by Rev. R. C. McCoy, who handled the subject in hand in a clear and forcible manner, picturing the evils of a saloon with a vividness that should have touched the better nature of even a saloon man.

Dr. L. G. Lewis came next with the subject: "Prosperity of a Country: Prohibition vs. License," and made an able talk which elicited a merited applause from the audience.

"The Drunkard's Greeting," a song by Joe Heald, was worthy of comment. Joe's personal appearance was in keeping with the tenor of the song, being something on the order of the attire of a member of the "In Bad Club," who got started on the downward path by being friends with Old Tanglefoot.

A select reading by Lawrence Dautel, entitled "A Young Man's View of Prohibition," was listened to with interest.

"In the Keg," a recitation by Little Miss Fontenot was delivered in a commendable way, and showed the reciter to be of no mean ability as an elocutionist for one of a tender age.

Miss Hildred Buck, in a recitation entitled "My Son," treated the audience to a vivid picture of the sorrows, shame and degradation caused by the saloon.

"The Result of Treating," by Miss Ada Finley, was delivered in such a way as to captivate the attention of the audience, and was worthy of the applause accorded it.

"The Saloon from a Social and Political Standpoint," was the subject handled by Mr. H. A. Davidson, who made a forcible and meritorious talk, which, coming from a man who is thoroughly conversant with the social and political situation, pleased the audience immensely. In regard to the saloon, Mr. Davidson presented a number of clear, cold facts to those who had the pleasure of being present.

"A Poor House Man," by Miss Francis Carr was delivered in an excellent manner.

"A Converted Rumrunner," by Miss Opal Saxby received the undivided attention of the audience.

Last, but not least, came Hon. I. J. Mills, who gave an interesting talk on "Why I Am Opposed to the American Saloon."

Following the regular program Dr. Jno. H. Cooper and Mr. J. F. Tubbs pleased their hearers with a short talk upon prohibition, after which the audience was dismissed, the attendants departing for their various homes with the feeling that the evening had been well spent.

There is little doubt that this last rally had the effect of enlarging the number of dry votes cast in the election last Tuesday, and those who devoted their time to the cause in giving the entertainment deserve much credit for their effective work.

Notice of Sale.

M. C. Jefferson, Second Ward Justice, 288
Edd Smith, Parish of Calcasieu,
State of Louisiana.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a writ of fieri facias, issued by J. R. Robichaux of the Second Ward of the Parish of Calcasieu in favor of M. C. Jefferson, and against Edd Smith, and to me directed, I will at 2 o'clock p. m., on the 17th day of June, 1908, at the office of the Justice of the Peace, in the town of Welsh, Parish of Calcasieu, State of Louisiana, offer for sale at public auction the following described property, to-wit: One brown mule, seized as the property of Edd Smith, under said writ of fieri facias.

Isaac Fontenot, Constable.
Date, this 2d day of June, 1908.

Special prices on low quarter shoes at Martin's.

MURRAH FOR THE FOURTH OF JULY.

**Welsh Will Celebrate in the Good Old-
Fashioned Way—22-Piece Band,
Speaking, Races, Ball Game, Etc.**

If you are hunting for a first class time for the Fourth of July don't forget that Welsh will be there with the goods. The committees appointed at a mass meeting a week ago reported Wednesday and the work of the celebration was outlined and discussed. Neither time nor money will be spared to make this celebration a grand success. There will be an excellent program occupying the entire day, including first-class band music by one of the best bands of the state, racing, various forms of contests, ball games, speaking, picnic dinners, and everything that is essential to a splendid celebration of this, the nation's most popular holiday. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody to come and enjoy an old-fashioned day in an old-fashioned way.

A Pleasant Banquet.

Perhaps one of the most pleasant affairs of the kind ever participated in by citizens of Welsh occurred at the Signal Hotel, Tuesday evening, June 9th.

Mr. Samuel Blackford, who for the past ten years has been the clerk and tax collector for the town, and who is on the eve of a visit to his children, who live in New Mexico, decided to entertain those of his friends who had elected and re-elected him to the office. There were present the present mayor, C. E. Carr, and the following ex-mayors: L. E. Robinson, H. A. Davidson, and Dr. Jno. H. Cooper; Councilmen A. T. Jones, E. H. Boling, E. C. Willard, Chas. Dautel, and ex-Councilmen S. W. Day and O. Fulton and Mr. C. H. Butler as a special guest. The absentees were Councilmen F. D. Colkins, who is absent from town, and ex-Councilmen Frank Cotton of Panama, Philip Miller of New Orleans and C. P. Martin of Lake Charles.

Each member of the party was called on and each made some appropriate remarks significant of the respect and confidence held in Mr. Blackford.

At the conclusion of an elegant banquet spread in honor of the occasion, Mr. Robinson presented the host with a beautiful emblem ring in token of the high regard of those present. At a late hour the company broke up with many good wishes for a pleasant visit and a safe return for the host, and a unanimous decision that Uncle Sam (as Mr. Blackford is familiarly known) is not only a competent and efficient official, but a most excellent host.

He Got What He Needed.

"Nine years ago it looked as if my time had come," says Mr. C. Farthing of Mill Creek, Ind. Ter. "I was so run down that life hung on a very slender thread. It was then my druggist recommended Electric Bitters. I bought a bottle and I got what I needed—strength. I had one foot in the grave, but Electric Bitters put it back on the turf again, and I've been well ever since." Sold under guarantee at all druggists, 50 cents.

Announcement of Shelby N. Young.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Judge of the Fifteenth Judicial District of Louisiana, composed of the parishes of Calcasieu and Cameron, subject to the decision of the democratic primaries.
Shelby N. Young.

Announcement of Joseph Moore.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of District Attorney of the Fifteenth Judicial District of Louisiana, composed of the parishes of Calcasieu and Cameron, subject to the action of the democratic primaries.
Joseph Moore.

Announcement of Edwin F. Gayle.

We are authorized to announce the candidacy of Edwin F. Gayle for the office of District Attorney of the 15th Judicial District, composed of the parishes of Calcasieu and Cameron, subject to the action of the democratic primary.

Overton's Announcement

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Judge of the Fifteenth Judicial District of Louisiana, composed of the Parishes of Calcasieu and Cameron, subject to the action of the Democratic primary to be held during the approaching summer.

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| CANTALOUPE | | |

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**MODEL GROCERY
& MEAT MARKET**

An Announcement

We beg to announce to the public that we have bought the General Merchandise business of Paul W. Daniels and the business of the Calcasieu Implement Co., and expect to, just as soon as we get checked up, offer some special inducement in order to reduce our stock.

**It would
Pay You
to watch
Us and
Our Ad.**

RESPECTFULLY YOURS,

**Southern Mercantile
Company, Ltd.**

Elton Will Celebrate the Fourth

Everybody Cordially Invited