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THE GROUCH

The Great Creator in His wisdom created many men of many minds and temperaments knowing that if the sons of men were alike in wishes and desires it would lead to unending strife.

He created well for man is the noblest work of God. But in some way there crept into the world a creature God did not create—a thing self-made, be it male or female, that is hated, despised and abhorred; a thing self-created self-pitied and abnormally self-loved.

This self-created creature is the chronic grouch that walks here and there in every town and community searching for happiness—that he may destroy it. Flowers and children, because they represent beauty and love, he detests. He reads as he runs that all men are liars and all women but creatures of evil.

In summer he reviles the bright sunshine and hates the green hills. In winter he reviles the cleansing snow and the purifying frost. The bitterness of gall and wormwood is within his heart.

Children flee from him and his wife can be classed among the martyrs. Men shun him and the world hates him. From an early age he walks this earth spreading unhappiness and unbelief—a maker of evil and discord.

Let us throw the x-ray of self-examination into our own hearts and search out the little microbe that has a tendency to multiply and produce, in time, the hated grouch. There is too much love and sunshine in this old world of ours to spoil it with the sin of selfishness.

A NEW FORD STORY

Here is a new Ford story we saw somewhere, but have for gotten just where. A man in California writes to the Ford company and tells them they should feel very much exalted for the reason that the Ford is the only car mentioned in the Bible and to prove it cites them to passage in Isaiah which says: "He went up into Heaven on high" and asks what other car but a Ford could do that?

EIGHT REASONS FOR UNDER-DRAINAGE.

The advantages of under-drainage are:

1. The surface soil is not washed away and instead of the finest particles being carried off by the water they remain in the soil and are its most valuable portion.
2. Plant food and manure which are applied pass down through the soil become thoroughly mixed with the soil and are held by the soil instead of being largely washed and leached away by the waters passing over the surface.
3. The rain water passing down through the soil serves to aid in the preparation and solution of plant foods for feeding the crops.
4. The water falling on the land quickly passes downward and is not left on the surface to prevent the growth of the crops on the land.
5. The soil becomes dry and warm earlier in the spring, the difference often being as much as two weeks.
6. Heavy soils become more porous and the roots penetrate more deeply and the soil is much more easily worked.
7. The bad effects of drouth are lessened because of the better condition of the soil for preventing excessive evaporation of moisture.
8. The effects of the air in making plant foods more readily available for feeding the crops are increased.—The Progressive Farmer.

High School Saturday

Miss Florence Kinney will entertain all children, Saturday Jan. 16 in the High School building, Room 1 from three to five p. m., admission five (5) cents.

PROGRAM

Cinderella and Pictures.
How Brother Rabbit fooled the Whale and the Elephant.
The Castle of Fortune.
After the Stories there will be a new Game which all children love.

FOR SALE:—My home place of about two acres of land, plenty of fruit in season. Cash or terms. C. F. Saxby.

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Frugé, Onlie Rabeano, Leonae Lopez, Ozeman Trahan, Placimide LaBlanc, Adonne St. Germain, Aras Doucet, Oscar Laundry Sr. Poim Laundry Sr. Stanislas Gary, Justin Crochet, Alexie LaBlanc, Wm. Pelouin, Frank Gary, John Lopez Red Labove, Basiere Labove.

By Mr. Hathaway: Resolved that the above petition be received and that the Commissioners as asked for be appointed Carried.

Vacating (Cont. Ward Two 2)

By Mr. Hathaway. Resolved that the road that has been in use between Sections 15 and 22 in township 8 south range 5 west from Cutting Avenue, west to the Elton Road, being one half mile in length, be and the same is hereby declared vacated and abandoned as a road for the use of the public and that the right-of-way now used as such road revert back to the adjacent and adjoining properties. The above resolution being seconded by Mr. Henry Koll was unanimously adopted.

Road Overseers

On motion of Mr. Arceneaux, Arist Louviere, Overseer of District No. One (1) Albert Braudard of District No. Three (3) and Arist Hayes, of District No. Four (4) Ward 7, were discharged as road overseers.

On motion of Mr. Fontenot, M. A. Sharp, Road overseer of District No. Two (2) of Ward Eight (8) was discharged and Louis Bourgeois, was appointed as road overseer in the said District.

Mr. Fox appeared before the Police Jury and reported that by an invention of his, he was enabled to pump gravel in great quantities, and believed he could furnish same in such quantities to gravel roads as desired and invited any one interested in the matter to investigate his operation. This is a very timely invention and may prove of great service in the improvement of our high ways at a very reduced cost.

On motion of Mr. Arceneaux the Police Jury adjourned until One p. m. AFTERNOON SESSION Pursuant to adjournment the Police Jury re-convened at One p. m. with all members present.

ORDINANCE NO. 68

The Ordinance Committee reported ordinance No. 68:

An ordinance providing for the payment of the cost of constructing a parish jail for the Parish of Jefferson Davis by the Pauley Jail Building Co. providing for the issuance of certificates of indebtedness in payment of the contract price thereof and dedicating a sufficient amount of the excess revenues of the Parish of Jefferson Davis for the years 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918 and 1919 above the statutory, necessary and usual charges to pay and retire said certificates in principal and interest. Which ordinance was on roll call adopted.

Yeas—Nine (9)
Noes—None (0)
The ordinance Committee reported ordinance No. 69:

An ordinance to levy and enforce collection of an annual license tax on all persons, associations of persons, or firms, or profession, vocation, calling or business, in the Parish of Jefferson Davis, for the year 1915 and subsequent years, except those who are exempt from such license tax by Article 229 of the Constitution of 1898, and prescribing the mode and method by which certain persons subject to license shall make report of their business. Which ordinance was on roll call adopted.

Yeas—Nine
Noes—None
Police Jury member Arthur Guidry retired.

The Ordinance Committee Reported Ordinance No. 70.

An ordinance levying a tax of Ten Mills on the Dollar for general purposes for the year 1915, on all of the property situated within the Parish of Jefferson Davis, subject to taxation, exclusive of property situated within the corporate limits of all incorporated cities, towns and villages in said parish.

Section One: Be it ordained by the Police Jury of the Parish of Jefferson Davis, that a tax of ten mills on the dollar be and it is hereby levied and imposed upon all the property subject to taxation, situated in the Parish of Jefferson Davis to be applied to the general purposes and needs of said parish, for the year 1915; provided that said tax shall not be extended or collected on any property situated within the corporate limits of any incorporated city, town or village in said Parish, said tax to be collected and applied according to law. Which ordinance was on roll call adopted.

Yeas—Eight
Noes—None.
The Ordinance Committee Reported Ordinance No. 71.

An Ordinance levying and imposing a tax of Three Mills on the Dollar for the year 1915 on all property subject to taxation situated in the incorporated

cities, towns and villages in the parish of Jefferson Davis for criminal expenses and for cost of constructing a Parish Jail.

Section One. Be it ordained by the Police Jury of Jefferson Davis, that a tax of three mills on the Dollar for the year 1915, be and the same is hereby levied and imposed for criminal expenses and for cost of constructing a Parish Jail on all the property subject to taxation situated within the corporate limits of all incorporated cities, towns and villages in said parish said tax to be collected as provided by law. Which ordinance was on roll call adopted.

Yeas—Eight
Noes—None

The Ordinance Committee Reported Ordinance No. 72.

An ordinance adopting a budget of expenditures from the appropriations for the year 1915.

Section One: Be it ordained by the Police Jury of Jefferson Davis that the following budget of expenditures and appropriations of the revenues derived on the levy of a Ten Mill tax for general purposes for the year 1915, be and the same is hereby adopted and authorized.

Estimated revenues for the year 1915

from ten mill tax... \$42,682.00
Estimated revenues for year 1915 from Parish Licenses... 400.00
Total estimated revenues... \$43,082.00

Of this amount a three mill tax for school purposes is hereby set aside and appropriated thereto, estimated \$12,804.

Balance to be expended for general Parish purposes... \$30,278.

Out of said balance there is hereby made the following appropriations for the year 1915:
Court House Fixtures & Furn. \$ 200.00
Paupers Fund... 100.00
Public Printing & Stationary... 1500.00
Bridgekeepers Salary... 700.00
Criminal Expenses... 4000.00
Justice of the Peace Salary... 600.00
Constables Salary... 500.00
Tax Collector's Commission... 2000.00
Assessor's Commissions... 1200.00
Mileage and per diem of P. Jury Clerk of Police Jury Salary... 720.00
Janitor's Salary... 350.00
Sheriff's Salary... 500.00
District Attorney's fees... 250.00
Salary for Asst. District Atty. Proportion due by Jefferson Davis Parish... 250.00

State Board of Health & Quarantine... 200.00
Parish Treasurer's Salary... 900.00
Parish Physician Salary and Coroners Inquests... 500.00
Expenses—Cor. Juries... 100.00
General Public Improvements Expenses for light and water Salary Registrar of voters... 200.00
Amount to pay one fifth of contract price for construction of Parish Jail and interest according to contract making on or before April 1, 1916... 3600.00
Salary of Special Council... 300.00
General Contingent Fund... 7,308.00
Total... \$30,278.00

Which ordinance was on roll call adopted.

Yeas—Eight
Noes—None

The Ordinance Committee Reported Ordinance No. 73:

An ordinance appropriating and budgeting funds from special designated road funds or special road taxes levied and collected in Wards one, two and three and in ward six of Jefferson Davis Parish, to retire and liquidate certain promissory notes, parish certificates, or evidence of debt held by the Rumely Products Company, a corporation for the purchase price of machinery purchased by this body from said Rumely Products Company inc. Which ordinance was on roll call adopted.

Yeas—Eight
Noes—None

Employers Liability.
Mr. Plauche, as agent appeared before the Police Jury and explained the Workmens Compensation Law, which went into effect on Jan. 1, 1915. After full discussion of the provisions of the said law on motion of Mr. Arceneaux, seconded by Mr. Fontenot, and unanimously carried, the President of the Police Jury was authorized and instructed to take out insurance under said Law in the following amounts:

A Policy for Ten Thousand (10,000.00) Dollars covering an estimated labor pay roll as follows:
For men working the Public roads... \$6,500.00
On Bridge work... 1,000.00
As Bridge & Ferry Tenders... 500.00
Special Road Needs

John H. Cooper and J. S. Tremé;
Both made statements that the requirements of their wards could not be met from the Special Road and Bridge Tax and asked assistance from the public improvement fund of the parish.

On motion of Mr. Fontenot and carried, One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars of the Public Improvement Fund is set aside and credited to a special road and Bridge Fund of Ward 6 for the use of said ward.
On motion of Mr. Pitre Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars of the Public Im-

provement Fund is set aside and credited to a special road and bridge fund of Ward 4 for the use of said Ward.

BILLS
Out Standing Indebtedness

4284 A. D. Cosset, indexing convenances... 370.00
Public Printing & Stationary
4285 Buch Printing Company recapitulation sheets... 30.00
4286 Welsh Printing Co, legal notices... 12.75
Total... \$42.75

Bridge Keepers Salary December
4287 August Myers, Mermentau
4288 Chas. Mayfield Jaenke bldg
4289 Paul Larrain, Bayou Chene
4290 Austin Fontenot, L. Arthur
Total... \$44.00

Criminal Expense
4291 W. L. Fancett, conveying prisoners Kinder to Eit on
4292 Daniel Buller, conveying prisoners
4293 The Eagle Co. jail supplies
4294 Theo Kahn, clothing for prisoners
4295 The Hold Co. clothing for the prisoners
4296 Dr. W. L. Fisher medical attention
4297 D. J. Castile, shoes
4298 H. A. Reid, sheriff board of prisoners December
4299 Adam LeBlanc, arresting and conveying prisoners
4300 J. F. Fuselier, sheriff board prisoners December
4301 P. L. Fontenot, subpoenae
4302 Henry A. Reid, board of prisoners for November
4303 L. Fontenot, shif subpoenae
4304 J. F. Fuselier subpoena
Total... \$64.75

Justice of the Peace Dec. Salary
4305 N. Sweeney Ward 1 6.25
4306 W. Lumpkins " 2 15.00
4307 Ralph Brown " 3 5.00
4308 Henry Savoie " 4 6.25
4309 Alcee Benoit " 7 5.00
4310 Isma Foreman " 8 5.00
4311 A. V. Pelouin " 9 5.00
Total... 47.50

Constable's Salary December

4312 Jessie Andrus Ward 1 6.25
4313 R. K. Twitchell " 2 6.25
4314 Don Landry " 3 5.00
4315 Daniel Buller " 4 6.25
4316 John M. Pitre " 5 5.00
4317 T. H. Cox " 6 6.25
4318 A. E. Bourgeois " 7 5.00
4319 Adam LeBlanc " 8 5.00
4320 David Marcantel " 9 5.00
Total... 50.00

Police Jury Mileage & Per Diem
4321 Arthur Guidry two meetings 10.40
4322 Geo. Hathaway " " 6.00
4323 Henry Koll " " 8.00
4324 J. S. Tremé " " 14.40
4325 A. Marcantel " " 15.20
4326 J. H. Cooper " " 10.00
4327 F. A. Arceneaux " " 13.20
4328 H. A. Fontenot " " 16.20
4329 Yves Pitre " " 16.00
Total... 109.40

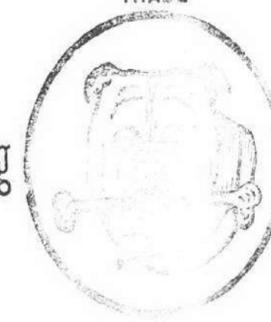
Salaries
4330 L. E. Robinson, clerk of P. J. 60.00
4331 L. C. Delhomme, janitor 25.00
4332 J. F. Fuselier sheriff 41.66
4333 T. A. Edwards dist. atty. 10.00
4334 R. R. Arceneaux President Board of Health 10.00
4335 F. F. Arceneaux treasurer 75.00
4336 T. S. Smith coroner 41.66
4337 Tobe Lognon coroner jury 3.60
4338 J. F. Hervey public improvement 42.00

Lights and Water
4339 Jennings Gas & Electric Co. 8.43
4340 " " " 7.95
Total... 16.38

CONTINGENT
4341 A. S. Gosset, transcribing 724.10
4342 I. R. Price, clerk " 630.00
4343 J. H. Cooper postage, trip to Lake Charles, telephone 17.50
4344 Jennings Poultry Association donation 100.00
4345 Bailey Drug Store, wampoles C. L. O. 2.00
4346 E. S. Hart report of 4 births 1.00
4347 U. Fruge report of 1 birth .25
4348 Meisner Plumbing Co. repairs 4.00
4349 C. T. & S. Bank interest 197.39
4350 Edgar Guidry, guarding small pox patients L. Arthur 12.00
4351 J. R. Mouton, for coal 27.50
4352 Morse Hdw. Co. jail supplies 1.30
4353 F. F. Arceneaux stamps 1.75
4354 F. F. Arceneaux " 2.75
4355 Banknight & Hazel oil .50
4356 L. C. Delhomme, cleaning court house 2.00
4357 Cumberland Tel & Tel Co. 5.92
4358 I. R. Price registration books and names 16.27
4359 I. R. Price, clerk recording 6.00
4360 McCoy Moss & Knox, atty fees 217.73
4361 C. T. & S. Bank, insurance 84.88
4362 H. C. Fondren salary demonstration agent 50.00
4363 Roy K. Twitchell witness 1.50
4364 J. O. Richard, jury com. 3.00
4365 A. J. Bourgeois, witness 1.50
4366 A. F. Derouen, jury commission meeting 3.00
4367 I. R. Price, jury com. meet. 3.00
4368 E. D. Conner " " 3.00
4289 P. J. Unkel " " 8.00
4370 W. M. Buchanan " " 8.40
Total... \$2138.22

SPECIAL ROAD & BRIDGE Ward One
4371 R. P. Howell, ditching etc 50.00
4372 Louis Broussard 6.00
4373 Alfred Broussard 18.00
4374 Louis Broussard 21.25

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