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## A MAN HAS GONE FROM AMONG US

The hand that penned the notable series of articles appearing under the caption of Sou'western Reflections is quieted; the brave heart that fought always for truth and justice is stilled; the pure spirit of W. C. Chevis has passed into the beyond.

Confessing himself unworthy to honor a task, the writer yet makes the effort under the same banner he so distinguished may appear some expression of loving esteem of those who have known most intimately the sacrifices he made for the people and country that lay enfolded in his heart of hearts.

Why prate of his accomplishments, his gentle dignity, broad clarity, and exquisite human sympathy? We all knew, admired—and left him to fight—our fight—alone. Louisiana, and particularly Southwest Louisiana owes him an inestimable debt, but must, so far as possible, be discharged.

We owe him a certain sum for specific services rendered, an

account he would have been the last to press, that we must in honor pay and promptly, to his family.

But for his largely, human, service, the value of which his modesty would have deprecated, there can be no accounting. Yet if we believe that, "No great love hath man that this, that he shall give his life" we can partially discharged our obligation by erecting organization, for the success of which he lived and died into an indestructible monument; a worthy monument even to him who, struggling so bravely down the storm swept pathways of life, wet n finally into the valley of the shadow of death without fear and with-reproach.

Dr. B. J. LaCour and family will leave next Saturday morning for Marlin, Texas for a stay of three weeks. Dr. LaCour will then return home. but Mrs. LaCour and the three children will go to San Antonio for a stay of a month or more before returning.

**Just think of a Klaxon Horn at \$4.00 get one put on your car at Armstrong's.**

## PERSONAL MENTION.

Prof. A. S. H. Trappey assistant principal of the local high school left Sunday morning for his home in Jeanerette where he will spend about ten days. From Jeanerette Prof. Trappey goes to Washington D. C. where he is going to do some research work on the Creole languages in the Congressional library for Prof. Broussard of L. S. U. and incidentally to do some studying of French and English literature. He will return here in September to resume his school work. During his stay here and in his work in the schoolroom, Mr. Trappey has made an enviable reputation. He is a close student and devotes almost his entire time to his books. He has made friends by the score in and out of school, which I am sure feels happy to know that he will return next year.

Mrs. W. B. Gabbert and son Wilbur left Saturday on No. 101 for Elpaso, Texas, Albuquerque, N. M. thence to Williams. Orefrom which point they will take the trip through Grand Canyon, Colo. and thence to Jerome, Ariz. where they will spend the summer for their health and for a much needed vacation. Leaving Jerome on their return home they will visit Los Angeles, then the San Diego, Exposition, Catalina Islands and the Panama Pacific exposition at San Francisco, returning home via Salt Lake City and Denver, Col.

For Sale—One good mare five years old with young colt from Dimond Boy. One buggy and harness all in good condition. 2tf T. E. Webb

Mrs. Noble Patridge and son of Jennings visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Anderson Saturday and Sunday.

Misses Lucile Anderson and Alice Miller teachers in DeQuincy High School returned to Welsh Saturday to spend their vacation with their relatives and friends.

The usual array of Lake Charles drummers were in Welsh Monday and Tuesday calling on the business men. Among them were: Ambrose LeBleu with T. S. Reed & Co. and King Lucus and John Lu fer; R. M. Jackson with P. Lorillard & Co. New York; J. K. Briggs with the Frank Tea & Spice Co. Cincinnati, Ohio.

Rev. E. M. Stewart left Tuesday for Baton Rouge to attend 22nd annual Christian Endeavor Louisiana State union which convened June 8-11.

In mentioning the death of the little child of Mr. and Mrs. U. B. Stanberry two weeks ago we inadvertently said it was the child of Mr. and Mrs. O. Stanberry and wish to correct the error.

Ben A. Gabbert who has been visiting his parents for some time returned to Baton Rouge to take the summer course at the L. S. U. Ben has been enjoying his vacation immensely and returns to studies with renewed energy.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Boling and son Harold left on No. 101 for their summer vacation and while gone they will visit points in and Ariz., New Mex., Colo., Illinois and the Panama Pacific Exposition they expect to be gone about six weeks.

Logan Moore who has just finished his course in Electrical Engineering in the L. S. U. at Baton Rouge stopped off in Welsh between trains Saturday.

## WELSH WILL CELEBRATE THE 4TH OF JULY.

At a mass meeting held at the city hall on Wednesday, there was a representative attendance of our business men, and it was unanimously decided upon that Welsh should celebrate the 4th of July. Mayor Gabbert presidee and Wm. Terry acted as secretary. There will be more complete detail given in the next issue of the Journal, but it goes without saying that July the 4th will be a big day. Every body get ready.

Decoration Committee— Wm. M. Terry, G. Ray Boling, Andy Notestine, Wm. Deidrich, Arthur Romero, Fred Maund.

Sports Committee— Eloi Hebert, Dr. Claud Martin and F. G. Seward.

Finance Committee— R. M. Gray, J. Alf Martin and S. O. Scoggins.

Entertainment Committee— Dr. J. H. Cooper, C. E. Carr and L. E. Robinson

Advertising Committee— R. S. Greer, E. S. Goodreau, E. C. Willard, L. R. Barbee and A. J. Benoit.

J. A. Bently of New Orleans representing M. Gimble & Sons of Chicago, Ill. was in Welsh Friday

M. T. Butcher of Heyworth, Illinois, who purchased a splendid farm north of Welsh last fall came over several days ago to look after some improvements he is placing on his property preparatory to moving his family to Welsh. Mr. Butcher is of that class of citizens that will build up a community and this community is fortunate in having him to cast his lot here. He returned to his home in Illinois Tuesday and expects to move to Welsh about November.

Mrs. L. M. Decote and little daughter Neva formerly of this city but now located in Rayne, arrived this morning to visit at the home of her mother, Mrs. Chas. Mason and other relatives.

W. E. Lupper representing the Wall Grocery Co. of Lake Charles was in Welsh Wednesday calling on the grocery men.

Judge A. E. Lognion wife and son returned last Wednesday from Port Arthur, Texas where they had been prospecting with a view of locating and leave here for that place in a few days and will enter the grocery business.

M. F. Holloman of Alexandria representing New Orleans Coffee Co. of New Orleans, was in Welsh Wednesday calling on the trade.

The Journal Editor had the pleasure of calling on Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Anderson of near Elton Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson and children are all well and looking fine. Mr. Anderson reports that conditions are very fine in his section and from our view point we can vouch safe for his statement.

H. C. Fondren and Felix Arceneaux of Jennings were in Welsh Wednesday on their way to the Ardoin cove to look after the interest of Boys and Girls tomato club, there is a club of about 40 members in the cove.

Mr. A. L. Croom Jr. of Elton, was in Welsh Wednesday and Thursday. Mr. Croom is Rural Mail carrier on Route out of Elton. He is a son of Mr. A. L. Croom Sr. one of Elton's foremost business men. Young Mr. Croom is selling the Harley Davidson motor cycle and is demonstrating his machine to our people while here. See his ad in the Journal.

Mrs. H. H. Gilbert left Tuesday for Baton Rouge to attend the Christian Endeavor Convention which convened in that city on June 8-9. She returned Friday morning.

N. C. Davis was a business visitor to Jennings today.

A. M. Cockrell of Lafayette is the guest of relatives and friends in Welsh this week.

## POLICE JURY MEETS IN REGULAR SESSION

Jennings, La. June 3, 1915  
The Police Jury of the Parish of Jefferson Davis, met in regular monthly session, in the Police Jury Room, office building, Jennings, La. this day at nine o'clock a. m.

The meeting was called to order by Hon. John H. Cooper, President, and on roll call the following members were present:

- Arthur Guidry.....1
- Geo. Hathaway.....2
- Henry Koll.....3
- J. S. Treme.....4
- Ausam Marcantel.....5
- J. H. Cooper.....6
- F. A. Arceneaux.....7
- H. A. Fontenot.....8
- Yves Pitre.....9

The minutes of May 6, were read and approved in open session.

H. C. Fondren—Report  
H. C. Fondren, agricultural demonstration agent, submitted his report in writing which showed much activity and progress, and was in every way entirely satisfactory.

Supplies  
The Parish officials presented a list of their probable needs for the current year and on motion of Mr. Pitre the Cargill Co. of Houston, Texas, and Port & Davies of Atlanta, Georgia, were given the contract to furnish these supplies at same prices as paid in 1914, for same goods and quality.

Japan Immigration  
By Mr. Hathaway:—Resolved that the Police Jury of Jefferson Davis Parish emphatically protest against the portation of Japanese labor into the State of Louisiana, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to our representative in the State Legislature.

Sewerage to Jail  
The matter of sewerage for the jail came up and after discussion Mr. Hathaway was authorized to have the water connections and sewerage made at such places and in such manner as to him seemed best. Carried.

Auto Tax  
On motion of Mr. Hathaway and carried, the amount of auto tax remitted by the Secretary of State was ordered credited to the several wards in proportion to the number of registered automobiles in said ward.

Roads—Petition—Wards 6 & 7  
Welsh, La. April 8, 1915.  
To the President and members of the Police Jury of the Parish of Jefferson Davis:

Genlemen:  
We, the undersigned, citizens of Jefferson Davis Parish, La, respectfully ask your Honorable Body to appoint six commissioners to lay out and procure right-of-way for a public road from center north line sec. 12-10-5 to center north line Sec. 7-10-4.

We also recommend the appointment of Messrs. Jessner Prudhomme, Villier Hebert, Emile Hebert, Robert Todd Jr. Tatule Louviere.

Petitioners: Jessner Prudhomme, Villier Hebert, Emile Hebert, E. T. Louviere, O. Ballard, A. R. Arceneaux, Leslie Bertrand, Joe Demarist, Oneaze Mallett, Z. Todd, Joseph Villien, S. E. Carroll, A. E. Bourgeois, Alcide Ardoin O. Ballard, Emile Louviere, Vincent Bertrand, Chas. F. Jeter, Artelus Hardy, R. A. Todd, C. J. Todd, Alex Lawson, Robert Todd, C. E. Dyke.

On motion Mr. Arceneaux the above petition was received and commissioners asked for appointed. Carried.

On motion Mr. Treme the Police Jury adjourned until one o'clock p. m.

Afternoon Session  
The Police Jury reconvened at one p. m. with all members present.

## BILLS

Public Education  
5218 W. P. Arnette, 3 mill appropriation from P. J. \$4438.89

Pauper Fund  
5219 Mrs. C. A. Naylor, room rent for J. Smith..... 5.00

5220 Tony Truxille, board J. Smith..... 10.00

Total..... 15.00

Public Printing & Stationary  
5221 Buch Printing Co. office supplies..... 5.90

5222 Marverick Clarke Litho Co. supplies for clerk..... 111.50

5223 Welsh Printing Co. printing poll tax lists..... 36.00

Total..... 153.40

Bridge Keepers  
5224 Austin Fontenot, Lake Arthur Ferry..... 14.00

5225 Paul Larrain, Bayou Chene Bridge..... 10.00

5226 Joe Mayfield, Jaenke bidge..... 10.00

5227 August Meyers, Mermen-tau Ferry..... 20.00  
Total..... 54.00

Criminal Expense  
5228 J. F. Fuselier, conveying prisoner to the pen..... 30.00

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5230 J. F. Fuselier, conveying prisoner to Jennings..... 12.00

5231 Henry Reid, board for prisoners..... 31.15

5232 J. F. Fuselier, conveying prisoners to insane asylum..... 39.25

5233 J. F. Fuselier, conveying prisoners to L. C. Jail..... 12.00

5234 J. F. Fuselier, board for the prisoners..... 134.10

5235 Theo Kahn; clothing for prisoners..... 3.00

5236 Phenix Drug Store, peroxide..... .25

5237 D. J. Castile, clothing for prisoner..... 3.05

5238 Eagle Grocery Co. supplies for jail..... 1.95

5239 M. Signioff, repairing shoe for prisoner..... 1.15

5240 Gimble Fur Co. bedding for prisoners..... 11.30

5241 T. H. Cox, R. R. fare to Jennings..... 1.31

5242 J. F. Fuselier, conveying prisoners to L. C. jail..... 17.00

5243 J. F. Fuselier, conveying prisoners to pen..... 30.00

Total..... 356.21

Justice of the Peace  
5244 N. Sweeney salary Ward 1..... 6.25

5245 W. Lumpkins salary " 2..... 15.00

5246 Ralph Brown salary " 3..... 5.00

5247 Henry Savoie salary " 4..... 6.25

5248 A. E. Longuion sal. " 6..... 6.25

5249 Alcee Benoit salary " 7..... 5.00

5250 Isma Foreman sal. " 8..... 5.00

5251 A. V. Peloquin salary " 9..... 5.00

Total..... 53.75

Constables Salary  
5252 Jesse Andrus Ward 1..... 6.25

5253 R. K. Twitchell " 2..... 6.25

5254 Don Landry " 3..... 5.00

5255 Dan Buller " 4..... 6.25

5256 John Pitre " 5..... 5.00

5257 T. H. Cox " 6..... 6.25

5258 A. E. Bourgeois " 7..... 5.00

5259 Adam LeBlanc " 8..... 5.00

5260 David Marcantel " 9..... 5.00

Total..... 54.70

Assessors Commission  
5261 L. L. Richard, part payment on commission..... 750.00

Police Jury, Mileage and Per Diem  
5262 Arthur Guidry June 3..... 5.20

5263 Geo. Hathaway " 3..... 3.00

5264 Henry Koll. " 3..... 4.00

5265 J. S. Treme " 3..... 7.20

5266 A. E. Marcantel " 3..... 7.80

5267 J. H. Cooper " 3..... 5.00

5268 F. A. Arceneaux " 3..... 6.60

5269 H. A. Fontenot " 3..... 8.10

5270 Yves Pitre " 3..... 6.00

Total..... 54.70

Clerk's Salary  
5271 L. E. Robinson, May..... 60.00

Janitor's Salary  
5272 L. C. Delhomme salary..... 25.00

5273 L. C. Delhomme, cleaning court room..... 1.00

Total..... 26.00

Sheriff Salary  
5274 J. F. Fuselier salary..... 41.66

Assistant Dist Attorney  
5275 J. H. Jackson May salary..... 20.00

Board of Health & Quarantine  
5276 R. R. Arceneaux, president board of health..... 10.00

5277 R. R. Arceneaux, small pox cases..... 25.00

5278 Crescent Drug Store, sulphur..... 1.05

5279 S. A. Pennington, drugs and professional services..... 20.00

Total..... 56.05

Treasurer Salary  
5280 F. F. Arceneaux salary..... 75.00

Parish Physician & Coroner  
5281 T. S. Smith salary..... 41.66

Lights and Water  
5282 Jennings Gas and Electric..... 10.05

CONTINGENT  
5283 The Werrell Mfg Co. vermange & creol..... 102.90

5284 Cum Tel & Tel Co..... 6.14

5285 Hortense McVey making testimony..... 5.00

5286 L. E. Robinson, premium bonds..... 112.50

5287 H. C. Fondren, salary..... 50.00

5288 I. C. Carter, part payment architect com. for jail..... 50.00

5289 F. F. Arceneaux, postage for May..... 3.08

Total..... 329.54

Special Road & Bridge  
Ward 1  
5290 Placide Landry, hauling lumber..... 5.00

5291 Bomer Ferguson Supply Co nails..... 24.70

5292 Lake Arthur Supply Co. nails..... .25

5293 Oscar Aguilard, road work..... 2.50

5294 Leon Pitre, road work..... 2.50

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## Programme.....

### JEFFERSON DAVIS PARISH W. C. T. U. CONVENTION

Welsh, La., June 16-17, 1915

#### at the Methodist Church

#### WEDNESDAY, AFTERNÖON

2:00—Executive Committee Meeting

2:30—Devotional.....Mrs. Dora Williams, Elton

2:45—Organization

Welcome Song

Address of Welcome.....Miss Edra Doan

Response

3:10—Reports of Superintendents of Departments

Reports of Local Unions

3:40—School of Methods and White Ribbon Drill

.....Mrs. Kate Wilkins, Jennings

Discussion

4:10—The Need of Temperance Work in Sunday

Schools—with workable plans.....

.....Mrs. J. B. Lee, Welsh

4:25—What has been accomplished by giving Women

the Franchise.....Rev. Peter Parker, Jennings

#### WEDNESDAY EVENING

8:00—Devotional.....Rev. T. E. Webb, Welsh

Medal Contest

A Trip Through the Enemy's Country.....

.....Mrs. Willa S. Norwood, New Orleans

#### THURSDAY MORNING

9:30—A Call to Service—Consecration.....

.....Mrs. Shear, Jennings

9:40—Parliamentary Drill.....Mrs. Norwood

10:00—Dress Reform as a Means of Raising the

Standard of Purity.....

.....Mrs. R. P. Howell, Lake Arthur

Discussion.....Mrs. R. E. Camp, Jennings

11:20—President's Message

Treasurer's Report

Election of Officers

11:00—Map Talk.....Mrs. Norwood

12:30—Instruction on Scientific Temperance and

Anti-Narcotics in the Public Schools.....

.....Mrs. Murray, Thornwell

Discussion.....Mrs. Leta Anderson, Elton, Mrs.

J. L. Doiron, Thornwell

Noontide Prayer.....Mrs. A. E. Stagg, Raymond

#### THURSDAY AFTERNÖON

2:00—Praise Service.....Mrs. S. C. Bower, Welsh

2:15—Why Maintain a W. C. T. U.

How May We (1) Obtain New Members

(2) Increase Department Work

(3) Interest Young People

.....Mrs. Norwood