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The 1910 Carnival in New Orleans.

The Mardi Gras festivities began in New Orleans on Monday, February 7, with the arrival of Rex during the early afternoon. Monday evening Proteus paraded, the subject being Astrology, many beautiful floats illustrating the subject. Tuesday morning was the Rex parade, Freaks of Fable being the subject, which was extremely beautiful. Tuesday night was the Comus parade and ball, Comus using Mahomet as the subject for one of the most beautiful pageants seen in the city. Although rain threatened at times, the parades were not marred by any downfall, as was the case last year.

The crowds of visitors to the city are estimated to have been as large, if not larger than ever before and the hotels were strained to their utmost to accommodate their guests. The street crowds were all good natured and altogether the Mardi Gras of 1910 will pass down to posterity as among the best. Mr. Hunter C. Leake of the Illinois Central Railway was King of the Carnival and Miss Ruth Bush, Queen.

As an indication of the many people out in New Orleans on Mardi Gras day the cash receipts of the street railways are quoted by the PICAYUNE in an editorial. These amounted to \$20,000, showing that four hundred thousand persons rode on the street cars of New Orleans on that day alone. This large business is said to be the greatest ever done by the Railways Company in any other single day. Some complaint was made about the fact that the restaurants raised prices during the Carnival and it is said that the New Orleans Exchanges will take the matter up and endeavor to put an end to the practice in the future, as doing much harm to the city.

It is stated that the New Orleans Shriners have purchased the complete Rex Parade and will use it as one of the features of entertainment at the Shriners' Convention to be held in New Orleans during April, the procession to be held at night.

The National Editorial Association.

The twenty-fifth annual convention of the National Editorial Association was held in New Orleans last week on February 10, 11 and 12. This meeting was of more than usual interest, being the Silver Anniversary of the organization of the association, which was effected in New Orleans in the last year of the Cotton Centennial Exposition. Hon. A. Nevin Pomeroy of Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, presided over the meeting and some very interesting papers were read and discussions had at the various sessions. One of the most interesting features was the session held the evening of the 11th, celebrating the silver anniversary, at which time an oil portrait of himself was presented to Mr. B. B. Herbert of the NATIONAL-PRINTER JOURNALIST of Chicago, the founder of the National Editorial Association. The presentation address was made by Hon. John Dymond, a past president of the association, and he was followed by various past presidents, all of whom made reminiscential talks.

On Saturday, after all the papers had been read the election of officers for the ensuing year was taken up, resulting in the unanimous choice of president, Mr. J. P. Baumgartner of Santa Ana, California; first vice-president R. E. Dowdell of South Dakota, second vice-president J. W. Moffett of Indiana, third vice-president J. B. Cain of Kansas; corresponding secretary W. F. Parrott, Waterloo, Iowa; recording secretary R. H. Walker of Athens, Alabama and treasurer Will A. Steel of Seattle, Washington, the latter three being reelected. The choice of the next meeting place was left to the executive committee, with indication that it would be somewhere on the Pacific Coast with a subsequent side to Honolulu. After adjournment quite a number of the party left on the fruit steamer Turrialba, for Panama and Sunday morning the rest of the party left on the Cartago for the same destination, the United Fruit Company having put an extra boat on for the purpose in order to accommodate all those wanting to go.

The Good Roads Movement.

It is said that a little leaven leaveneth the whole mass. This old aphorism seems emphatically true concerning the Good Roads movement during these recent years. The Parish of St. Bernard, lying contiguous to the city of New Orleans, has for many years done a large part of its market garden transportation over the public roads of the parish. This led the Parish of St. Bernard into conspicuity as the pioneer parish of this state in earnest, active good roads work. The Parish of St. Bernard has kept the work up and is still going on with it and expects one of these days to have a system of paved highways that will be a credit then, as now, to the parish and to the entire state.

We are led to these reflections in noting that the Commissioners of Southern County, Tennessee,

recently voted unanimously for a two hundred million dollar bond issue. These commissioners are of the rank and file of the old farmers of that country and six years ago, when a similar proposition was before them, they almost unanimously opposed this method of raising the money. In the interim the interest necessarily created in the question by its having been submitted to the commissioners, has led to a revulsion of public opinion and to the conclusion that during their own lives they would prefer to have some of the good things that good roads bring. It is said that over four millions of dollars have been issued for road purposes during the past ten years in the Tennessee counties of Sullivan, Green, Hawkins, Cocke, Granger, Claiborne, Union, Anderson, Sevier, Roane and Bradley. In Knox County, Tennessee \$700,000 in direct cash taxes have been expended on the betterment of roads during the past ten years. These improvements in road building are in that part of Tennessee considered the least able to expand money, having the least accumulated wealth. It certainly ought to be a lesson to us here in Louisiana, where we have every advantage that our planet affords; where every prospect pleases and only our roads are vile.

Farmers' Organizations.

Of late Western Louisiana seems to have been taking the lead in farmers' organizations and among the leaders has been right along that sterling journal, the CROWLEY SIGNAL. The depressed condition of the rice market has led for some months to the contemplation of greater variation in the industries on the part of the state and efforts have been there made to include a considerable planting of Irish potatoes with the view of working up a sufficiently large business in these tubers to justify securing proper agencies to control their transportation and sale.

On Bayou Lafourche from Thibodaux down to Lockport the Acadian farmers of that country have been planting Irish potatoes for now near on to a hundred years. Before the civil war they used to send steamboat loads of Irish potatoes out of Bayou Lafourche, shipping them to New Orleans. It has been an old remark, oft quoted concerning these Acadian farmers of Bayou Lafourche, that their lands have never been sold out by the sheriff. All sales are the results of death, or the partition of the property in some manner and not the result of debt that leads to so many sales elsewhere in the state.

But to return to the Crowley section where an organization to promote potato culture is now at work, the SIGNAL states that A. Hallock, who has been raising half an acre of potatoes, will now have two acres; that Enos Lovell will do the same; that Sam Wilder will do the same; that Charlie Kimberlie will do the same and a dozen others do likewise. This work is said to be attributable to the Acadia Truck Gardeners' Association and that fifty acres of potatoes will be planted in the immediate vicinity of Crowley so that they can be shipped away from there in carload lots. They are making a careful study of the situation as to competently drain land and they believe that it is the beginning of a great advance movement in that section.

In our own Parish of Plaquemines wonderful strides have been made in recent years along these same lines and the shipment of vegetables by the carload has come to be a common thing, several truck gardeners combining to fill the cars secured for them. With the business increasing each year as it has done and with the more careful work that our truck gardeners are putting into the culture, the result of their greater experience, the more successful are the ventures proving from an industrial point of view.

Progressive St. Bernard.

ANOTHER instance of the progressive methods of our sister parish is shown by the recent movement inaugurated in St. Bernard for the purpose of securing an increased population. A party of land owners having property just below the New Orleans line have divided some twelve squares of land up into lots, which will be sold on easy terms to those desiring to locate in that section. As the American Sugar Refinery and the Chalmette Cypress Company are in the immediate vicinity their employees will be afforded an opportunity of securing homes near their work. As the big land holdings in Louisiana and particularly in lower Louisiana, begin to break up into small parcels the state will then take its place among the foremost in the Union in its ability to produce splendid crops along all tropical and semi-tropical lines and it needs but the division of the land into small enough pieces to insure individual care to be able to produce results that will surprise even the most sanguine.

Good Roads in Germany.

The construction and maintenance of streets and roads is a matter of great public interest in Germany. From every standpoint—military, agricultural, commercial, hygienic, economic—the question of good roads is deemed of the utmost importance. Every encouragement is given those experimenting along these lines and many improvements originating here have been adopted in other parts of the world. One of the matters now receiving the special attention of German scientists, highway authorities and engineers is the treatment of streets and roads for the purpose of obviating dust and mud.

Various combinations of oil and salt have been used in Germany to sprinkle the streets and roads, but as the effect was only transitory this method was not considered a solution of the problem of maintaining hard, clean and sanitary highways. Experiments have also been made with coal tar, and some of these preparations applied to the surface of roads have kept the dust settled for longer periods of time than by former methods. Although recognized as an improvement, the expense connected with the employment of these preparations has stood as an objection to their general use, and experiments were continued for the purpose of producing a more ideal and cheaper composition for treating roads.—From Daily Consular Reports.

PARISH NEWS.

Ilyria.

Mr. John Beaudan was a visitor to Ilyria Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Paul Cognevich of Algiers is spending a while with relatives at this place.

Mr. Marc Cognevich is having a canal built in front of his home on account of the ants.

Misses Mae Cognevich and Annie Beaudan visited friends at Empire Saturday.

Mr. John Beaudan was the guest of Miss Sarah Buras Wednesday eve.

The Misses Gauffroy visited at the Cognevich's Monday.

Miss Johanna Gauffroy returned home after a week's stay in Algiers.

Miss Nellie Chauvin visited her aunt Mae on Sunday.

An enjoyable ride was given the girls and boys of this place Saturday on the trim little launch "O You Kid."

The teacher of Ilyria school was in New Orleans for a few days.

Misses Mae and Marie Cognevich, Messrs. Hays and George Lincoln, Herman Sylve, P. Hingle and Paul Cognevich were visitors at the home of Miss Annie Beaudan last Sunday.

We are very sorry to hear of the illness of Mr. Maurice O'Brien.

Messrs. Oscar Anderson and Gussie Hingle visited the Misses O'Brien and Lincoln Sunday night.

Nairn.

Mr. Paul Cognevich is spending some time with his parents.

Misses May and Marguerite Lincoln, Onita and Angelle O'Brien and Messrs. Hays Lincoln and Maurice O'Brien were visitors to Home Place last Sunday.

Misses May and Marie Cognevich attended the Carnival Ball in Buras last Tuesday.

Misses Freda, Annie and Elsie Dustmann, Mollie Chauvin and Mr. Herman Sylve drove down to Dolouts Canal Monday.

Misses Onita O'Brien, Marguerite and Mary Lincoln were the guests of Mrs. E. E. Kirby on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Brown and daughter Lonita spent Carnival week in New Orleans.

Miss Johanna Gauffroy is spending some time in New Orleans the guest of Miss M. E. Mongrue.

Dr. and Mrs. V. L. Gilmore and family visited the Crescent City for the Carnival.

Miss Gertrude Weisenburger is in New Orleans visiting relatives and friends.

Dr. Cognevich visited our town during the week.

Messrs. Geo. and Hays Lincoln and Herman Sylve made a flying trip to Empire Saturday.

Messrs. W. H. Dustmann, Paul Cognevich and John Sylve have been on several hunting trips during the week. Rabbits seem plentiful if we are to judge by the number brought in by the hunters.

The incessant rains of the past week have rendered our roads almost impassible.

Alice May.

The gasoline launch Alice May, owned and raffled by S. M. Fusich, was won by the Garig Bakery of New Orleans.

St. Clair.

Supt. E. C. Kohn visited our school Monday.

Mr. Irving S. Lathrop spent Tuesday in the Crescent City.

Mr. Walter McCormick spent a pleasant Sunday at City Price.

Mr. Geo. Seide and his young bride, after spending a few days in New Orleans have returned home.

Mr. J. B. Babington spent a few days in the Crescent City.

A big blaze was seen from here Monday night, which destroyed one of the quarter houses at Ste. Ann. So far the cause of fire is unknown.

City Price.

Everyone has returned from the Carnival and the daily round has begun again.

Miss Alice Treadaway returned home Saturday evening after a two week's visit with friends in the City.

Misses Annie Nolan and Daisy Treadaway went to the City on Sunday before the beginning of Carnival.

Mrs. H. Treadaway and daughter, Josephine went to New Orleans Monday and returned Wednesday evening.

Considerable lettuce and other vegetables are being shipped North from this locality.

A party of hunters came from the City Saturday and remained over Sunday.

Some of the planters have begun to plow their rice land.

Mr. Hugh Forsyth and family of Algiers have lately moved into this neighborhood.

Mrs. Thos. Nolan and children went for a visit to relatives over the river Monday.

Mrs. H. Treadaway is entertaining her daughter from New Orleans this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bolwinkle of New Orleans were entertained by Mr. Victor Treadaway and family Saturday and Sunday.

The Forsyth brothers are having improvements made on their residence.

Home Place.

Mrs. Rose Treadaway after a stay of nearly two months in the City returned home Wednesday.

Mr. Frank Giordano was a business visitor to New Orleans Saturday.

Misses Louise and Loretta Sabarian two charming young ladies of Algiers were the week end guests of Miss Birdie Giordano.

Mr. Walter Richards was the guest of Miss Agnes Lyons Sunday.

Large shipments of lettuce leave here daily for the Chicago market. The farmers are receiving from eight to ten dollars per barrel.

Mr. J. Clem. Bally of Buras visited his father Mr. Chas. Bally on Sunday.

Mr. Gustave Bally visited friends in Buras Sunday.

Venice.

We understand that Mr. Augustine Buras has secured the mail contract from Buras to Port Eads and Burwood.

Mr. August Bulot was one of the guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Bernard during Mardi Gras week.

Courtlund M. Moore, superintendent of the work at Baptiste Collette has recently departed for his home in New Orleans.

Mr. Archie Blanton of Galveston, Texas, is visiting here.

Miss Sadie Buras entertained Mr. F. Buras of New Orleans last week.

Miss Nellie Woods of Port Eads, the accomplished daughter of Mr. H. Woods was a recent visitor here.

Buras-Buell.

On Feb. 8, Miss Mary Johanna Buell and Mr. Henry Buras were married, Judge E. C. Fellon officiating. Only a limited number of relatives and friends were present. We extend hearty congratulations to the happy pair.

In Memoriam.

The following lines were written in loving memory of Villerie Rodney Fox, youngest son of Henry W. Fox and Margaret Martin, who departed this life on Wednesday, Feb. 9, 1910 at 7 a. m. aged 20 years, 5 months and 26 days.

Thank God we can say at rest for him, Tho' lips are quivering and eyes are dim, At rest thro' hands and heart and brain, Never more in this world to suffer pain, Never to wait thro' the weary night, Thro' pain-racked hours for the morning light.

The poor crippled body that waited long for some topic of recovery with courage strong,

How many times under keen surgeon's knife That brave boy faced torture in the struggle for life;

Four years of fighting on pain's battle field, Four years of waiting ere the spirit would yield.

At rest now we say, O! Thou Crucified One,

Keep him safe in thy presence, give the crown he has won;

His sorrows all ended, with the angels above, In that heavenly land, in the realm of love.

Dear Jesus have mercy and help us we pray To meet our dear brother in heaven some day.

Pointe-a-la-Hache.

Hon. Rosehus Perez was a business visitor in our town on Tuesday.

Mrs. Felix Borne and little daughter, after spending quite an enjoyable week at the home of her daughter Mrs. R. Emmet Hingle, returned to her home in Algiers on Sunday.

Dr. W. H. Pipes and Miss John Wadsworth went to Monsecur Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Meyers jr. after spending a few days in our town returned to their home in New Orleans.

Mr. R. S. Leovy was in our town on Wednesday.

Mr. Esteve Giordano, collector for the steamer Alice, was in our town Thursday.

Frank Giordano was in our town on Friday and says that the truck gardeners of his district are doing fine.

Messrs. Sidney Bergeron and F. A. Exterstein were drumming up business in our locality on Friday.

Mr. Willie Smith of Triumph was a business visitor in our town on Thursday.

Mr. Elize Cure was made a proud and happy father on Monday by the appearance of a fine baby boy. The GAZETTE extends congratulations.

Supt. Edwin C. Kohn visited all schools in the upper end of the parish on the left bank of the river during the week.

Quite a cold wave struck this point on Thursday night, the thermometer registering 28 degrees. All headed lettuce is frozen. Down in the orange belt the thermometer probably registered 2 degrees above that registered here, consequently doing very little if any damage, in that locality.

LAGNIAPPE.

The downward path is always a blazed trail.

If you want to borrow trouble go to a money lender.

Patience is a virtue, but more often it is a necessity.

There is nothing new under the sun, especially in the way of resolutions.

The man who is satisfied to take pot luck shouldn't call the kettle black.

Even the man who makes money his god may find there's the devil to pay.

A man who tells you he is deserving is lucky to escape what he deserves.

Women are changeable, but you can't always change them when you want to.

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