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## REFORMS ARE NEEDED.

The Monroe Star in a forceful editorial urging reforms, particularly with reference to high-salaried officials such as sheriffs and tax collectors, says:

"As we have frequently declared, the Star does not object to paying public officials fair and adequate compensation, based upon the services and responsibilities attached to the office. But it does seem that the salaries and perquisites drawn by some sheriffs are entirely too large—they exceed the salaries paid the Governor and every other State official, Congressman or United States Senator."

"For instance, the seven tax collectors in the Parish of Orleans are paid salaries and fees aggregating \$100,000 per year. These political bosses are paid this large sum of money for doing for the State what one man does for the City of New Orleans, who collects all the city taxes and licenses, perhaps aggregating three times the amount collected by the State, is paid \$4000 per year for his services. Is there any justice in such discrimination? Hundreds of responsible citizens in New Orleans would be glad to perform the duties of State tax collector for \$4000 per year."

## TEXAS ANTI-GAMBLING LAW.

The Texas State Legislature, which has just completed its session, enacted, among other measures, a law against gambling. The Texas law makes the operating of a banking game a felony, but any sort of gambling is prohibited and made punishable.

According to this law, persons who play for money at a public place at any game with cards, dice, dominoes or anything else, or who gamble at any game or a game which has no name are liable to a fine of from \$10 to \$50. The law exempts games in private residences, or where no public gambling is carried on, but provides, however, that no banking game shall be carried on there. Any person employed at a gambling house or any person operating one is liable to be convicted of a felony and sentenced to from two to four years. Persons renting buildings for gambling purposes are liable to be convicted of a felony and sentenced to from two to four years. It is made a misdemeanor to bet on ball games. In view of the doctrine held by not a few that there is no real entertainment or diversion in any game unless it is made exciting by betting money on its outcome, it is plain that for such persons it is no longer possible to "have any fun" in Texas.—New Orleans Picayune.

And it is plain that all such persons may come with impunity to Louisiana where gambling is not strictly gambling. Who would live in Texas, in a State where the pool room operators, the bucket shops and the skimmers of the people are not tolerated? It should not be surprising if Texas should not become a dead town—beg pardon, a "dead" State, when "it is plain that for such persons it is no longer possible to have any fun" in Texas."

And still the query is unanswered: "Where is Dudenhefer?" It is singular that with all the detective ability in the State it has not been possible to trace the defaulter and, seemingly, he has disappeared as if he had dropped into an extinguished gas geyser and has pulled the excavation or open chasm over him and reached Honduras by the underground route?

The Commoner: Mr. Cleveland is quite certain that the next campaign should be fought on the tariff issue. But if anybody attacks the corporations Mr. Cleveland would doubtless consent to drop the tariff subject long enough to administer a "stinging rebuke."

The Commoner: "Why should men teachers receive more than women teachers who do the same work?" queries the Buffalo Courier. Only because the women teachers seem willing to stand for that sort of injustice.

The Commoner: "I am an honest man" says Mr. Carnegie. It pays to observe the laws that you can not evade, but it pays better to buy laws that will enable you to acquire honestly—or legally—what would have been stolen loot before the law was purchased.

The Commoner: A Missouri editor declares that it is no more harm to catch a fish on Sunday than it is to run down a yellow-legged chicken for the preacher's dinner. The decision in this debate will depend on whether it is closed by a fisherman or a minister.

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# COLOGNE GAZETTE HOT.

## Sore Over Coming Conference at Gaetz Between

## TWO NOTED POTENTATES.

German Government Displeased at the Paper's Article and Would Have Not Allowed Its Publication Had Same Been Known Beforehand.

Berlin, April 18.—King Edward's approaching meeting with King Victor Emmanuel at Gaeta is attracting much attention in the German press, which comments on the coming event as being an effort to isolate Germany and win Italy away from the triple alliance.

An article in the Cologne Gazette along these lines is being widely discussed because it is believed to have been inspired from Berlin. The writer says public opinion in Germany sees in King Edward's course an attempt to disturb the European equilibrium, which is calculated to awaken misgivings regarding the disarmament proposal, and finally warns Great Britain that "war with Germany would be dangerous for any opponent or any coalition of opponents." This sharp language is interpreted by the Tagliche Rundschau as meaning that the German government, growing weary of the "English game of hide and seek and the comedy of peace and disarmament."

At the foreign office, when attention was called to the Cologne Gazette's article, it was stated I expressed only the editorial opinion of the paper; that the German government is in no way responsible for such views and that government officials would have taken steps to prevent its publication if they had been advised in advance. The foreign office does not see that any reason for disquiet is connected with the meeting of the kings of England and Italy, since Italy knows her independence is better guarded by being a member of the triple alliance than if she were thrown wholly on Anglo-French support.

## Satisfactory to France.

Paris, April 18.—The forthcoming meeting of King Edward and King Victor Emmanuel at Gaeta is viewed with the utmost satisfaction in governmental circles here where the royal conference is considered as not likely to strengthen the cordial relations existing between Italy and Great Britain, but as binding closer the ties between those two countries and France and as exerting a good effect on the European situation.

## PEACE PLATFORM.

The Hague Conference Recommended as a Permanent Institution.

New York, April 18.—The national arbitration and peace congress adopted its platform or resolutions, recommending among other things that the Hague conference shall hereafter be a permanent institution; that the Hague court shall be open to all nations of the world; that a general treaty arbitration for ratification by all nations shall be drafted by the coming conference providing for reference to the Hague court international disputes which cannot be adjusted by diplomacy; that the United States government urge on the conference action looking to limitation of armaments; that the conference extend to private property at sea immunity from capture in war.

The resolutions speak highly in praise of President Roosevelt, Secretary Root and the prime minister of Great Britain for the stand they have taken in favor of a settled policy of peace among nations.

## DAMAGE TO TOBACCO.

Depredations of Night Raiders Becoming a Serious Matter.

Clarksville, Tenn., April 18.—The destruction of plant beds in the Clarksville district has reached an alarming stage and it is feared that unless depredations of night riders are speedily stopped there will be an unusually light crop. During the past week a number of plant beds have been salted and plants killed.

In Trigg county, Kentucky, the situation is serious in the extreme. Fully a score of plant beds have been destroyed, tobacco rolled into the river, warnings posted on places of independent planters and trainmen have even been threatened if they haul tobacco of growers not connected with the association.

## Ratifying Agreement.

Houston, April 18.—The joint general grievance committee of the Southern Pacific's Atlantic system is here in conference with Vice President T. F. Fay ratifying the agreement reached between the western railroads and the brotherhoods of conductors and trainmen at Chicago.

## At Fort Worth May 23.

Fort Worth, April 18.—At a meeting of the executive committee of the Texas Grain Dealers' association the annual meeting of the association was set for May 23 and will be held at Fort Worth.

## Injunction Refused.

El Paso, April 18.—In the case of the Rock Island railway against the ticket scalpers of El Paso Judge Maxey, in the Federal circuit court here, refused to grant the injunction asked by the plaintiffs.

## Priest Passes Away.

Eagle Pass, Tex., April 18.—Rev. Father Jose Rieux, aged seventy-four, died here after a long illness. Father Rieux has been in the service of the Catholic church at this place many years.

# MESSAGE SENT IN.

## On Third Trial Senate Managers to Get a Quorum.

Austin, April 18.—In accordance with the governor's proclamation several measures were introduced Wednesday morning in the senate looking to a revision and simplification of the code of criminal procedure in the state, which is the first of the governor's subjects submitted. Among the most important of these bills were two on the same subject—one by Senator and the other by Glasscock and Harper. These bills provide that where a defendant is charged with murder in the first degree and found guilty of manslaughter and the case is reversed a new trial granted, said defendant shall again be tried for murder in the first degree.

Senator Senter also introduced a bill simplifying the mode of granting writs of error and Senator Loney introduced his bill concerning judgments in the supreme court. House judiciary committee reported favorably Carwell's bill permitting the attorney general to inspect books and documents of corporations against which suits are pending. This bill died on the calendar in regular session.

The senate's third attempt to secure a quorum Wednesday was successful, as when the senate met twenty-one members answered roll call—just a bare quorum. As soon as the senate met the governor sent up his message, which he had promised would be done. The message was read and carefully listened to by the senators.

The senate passed finally the legislative per diem bill, carrying an appropriation of \$3,000 and contingent expense bill carrying \$10,000 for the purpose of defraying expenses of the extra session.

The governor signed the one-hour medical bill, which creates one central medical board. Christian Scientists are not exempt from the provisions of the act. Under the provisions of this law Christian Scientists cannot practice. The bill carries the emergency clause and goes into immediate effect.

## ANOTHER ERROR.

Grave Discovered in the Anti-Trust Amendment.

Austin, April 18.—A grave error has been discovered in Senator Terrell's bill amending the anti-trust laws so as to make it a penal offense to violate anti-trust laws of Texas. This bill was passed and is now in the hands of the governor. The error is in the enrolled bill as presented to the governor. One of the most important amendments tacked on to the measure in the house and concurred in by the senate was omitted in the enrolled bill. This amendment, which was left out, had for its purpose the prevention of competition for the purpose of financially injuring a competitor doing business in Texas.

The adjutant general's department has received forty modern United States gallery practice twenty-two caliber rifles, which are to be distributed among companies of the National guard over the state for indoor practice.

## HEAD MASHED.

Clarence Nebitt Receives a Terrible Blow That Causes Death.

Sherman, April 18.—Clarence Nebitt, thirty years of age, employed in the car department of the Frisco railway in North Sherman, lost his life while at work. He with Oliver Reddick was engaged in unloading coal cars, causing a cog in the jack failed to catch, causing the lever to fly up, striking him a severe blow on the left side of the head, thus mashing his head between the lever and the car. He was taken to the sanitarium, where he died a few moments later.

M. Sheehan, superintendent of the Houston and Texas Central railway, and I. A. Cunningham, superintendent of maintenance and ways, are in the city. They have blueprints for the new union station here. Superintendent Rodezik and Vice President Lehane of the Cotton Belt will meet the party here to discuss plans. The roads interested are the Houston and Texas Central, Cotton Belt, Texas and Pacific and the Frisco.

## GIBBONS SELECTED.

Cardinal Will Confer the Pallium Upon Archbishop Bleak.

New Orleans, April 18.—Cardinal Gibbons has been selected by the pope to confer the pallium upon Archbishop Bleak of New Orleans April 24. He has arrived here from Charleston, S. C. Cardinal Gibbons will remain at New Orleans ten days or more before returning to Baltimore.

## LADY LIVED LONG LIFE.

Dies in Nova Scotia Aged One Hundred and Nine Years.

Halifax, N. S., April 18.—Mrs. Hannah Armsworthy, aged 109 years is dead at her home near Queensport, Gushoro county. She was the oldest person in Nova Scotia.

## Fired at Intruder.

Palestine, Tex., April 18.—A party who is believed was tampering with the drill of the oil well was shot at by the watchman. The man escaped.

## May Prove Fatal.

Terrell, Tex., April 18.—At Poetry, this county the little daughter of Mr. Green let the infant drop. The latter may not recover.

Russian Company Admitted. Austin, April 18.—Reinsurance company of St. Petersburg has been granted a permit to do business in Texas.

## Objection to Reduction.

An. P. A. P. 18.—Reverend A. M. Gordon is opposed to reduction of duties.

# CHARTER OF THE RED RIVER LAND AND LIVESTOCK COMPANY.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Caddo: Be it remembered, That before me, John D. Wilkinson, a Notary Public, duly commissioned and sworn for and within the Parish and State aforesaid, personally came and appeared E. W. Hamiter, a resident of said Parish and State; E. E. Paramore and F. W. Paramore, residents of the City of St. Louis and State of Missouri, who stated and declared to me, Notary, that availing themselves of the Constitution and laws of Louisiana, they have formed and constituted themselves, and do by these presents form and constitute themselves, as well as such other persons as may hereafter become associated with them, into a corporation and body corporate under the same title and for the purposes hereinafter expressed, and have adopted as their charter and act of incorporation the following, to-wit:

ARTICLE I.  
The name and title of this corporation shall be the "RED RIVER LAND AND LIVESTOCK COMPANY," and its domicile shall be at the City of Shreveport, in the Parish of Caddo, Louisiana, and under its corporate name it shall have and enjoy the right of succession for a period of fifty years, unless sooner dissolved as hereinafter provided.

ARTICLE II.  
The purposes for which this corporation is established and the nature of the business to be carried on by it are declared to be, to purchase, own, cultivate, sell and mortgage or lease land in the State of Louisiana and in the State of Arkansas; to buy, hypothecate and sell timber and timber lands and in connection therewith to own and operate gins, presses, sawmills, planing mills or other machinery; to purchase, mine and sell livestock of any and every description in said States of Louisiana and Arkansas, and generally to do and perform all acts and things in connection with its principal business which may be necessary or incident thereto, or which may increase the profits thereof and the prosperity of said company, so long as the same is not incompatible with this act of incorporation, or the laws of said State.

ARTICLE III.  
The capital stock of this corporation is hereby fixed at twenty-five thousand dollars, divided into two hundred and fifty shares of one hundred dollars each, and shall commence business whenever fourteen thousand dollars shall be subscribed and paid for in full. Said capital stock may be paid for in cash, property or services rendered, and no stock shall be issued until same is fully paid for.

ARTICLE IV.  
The affairs of this corporation shall be managed and directed by a board of directors consisting of three stockholders to be elected annually on the first Monday in January of each year, and who shall hold their offices for the period of one year, or until their successors are duly elected and installed. Until such election on the first Monday in January 1908, the following persons shall constitute the board of directors, to-wit: E. W. Hamiter, president; F. W. Paramore, vice president, and E. E. Paramore, secretary and treasurer. All vacancies occurring in the board of directors from any cause shall be filled by the remaining directors by the election of a stockholder to fill the unexpired term. All legal process shall be served on the president, or in his absence on the vice president, or in the absence of both on the secretary and treasurer.

Said board of directors shall have power and authority to employ and discharge at pleasure any and all managers, clerks or employes, and may adopt such by-laws and regulations as to them may seem necessary for the conduct of the business of said corporation.

ARTICLE V.  
This corporation shall have power and authority to contract, sue and be sued, in its corporate name, to make and use a corporate seal, to receive, purchase and convey under their corporate name both real and personal property, and the same to mortgage and hypothecate under such terms and conditions as the said board of directors may determine.

ARTICLE VI.  
This charter may be amended, altered or abolished at a vote of a majority of the capital stock at a meeting held for that purpose, or the capital stock of this corporation may be increased or diminished in the manner provided by law. Whenever this corporation is dissolved, either by limitation or at the vote of its stockholders, its affairs shall be liquidated by two liquidators appointed by the stockholders for that purpose. Notice shall be given of all stockholders meetings by ten days' printed notice published in one of the newspapers of the City of Shreveport, and by letter addressed to each stockholder at his usual postoffice address. In all elections held under this charter, each share of stock shall be entitled to one vote, either by its holder in person or by written proxy.

ARTICLE VII.  
No stockholder shall ever be held liable for the contracts or faults of this corporation in any further sum than the unpaid balance due to the company on the shares of stock owned by him, nor shall any mere informality in the organization hereof have the effect of rendering this charter null, or of exposing a

stockholder to any liability beyond the amount of his stock.  
In testimony whereof, said parties have hereunto subscribed their names on this 27th day of March 1907, and have set opposite their several names the amount of stock subscribed for by each, which shall constitute the subscription list of this corporation, in presence of me, Notary, and the attesting competent witnesses, after due reading hereof.  
E. W. HAMITER,  
Sixty-nine (69) shares  
E. E. PARAMORE,  
Seventy (70) shares  
F. W. PARAMORE,  
One (1) share.

Attest:  
J. B. ARDIS,  
J. H. LEVY,  
JOHN D. WILKINSON,  
Notary Public.

Having examined the foregoing act of incorporation, and finding nothing therein contrary to law, I hereby approve the same.  
Done and signed officially on this 27th day of March 1907.

J. M. FOSTER,  
District Attorney.  
Endorsed, Filed and recorded March 27, 1907.

J. H. LEVY,  
Deputy Clerk and ex-Officio Deputy Register.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Caddo: I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original act as the same now appears on file and of record in my office.  
Given under my hand and seal of office this 27th day of March 1907.

J. H. LEVY,  
Deputy Clerk and ex-Officio Deputy Register.

March 28, 1907.

SUCCESSION SALE.  
No. 10,070.—In the First Judicial District Court of Louisiana: Succession of Isaac Miller.

By virtue of a commission to sell, to me issued in the above entitled and numbered succession, by the Honorable First Judicial District Court of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, I will offer for sale, at public auction, with benefit of appraisement, for cash, according to law, at the principal front door of the court house of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, during legal hours for sales, on

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 1907.

The west half (1-2) of the southwest quarter (sw 1-4) of section three (section 3); the east half (e 1-2) of the southeast quarter (se 1-4) of section four (section 4) township eighteen (township 18), north, range sixteen (range 16), west, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, containing one hundred and sixty (160) acres, with the buildings and improvements thereon.

Said sale to be made for cash with benefit of appraisement, and according to law.

H. A. WINTER,  
Administrator.

SUCCESSION SALE.  
No. 10,281.—In the First Judicial District Court of Caddo Parish, Louisiana: Succession of William and Patsy Hill.

By virtue of a commission to sell, to me issued in the above numbered and entitled succession, by the First Judicial District Court of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, I will offer for sale at public auction, for cash, according to law, at the principal front door of the court house of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, during the legal hours for sales, on

SATURDAY, MAY 18, 1907.

Lots seven and eight (7 and 8) as per map of lot one (1) of the northeast quarter of northeast quarter of section 35, township 18, north, range 14 west (Cutliff Subdivision, Shreveport, La.)

Said property to be sold for cash, according to law, for the purpose of paying the debts of said succession.

J. P. FLOURNOY,  
Sheriff and ex-Officio Auctioneer.  
Caucasian, April 11, 1907.

SHERIFF'S SALE.  
No. 10,798.—In the First Judicial District Court of Caddo Parish, La.: Louis Liebmann vs. Tom Thomas, et als.

By virtue of a writ of fieri facias, to me issued in the above entitled and numbered suit, I have seized and will offer for sale, at public auction, for cash, according to law, at the principal front door of the court house of Caddo Parish, La., during the legal hours for sales, on

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 1907.

Lot 4 of petition of Flournoy lands of date December 23, 1874, containing 248 acres in sections 16 and 17, township 17, north, range 15 west, Caddo Parish, La., described as follows: Beginning at the northeast corner of lot 3 and run north 31 chains, thence west 80 chains, thence south 31 chains, thence east 80 chains to place of beginning, with all the buildings and improvements thereon.

Said property seized as belonging to defendants and to be sold to satisfy the debts specified in said writ, in the sum of six hundred and sixty-nine (\$669.00) dollars, with interest thereon from the 2nd day of January 1901, until paid, at the rate of 8 per cent per annum interest, less a credit of \$73.75 paid January 9, 1901, and all costs of suit, including 10 per cent on said sum and interest as attorney's fees.

J. P. FLOURNOY, Sheriff.  
Caucasian, April 2, 1907.

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AN ORDINANCE  
Of the Police Jury of Caddo Parish relative to the building of the extension of the court house building of the parish, authorizing the contract to be entered into and making appropriations providing for payment therefor and issuance of certificates.

Whereas the Police Jury of Caddo Parish has invited bids according to certain plans and specifications for the construction of an extension to the court house building of the Parish of Caddo, La.

Whereas the building committee of the Police Jury has reported to this body recommending the acceptance of the bid of Tom Green for the construction of said extension pursuant to plans and specifications heretofore adopted by this body for \$47,880.00, to be paid for out of the excess of the annual revenues above the statutory, necessary and usual charges from the 10-mill tax levied and to be levied by the parish for the year 1907 and subsequent years in annual installments, said contractor to be paid in certificates to be issued covering the cost of said construction, said certificates to bear 4 per cent per annum interest;

Now be it resolved and ordained by the Police Jury of Caddo Parish, that the report of said committee be and is hereby accepted and that the bid of Tom Green for the construction of the proposed extension to the court house building in the Parish of Caddo, be accepted, payments for said work to be made out of the excess of annual revenues from the 10-mill tax levied and to be levied by the parish for the year 1907 and subsequent years, for which certificates shall be issued.

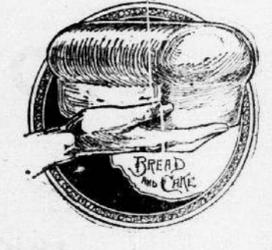
Be it further resolved, That in order to pay and provide for the payment of the amount for which the said work is to be done by the said contractor, to-wit, \$47,880.00, the excess annual revenues from the 10-mill tax levied and to be levied by the parish above the statutory, necessary and usual charges for the year 1907 and subsequent years, be and is hereby dedicated and set apart for the payment of said amount with four (4 per cent) per cent per annum interest, the whole to be represented by certificates under Section No. 32 of Act No. 32 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the State of Louisiana for the year 1902.

Be it further resolved, That in order to pay the aforesaid amount of the contract price for said extension to said court house building and the said certificates with interest as above provided, all of the surplus and excess of annual revenues of Caddo Parish above the statutory, usual and necessary charges, from the 10-mill tax levied and to be levied by the parish for the years 1907, 1908, 1909 and subsequent years as far as necessary up to ten years be and are hereby dedicated and set aside to pay the same.

Be it further resolved, That the president be and is hereby authorized to sign all contracts to carry this ordinance into effect.

R. FURMAN, President.  
A. L. DURINGER, Clerk.

BIDS INVITED  
Bids are hereby invited for building two bridges of twenty and forty feet respectively on continuation of Fairfield avenue between Line avenue and Norris ferry road. Bids to be for either steel or wood. Wooden bridge timbers to be crosscut, except flooring. Bids to be opened at next meeting, May 9, 1907, jury reserving right to reject any and all bids.  
R. FURMAN, President.  
A. L. DURINGER, Clerk.



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