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THE SHATTUCK LAW.

In a communication appearing in the New Orleans Picayune of recent date Hon. S. O. Shattuck, writing from Lake Charles, gives his interpretation of Sec. 8 of the law which bears his name: "Under the provisions of Sec. 8 of the Shattuck bill, it is necessary for saloons legally operating with a permit before January 1, 1909, to obtain new permits to entitle them to continue to operate."

"Section 8 provides for the future, and specifically sets forth, that any person desiring to conduct a bar room and desiring a license to conduct such business in any locality within this State, shall address a sworn petition to the city council, setting forth the place in which the establishment is to be conducted and the street and number in which it is intended that such an establishment shall be conducted. I had in mind, and it was my intention, to legislate for new saloons seeking permits, and not those already in existence. If those already in existence became obnoxious to the property owners residing in the immediate vicinity, Section 8 provides a remedy in the following language: 'The council or board of aldermen shall revoke any privilege on the petition of the majority of the property owners, a prior privilege to the contrary notwithstanding.'"

"This section further provides as to churches and school houses, that the council or board of aldermen or the police jury, shall grant no privilege for the opening of a saloon within 300 feet of a church or of a school where children are taught. The language used in this clause is identically the same as the language used in the acts of 1904, amending the charter of the City of New Orleans, and was copied verbatim from same."

In his explanation Mr. Shattuck states that it was never his intention to disturb the saloons already legally operating, and he says: "And I do know that if those saloons operating at the present time within 300 feet of a church or of a school were disturbed that then the better class of saloons would be put out of business, and the rum shops, which, fortunately for them, are not within 300 feet of a church or of a school, would be permitted to continue to operate. Such was not the intention of the law."

It may be noted that Mr. Shattuck's contention is limited to first class saloons which in keeping with his interpretation should not be disturbed even if they be within 300 feet of a church or a school. From the view of Mr. Shattuck the saloons and the club houses which were in operation before the enactment of the law are not affected, which is satisfactory to those concerned, but, there may be very few of the law-makers who voted with the majority who will share this remarkable interpretation of Mr. Shattuck. Should the court of final appeal concede this position to be fair and legal, the Shattuck law will then become a travesty and should be repealed. It is safe to say that the majority of the legislators who favored this bill, as a compromise, did not construe the intent and the purpose of the bill as Mr. Shattuck and his friends in New Orleans operating first class saloons and club houses within the 300 feet church and school limit would have it.

NEGROES FOR FEDERAL OFFICE. The negro is again in prominence in the United States Senate. Senator Tillman has announced his determination to oppose the confirmation of W. D. Crum, appointed by Roosevelt to be Collector of the Port of Charleston, S. C. Is there not in South Carolina a white Republican sufficiently reputable to fill this important office? The opposition to Crum should enlist every Senator from the South and every Democratic Senator from the North. The protest against the recognition of the Federal position in the South should be continued to the fullest limit. Would Roosevelt dare to appoint a negro to be the Collector of the Port of New York?

And there has been ventured the question: "How will Taft stand on this appointment of negroes to Federal office in the South?" He will stand with Roosevelt. He can not ignore the negro in the South. He will not protect against the negro in the South.

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RUSSIAN THISTLES MANY

Tumble Seed Weeds Menace to Kansans.

GREAT DAMAGE IS LIKELY

In Some Instances Trains Are Unable to Proceed, a Touring Car Catching Fire During the Effort Being Made to Push Through the Obstacles.

Oakley, Kan., Feb. 2.—In the late blizzard great damage was done by the Russian thistle, more commonly known as a tumble seed weed, which is about the size of a half bushel measure and almost as round. They were blown over the prairies by millions. In some cases they even stalled trains by piling up in cuts.

Near Oberlin a touring car caught fire while trying to force its way through the thistles and was completely destroyed. The occupants narrowly escaping being burned to death. Thistles by the millions were hurled before the wind and orchards packed full, yards and fences hidden, alleys and sidewalks blocked and in instances the weeds were piled so high about the houses that only by using pitchforks could occupants clear their way through them.

FORTY-SEVEN DROWN.

British Steamer Goes Down Off the Coast of Australia.

Melbourne, Feb. 2.—The British steamer Clan Ranald is a total wreck near Edithburgh and the captain and forty-six of her crew, most of whom were Catholics, were drowned. The vessel was drifting ashore, but sank before boats reached her. Eighteen members of the crew, including twelve coolies, were picked up.

Classifiers at Work.

Washington, Feb. 2.—The committee of experts on cotton classification recently appointed by Secretary of Agriculture Wilson to fix the official standard of the various grades of cotton began the task at the department of agriculture Monday. The committee is composed of nine members in addition to three special assistants, representing leading cotton concerns of the country. In its effort to establish nine grades of cotton, as provided for by act of congress, the committee will have the use of the cotton standards of cotton exchanges of this country and Europe. A week probably will be required to complete the work.

Drops Dead Beside Beloved.

St. Louis, Feb. 2.—While sunbathing on a street from heart disease, Sebastian Stoll, sixty-seven years old, died beside the body of his helpmate. Mrs. Stoll was on her way home from church with her husband when she expired. He, believing she had fainted, went to a nearby house, obtained assistance and then fell lifeless beside the corpse of his wife.

Billek Begins Life Term.

Chicago, Feb. 2.—Herman Billek, after two years' imprisonment in the county jail, in which he had five times been respited from death on the gallows, was taken to Joliet penitentiary Monday to begin his term of life imprisonment for the murder of Mary Wenzel. He expressed confidence before his departure that he would soon receive a complete pardon.

Arranging Track Connection.

Fort Worth, Feb. 2.—B. B. Cain of Tyler is here arranging with the Rock Island railway for track connection at Jackboro, where the Gulf, Texas and Western is building toward Fort Worth. The material was ordered some time ago and expected the latter part of this month. It will go to Dallas and Tyler. The western terminus will be Roswell, N. M.

In Receiver's Hands.

Little Rock, Feb. 2.—Falling to pay off its liabilities within the past week, as ordered by the court, the American Insurance company, incorporated under the laws of Arkansas to conduct a mutual life insurance business, has been placed in the hands of J. K. Tift as receiver by the chancery court. All moneys received during the past ten days have been ordered returned.

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CHURCH OPENING.

Notable Occasion in History of South Texas Methodism.

Houston, Feb. 2.—The service that marked the opening of St. Paul's Methodist church, of which Rev. George S. Sexton is pastor, Sunday was one of the most notable functions ever held by the Methodists of South Texas. During the morning, afternoon and evening services the big auditorium of the church was crowded and extra seats were placed in the aisles, during the morning services to accommodate the large number. Shearn church dismissed its morning service and the congregation attended services at the new temple of worship in mass.

Bishop Candler of Atlanta, Bishop Ward of Houston and Bishop J. S. Key of Searman participated in the ceremonies. Bishop Key arrived in the city late Saturday night, and was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Ross. Bishop Candler was the guest of Bishop and Mrs. Seth Ward.

REFINERY TO CLOSE.

Direct Reason Is Inability to Ship Its Manufactured Products.

Beaumont, Feb. 2.—The Security Oil company will close down its refinery in this city Feb. 15, and will remain closed down until the litigation to oust the company from the state has been settled. The direct reason for the plant closing down is the inability to ship its manufactured products and to secure crude oil for refining purposes in Oklahoma. Only about forty-five men have been laid off, and the process of closing down is proceeding as rapidly as possible. The crude oil now on hand will be worked up, and it is estimated that this will take until Feb. 15. How long the refinery will remain idle cannot be determined by the management, and will depend entirely upon the action of the state.

It is stated that since the supreme court decision in the Waters-Perce case the Security company has been unable to secure crude oil and to get ships to come into the jurisdiction of the state at Sabine Pass and Port Arthur to carry away the refined oils.

AGONY INTENSE.

Isabel Slaughter, Three Years of Age, Dies From Burns.

Dallas, Feb. 2.—As a result of burns, caused by her clothing becoming ignited, Isabel, the three-year-old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Slaughter, is dead. She was alone in the room at the time the accident occurred. With her clothing in flames she ran into the dining room to her mother, who, throwing her own skirt around her, smothered the flames, receiving painful but not serious injuries herself in doing so.

About three-fifths of the surface of the child's body was blistered. She suffered the most intense agony, and it was with the greatest difficulty that the physicians prevented her from going into convulsions. She passed away at noon Sunday, suffering several hours. She was the granddaughter of Rev. S. H. Slaughter, a well known Texas divine.

FIELD TRIALS IN TEXAS.

Some of the Country's Best Dogs Entered in the Events.

San Antonio, Feb. 2.—Four days of this week will be filled with interest to sportsmen of this city and the surrounding country by the field trials of hunting dogs, an open air sport that has taken firm hold in recent years.

Open, all age Derby and champion stakes, in which the best dogs of the country are entered, have begun on the Nix and adjoining ranches. The trials are intended as tests for the best dogs at hunting quail, with which the territory abounds. Many of the animals that are competing are prize winners, and in the final series the racing and other tests will be sensational and thrilling.

Campaign For Settlers.

Ableton, Tex., Feb. 2.—Hon. Will L. Sargent, immigration agent of the Texas and Pacific, Iron Mountain and International and Great Northern railroads, stopped off here on his return from Big Springs, where he closed the big Slaughter ranch sale. Mr. Slaughter is affiliating the commercial clubs of this section with his immigration association, and the enthusiasts shown indicates an active campaign for new settlers.

Fire Wagon For Belton.

Belton, Tex., Feb. 2.—A fire wagon is to be purchased.

TEXAS AND TEXANS.

Much sidewalk building is under way at Terrell.

In January postal receipts at Dallas were \$51,379.96.

A grass fire at Chillicothe for a time endangered the city.

Two trap games were railed at Tyler and eleven negroes taken into custody.

Charles Rich was severely cut at McKinney. Lonnie Green, another negro, was arrested.

Contract has been let for the Hemp-hill county court house, at Canadian. It will cost \$12,278.

At a dance in New Braunfels one Mexican was mortally stabbed and two others seriously.

John R. Thomas, secretary to the late Confederate General Jubal A. Early during the civil war, died at Dallas.

E. M. Brownlee, a prominent Dallas county farmer, died near Lancaster. He was an elder of the Presbyterian church twenty-six years.

CENTENARY OF LINCOLN.

Exercises to Be Held Near Hodgenville, Ky.

MANY NOTABLE TO ATTEND

Tent With Capacity of Four Thousand Has Been Purchased, and in This the Addresses Are to Be Made on Twelfth of This Month.

Louisville, Feb. 2.—Only the number of people who can be crowded into a great tent will be permitted to witness near Hodgenville, Ky., the 12th inst. the exercises commemorating the centenary of Abraham Lincoln's birth. Though President Roosevelt, Cardinal Gibbons, Bishop Galloway, Ambassadors Jusserand and Bryce, Senator Doliver, Governor Folk and other men of national importance are scheduled to make addresses, not by any means will all of those who wish to attend for the soldiers of the Union, and Gen. Luke E. Wright, secretary of war for the soldiers of the Confederacy.

Bishop Galloway will pronounce the benediction and Cardinal Gibbons the invocation. Four trains will be run to Hodgenville out of Louisville.

The program includes the dedicatory address of Mr. Roosevelt, addresses by Governor Folk of Missouri, as head of the Lincoln Farm association; Gov. Augustus E. Wilson, on behalf of Kentucky; General James E. Wilson for the soldiers of the Union, and Gen. Luke E. Wright, secretary of war for the soldiers of the Confederacy.

FREEZES TO DEATH.

First Instance of Kind to Occur at New Orleans in Years.

New Orleans, Feb. 2.—Having frozen to death, the body of John Washington, a negro, was found in a gutter in Burgundy street early Sunday morning. This is the first instance of the kind to occur in New Orleans in many years. The coldest weather has been experienced here in the last twenty-four hours, the temperature being 28 at 7 o'clock Sunday morning. Very few times in the history of New Orleans has the mercury fallen lower than this figure.

LION KILLS BOY.

Mother Sees Animal Carry Away Part of Her Child's Flesh.

Balboa, Cal., Feb. 2.—Her two-year-old boy killed by a huge mountain lion and the sight of the fierce beast devouring one of his legs, which had been torn from its socket, greeted Mrs. Chris Brown when she entered the family tent after a short walk Sunday evening. When the mother realized what had taken place she screamed and almost threw herself on the lion, which growled savagely and disappeared slowly through the rear of the tent carrying a mouthful of flesh in its teeth.

Root at Hot Springs.

Hot Springs, Ark., Feb. 2.—Secretary of State Root has arrived at Hot Springs. "To get away from the strenuous life and give a sprained knee a chance to mend," he explained. He was unaccompanied, and will remain three weeks, previous to the relinquishment of the duties of secretary of state and assuming those of United States senator from New York. The injury to his knee was sustained while alighting from a carriage in Washington.

Cuban Trip Abandoned.

Birmingham, Feb. 2.—It was announced by Hon. W. J. Bryan here that he had abandoned his contemplated trip to Cuba. He will make several addresses in the south, finishing at Tampa, Fla., at the time of the fair. Mr. Bryan spoke twice here Sunday to immense crowds on religious topics. He was suffering from traveler's nausea and delivered his remarks sitting.

Shoots Wife and Suicides.

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 2.—Evidently angered because she would not return with him to Atlanta or surrender their seventeen-month-old child, Edward A. Mizer intercepted his young wife on a street of Wilmington and shot her twice, and then turning the pistol to his own head, blew out his own brains. Mrs. Mizer died two hours later at a hospital.

Lady Accidentally Killed.

Chicago, Feb. 2.—George Busse, brother of Mayor Busse, accidentally shot and killed Mrs. L. C. Tuckerman of New York City. Mrs. Tuckerman was visiting the home of her father, General A. C. Gerard, retired, who lives in the same apartment building as that of Mayor Busse. Busse witnessed the deplorable affair.

Wiped Off Map.

Pensacola, Fla., Feb. 2.—The town of Milton, thirty miles east of Pensacola, was practically wiped off the map by fire, the business section and several residences being destroyed. The total loss is estimated at between \$150,000 and \$200,000.

De Lesseps' Widow Dies.

Paris, Feb. 2.—The Countess de Lesseps, widow of Count Ferdinand de Lesseps, the promoter of the ship canal of Suez, Corinth and Panama, died here Sunday.

BROWN AT HEAD.

Assumes Presidency of the New York Central Railway.

New York, Feb. 2.—With the opening of business Monday at the offices of the New York Central and Hudson River railroad the system has a new head. William H. Newman, the outgoing president, retires to make place for William C. Brown, who was elected president of the road on Jan. 1.



WILLIAM C. BROWN. makes no change in the personnel of the vice-presidents of the road immediately. Mr. Newman will continue to be a member of the board. Mr. Brown was formerly senior vice president of the road.

EDITOR HURT BY TRAIN.

W. L. Woodson of the American Press Association Injured.

Yonkers, N. Y., Feb. 2.—Trying to board train at Glenwood station of the New York Central William L. Woodson, editor of the American Press, fell and was injured by the moving wheels. His right foot was amputated at the station, and at St. John Riverside hospital, to which he was taken, it was found necessary that an amputation of the leg below the knee was necessary. He was badly hurt about the head, and sustained other injuries. He displayed wonderful fortitude which the physicians say, will materially assist him in recovering from the effects of his injuries.

Mr. Woodson's paper, the American Press, is issued from the main office of the American Press Association in New York. He has been connected with the association many years, going to the main office from the Atlanta branch, of which he was manager.

"MATTY" COACHES HARVARD.

Prominent Twirler Takes Charge of College's Pitching Squad. Cambridge, Mass., Feb. 2.—The pitching candidates of Harvard are now having the benefit of the coaching of Christy Mathewson, the highest priced pitcher in the country. Captain Mathewson, of the Boston baseball team, declares that his own coaching is the best in the world, and that Harvard's poor record of last year, when the team finished in third place in the East, was due to lack of pitching.

Hinckley Resigns.

Memphis, Feb. 2.—The resignation of J. F. Hinckley as chief engineer of the Fish Commission has been accepted. He was succeeded by M. G. Brown, who has been chief engineer of the Fish Commission since 1907. Hinckley was associated with the commission in a like position with headquarters at New Orleans.

Thought Heart Failure.

Houston, Feb. 2.—A postmortem examination of the body of Fred Grasmuck in connection with whose death Grasmuck was arrested, failed to show that Zorn met his death through any external violence, and the physicians are inclined to the belief that he died from heart failure.

No Office For Garfield.

Washington, Feb. 2.—A definite statement is made that Hon. James Garfield, secretary of the interior, will not be a member of the cabinet in the next administration. Neither will he be ambassador to a foreign country. There is good authority for saying there will be a clean sweep of the present cabinet unless it be Secretary of Agriculture Wilson and Postmaster General Meyer.

One Dead, Another Wounded.

Pawhuska, Okla., Feb. 2.—A telephone message from Fairport, Osage county, states that J. N. Tase, a cowboy with a ranch on Boggy creek, as a result of trouble with two negroes, had shot and killed one and critically wounded another. Tase went to a fire and surrendered to officers.

Secure No Booty.

Wetumka, Okla., Feb. 2.—Robbers effected an entrance into the Frisco depot by breaking out a window, pried open the safe with a crowbar, but secured no booty.

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For First District Court, Parish of Caddo, State of Louisiana, for Three Weeks Commencing on Third Monday in January 1909.

For the week commencing February 1, 1909: 1 Noel, W. E. Jr. 2 Cox, Robert. 4 Backus, T. C. 1 Farmer, J. P. 4 Turner, J. L. 4 Huddleston, T. G. 3 Ellett, A. L. 2 Pitts, L. J. 4 Thomas, E. A. 4 Eglin, A. D. 2 Swords, J. F. 4 Sylvester, T. R. 7 Levy, John. 7 Keith, D. W. 4 Mansfield, Julius 3 Smith, B. A. 8 Daniel, W. B. 4 Strauss, M. 3 Brown, Pratt 2 Barlow, Thos. 1 Tyson, N. S. 3 Clark, A. C. 4 Tillery, D. M. 4 Hettler, Fred 2 Smith, W. C. 2 Whitley, E. A. 7 Neal, A. E. 4 Voisin, J. A. 2 Williams, T. W. 2 Carter, G. W. Shreveport, La., Dec. 28, 1908.

F. H. GOSMAN, J. D. LEE, J. B. ARDIS, C. MONCURE, Jury Commissioners. F. A. LEONARD, Clerk and ex-Officio Jury Commissioner. A true copy.

SUCCESSION NOTICE

No. 12686—First District Court of Louisiana: Succession of John and Mary Kollburner.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Caddo: Notice is hereby given that A. P. Brown has this day applied to be appointed administrator of said succession, and unless opposition be made thereto within the time specified by law, he will be appointed as prayed for.

Witness the Honorable Thomas F. Bell, judge of said court, this 21st day of January 1909. W. M. LEVY, Jan. 21. Deputy Clerk.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Department of the Interior, United States Land Office at Natchitoches, La., January 14, 1909.—Notice is hereby given that William A. Cannon, of Logansport, Louisiana, who, on December 14, 1903, made Homestead Application No. 10,277, No. 0589, for the northwest quarter of southeast quarter and west half of northeast quarter, section 12, township 11 north, range 15 west, Louisiana meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final five year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before L. H. Bell, Jr., clerk of court, at Mansfield, La., on the 1st day of March 1909. Claimant names as witnesses W. R. Davis, H. L. Oden, W. W. Billingsley, C. M. Smith, all of Logansport, La.

J. ERNEST BREDA, Register. Caucasian, Shreveport, La. 1-19

SHERIFF'S SALE

No. 12,531—In the First Judicial District Court of Caddo Parish, Louisiana: J. E. Daniels vs. S. J. Barnett. By virtue of a writ of fieri facias in the above entitled and numbered suit from the Honorable First Judicial District Court of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, I have seized and offered for sale, for cash, according to law, during the legal

hours for sales, at the premises recently occupied by the Barnett Drug Company, in the town of Vivian, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, on Saturday, January 9, 1909, all the goods, wares, merchandise, furniture and fixtures of the above named Barnett Drug Company as per itemized list on file in my office. The above property seized as belonging to the above defendant, S. J. Barnett, and to be sold to satisfy the amount specified in the said writ, say in the sum of \$250.00, with 10 per cent interest from February 1, 1908, and the further sum of 10 per cent on the amounts of principal and interest as attorney's fees, and the further sum of \$7000 with 10 per cent per annum thereon from June 1, 1908, less credits of \$100.00 June 6, 1908; \$200.00 July 11, 1908; \$25.00 August 11, 1908; \$25.00 September 30, 1908; \$25.00 October 23, 1908; and 10 per cent as attorney's fees on the said amounts, at the date of settlement on the principal and interest on the above amount of \$2700.00, after deducting all credits, and all costs of suit. At said offering no one having bid two-thirds of the appraised value, and the property having failed to sell, I will sell the same on 12 months credit to the last and highest bidder, for whatever it will bring, the purchaser to furnish good and sufficient joint security, according to law; said sale to take place at the premises of the Barnett Drug Company, in the town of Vivian, La., on Saturday, January 30, 1909.

J. P. FLOURNOY, Sheriff. Caucasian, Jan. 14.

SUCCESSION SALE

Succession of James M. Malone, Deceased—In District Court for Webster Parish, Louisiana. By virtue of a commission issued by the Honorable District Court for Webster Parish, Louisiana, in the above styled succession, and to me directed, I will offer for sale at public auction, during the legal hours for sales and according to law, at the principal front door of the court house in Caddo Parish, on SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1909, the following described property situated in Shreveport, to-wit: Lot No. 5 in block 10 of the Fair Ground Subdivision of the City of Shreveport, as per map on file, with all improvements thereon. Property to be sold for cash, if exceeding two-thirds of the appraised value thereof be bid.

J. P. FLOURNOY, Sheriff and ex-Officio Auctioneer. January 3, 1909.

SUCCESSION NOTICE

No. 12,219—First District Court, Parish of Caddo, State of Louisiana: Succession of Claud Robinson, Deceased. Notice is hereby given that Almira Robinson, administratrix, has this day filed her final account in said succession, and unless opposition be made thereto within the time specified by law the same will be duly homologated as prayed for.

Witness the Honorable A. J. Murphree, judge of said court, this the 13th day of January 1909. W. M. LEVY, Deputy Clerk. Jan. 14.