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The Presidential Electors.

As required by the Constitution of the United States there met yesterday at the capital of each State the presidential electors chosen at the national election held on November 5 of last year, and there was expressed formally their choice of the persons for President and for Vice President of whom they were the representatives.

This proceeding was on the order of routine, the votes of the Democratic electors being recorded for Wilson and Marshall, the Progressive electors for Roosevelt and Johnson, and the Taft electors for Taft, and, owing to the death of Sherman, were at liberty to vote for any Republican of their choice.

The presidential electors of Louisiana met at Baton Rouge and named Hon. Allen Sholars of Monroe as the messenger who is to carry the electoral vote of Louisiana to Washington under the seal of the State, addressed to the president of the Senate.

On Wednesday, February 12, Lincoln's birthday, the president of the Senate, in the presence of the members of the Senate and the House of Representatives, will open the certificates received from the electors, and the votes will be counted and the result announced formally.

As is known to the people, Wilson and Marshall will be declared to have been elected and will be so declared elected as the President and the Vice President of the United States for the term of four years beginning on March 4 next.

The procedure in the Electoral College is very simple but is no less an emphasis of the strength of this Republic.

During the presidential campaign there were many misgivings expressed as to what would happen if the vote was close and the result were to be left to Congress. Fortunately the majority for the Democratic candidates was decisive, and there was avoided the expected entanglement, but if the election had been thrown into the House of Representatives, each State, regardless of population could have had but one vote, and the majority of the States having pronounced for Wilson and Marshall the strength of the Democratic candidates would not have been affected in the least.

In considering this provision of the Constitution it may be observed that frequently efforts have been directed to a change, but even the suggestion of an election by popular vote direct for president and vice president has failed to enlist serious consideration of an amendment to the Constitution. To secure such a change the consent of three-fourths of the States would have to be obtained and this is scarcely possible. The Fathers of the Republic were wise men indeed. They were endowed with the foresight which must spring from the divine source. After all these years the Constitution is still the bulwark of liberty. Without it a republican form of government would be a mockery and the democracy would have been as a vague and idle dream.

Succession Sale.

No. 16,613—In First District Court, State of Louisiana, Parish of Caddo; Succession of E. M. Martin.

By virtue of a commission to sell to me issued by the Honorable First Judicial District Court of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, I will offer for sale at public auction, at the principal front door of the court house of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, during the legal hours for sales, on

SATURDAY, FEB. 15, 1913.
The following described property in the Parish of Caddo, belonging to the said succession, to-wit: An undivided one-half interest in the north half of lot twenty-three (23) of the J. W. White Subdivision of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, and an undivided four-sixths (4-6) interest in lot sixty (60) of the Shreveport & Stuart Subdivision of the City of Shreveport, La., with all buildings and improvements thereon, said property to be sold for cash and according to law, to pay debts of said succession.

ALICE MARTIN,
Administratrix.

MANY GO DOWN DURING A GALE

Off the Coast of Oregon, Near City of Astoria.

SAILORS ARE THE LOST

Wind of Frightful Velocity Drives the Steamer Rosecrans, Once an Army Transport, on the Rocks, and She is Wrecked.

Leaving marine records strewn with tales of death and disaster, connected with her career, the Rosecrans once a United States army transport, was lost on Peacock Spit just beyond the bar near Astoria, Ore., in a furious gale that drove her on the rocks. Of her crew of thirty-six but three survived, they clinging to a topmast. The Rosecrans cleared from southern California points with a cargo of crude oil for Portland, Ore. She encountered a sixty mile gale as she stood in toward the bar at the mouth of the Columbia river. It is thought her officers lost their bearings and her tanker was hurled on the rocks and pounded to pieces.

AWFUL FATE.

Negro Found in a Lime Kiln Soon a Corpse.

John Haynes, a negro, was found in an unconscious condition inside a lime kiln of F. Michel at Dallas by the latter and for whom he worked. According to Mr. Michel he found the negro lying on top of the brick wall inside of the kiln and about five feet from the top in an unconscious state. Burns were about the face, arms and back, which were caused when the unfortunate man's shirt ignited from the lime in process of making.

Mr. Michel said Haynes had been in his employ about eighteen years and was an experienced and trusted workman. He thinks the negro was overcome by gas and fell down in the kiln. His body lodged on a dividing wall. The kilns are about twelve feet in diameter and the brick dividing wall comes up to about five feet of the top of the kiln. Haynes' body was lying on this dividing wall and close up against the side of the kiln. He died before a physician, summoned promptly arrived.

BOTH ARMS TIED

And Unconscious Girl Found in a Sleeping Car.

Unconscious from the effects of chloroform, Miss Evelyn Stewart of Jacksonville, Fla., was found in a berth of a sleeping car on the Big Four railway at Cincinnati. The train was from Chicago. Both her arms were tied tightly behind her. She was removed to a hospital. Physicians at the hospital declared she must have taken the chloroform voluntarily. Forty-six dollars in money and ticket to Knoxville, Tenn., were found pinned in her hat. Train attendants declared it would have been impossible for anyone to have entered her berth during night and said that all occupants of the car had been accounted for.

Arrested by Girls' Father.

On the technical charge of indecent conduct a man was fined \$10 in Dallas police court for accosting the daughter and stepdaughter of Patrolman Daniels. Young women stated they were returning home from work and at Main and Akard streets the man said to them, "Hello, girls!" Daniels, on duty near by, was informed of the affair. He arrested the individual, after slapping him, saying: "I will teach you not to insult my girls." "I will let you off lightly this time," said Judge O'Donnell, "but you must learn never to accost girls on streets of Dallas again." The man said he mistook the girls for acquaintances.

Former Priest Weds.

Announcement was made at Louisville, Ky., by Mrs. William Layer of the marriage of Florence, her daughter, to Rev. Daniel P. Gallagher, a former assistant in the Roman Catholic Cathedral of the Assumption in that city. Before her marriage the bride was a trained nurse.

Fair Grounds Sold.

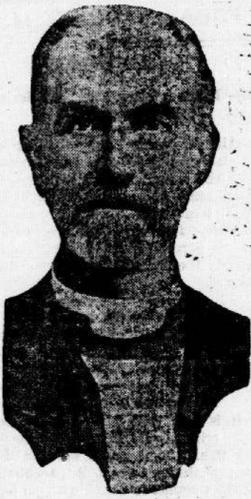
International fair grounds property at San Antonio was sold at public auction in front of the courthouse for \$51,000, being bid in by the First Mortgage Trust company of San Antonio. By this sale title is given to 18.98 acres. In addition, there is some \$5,000 worth of machinery not included in this sale.

Powell Clayton Resigns.

Powell Clayton, Republican national committeeman from Arkansas since 1872, handed in his resignation to National Chairman Hillis. General Clayton is to become a resident of the District of Columbia. His service as a national committeeman is long as on record. His successor will be chosen by the Arkansas state committee.

BISHOP C. T. OLMSTED.

Head of the Episcopal Diocese of Central New York.



SHOT GIRL AND HIMSELF.

Did So Because Young Woman Declined to Marry Man.

John Thomas Jones, a machinist, shot Miss Augusta Matula at Houston twice and then ended his own life by sending a bullet through his forehead.

Miss Matula is an employe of the Harvey eating house at Houston. The first bullet entered her right cheek and came out the left. Second bullet hit a steel corset stay and was diverted, her life thereby being saved.

Jones wrote a letter to Chief of Police Noble telling him what he intended to do, but it was delivered until after the tragedy.

The shooting occurred in the room of the young woman, where Jones had called to escort her to work, as had been his custom, it is said.

Refusal of Miss Matula to marry him is the cause assigned for Jones' acts. She was from Rosenberg and the man is said to have gone to Houston from Cleburne.

CLINKS GLASSES,

Puts Pistol to Forehead, Shoots and Drops a Corpse.

After declaring he would commit suicide so many times that his friends only took his assertions as a joke, a young painter of Bordeaux, France, named Marcelin Ader, carried out his threat in a highly spectacular way.

Inviting his friends to a banquet, Ader warned them that it would be a suicidal affair, and that they would witness his self-destruction.

Believing this another of his jests, is circle of friends, spent a merry evening. But they were horrified when, after dinner, Ader produced a revolver. He said he had no cartridges, and one of his friends, still thinking he was joking, furnished the ammunition. Loading the weapon, the young artist clinked glasses with his guests and putting the revolver to his forehead killed himself.

Eleven men killed and four others seriously hurt were results of the falling of an ancient wall at Rome, Italy, completely burying the victims beneath the ruins.

It is estimated that the damage to the orange and lemon crops in California by the recent blighting frost will amount to over \$30,000,000. It is said one-fifth was probably saved.

Will of the former High Sheriff Griffith Dearden of Northampton, England, requested that his body be buried with that of Pompeii, his dog.

For the first time in her life, Auntie Moran of McKeesport, Pa., who will soon be 102 years old, has just had her picture taken.

Dorothy Beason, a circus girl from Williams, Ark., was jailed at Chicago charged with horse stealing. It is alleged that with her last half dollar she rented a riding horse and rode the animal away.

Charles Van Cent and Pietro Dutto fired five shots at each other at New York, scarred up a lumber pile and broke a window. They fought a duel and were arrested.

Mrs. Bessie Townsend has been appointed city comptroller at Atlantic City, N. J., at a salary of \$1,500 per year. She has charge of \$3,000,000 and the sale of all city bonds.

Chinese robbers shot and killed in the provinces of Sze Chuan, China, the infant son of Rev. J. O. Jolliffe of the Canadian Methodist mission. A party of missionaries were returning by boat to the town of Tseliutien, when the robbers. One of the latter was captured.

Provision is made in the will of the late A. V. Vick of Camden, Tenn., for the building of a home for aged and worn-out Methodist ministers, to be maintained by a 100-acre farm.

MOBILE THEATER BURNS

Fireman Loses His Life and Others Injured.

Fire which started on the stage of the Mobile theater, completely destroying the building, caused the death of Joseph C. Erda, a fireman, and serious injury to two others. Several adjoining buildings were damaged by water principally.

Fire had been burning half an hour before the alarm was turned in, and when the firemen arrived the structure was a mass of flames. A high north wind was blowing and brands were carried to other buildings in the vicinity, which was saved with difficulty. At one time it was thought the entire business section south of Conti street was in danger.

Loss on the theater building and its contents is about \$55,000 and other losses will run the total to \$100,000.

TAX ON AUTO DEALERS

Is Recommended by the State Revenue Agent.

In his biennial report State Revenue Agent E. B. House says there is at present no tax provided for automobile dealers and that a law should be enacted.

Likewise he suggests that numbers of loan agents fail to pay their taxes; that pistol dealers are evading the law requiring the payment of 50 per cent gross receipts tax under a ninety-nine year lease; that the law governing payment of taxes by rural telephone companies should be made more effective. He thinks there should be amendments all along this line.

He also thinks that the circus tax law provides certain inequalities and that a different scale should be arranged. He declares that circuses cannot show in small towns and that smaller circuses are being driven out of the state by the law, and thinks that this condition should be remedied.

CARS TORN UP.

Heavy Steel Frame Construction Saves Loss of Life.

A Santa Fe railway passenger train hit a split switch at a gravel pit one mile south of Gainesville, completely wrecking the train, but no fatalities resulting.

The train consisted of a mail car, a couple of baggage cars, day coach, chair car and sleeper, four being completely demolished, the sleeper alone remaining on the track. The tender was piled up with the wreckage, but the locomotive skidded down the track for 250 yards, the pony trucks preventing it from turning over.

E. W. Claunch, on his first trip as express messenger, was badly hurt, but no other persons injured.

Considerable track was torn up, and but for the heavy steel frame work of the cars, which prevented overturning, many lives might have been lost, as the wreck occurred on the high brink of the railroad gravel pit.

Texas Fire Record.

Within the last two years the state insurance board has received reports of 23,000 fires in the state. Of fires in dwellings, apartment houses, boarding houses and private houses 83.3 per cent were preventable. There were 12,157 fires of other classes, of which 64.3 per cent were preventable.

Billygoat to Bieme.

A belligerent billygoat's lack of respect for the uniform, it is said, was the cause of order issued at Norfolk by Rear Admiral Doyle banishing all pets and mascots from battleships, cruisers and receiving ships at the Norfolk navy yard. Rear Admiral Doyle is supposed to have been inside the uniform when the goat, a mascot aboard the New Hampshire, butted so vigorously that it toppled over on the deck. Billy is now an exile, and with him went other goats, cats, dogs, bears and parrots.

About \$15,000 worth of drugs was burned at Cleburne by a fire which wiped out the stock of Johnson & Simpson, druggists. Except for the drugs the fire did only minor damage. Insurance on the drugs was \$8,000.

One negro was frozen to death on a prairie near Hallettsville and two others were rescued in a serious condition. They were en route to Hallettsville from Edna.

Coming down the aisle of a leading dry goods store at Waco to Lohengrin's Bridal Chorus played on a phonograph and in the presence of 16 persons S. T. Gray and Miss L. Sullivan of Moody were married.

D. M. Simpson, a brakeman, fell in front of a locomotive at Waco and was run over and killed. He slipped on ice.

Ennis is to have a new state bank. All the capital stock of \$50,000 has been paid in.

A couple of railway passenger cars of the Paris and Mount Pleasant road were destroyed by fire at Paris and two empty box cars partly consumed. Fire caught from embers of a stove in a passenger coach.

IN THE REALM OF FASHION

Girl's Party Frock.

This little girl's lace party frock has two founces, the lower sash of pink ribbon passing under the short founce and holding the founce beneath in narrow, straight skirt lines. Both sashes



GIRL'S LACE GOWN.

are of wide ribbon, plaited to a narrow width, the bow being unplaited and in the full width. Enough lace for the little sleeve will be obtained from the top of the founcing, cut off to make the upper founce.

Girl's Rainy Day Gown.

For girls there is a neat and convenient rainy day outfit. It consists of an almost square bag of morocco holding a "Red Riding" cape of waterproofed silk and an attached hood, which may be drawn over a small sized hat to protect its ribbon trimmings. The bag, which is of morocco precisely matching the navy, brown, ocre or dark red silk cloak, is provided with long straps, which fit over the shoulders so that when the cloak is worn its receptacle may be used to protect the schoolbooks from dampness.

Evening Gowns.

A novelty in the gowns or trimming of silver malines lace, charming with apparently simple little velvet gowns. For the evening almost all costumes are in silken or velvet fabrics. Heavy materials are only used in conjunction with silks and velvets. A popular material is soft moire, with wide waves, and also a broche design, all in self tones. It makes up deliciously with lace or fur or both.

MISSSES' GARMENTS FOR THE SPRING

Long Waisted Blouses Are Among the Novelties.

In speaking of advance fashions for young misses the Dry Goods Economist says:

The newest blouses have the belt extending several inches below the waist line. They are difficult to wear, it is true, but tall, slim, smart looking girls can carry these long waisted blouse suits very well.

In addition to long waisted blouses, many modified blouses are being shown. Some of these have a blouse back and the front drawn into a belt. Others have a blouse front and a coat back.

Short coats cut on straight lines, somewhat similar to a man's dinner coat, are also being made up by houses that specialize on high class suits.

The cutaway coat in various forms is to be found in all lines. Some of the more extreme types are made somewhat on the order of an Eton in the front, coming one or two inches below the waist and foggings collars in the back.

While the Norfolk is still seen in popular priced goods, modifications of this style are being brought out by the better class houses. Banded effects are also very prominent in misses' lines. Sometimes the belt effect is seen in the back section only and sometimes only in the front or sides.

The skirts to dressier suits often show a drapery suggestion. Draped overskirts are seen occasionally, but this is the exception and not the rule.

The introduction of plaits is noted in many of the best selling suit skirts, but these are so made that the narrow lines, which continue to be in vogue, are preserved.

A favorite model for young girls is the skirt with slight shirring in the back caught together with a narrow belt.

A Popular Hat.

The beret hat continues to please many followers of fashion. A pretty model was fashioned of cream plush and trimmed with an orange sash.

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Sheriff's Sale.

No. 16,643—In the First Judicial District Court of Caddo Parish, La.: H. C. Geyer vs. Hazel & Pruitt.

By virtue of a writ of seizure and sale to me directed from the Honorable First Judicial District Court of Caddo Parish, La., in the above numbered and entitled suit, I have seized and will offer for sale at the principal front door of the court house of Caddo Parish, La., for cash and without the benefit of appraisement, during the legal hours for sales, on

SATURDAY, JAN. 18, 1913.

Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, of block 11 of the Queensborough Annex Subdivision of the City of Shreveport, La., as per map in book 50, page 20, of the records of Caddo Parish, La., with the buildings and improvements thereon. Said property seized as belonging to the within named defendants, and to be sold to pay and satisfy the debt as specified in said writ, say in the sum of \$900.00 with 8 per cent per annum interest thereon from November 1, 1912, until paid, and all costs of this suit, as well as ten per cent on said principal and interest, as attorney's fees.

J. P. FLOURNOY,
Sheriff, ex-Officio Auctioneer,
Caucasian, December 15, 1912.

Sheriff's Sale.

No. 16,602—In the First Judicial District Court of Caddo Parish, La.: Shreveport Mutual Building Association vs. Wm. C. Butler.

By virtue of a writ of fieri facias to me directed from the Honorable First Judicial District Court of Caddo Parish, La., in the above numbered and entitled suit, I have seized and will offer for sale at public auction for cash and without the benefit of appraisement, during the legal hours for sales, at the principal front door of the court house of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, on

SATURDAY, JAN. 25, 1913.

Lot four of the T. B. Jordan Subdivision of the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, La., as per map in book 24, page 537, of the records of Caddo Parish, La., together with all the buildings and improvements thereon. Said property seized as belonging to the above named defendant and to be sold for cash without the benefit of appraisement, to pay and satisfy the debt as specified in said writ, say in the sum of ten

hundred and sixty-five dollars, with

8 per cent per annum interest thereon from the 9th day of December 1911, until paid, and 5 per cent attorney's fees on said principal and interest, and the further sum of \$11.40 with 5 per cent as attorney's fees of said principal, and all costs of this suit.
J. P. FLOURNOY,
Sheriff, ex-Officio Auctioneer,
Caucasian, December 22, 1912.

Succession Sale.

No. 16,625—In the First Judicial District Court of Louisiana: Succession of John E. Stewart.

By virtue of a commission issued to me by the First Judicial District Court of the State of Louisiana, I will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, according to law, for the purpose of paying debts, on

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1913.

At the court house door, in the City of Shreveport, the following property belonging to said succession: The southeast quarter and the east half of east half of southwest quarter of section 12, and southwest quarter of southwest quarter and east half of northwest quarter of southwest quarter, and ten (10) acres off the northeast quarter of southwest quarter of section 12, township 23, range 16 west, of Caddo Parish, La., together with all the buildings and improvements thereon, containing two hundred and eighty (280) acres, more or less.

A. C. STEWART,
Administrator,
Caucasian, January 7, 1913.

Estray Notice.

Taken up by A. C. Pickens one mile east of LeRosen Station and estrayed before me, the undersigned authority, one red heifer, 8 months old, with white spot in face, also a white spot in each flank; no mark visible brand. The owner will come forward, prove property and pay charges, or the heifer will be sold at the residence of R. C. Pickens according to law on the 28th of January 1913, at 10 o'clock a.m.

J. F. HENDERSON,
Justice of the Peace, Seventh Ward of Caddo Parish, Louisiana,
Caucasian, December 26, 1912.

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