Second Edition

ST. JAMES CHURCH

A church with a history dating back over one hundred years and with over 1200 membership and rapidly increasing in membership is St. James Episcopal Church, over which Rev. Royal K. Tucker at present presides as priest and rector. Like all churches of Baton Rouge during the early days of American occupancy St. James Church had a rather precarious existence.

In the year 1819 several citizens of Baton Rouge banded together to secure for themselves and families the services of the Episcopal Church but as an ordained priest could not be had a lay leader, a Mr. Jamison, was enlisted in the cause and officiated during some two or three years.

In the year 1820 an act of incorporation was granted by the State legislature under the title of "The Episcopal Congregation of Baton Rouge," but as services were very irregular the small congregation became discouraged and the charter expired by limitation and the church as such ceased for a time.

From 1823 to 1840 there were neither priests nor regular ministrations but during 1940 the Rev. William B. Lacey, (father of Lawyer Lacey who perished when the steamer Princess was destroyed by fire), President of the Baton Rouge College, held services in the old court house which has just been demolished.

In 1840 General Zachary Taylor came here as commander of the department of the South accompanied by his family where for the first time a suitable chapel was provided in the garrison by Mrs. Taylor and from that time St. James Church has not been without a suitable place of worship. On January 20, 1943 Rev. Leonidas Polk, bishop of Louisiana, (later lieutenant-general in the army of the Confederacy and killed during the Sherman campaign near Kennesaw Mountain) paid an official visit to administer confirmation to five candidates at which time a parochiel organization was formed and a meeting called to elect a vestry. A petition for a charter was again granted by the legislature under the title of St. James Church."

In 1844 two lots of ground at the corner of Church and Convention streets were purchased and the church building preceding the present one erected and on April 26, 1846 the first service was held therein.

During the Civil War services were temporarily suspended but at the close the faithful few rallied to bring back that condition of material and spiritual welfare enjoyed previous to the fatricidal strife.

When the dove of peace hovered over this community once again in 1867, Rev. John Philsen assumed charge of the parish and from that date the church has grown steadily in membership and communicants and at the same time provided a more commodious and handsome church building which stands today a monument to the loyalty and devotion of the membership of St. Jomes congregation at the corner of Church and Convention streets on the site of the first permanent church building demolished to moke room for that of today.

Since that date the congregation has steadily grown to its present membership of over 1200, with 700 communicants.

Many beautiful memorials enrich the very churchly appearance of the interior, chief among which are the three Tiffany windows in the chancel and the hand-carved panels of the sancturary made by Rev. Jospeh L. Tucker while recfor of the church.

The need of a parish hall to house the many parochial activties, having become imperative the congregation purchased a new rectory on Florida street last year in order that the old rectory might be used for that purpose..

Among names appearing in the records of St. James Church are several who assisted in wresting the territory of West Florida from the King of Spain and of the first officers of this city and parish.

Historically connected with Baton Rouge also were such citizens as John Reid, C. R. French, Wright Converse, Geo. Steer, William Wikoff, Adam Winthrop, who were among the leading and most patriotic citizens during the first years of the American regime.

Those priests who have labored for the spiritual advancement of the parish from its organization to the present are the Rev. W. R. Lacey, (alternating with his co-laborer) 1840-41; Rev. R. H. Ranney, 1840-45; Rev. A. H. Lamon, 1845-46; Rev. John Burke, 1846-49; Rev. G. H. Linebaugh, 1849-52; Rev. J. S. Chadbourne, 1852-53, who died of yellow fever; Rev. Edward C. Benson, 1853-54; Rev. Elijah Guion, 1854-60; Rev. John Gierlow, 1867; Rev. Henry N. Strong, 1868-76; Rev. Charles Stewart, 1878-79; Rev. Charles Goodrich, 1979-86; Rev. T. B. R. Trader, summer 1880; Rev. Fred S. De Mattos, 188689; Rev. J. J. Cornish, 1889-97; 1898 Rev. Mr. Tarrut and the Rev. Mr. Roehl as supplies during vacancy of rectorship; Rev. Wilmer Gresham, 1898-1900; Rev. Dr. J. L. Tucker, 1900-06; Rev. J. Louis Tucker, 1906-09; Rev. Dr. H. K. Brouse, rector pro-tem during v acancy; Rev. J. Gilmer Buskie, 1910; Rev. Royal Tucker, 1919—

ROSELAWN MEMORIAL PARK.

The Roselawn Memorial Park which is being laid out on Greenwell Springs Road about a half mile from the city limits, promises to be one of the most picturesque and beautiful spots in Louisian.

The modern burial park will feature the latest methods of landscape architecture with beautiful lawns, shrubbery, winding road ways, flowers and nothing will be left undone by the promoters to have this "silent city of the dead" a peaceful resting place. Here the murmer of the fountain will be heard and the mocking bird will sing its sweetest song, as the breeze blows gently upon this sacred spot. There will be nothing morbid about the Memorial Park.

A beautiful entrance will be one of the features of this artistic place. At the further end will be a modern chapel where funeral ceremonies can be held. A creek will pass before chapel spanned by an artistically designed bridge and wind about the grounds.

This park is in the hands of The American Park Builders, of Chicago, and the officers of this Memorial Park are among our most substantial business men, the officers being, A. Grouchy, Jr., G. P. McNeel, J. A. Deoug, C. M. Downs. The sales manager is Mr. H. H. Muma with offices 343 Florida St.

Reservations are being made now and it would be well to select the choicest lots now as perpetual care will be given to keep up the beauty of Roselawn Memorial Park.

A GREATER HOTEL

Women it must be admitted, take as lively interest in the upbuilding and beautifying of this city as do the most progressive male citizens and it is therefore with pleasure Woman's Enterprise greets the proposal of Mr. A. C. Glassell to erect a modern up to date hotel of sufficient housing capacity to meet the demands of the times; to furnish ample accommodation to the very large and steadily growing number of visitors daily arriving. True, the proposition is made with the understanding that a bonus be granted the owner in order to secure him against loss while awaiting such patronage as to make the hotel self supporting and to secure that bonus a unmber of gentlemen deeply interested in our city are giving much of their valuable time and large personal subscriptions. Whether the object for which they are laboring is accomplished or not, these gentlemen are entitled to the gratitude of every person endowed with the least civic pride.

That we have excellent well conducted hotels none will gainsay, but none are of housing capacity sufficient for the accommodation of the unusually large number of persons called here from time to time and not infrequently the "standing room only" sign is displayed. During State conventions and legislative sessions it becomes necessary for the Chamber of Commerce to call upon owners of private homes to meet the demands for quarters for those hotels cannot house and it frequently happens that persons having business with state departments during legislative sessions are compelled to leave on evening trains to find shelter elsewhere and there is not a session of the legislature that complaints are not heard of our lack of hotel facilities.

Of all civic improvements contemplated none are needed more than a hotel of a handsome style of architecture and of ample size for the comfortable accommodation of a large number of guests and that is just what Mr. Glassell proposes to build if our people feel interested enough in the undertaking. Not only would such a hotel be a credit to the community but would most undoubtedly enhance the value of property throughout a greater portion of the city and would be an ornament to the city and stifle the everlasting complaint of vistors of the lack of accommodation in Baton Rouge.

Our people are greatly elated and most enthusiastic over the establishment of the Greater Agricultural College and civic pride is aroused over the prospect of a hotel worthy of a Capital City and they will undoubtedly contribute to the extent of their ability towards securing a greater and more imposing hotel, one made necessary by the municipal growth and rapidly and steadily increasing stream of visitors.

All persons who are financially able to do so should aid the public spirited citizens engaged in securing the bonus demanded. Each and every citizen is best judge for his or her financial ability to assist this worthy and greatly needed enterprise, but all who can do so should assist promptly and cheerfully. If our people are wise they will rally to the assistance of the progressive citizens who have started out in the campaign for a Greater Hotel and these gentlemen are numbered among the leading and most public spirited of our citizens as the following names bear testimony:

Mr. Joseph Gebelin, chairman; H. L. Cohn, Welsh & Levy, Solon Farrnbacher, Farrnbacher's Dry Goods Co., C. P. Manship, State-Times, Col A. T. Prescot.

The following gentlemen have been named as a result of the mass meeting at the City Hall: C. J. Brown, President of the Kiwanis Club; T. L. Small, President of the Rotary Club; Jim Amiss, Knox & Amiss; Frank Flemming, Holmes & Barnes, G. C. Everett and A. T. McGuire, which constitutes the Hotel committee at the present time.

STORY HOUR FOR CHILDREN.

The usual story telling will take place this afternoon at the Woman's Club House from 5 to 6 o'clock. A delightful program will be presented and an enjoyable time is promised all who attend. These affairs are particularly enjoyable to the children but grown-ups are also invited to attend.

TO ENTERTAIN.

Mrs. Joe Ramirez will entertain this afternoon with a bridge party at her home on the Jefferson Highway, at 5 o'clock, complimentary to her sister, Mrs. J. A. Marsdon, of St. Louis.

"Letters of credit," according to Sonia Serova, "are I. O. U."

WOMAN'S ENTERPRISE BECOMING WELL KNOWN

Young Lady from Far Away Washington Writes to Editor of this New Paper.

The publisher of the Woman's Enterprise has received many letters of congratulation from this state and others on the publication of a paper devoted to the interests of women.

The following is an excerpt from a letter received from a young lady in Washington, D. C.:

"I enclose a clipping from the New Orleans Picayune of Aug. 7th. I write to ask if there is a vacancy in the staff of the Woman's Enterprise that I might fill. I am a graduate of the School of Journalism of the University of Missouri and had five years' experience on the Duluth Herald. I came to Washington, etc." Don't be horrified at the mention of Duluth and Washington, for I am not a Yankee, but a middle Tennesseean and am most desirous of getting back South, so if there is an opportunity for me to join the staff of your new publication, please let me know."

THE PHILISTORIA CLUB.

(By Mrs. Howell Morgan).)

One of th oldest and best known of the Women's Clubs of Baton Rouge is the Philistoria, which was organized in 1906, federated in 1907, and which ever since has exerted a far reaching influence for education, refinement and culture. Its membership is confied to twenty-five active members, a few nonresident members who have been active, but who have removed from Baton Rouge; and the Governor's wife who is a member by courtesy.

As the name of this club implies, these women are lovers of history and cure pledges from business men and learning, and their study is principally history, though their bi-weekly programs are enlivened and enriched by selections from the literature, drama and art of the country forming the subject of the years' study. For the past four years Ireland has been the subject. However, the work of the club was discontinued for two years during the war, and its members were amongst the foremost in Red Cross activities, so only two years of real work were devoted to this little country which is giving the world so much concern today.

The following subjects have been studied, which will give the reader an idea of the earnestness and sincerity which characterize the work of the Philistoria: Louisiana History, Settlement of Original Thirteen States, Our Republic, Shakespeare, The German Empire, The Bible as History and Litrature, Russia, Modern Russia, Ireland.

The year books are already out for next year, "France from the Revolution to the Present Time," being the period to be studied.

The following ladies were the first officers of the club: President, Miss Mattie B. McGrath; Vice President, Miss Katherine Hill; Secretary, Mrs. R. L. Goyer; Treasurer, Mrs. E. L. Woodside. Since then these well known ladies have served as President of this mo excellent organization and in every instance the gavel has sounded for strict parliamentary law and order. In passing, it may be interesting to know that this same little gavel is made from a piece of the wood taken from the pew in Hermitage Church in 1823, occupied by Andrew Jackson and presented to the club by Mrs. Ella Knox Connell: Miss Mattie B. McGrath, Mrs. C. H. Stumberg, Mrs. A. M. Herget, Mrs. T. D. Boyd, Miss Katherine Hill, Mrs. R. L. Himes, Mrs. W. S. Holmes, Mrs. Horace Wilkinson, Mrs. E. L. Woodside, Mrs. I. D. Wall, Mrs. S. T. Sanders, Mrs. Anthony Doherty, Mrs. A. G. Reed. Mrs. Howell Morgan is now President and Mrs. W. S. Payne has been elected to take the office at the first meeting in October when the Philistoria begins its new year's work.

Philistoria has not neglected philanthropic work for it has contributed liberally towards several worthy causes. It has paid yearly donations towards the maintenance and college education of a poor girl, ad contributed towards prison reform work, and has paid its allotment for the endowment fund of the general federation of clubs.

The present personnel of the Philistoria is composed of the following ladies: Mrs. T. W. Atkinson, Mrs. C. M. Brooks, Mrs. Walter Bynum, Mrs. W. R. Dodson,, Mrs. A. Doherty, Mrs. B. E. Eskridge, Mrs. F. C. Gladney, Mrs. Leo M. Favrot, Mrs. D. V. Guthrie, Mrs. T. M. Harris, Mrs. A. M. Herget, Miss Katherine Hill, Mrs. R. L. Himes, Mrs. W. S. Holmes, Mrs. J. G. Lee, Mrs. Howell Morgan, Mrs. L. E. Morgan, Mrs. I. C. Nichols, Mrs. W. S. Payne, Mrs. W. R. Perkins, Mrs. J. L. Pillow, Mrs. A. G. Reed, Mrs. C. H. Stumberg, Mrs. I. D. Wall, Mrs. J. G. Woodside.

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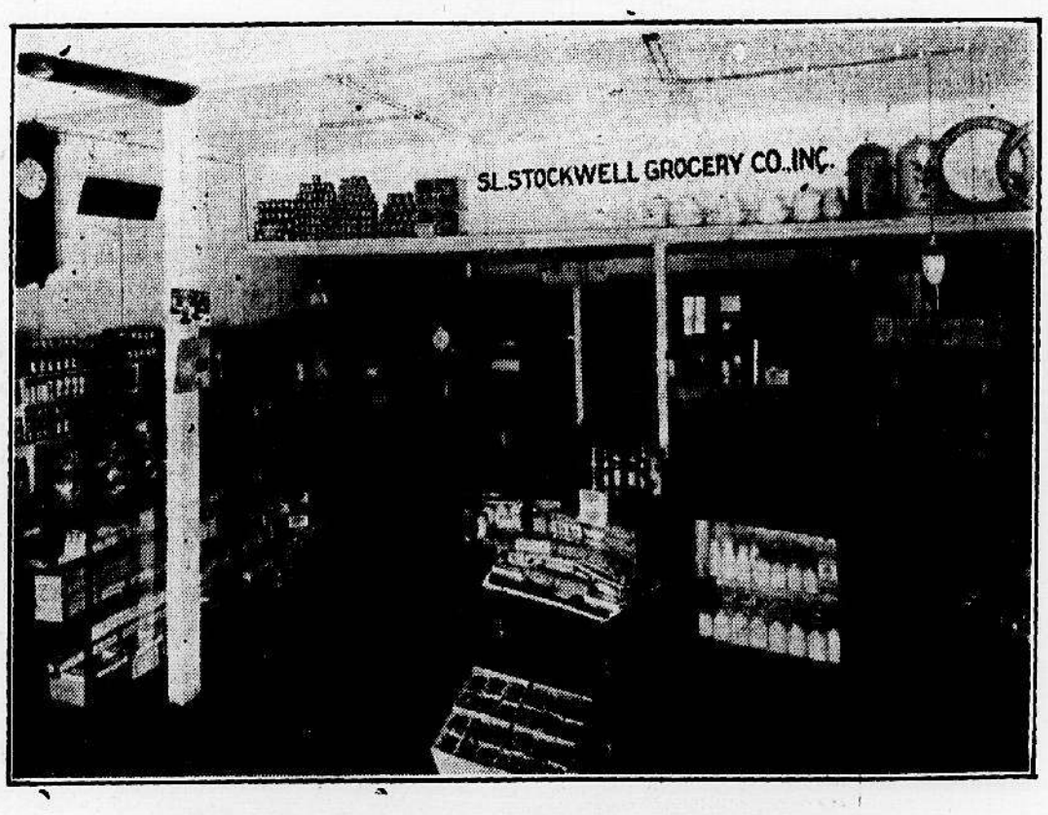

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