

ABBEVILLE PROGRESS

Devoted to the Interests of Abbeville and Surrounding Community.
Abbeville, Vermilion Parish, La., Saturday, March 8, 1913.

Meeting of the City Council Was Interesting---Important Measures

The city council met in regular session Monday night with the mayor and all the members present, the meeting being held at the office of the mayor, on State street. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. No report was received from the chief of police, L. Duteil, Night Police Guirdy, the city treasurer, or manager or bookkeeper of the water and light plant.

Constable T. Elmer presented the council with his report, which showed that a total of \$27.50 had been collected in fines. An ordinance was then adopted accepting the sidewalks, which are being put down by J. B. Silver & Son. After the passing of the sidewalk ordinance, bills were approved and ordered paid.

It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried that the town of Abbeville shall file all bills approved for the account of the street and bridge and issue warrants on the regular form to be countersigned by the mayor of the town in payment thereof, as in the case of all other warrants, and that all claims against the said street and bridge hereafter shall be approved and paid only on warrants issued as above directed.

The report of the city attorney, R. J. LaBauve, was received, showing that he had complied with instructions, and that he had purchased a strip of land 26 feet in width, the full length from Louisiana street to East street, for the sum of \$225, and a balance of \$25 from the appropriation was returned and was ordered turned over to the treasurer. The council approved the attorney's action and ordered the report filed with the record.

Acting upon a communication from the sidewalk contractors, J. B. Silver & Son, regarding the payments of sidewalk assessments, the council ordered that the communication be handed to the city attorney, and that he take the necessary and proper steps in the premises, and to enforce the payment of delinquent property owners, as may appear from the record by the secretary. The motion being duly seconded and unanimously carried.

Bids were opened and read for the painting and scraping of the water tower and oil tank, being

two, one from Gabriel LaBauve for \$250, and the other from Frank Taylor for \$125. The bid of Frank Taylor, being the lowest, was accepted.

It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried, that all parties building warehouse or remodeling old buildings within the fire limits of the city be notified to cease said improvements and the said warehouses erected in violation of the law be removed and the city attorney was authorized to take the necessary steps to enforce the ordinance.

If it was also ordered by the council that the chief of police again call to the attention of the parties who have failed to comply with the ordinance regulating the installation of sanitary closets, etc., and connection with the sewerage system, and in the event of further continued failure of any party or parties to comply with the ordinance, to arrest such offenders and bring them before the mayor's court, to be punished in accordance with the ordinance covering the same. The motion being duly seconded and carried unanimously.

Gueydan Notes.

Mr. and Mrs. Con. Shuckrow, who have been running the Vermilion Hotel for a number of years, are making preparations to leave our little city sometime this month. They go to Missouri, where they have bought a nice little country home. Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Moreland will take charge of the hotel.

The Rebecca gave an oyster supper on Saturday night at the I. O. O. F. hall. They took in the neat little sum of \$25.

Mrs. Carrie Pipes moved to Crowley last week, and will make her future home at that place.

The Gueydan Athletic Club is preparing to build a wall around the ball park.

Mrs. S. D. Rowe, the up to date milliner, has moved in her new building, near the butcher shop on Main street.

J. R. Fletcher, the mail carrier, says that the roads to Florence are in good condition.

The farmers of Florence are getting along nicely with their marsh farms.

Men Who Succeed.

The men whom I have seen succeed best in life have always been cheerful and hopeful men, who went about their business with a smile on their faces, and took the changes and chances of this life like men, facing rough and smooth alike as it came.—Charles Kingsley.

Started on Opera House.

Summa Caldwell, contractor, is now busily engaged in the erection of an up to date building on the lot owned by J. G. LeBlanc, the affable cashier of the First National Bank, which will attest to the steady progress of our town. We are informed the building will be used for opera house and will be another monument of the skill of our congenial contractor, Summa Caldwell.

Alas, Yes!

"Oh, Mr. Titewadd, do you know, I passed by a candy store yesterday, and actually didn't go in." "How unlike you—I thought you said once you invariably turned in?" "Why, don't you remember? You were with me."

Confederate Veterans Meet.

The Confederate Veterans met here last Saturday evening pursuant to a call from General Schaffer. The purpose of the meeting was to plan to assist General Schaffer to revise the rolls of the Confederate Veterans, the local veterans to look after those of this parish. It seems as though there are some names of persons on the rolls who are dead, some who have been dropped, and other things that they will investigate.

They will meet again on the 15th and endeavor to complete this work. W. D. Gooch being commander, and J. T. Labit adjutant.

Farmers Busy Planting.

The people of the country are still busy planting, having had two weeks of ideal weather in which time they have been trying to catch up with the time that has been lost, due to the rainy weather. One by one they are finishing with their planting and in a short time they may feel at ease once more, for it certainly was really gloomy looking weather to those who had nothing planted. Now it seems that the prospects for good crops are fine. The seed came was in the best of condition, in fact better than it has been for several years. There is quite a varied crop this year, as many farmers who have not tried to raise cotton for several years, are putting in a crop this year. We sincerely hope that they will have a successful crop, for they are certainly deserving of success.

Bank of Abbeville.

Report furnished to the State Examiner of Banks by the above bank at the close of business on February 25th, 1913.

RESOURCES table with columns for Demand loans, Loans secured by mortgage, Other loans and discounts, etc.

LIABILITIES table with columns for Capital stock paid in, Surplus, Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid, etc.

State of Louisiana, Parish of Vermilion. I, L. O. BROUSSARD, president, and J. O. A. BROUSSARD, cashier, of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Peoples Bank & Trust Co. Located at Abbeville, La. Parish of Vermilion. Report furnished to the State Examiner of Banks by the above bank at the close of business on February 25th, 1913.

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State of Louisiana, Parish of Vermilion. I, F. M. STEBBINS, president, and J. C. BROUSSARD, cashier, of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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Hunting and Fishing Dates.

We give here some of the dates of the closed season in which the following game cannot be killed:

March 1---Doves, Quail, Rails, Geese and Ducks of all kinds except Teal.

April 1---Teal, Snipe, Sandpiper, Papabote and Cherook.

That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to sell, offer for sale or have in possession for sale, any game birds after the first day of March of any year until the opening dates of the fall season or keep in cold storage either for himself or others.

That seining in fresh water streams, lakes and drainage canals is prohibited except that the conservation commission may grant permits to seine for fish such as Buffalo and Catfish in waters west of the Mississippi river within 70 miles of salt water.

Setting of nets of any kind in any stream is also prohibited.

Buffalo fish from Feb. 15 to April 15, and any species of Catfish from May 15 to July 15.

That it shall be unlawful for any person to sell, exchange or have in possession for sale any Green Trout, Sacalait or any species of Perch and Sunfish, taken within the boundaries of this state.

* Any persons violating the game and fish law will be prosecuted.

New Fraternal Order.

Upon Feb. 24th there was born in this city a social and fraternal order to be known as the "Crawfish Club," regularly organized with a full quota of officers and a treasury.

The main purpose of this order is to be the exploitation of the backward, but oh, so sweet, or, as scientists know them, Crayfish.

Other orders there are that exploit various animals and birds, such as the Moose, Elks, Otters, Beavers, Eagles, Owls, Buffaloes, Lambs, etc. Things that are in many cases confined to only certain regions.

But the members will endeavor to engrave upon the tablets of time a name that heretofore has seemingly escaped attention, possibly being considered too lowly. They have seen and felt the many good points of this humble creature.

They have seen how they stick together, how they endeavor to back out of trouble, how they cautiously feel their way, how they fight for their rights, but when the time comes for the sacrifice, how they give up their small lives without a word that others might live.

All of which many humans could emulate and which this organization will endeavor to do, thereby endeavoring to consecrate the name of "Crawfish."

The crawfish is found spread over the entire universe and such is the ultimate intent of this order. Mighty oaks from small acorns grow.

To keep this band together and in harmony and good spirits it is the intention of this order through different members to have weekly outings throughout the season to gather in their name sakes and have them attend banquets given in their honor and for their mutual benefit and at which banquets there will be flows of reason and feast of soul.

And in order that it will not be construed as a selfish order it is intended to have the lady members of families of the members present at these feasts from time to time, because we all know that God made man first, than made woman directly after him. And by the way, she has been after him ever since.

The officers of the order are: Claude Broussard, High Right Claw; Avery Theall, High Left Claw; A. G. Nauck, Trailer; and R. J. LaBauve, Feeler.

So lets take one to the health and success of the Order of Crawfish. Long may they live and happy may they be.

Financial Explanation.

"Well, sir," cried Mr. Richpon, "what does this mean? My daughter sitting on your lap, sir?" "Why, yes, Mr. Richpon," said Waggley. "You see, sir, I have just suggested a consolidation of our interests, and I have undertaken to act as a holding company until the merger is completed according to established forms."—Harper's Weekly.

Visit Parish Schools.

J. O. Broussard, president of the school board, and Prof. A. M. Smith, superintendent of education, made a tour of the schools of the parish Thursday of this week. We understand this is the first visit to the schools since Mr. Broussard's election as president of the Vermilion Parish School Board, and we anticipate a continued steady development in the work of education in our parish under the able and efficient service secured in the co-operation of President Broussard and Supt. Smith.

Make Your Vote in Favor of Tax for Electric Railway---Monday, 10

Shall we vote for a tax for the Louisiana Traction and Power Co. for a direct line to Lafayette, bringing to us the immediate trade, products, and in contact with the fertile regions along our Vermilion river, a trade that now does not come to us on account of the bad roads and the consequent loss of time to visit our city.

The Louisiana Traction & Power Company, if a right of way of fifty feet can be secured along the proposed route, will open drains alongside its track connecting with the river, draining this section; and not only so, but will assist in establishing a model road on the same right of way, directly into Lafayette and agrees to pay half of the up-keep of same. Will this be of any benefit to our farmers who can now hardly get their cotton and cane to the gins and refineries on account of the poor roads? We think so; and not them only, but to automobile owners this would be a great boon; additionally to the farmer, who is being delayed with some important work on account of the time now required to secure needed repairs for his tools, harvesters, or whatever the emergency; just to waive to an approaching car, get on board and speed away on the wing of a bird, secure his needs and return home in so short a time, that expenses that now amount to many dollars to him in delay of men whom he cannot afford to let go, for when gone they are hard to secure again, especially in our busy harvest season, are reduced to practical nothing, back at home, repairs and the work progressing; with a car in one day than our taxes would be to this company. Besides our boys and girls are now denied the advantages of our town schools on account of the distances they live from them, by the aid of these cars they can go to the graded town schools in the morning and return in the afternoon, thus being given the same advantages our town sons and daughters enjoy.

Shall we vote for the tax for the Louisiana Traction & Power Co.? The answer, to us, seems self evident. We should, and will. We want the opportunities it will bring us. We must, we will have them. Let us go out to the polls on the date of the election and gladly welcome this hand of progress into our vicinity.

How About the Music?

Well, well! Is it really going to happen that we are to see Abbeville go through the summer without it, or will somebody please start the thing going. If it is once started and given the proper encouragement there is no doubt but what we could all enjoy it, and be proud of it. Of course we will have to sound the first note, it seems. So here goes; We must have that concert band this summer, and it is high time to be making that move. What do you say? Are you ready? Then brace up and speak out.

Lafayette Advertiser: The Abbeville Progress is the name of a new paper started at Abbeville with J. W. O'Bryan as proprietor. It is well printed full of local news and interesting reading matter, and quite a credit to its publisher. We wish Mr. O'Bryan much success.

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