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CITY PRIMARY TO BE HELD FEBRUARY 24TH

Chairman Dromgoole Announces the Date for Holding White Man's City Primary.

Mr. J. A. Dromgoole, chairman for the city white man's primary, has set Tuesday, February 24th, as the day for the city white man's primary to select candidates for city offices at the regular city election in April. The chairman has appointed Mr. W. E. Davis as judge of the election with power to appoint two clerks to assist in holding the primary. The calling of the primary at an early date is done in the endeavor to eliminate a long campaign, and in order that the candidates not being chosen will have sufficient time at the first of the year to make their further business arrangements for the year. The early primary, so far as we have been able to learn, meets with the approval of all the candidates, and to our certain knowledge it meets with the approval of the people. Mr. E. L. Mooney, candidate for mayor, in speaking on the subject, says that he heartily favors the early primary. It gives all candidates sufficient time to make the campaign, and at the same time brings about an early result.

NEW COMMISSIONER

IMPROVING STREETS

All Streets of the City to be Put in First Class Condition. Results Now in Evidence.

Mr. J. J. Shever, the city's new street commissioner, is going about the work in a manner that proves he understands his business. Eagle Lake has long been in need of a special street commissioner, who will give his whole time to street work. Street improvements made and then not kept up, are not much better than no improvements at all, and just that much money wasted. The city council has looked at the matter in just this same light, and has employed Mr. Shever for all of his time to take care of this work. Mr. Shever states that within six months from now he will have the streets of Eagle Lake in pretty fair condition. There is plenty of room for improvement.

THE POLITICAL POT STARTS BOILING

Primary to be Held Next Month. Mayor, Two Aldermen and Marshal to be Chosen.

At the city election to be held here in April there are to be elected a mayor, a city marshal and two aldermen. Mr. P. P. Putney, who has served the city well in the capacity of mayor the past term, is not a candidate for re-election, he finding that the office requires more time from his business than he is able to give it, and rather than not give the office the full attention it deserves, he has decided not to offer for re-election. So far, there is but one candidate for mayor, Mr. E. L. Mooney. There are to date, two candidates for marshal, N. W. Callison and H. S. Vineyard. It is rumored, that there will yet be other candidates to enter the marshal's race. The retiring aldermen are W. E. Lenhart and H. E. Carey. Both have been splendid officers, and have done good work for the city. Mr. Lenhart, in speaking with a representative of the Headlight this week, stated emphatically that he was not a candidate for re-election, he not having the time to give to the office. Mr. Carey is a candidate to succeed himself, his announcement being printed in today's issue of the Headlight. A number of citizens have spoken

O. McCarty becoming a candidate to succeed Mr. Lenhart. We have not heard from him on the subject and have but little idea that he will seek the office, but should he become a member of the city council, we believe he will make the city a splendid official. As president of the school board, he has given his time and attention to the office, and should he be elected as a member of the city council, we believe he would continue this same policy as an alderman.

Miss Alice Tindall of Nacogdoches has arrived in the city to take a position as nurse-in-charge at the Fitzger and Sanitarium, the former nurse, Miss Alberta Pfenniger, having resigned. Miss Pfenniger is spending the week with Mrs. E. M. Balke in Lissie.

Mrs. J. G. MacGregor of Houston visited friends in the city this week.

TWO NEGROES KILLED IN SHOOTING AFFRAY

Jenkins Tryal and Lilabel Whitby Killed in Shooting Scrape at Bonus Saturday Night.

A shooting scrape in which a man and a woman were killed and another man wounded, all negroes, took place at Bonus last Saturday night between ten and eleven o'clock. The dead man is Jenkins Tryal, the woman Lilabel Whitby, and the wounded negro Other Carter. Another negro man had the tail of his coat torn away by a charge of shot from a shotgun in the battle. The difficulty started at the dance hall near the saloon at Bonus, where Lilabel Whitby was one of the dancers. Will Whitby appeared at the dance hall and requested that his wife, Lilabel, leave the dance hall. This she refused to do and a quarrel was the result. Jenkins Tryal took the part of the woman in the quarrel and with him, accompanied by Other Carter and another negro, the woman left, going in the direction of the Rogers & Johnson farm. When about a half mile from Bonus they were again met by Whitby. The quarrel was renewed and it is stated that Jenkins Tryal advanced on Whitby with a knife when Whitby fired on him with a shot gun, killing him instantly. Other Carter was shot in the hip and the

off. Dock Boyd, another negro in the party, returned the fire on Whitby, but missed his target and killed Lilabel Whitby, which is said to have been an accidental killing. The shooting took place in the road, in which the negroes were walking, the bodies of Jenkins Tryal and Lilabel Whitby lying in the road where they fell until Sunday morning. Whitby and Boyd were both arrested and taken to jail in Wharton.

FARMERS HAVE NOW RESUMED PLOWING

Fair Weather of Past Two Weeks Has Enabled Many Farmers to Resume Operations.

With the past two weeks of pretty, bright sunny weather, the farmers are going to work with a vim. Plowing is now being rushed in all the fields that have dried out sufficiently. Many of the low land farms are yet too soft to work, but another week of pretty weather will put practically all of the farming lands in condition for plowing. Through the overflow section the farmers are rapidly turning over the land, turning under the three to four inches of rich deposit left by the overflow, which is going to be a splendid fertilizer to the land. Through the bottom section the farmers are rapidly replacing the fences and repairing the houses which were damaged by the floods. The farmers are looking forward to fine crops this year owing to the splendid season in the ground, and in a few more weeks, if the weather remains favorably, the farmers will be well up with their farm work, and will begin to feel better.

CITY PARK BADLY IN NEED OF WORK

Up to City Council to Improve the City's "Beauty Spot."—Now is the Proper Time.

This is tree planting time, and the city council should look into the matter of improving the city park. It is an awful eye-sore in its present condition. Wake up, gentlemen, of the city council, and spend about fifteen cents in improving the park, and do not let another season go by without making some improvements over in the park. Every person that comes to Eagle Lake is given a good look at our "handsomely" kept park, which is anything but an advertisement to our city. Fix it up, or turn the matter over to a committee of business men and give them authority to make a few repairs, set out a few trees, plant a few rose bushes and shrubs.

COMPLAINTS MADE TO CITY COUNCIL

Air Rifles in Hands of Small Boys Nature of Complaints Made to the City Dads.

Alderman C. H. Brosig informs us that at the meeting of the city council held Tuesday, complaints were handed in of small boys shooting out the electric lights

COTTON ROWS OF '89 ARE VISIBLE

Recent Overflow Washes Away Dirt, Exposing Old Six-Foot Cotton Rows.

A rather peculiar coincidence connected with the recent overflow reveals the fact that some of the old cotton rows made in the year of 1869 are again visible on some of the farms. On the C. M. Womack plantation, the overflow of '89 left a sandy deposit over some of the farm land, covering this land to a depth of about three feet. The recent overflow washed off this sandy deposit, down to the original soil, the two soils having not mixed in all these years, and today the old six foot cotton rows can be plainly seen, the rows that were made in cultivation of the 1869 cotton crop, in those days it being the custom of the farmers to plant in six-foot rows. The soil which covered these rows that can now be seen, has been in constant cultivation for forty-four years.

that we give warning through the Headlight, for the council is requesting the city marshal to look carefully into this matter and make arrests wherever offenses are found. Parents of boys owning air guns should warn them, before they are called on to pay some fines that are surely going to be assessed against a lot of them. Alderman Brosig asks the air gun boys of the town.

FUTURE SUPPORT

Statistics show that only six per cent of all workers have enough money at the age of sixty-five to support themselves with.

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