

St. Tammany Farmer

April 13, 1907.

Why the Work is Not Going On.

We notice in this week's issue of the News an inquiry signed "Citizen" as to why work had been discontinued on the school building. It would be interesting to know why the News did not answer this question itself. It is well aware of the facts in the case; but with its pertinacity of purpose to injure a man whose services have been of inestimable value to the town, and with an evident willingness to sacrifice the interests of Covington on the altar of an insatiate spirit of spitefulness and antagonism, instead of giving out the information, the News devotes its most prominent space to the inquiry, in order to attract the attention of the very "outside world" it pretends to be so fearful of. It is the old story of tearing down, instead of building up—the satisfaction of an unconquerable animosity for an individual.

For the information of "Citizen" we make the following statement: Eisenman & Lazarus, who made the accepted bid on the bonds, have failed to make good their part of the contract. They claim this is due to information from their attorneys that Act 84 of 1906 of the State Legislature, under which the election for bond issue was held, is unconstitutional and of no effect. While this is the opinion of the attorneys for that company, it is not conceded to be correct by lawyers of high standing in the profession. It will be seen that things remain sub judice, without any fault attaching to the Council. We suppose the News will be very grateful for this information, and we assure them it is no trouble at all.

Up Against It.

We are up against it when we attempt to answer an editorial that has for its distinctive feature a request to "slide off the earth." This might be very gratifying to the News, but is not a very dignified request, and quite impossible of performance.

As to following at the heels of the News, that also is quite impossible, for how can we follow at the heels of anything that is standing still.

It seems, also, that the delicate gray matter of the editor of the News has a longing for higher ranges of thought than are embodied in eulogies on the largest head of cabbage. We assure you, brother, that the meritorious knowledge that enables the intelligent farmer to bring forth the fullest products of our mother earth is the basis of that vast accumulation of wealth that enables you to draw your weekly salary. We shall continue to encourage all such efforts, and we shall note with pride their recurrence. We assume for ourselves the privilege of doing this without becoming offensive to anyone, and it will no doubt prove as interesting and gratifying to the reading public as the weekly announcement in the News that Mr. Back Anforth left for New Orleans Tuesday morning, and that Mr. Back Anforth arrived in Covington Tuesday evening. These efforts to kill space never troubled us, and even when the News announced that the murderer who had shot a man at the Houlton lumber camp had not yet been "comprehended," we only smiled and thought—neither has the News. We have since thought that perhaps the man was not "comprehended" because he was traveling under a "consumed" name.

The News has never been first in anything, except "knocking." Before the News was born, and yet again when it still wore short dresses, the FARMER advocated fire protection and waterworks, and the files of the FARMER are open to inspection by the News at any time.

As for "rushing to defense of Council," we do so in the belief that it is due the members for their endeavors to accomplish all that is possible under most trying circumstances, and because it is unjust that they should be hampered and handicapped in the performance of their duties by unjust criticism and a continuous and monotonous disapproval of their actions, without a single suggestion for the better-

ment of conditions nor a word of approval for the good that is accomplished. There is an innate spirit in average humanity that rebels at persecution and unfairness, and in this the sentiments of the people will support us.

We suppose the News has not forgotten the McGeehee incident, when the damaging report published in its columns was proven to be without foundation.

The manipulation of affairs until they are distorted into shapes convenient for a crusade against the management of the town, and the publishing of reports apt to be misconstrued by strangers as indicating undesirable conditions, are as little conducive to its improvement as are continual knocking and bickering. A true spirit of progressiveness is to be approved, yet it must be broadminded and liberal enough to eliminate all self-interest and alluring enough in the value of its conceptions to be reasonably convincing and of practical application, and such progressiveness will always have the support of the FARMER.

After having been subjected to banishment, our accupunctuated body is treated to a catapasm in the shape of a consignment to "in noxious desuetude." This is too much for us. We resent it. In the language of District Attorney Jerome, we ask, "how about the ego?" At the same time, we are sincerely alarmed that there might be such a thing as psychical contagion.

We are now avenged! Yet it would not be void of benefit if the editor would read Poe's criticism of Channing.

Katzenjammer Kids

VS.

Buster Browns.

Covington, La., March 4, 1907. Editor St. Tammany FARMER: At Enterprise Park, Saturday, April 13, at 3:30 p. m., the public will have an opportunity to again witness one of those mirth-provoking burlesque games of ball. This time the game will be between the Buster Brown Boys and the Katzenjammer Kids, a set of characters well known to the reading public, both young and old, and needing no introduction.

This game is for the benefit of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Citizens League, the proceeds to be used in swelling the town's improvement fund. The young men forming the clerical forces of the New Orleans Great Northern general offices, assisted by several prominent young businessmen of Covington, will make up the two teams. Captain Pink Robinson, who heeded the Reubens in victory over Gene Landry's Fairies some weeks ago, will again have the captaincy of his team, the Katzenjammer, while the Buster Browns have faith in the leadership of Captain Landry.

President and Manager C. J. Wade has the entire program in charge, and is being assisted in the arrangements by Baby Ward Flanders and Captain Landry Mrs. Hadden, of the Ladies Auxiliary, is assuming full charge over the ladies' side of the affair, and she has worked up considerable interest and enthusiasm.

It will be well for the public to know that the gates of the park will open early, and there will be a number of the town's most prominent ladies on hand to serve cooling and palatable refreshments to the tired and desirous.

The park will be gaily decorated, as will the various refreshment stands. Mr. Ward Flanders is in charge of the decorating and will be assisted by Messrs. White, Sanford and Landry. Mr. J. H. Mathews will be at the gate and Mr. G. A. Frederick will collect tickets. The responsibility of keeping the official score again falls to the lot of Manager Wade, and that thankless and dangerous job of umpire will be allotted to him of a thousand scarlet battles, J. G. Brock.

That the audience will witness a much better article of ball than it has been their good luck to see heretofore goes without much need of argument. The boys are in crackerjack shape and have had all kinds of coaching and training under the old veteran, Grandpa Flery, and the game they will put up Saturday will be quite a surprise.

Captain Pink Robinson, or to quote his kindergarten friends, Basketball Edna, writes his friends in New Orleans that he's got a bunch of big leaguers, and is going to down Landry's bunch with little or no trouble. The Buster Browns to a man deny that they have been sleeping on their jobs, and they mean to prove to Captain Pink that his team "can't do nothin' at all at all wit' dem."

Admission to this game has been placed at 25c, and every citizen of Covington should gladly stretch his rubber purse and get his fingers into the lining for that quarter. It is money well invested, and the returns it will bring you in the future when you sit on your front galleries and watch Covington, up to date in the swim, will make you feel more like a millionaire than John D. ever did. Every time you look upon some local improvement, you can

truthfully say, "I've got stock in that." Now, citizens of Covington this is your time to do. Don't sit around and tell us what ought to be done. Don't brag. Get to work and show that you want it done and are willing to pitch in and help have it done. The best and surest way is by following the crowd on Saturday, the 13th inst. They will be headed for Enterprise Park from all four corners of the town and surrounding country.

The teams will line up nearly the same as when they met before:

- Katzenjammer. Position. Buster Browns, MOREAU, CATCHER, THIERY PAUL, PITCHER, PIEDRA ROBINSON, Capt. 1st BASE, ADAMS RANDOLPH, 2d BASE, LANDRY, Capt. FREER, 3d BASE, WHITE J. SMITH, R. F. W. G. FLANDERS DIMITRY, L. F. W. G. FLANDERS COPP, C. F. W. C. FLANDERS

Yours truly, LUY LANGTRY.

Police Jury.

Covington, La., April 8, 1907.

The Police Jury met in regular session on the above date, and remained in session two days. Present—George Koepf, Jr., Mark Fitzgerald, M. C. Day, George Bierhorst, S. E. Wilson, J. J. Cusack, B. A. Schneider, Louis Grantham and L. T. Miles.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The following bill was then read: Bridge over Goodbee Branch, for the sum of \$300, at 120 feet in length, more or less, P. M. Meadow bidder. Mr. Day moved, seconded by Mr. Bierhorst, that the above bid be rejected, and the President was instructed to re-advertise for bids for building said bridge, the bids to be received at the next regular meeting of the Police Jury.

It was moved by Mr. Schneider, seconded by Mr. Bierhorst, that Mrs. Mary Stafford be reimbursed the sum of \$5.00, for over-assessment. Carried.

It was moved by Mr. Grantham, seconded by Mr. Wilson, that we do not reimburse any more cases of over or erroneous assessments. Carried by a unanimous vote.

The following report was then read: Madisonville, La., April 8, 1907. To the Honorable President and Members of the Police Jury, Parish of St. Tammany, La. Gentlemen—We, the undersigned, have cut and cleaned all the timber, and ditched, and built one 5-foot bridge and one bridge 27 feet wide, from Turnpike road to old Lacroix site, on the Turnpike River. The said public road, on section line, is bounded north by lands of G. Doussan, D. E. Baham, Dubois, T. Paderas, Jr., south by land of A. Fahrman, Fitzsimmons and C. T. Brady, length of said public road is 3,820 yards, or 11,460 feet.

THEO. BAHAM, THEO. PADERAS, JR. It was moved and duly seconded, that the above report be adopted. Carried.

The following bill was then read: Covington, La., April 8, 1907.

I hereby submit the following petition to build a bridge across the Terefantia River, at the place known as the old Lacroix site, in accordance with the specifications of your body, for the price and sum of six hundred and fifty dollars, (\$650.00).

Respectfully submitted, GEO. PADERAS, JR. On motion, duly seconded, the above bid was accepted.

It was moved, and duly seconded that Messrs. Koepf and Day be appointed a committee to accept the above bridge when completed. Carried.

The following proposition was read: To the honorable President and members of the Police Jury, Gentlemen—The undersigned hereby offers to construct the public road, commencing at the old Lacroix site, running to Penn Hill Road, a distance of probably one and one-half miles, at eighty (\$80.00) dollars a mile. I will put said road in a passable condition. Also dig all necessary ditches and trenches along said road and build all necessary bridges across the same.

Respectfully submitted, CHAS. T. BRADLEY. On motion, duly seconded, the above offer was accepted, and Messrs. Koepf and Day were appointed to accept the work when completed.

On motion of Mr. Schneider, seconded by Mr. Grantham, the following resolution was adopted: Resolved, that the Police Jury of the Parish of St. Tammany hereby ratifies and approves the action of Geo. Koepf, Jr., President of the Police Jury, in entering into and executing the contract with the Texas Bridge Co., dated February 23d, 1907, for the construction of a public steel draw bridge across Bayou Vincent, at Slidell, La.

The following petition was then read: To the honorable President and members of Police Jury, St. Tammany Ph. We, the undersigned residents and tax payers of the Fifth Ward, respectfully petition your honorable body to change the route of the Franklinton Road from Holden's Creek to Sun P. O., so that said road will pass through the town of Sun on Jenkins street.

signed—J. H. Dixon, Jacob Jenkins, Tom Anderson, Henry Mizell, Edw. C. Engles E. F. Campbell, M. J. Campbell, Wm. Biery, Theo. Stafford, Leon Beaucouray, Emilio Talley, S. J. Jenkins, L. C. T. Jenkins, A. A. Jenkins, John W. Knight, John G. Mizell and J. P. Mizell.

On motion, duly seconded, the above petition was laid over till next meeting.

SHERIFF'S REPORT.

Table with columns for Parish tax, Criminal fund, School, Gen'l, Corporation tax, Criminal fund, School, License, SP1 school tax, Poli, Fer Car, Fines, Cost ret'd, Grand Total, Amounts available to each fund.

I certify the above statement to be a correct statement of all the amounts collected by me from the 1st day of Jan 1907, to the 31st day of March 1907, inclusive. T. E. BREWSTER, Tax Collector. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3rd day of April, 1907. Jules B. Maille, Dep'y Clerk of Court. On motion, duly seconded, the above report was adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Table with columns for Statement of A. Frederick, Treasurer, for quarter ending March 31, 1907. GENERAL FUND, ROAD FUND.

On motion, duly seconded, the above report was adopted.

REPORT OF COVINGTON COMMITTEE.

Covington, La., April 8, 1907. To the Honorable President and Members of the Police Jury of St. Tammany Parish, La. Gentlemen, we your finance committee, beg leave to report to you the exactness of the reports of the Sheriff and Treasurer and found them correct. We have also approved bills amounting to \$1,980.44.

Respectfully, L. T. MILES, G. BIERHORST, LOUIS GRANTHAM.

On motion, duly seconded, the above report was accepted, and the cancelled warrants were destroyed by burning.

It was moved by Mr. Schneider, seconded by Mr. Fitzgerald, that Mr. M. C. Day be appointed as a committee of one to purchase paint and have the steel bridges in the parish painted. Carried.

Mr. J. B. Kent, Vice Chairman of the Citizens League, appeared before the Police Jury, and suggested that they improve the Courthouse yard, and the members of the Citizens League would help defray the expense of making the grounds an attractive place for public recreation and pleasure. He also asked that the Courthouse be made more comfortable and attractive, in the interest of the general public.

It was moved by Mr. Schneider, seconded by Mr. Day, that the president of the Police Jury be authorized to draw a warrant in payment for the framing of the parish map in the Courthouse. Carried.

Mr. Schneider moved, seconded by Mr. Cusachs, that Sheriff Brewster be authorized to purchase the necessary number of chairs for the Court room. Carried.

It was moved by Mr. Grantham, seconded by Mr. Schneider, that Mr. M. C. Day be instructed to have the Courthouse yard filled, drainage system built and the necessary walks laid out in Schilling pavement. Carried.

It was moved, and duly seconded, that the president be instructed to have the Record Book completed. Carried. The ordinance to provide a fund for working the public roads by contract was amended and re-enacted, as follows:

AN ORDINANCE To provide a fund for working and repairing the Public Roads of the Parish; authorizing the issuance of certificates of indebtedness for road work to be done under contracts, and providing for the payment thereof.

Section 1. Be it enacted and ordained by the Police Jury of the Parish of St. Tammany, that the sum of \$500,000 be and is hereby levied for the purpose of providing a fund to be used in working and repairing the public roads of the parish.

Section 2. That a special tax of two mills on the dollar, to be based on the assessed valuation of property, be and is hereby levied for the years 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910 and 1911, on the taxable property situated in the Parish of St. Tammany, to be collected with other Parish taxes, and the revenues to be derived from said tax, be and are hereby set apart and appropriated for the repair and maintenance of the public roads of the parish of St. Tammany, the same to be expended for that purpose under contracts to be hereinafter entered into.

Section 3. That the President of the Police Jury be and is hereby authorized to advertise for bids, and to enter into written contracts with responsible parties, to work and repair the public roads of the parish, and to issue certificates of indebtedness to contractors for work to be done under such contracts, the certificates of indebtedness to be payable out of the taxes of 1907, as well as the interest thereon, shall mature and be made payable on the 1st day of July 1909.

Section 4. That the certificates of indebtedness payable out of the taxes of 1909, as well as the interest thereon, shall mature and be made payable on the 1st day of July 1910.

Section 5. That the certificates of indebtedness payable out of the taxes of 1910, as well as the interest thereon, shall mature and be made payable on the 1st day of July 1912.

Section 6. That the aggregate amount of the certificates of indebtedness to be so issued, payable out of the taxes of each of said years, shall not exceed the sum of \$500,000 for any one year, and shall be let for two hundred miles, and contractors shall be required to furnish bonds with good and solvent security, to the full amount of the contract price, for the faithful performance of their obligations under said contracts.

Section 7. That the public roads of the Parish to be worked and repaired under the provisions of this ordinance are as follows: Madisonville and Ponchatoula roads, Indian Village road, Mandeville and Abita road, Slidell and Bayou LaCombe road, Covington and Mandeville road, Covington and Mandeville road, Pearl River and Salt Bayou road, Covington and Bayou LaCombe road, Covenville and Wire road, Slidell and Indian Village road, Columbia road, Turnpike road, Military road, Lee road.

For further information see plans and specifications, in the office of the Secretary of the Police Jury. All bids to be presented at the next meeting of the Police Jury, on Wednesday, May 15, 1907, at 11 a. m. The Police Jury reserves the right to reject any and all bids. It was moved, and duly seconded, that 200 copies of the above ordinance be printed and mailed to road builders. Carried.

J. M. Claverie, Jr., Court Stenographer for quarter ending March 31, 25 00 Dr C Z Williams, to visit to prisoner, 2 00 To visit to Small Fox case at Sun and vacating 15 00 Team to Sun 3 00 Vaccine, 8 74. Total 33 74 Toulouse Dupriet, to 14 days attendance on Small Fox case, 42 00 Salmen Brick and Lumber Co, to lumber, as per itemized bills, 55 81 Chas Pingree, to repairing Bayou LaCombe Bridge, 75 John Saal, Sheriff of Tangipahoa Parish, to arrest, jailing and board of prisoner, 2 50 To conveying prisoner 127 miles, 6 35 To sheriff traveling 254 miles, 25 40 Total 34 25 D M Wadsworth & Bro, one pair of shoes for prisoner 2 00 One broom 85c Total 2 85 I P Quinlin, J P, 9th ward, salary for quarter ending March 31, 9 35 Hebert Bros, to sundries, 85c Chas Heintz, Constable 3d ward, to salary for quarter ending March 31, 12 50 O Pons, J P, 3d ward, salary for quarter ending March 31, 12 50 J F Scharfenstein, to sundries, 24 30 Covington Naval Stores Co, Ltd, two pair shackles, 12 00 J J Saker, to repairing jail, 1 00 J J Saker, plumber, to material and work done at Courthouse yard, as per itemized bills, 71 72 C W Corson, stationer— To Conveyance record, 600 pages 11 75 Leather index, for same, lettered 2 25 Mortgage record, N, 600 pages 11 75 Leather index for same, lettered 2 25 Express charges 40 Total 28 40 H R Warren, Clerk of Court— To drawing jury, Feb 19, 3 00 Furnishing copy to printer 1 50 To drawing jury, sheriff, 2 00 Proceed verbal of drawing jury, 2 00 Summoning 5 jury commissioners 1 25 Issuing 105 warrants, at 12c 13 12 Commitment to pen., W Rogers 1 50 " Fred Joyner 1 50 Inquest of H W Fleetwood 1 50 " Isaac Colman 1 50 " J A Pechon 1 50 " Morris Crawford 1 50 " LeRoy Bordeleon 1 50 " Moralis 1 50 " Jos R Schmid 1 50 " Child of Griff Reviere 1 50 " M Johnson 1 50 " William Barker 1 50 Total 40 37 S J Talley, jury commissioner, drawing jury, 4 00 E Prieto, jury commissioner, drawing jury, 4 00 R F Buckley, jury commissioner, drawing jury, 30 00 Chas Oulliver, jury commissioner, drawing jury, 3 70 J T Stroble and T L Smith, witnesses to drawing jury, 2 00 each Mrs L Miles, to feeding prisoners— John Stevens, 19 days, at 50c 9 50 " Chas Pinkney, 54 days 27 00 John Johnson, 64 days 32 00 T M Talley, 17 days 8 50 R T Whitehead 68 days 34 00 James Temples, 61 days 30 50 Robt Tuckson, 19 days 9 50 Andrew Johnson, 23 days 11 50 Martha Harris 8 days 4 00 Ida Rivers, 8 days 4 00 Martin Corkern, 8 days 4 00 Carl Wilson 74 days 37 00 Dan Montgomery, 46 days 23 00 Frank Reed, 40 days 20 00 Jos Pinkney, 67 days 33 50 Doe Mace, 3 days 1 50 Dave Connerly 6 days 3 00 Joe Fisher 50 days 25 00 Chas Kennedy, 50 days 25 00 Nathan Graves, 58 days 29 00 Butler Robinson, 38 days 19 00 Jos Morisset 52 days 26 00 Doe Smith, 35 days 17 50 Geo Toney 2 days 1 00 Lonney Ecter, 61 days 30 50 Louis G Cues, 28 days 14 00 J Ramos, 27 days 13 50 Buck Hamilton, 6 days 3 00 Total 505 00 T E Brewster Sheriff— Jerry Meyer janitor, 3 months 24 00 Sheriff, of the Special Parish for arrest of Nathan Graus 2 00 Sheriffs mileage and expenses 34 10 Sheriff's license and exp. 7 40 Summoning jury com. and mileage 7 35 Express on licenses 11 00 Louis I ord for wood 11 00 Executing warrant in Washington Parish and mileage 5 80 Francis Hartman, to conveying prisoner to jail 4 00 Total 89 25 Dr F G Garreco, Coroner— To holding inquest on body of Morris Crawford and exp. 15 00 Viewing body of L A Pechon 5 00 Livery for same 2 00 Inquest on body of LeRoy Bordeleon at Gravel Pit and exp. 15 00 Inquest on body of John Murry Atopsy 25 00 Visit to Joe Fisher 2 00 Visit to John Johnson 2 00 Viewing body of child of Griff Reviere 5 00 Livery for same 2 00 Inquest on body of Isaac Colman Car fare to Slidell 1 80 Livery hire from Slidell to Herwig's Bluff 5 00 Inquest on body of M M Johnson 10 00 Livery for same 2 00 Visit to John Ramos 3 00 Viewing body of J R Schmiede 5 00 Total 118 80 St Tammany FARMER— To publishing minutes of meeting Feb 13, 2000 words 10 00 Notice to Road Builders, 300 words, 13 50 Notice to Bridge Builders 300 words, five weeks 4 50 Venire 400 words, three weeks 4 00 Total 32 00 The following warrants were issued to members for mileage and per diem. Geo Koepf, Jr 11 00 Mark Fitzgerald 11 00 M C Day 6 00 Geo Bierhorst 11 00 Louis Grantham 13 00 B A Schneider 9 00 S R Wilson 12 40 J F Cusachs 10 00 L T Miles 11 40 It was moved, and duly seconded, that the Police Jury adjourn until the 15th day of May, for the purpose of receiving bids for working the public roads, a distance of 200 miles. Carried. GEO KOEPP, JR, President. W. G. KENTZEL, Secretary.

Notice to Bridge Builders

The Police Jury of St. Tammany Parish, La., invites bids for building the following bridge: Bridge over Goodbee Branch. Bid bills, uprights and caps to be 3x8, sawed, and stringers 3x12, five to the panel, 20 feet long. Flooring 3x8, with a good substantial hand rail. All bids to be presented at the next regular meeting of the Police Jury.

The Police Jury reserves the right to reject any and all bids. GEO. KOEPP, JR., President. W. G. KENTZEL, Secretary.

St. Tammany Banking Co and Savings Bank. COVINGTON, LA. Branch at Mandeville, La., in charge of F. Edw. Vix, (Assistant Cashier.) Capital, \$50,000.00. Surplus, 9,000.00. Interest Paid on Savings Accounts. 4%. Bank Opposite the Courthouse. DIRECTORS: E. J. Domergue, Jr, Wm. A. Dixon, J. L. Watkins, W. A. Hood, Geo. R. Tolson, M. D., J. R. M. Dillon, M. D., P. H. Hanstrub, W. R. Badon, Herman Levy, Chas. A. David, Ernest Prieto, R. H. Babington, A. D. Crawford, Harvey E. Ellis, Robt. L. Aubert.

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