St Tammany Farmer

June 27, 1908.

ROOM FOR REFORMATION.

The reduced condition of the parish funds has placed the present Police Jury in a position where it will be difficult to accomplish much in the way of public improvements, but as a lesson in finance it may result in benefit to the parish. In its search for opportunities for retrenchmeut it will discover where mistakes have been made and will find means for rectifying them.

No one will deny that there is but one way to do business—the right way—and that the affairs of the parish should be conducted in accordance with sound business principles. It is the only method that makes it possible to remedy defects of judgment and to trace out the leaks and the ill-advised expenditure of money. Books kept under properly enforced rules and regulations, with systematic precision as to every detail in the use of public funds, with every item of cost distinct and apart and accurately stated, would enable those interested to easily discover the defects in any particular system of working the roads or other public improvement.

Instead of allowing an account to be presented for work on the Military Road, or any other road, with Brown, Jones or Smith so many days at so much a day, there should also be a description of the work, the number feet worked each day, and, if any is used, the amount, kind and cost of material, and the work should be inspected.

For best results, labor on the roads should receive fair compensation and should be made to perform fair service. Cheap labor is dear in the long run, and nine times out of ten shirks work. With full pay for labor well performed, and with an accurate description of the kind of work performed and the cost, it will be an easy matter to go over the work of any one year and discover where mistakes have been made, either in the manner of work or in the outlay of money.

We are approaching a period when the old-time lax methods must be superseded by up-to-date system. We are emerging from years of sleepy inactivity. The introduction of railroads, the conversion of our forests into lumber, the building up of our towns and our constantly increasing population, all point to the burial of slipshod methods of the past. It becomes a question of whether new methods shall be adopted or shall be forced by the demands of the people.

There is no doubt, even with the most economical handling of the money, that our road fund is far from sufficient to give to the parish good and serviceable roads, but there is reason to believe that if properly handled much more can be accomplished than has been. We think this will be generally admitted. It therefore becomes imperative to find the leaks and to stop them. We believe no better start can be made than on the line we have suggested.

Our choice, as an ultimate solution of the problem of good roads, is the issuing of bonds and the building of an entire system of roads throughout the parish. Either one of two methods must be adopted: a heavy road tax or the issue of bonds; and a heavy annual road tax would be much more burdensome than long-term bonds that would mature at a time when future generations could easily redeem them, having first enjoyed their use, with all the accompanying advantages of increased wealth, population and education.

To a large extent we are indebted to New Orleans for our rapid recent growth. It will be noticed that New Orleans' awakening is but recent. To-day she promises to become the greatest city in the world. She is improving her docks and shipping facilities; over five million dollars are being exspended in the erection of new hotels; the city is being drained out until it is possible to put in basements, and the sky-scrapers that were also thought impossible and were objects of curiosity, admiration and wonder will soon attract little notice. While this recent growth has been rapid, the growth of the future will be even more so, and St. Tammanny parish and her towns must be prepared to take advantage of the opportunities that will occur by reason of this growth.

THE LOCKE BILL PASSED.

The Locke bill, prohibiting race-track gambling, was passed by the Senate last Thursday, and has become a law with the Governor's signature. It was passed on a vote of 21 to 19 and developed a very bitter fight, charges being made that some members who were supporters of the bill had been doped to get them out of the way. Whether these charges are true or not has not been proven, but we hope they are not. It is well known that strong influences are frequently brought to bear to secure a vote against the conviction of the voter, but we would prefer to believe it not possible that a man equal to to the perpetration of such an act could get near enough to a Senator to drink with him.

While the law may work an injury to some interests, the race track was becoming so demoralizing, degrading and dangerous to society as to demand a check upon it, and the larger part of the people of the State will be glad to learn that the bill has passed.

Mr. George Koepp was again elected President of the Police Jury, making twelve years that he has thus been honored.

Hon. Lewis L. Morgon, notwithstanding his injuries received in the collision of trains near Baton Rouge last Monday, was in his seat in the House of Representatives, with his head bandaged and his arm in a sling. Doesn't look as if our Representative was very anxious to shirk his duties.

The collision between the Baton Rouge Hammond and Eastern and the Louisiana Railway and Navigation Company, near Baton Rouge last Monday, has caused an investigation that may result in protection from future accidents from a like cause. The Commission examining into the cause of the wreck state that it was due to a violation of the regulations which require each and every train to come to a dead stop within 200 feet of each crossing. Had this been done, there would have been no accident.

A bill is being prepared to be introduced in the Legislature, making it a felony for an engineer to fail to come to full stop at each crossing or to otherwise fail to comply with the law.

THE NEW COUNCIL MEETS.

A meeting of the new Council was held last Wednesyay evening, June 24, the proceedings of which will be found in another column. The Farmer was unanimously elected official journal. Among other business was the election of Paul J. Dulion as town marshal. When the term of an official has extended through long years of faithful service, it rarely happens that he can pass out of service without regret, and without leaving in the community a feeling that it has sustained a loss not easily repaired; and when it was rumored that it was the intention of the new Council to remove Mr. Dulion and to replace him with some member of the new party, expressions of regret were to be heard on all sides.

For twenty-four years Mr. Dulion has served the town of Covington as Marshal, and during that time he has watched it grow from a little country town with a few stores and houses to its present proportions. He has stood at the grave and paid the last tribute of respect to many of its oldtime citizens. He has watched the youth of the town grow into manhood and assume the duties of citizenship and government. For twenty-four years he has been a familiar figure in the community as a guardian of the peace in whom all have had perfect confidence. Fearless of danger, upright in character, and competent to perform all the duties required of him, both as marshal and tax collector, his re-election by the new Council is sure to meet the approbation of the people, and their thanks are due to Mayor Richard for casting the deciding vote with a view to the best interests of Covington and regardless of party lines. At the expiration of his present term Marshall Dulion will have servd the people for just one-quarter of a century.

It is understood that Mr. Dulion will have no further duties to perform and will devote his entire time to the office of marshal, the tax collectorship being entirely separate and apart.

The selection of Mr. E. J. Richard to fill the office of Secretary and Tax Collector is a good one, and the combining of the two offices, with office hours from 9 to 5 o'clock p. m. will be a great convenience to the public. Also the holding of the Mayor's Court regulary from 9 to 10 o'clock a. m.

The retaining of Night Marshal Loyd is also a wise step, and will be generally approved.

SOCIETY NOTES.

Covington is not only receiving visitors, but some of her people are going away on short trips.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bodebender have gone to New York by sea, on the steamer Momus, and expect to be away some little time, visiting Atlantic City and various spots of interest before they return home.

Mr. Harvey E. Ellis has joined his mother, Mrs. E. John Ellis, at Amite, and they will make a three weeks' stay at Galbraith Springs.

Mrs. Whitehouse, of Atlanta, Ga., is spending a few weeks at Miss Katie McDougal's, a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Harvey E. Ellis.

Mrs. N. G. Pearsall and little ones have gone to Mount Eagle, their summer home.

The marriage of Miss Ada Cook and Mr. John Dimitry took place at the residence of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. Thos. M. Cook, on Wednesday, June 24, at 3:30 p. m. Relatives and a few friends of the contracting parties were present. The young couple left on the evening train for a short visit to Florida, and on their return will reside with the bride's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O'Donnell and their three pretty daughters, Cecile, Ella and Thelma, started Thursday for quite an extended trip to places in the North. They will be absent late in July.

Miss Gertrude Mullings started Tuesday morning to visit friends and relatives in El Paso Marshall, San Antonio and other points in Texas.

Mr. W. A. Hood and son returned Wednesday from a short visit to friends and relatives in Florida.

Miss Etta and Anna Mohr are the guests of Mrs. Preston Burns. Miss Etta is a charming and sweet singer, and in her gracious way gives pleasure to many during her stay here.

Mr. W. T. Smith and daughter Theodora, of Galveston, Texas, are visiting relatives here. Miss Theodora is having a delightful time and has been the recipient of much kind attention by both relatives and friends.

Miss L. Warner, of Amite City, is a guest of Mrs. L. Pechon.

Miss Enola Smith, of Gulfport, is spending awhile with Mrs. Henry Smith and others of this place.

Mrs. S. V. Kentzel spent the past week with her daughter, Mrs. A. Hammett, of Folsom.

Mrs. Flashpoller and daughters, Misses Katie and Gertrude, of New Orleans, and Miss Webb, of Rayne, La., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Weiss on last Wednesday.

A delightful launch ride was given on last Wednesday on the "Gypsy." The party consifted of the Misses Katie and Gertrude Flaspoller, Mrs. Webb, Mrs. C. Schoenberg, Mrs. C. Marvin Poole and Messrs. Harry Mackay and E. Galmiche.

Mrs. S. M. Copp entertained the Five Hundred Club at her residence in Louisiana street. The first prize was won by Miss L. A. Allain and Mrs. B. B. Warren captured the consolation. Mrs. Charles Colton will entertain the club next week.

Mrs. L. Pons and daughter Leah left Wednesday for their home in New Orleans, after several weeks' stay at the Oaks.

Mrs. Frank Martin and Mrs. Fettis, of New Orleans, were guests of Miss Laura Weiss on Wednesday.

Misses Katie Comeaux, Felecie Supple, Julia Grace and Mr. Harry Burns are guests at the Oaks this week.

The euchere held at the Oaks on Tuesday night was greatly enjoyed by the guests. The prizes were awarded as follows: Miss Lottie Schaeffer, first; Miss Edna Champagne, second; Mrs. C. J. Colton, consolation. There will be another meeting next Tuesday.

The Ladies' Embroidery Club met last Friday at the residence of Mrs. C. Schonberg in Nineteenth Avenue. The members present were: Mesdames C. Z. Williams T. J. Burns, L. L. Morgan, S. M. Copp, Archie Smith, G. A. Frederick, C. Marvin Poole and C. Schoenberg. Miss Laura Weiss was guest at the meeting. Delicious refreshments were served. The day of meeting has been changed to Thursday.

Mrs. S. M. Copp spent several days in New Orleans this week.

Mrs. A. Christie and son and Miss Ada Rayne left for their home in New Orleans, after a few weeks stay at their summer home near Covington.

The Friday Afternoon Euchre Club met at the residence of Miss Charropin. Mrs. Bourgeois was hostess. The prizes were awarded as follows: Mrs. Wallace Poole, first; Miss Edna Champagne, second; Mrs. Charles Colton, consolation.

Mrs. Hardy Smith and son, Mr. Allie Smith, who left Monday for Shreveport, have returned.

Mrs. Paul Theriot and Miss Inez returned to New Orleans, after a month's stay at Glenoak Cottage.

Hon. Robert C. Wickliffe, of St. Francisville, La., candidate for Congressman of the Sixth Congressional District, was a visitor to Covington, this week.

A delightful time was spent at the residence of Mrs. Fred Bonabel last Wednesday evening, the occasion being her sixty-fourth birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Bonabel have peen married forty-five years, and the guests present were composed of about twenty relatives and intimate acquaintances, whose congratulations had in them more than the passing formalities of a social occasion. Refreshments were served and the evening was made very pleasant by the congeniality of the gracious hostess.

Prof. J. H. Deiler and family, of New Orleans, arrived in Covington Wednesday and will spend the summer at their residence on the banks of the Bogue Falaya River.

Supt. W. G. Evans returned from his trip to Grand Canes Thursday evening.

Dr. A. Peyroux, of New Orleans, has become a resident of Covington. He is a relative of the late John A. Peyroux, formerly coroner of this parish and a well known oldtime resident.

Abita Springs Items.

Abita Springs La., June 27.

Editor St Tammany Farmer:

Mr. John Franz is spending awhile at the Lorio Cottage.

Mrs. J. A. Salzer is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hermann Michaelis.

Miss E. Smith, of Gulfport, spent a few days with relatives here.

Mr. John Marshall visited friends here last Sunday.

Misses K. and and M. Michaelis entertained their friends at an informal dance Tuesday night. Vocal and instrumental music was furnished by Messrs. John Franz, Walter Fazende and M. McDonald. Dancing was indulged in until a late hour. Refreshments were served and all enjoyed themselves. There were present: Mr. and Mrs. J. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. C. Henry, Mrs. F. Wendling, Mrs. J. A. Salzer, Misses L. and E. Dutrey, L. Fetch, Mary Stire, Eugenie Schultz, Ethel Abney, K. Michaelis, J. Abney, Viola Strain, Lenora Drousard, Mae Michaelis, and Messrs. Ralph Abney, John Stire, Steve Biggio, John Franz, Walter Fazende, Thomas Cahill, M. McDonald, Walter Abney, W. Michaelis, Frank Smith and Ralph Strain.

Mr. Walter Garrety is spening a month at the Strain cottage.

A very enjoyable birthday party was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Allen near Abita, last Saturday, in celebration of the fourteenth birthday of their daughter Barbara. Miss Barbara was the recipient of many pretty presents.

Miss Marie Barthe, accompanied by her two nieces, Misses Alestines and Clare Philips and Miss May Clemens, are spending sometime here, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. Barthe.

On Saturday last an "Olden Time Country Dance" was given at the Town Hall by the young ladies of Abita, the proceeds to go toward the puilding of the new pavilion. A large crowd was in attendance and quite a neat sum realized. Arrangement Committee: Misses Mae Michaelis, Eva Strain, Ernestine Lemons and Kate Michaelis.

Misses Ethel Walsh and Augusta Dumser spent Wednesday in Covington attending the closing exercises of St. Scholastica Academy.

Among the guests at Long Branch Hotel are: Mrs. Louis W. Ward, Mrs. F. Wendling, Mrs. H. Kehwald and daughter Julia, Mrs. W. Todd, Misses L. Dutrey, Autrey, Todd and E. Dutrey, Messrs. L. Ward H. Wambsgans, W. Bernard and H. Martin.

Messrs. J. R. Hogan and Armand Meridier spent Sunday here, the guests of Miss Rita Livaudais.

Louise Barthe has returned to New Orleans, after a delightful stay at her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Barthe.

Walshe's Bungalow this week is entertaining Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Ross and children, Mrs. C. Ross, I. Dumser, Frank E. Kirsheunter, J. Walshe, P. Condie, C. Savaco, L. Corcoran, Misses Anna Finn, E. Smith, W. Markey and W. Rugen.

The first Hebrew service was held here Friday last by Rabbi L. J. Rothstein, of Alexandria, La., and the guest of the New Abita Springs Hotel. The regular Sabbath Eve service was read by the Rabi. After the reading a touching tribute was paid to the departed ones of those present and the blessing of God asked for all.

The service was conducted in a pavilion out on the lawn of the New Abita Springs Hotel, which was fitted up especially for the occasion. A large number of guests from the hotel, as well as a number of Jews from Abita and Covington, were in attendance. Miss Walbrette, of New Orleans, acted as master of ceremonies. At the conclusion of the service the crowd repaired to the hotel parlors where a number of sacred selections were rendered by Hector McDonald, the well-known vocal soloist.

There will be Lutheran services Sunday, at 10:45 a m and 7:30 p m. Meeting of voting members after the morning service.

J P Rausch went to New Orleans Wednesday evening on a business trip.

Folsom Notes.

Folsom, La., June 24, 1908.

Editor St. Tammany Farmer:

Miss Eva Dicks, of Amite, is the guest of Mrs J Core

Miss Belle Stevens, of Hood, spent Wednesday among friends at Folsom

Mrs W McNeil and daughter, Iris, of Onvil, attended the McCarty-Hart wedding here Wednesday

Miss M Dickerson closed her school last Friday and left this week for her home at Humboldt, Tenn

Mr John Chirm has returned after several days spent in Birmingham

Mr W A Davis has started a pigeon farm at Pine Grove Hotel. Success to Mr Davis

Mr Orr, agent for the Continental Gin Co, visited Folsom this week, in interest of our new gin, and was a guest at Pine Grove Hotel

Mr Chas Verger is here recuperating at the home of his father, Mr Paul Verger

Mr H C Thompson, of St Louis, and J W Pernell, of Birmingham, Alabama, were among those registered at Pine Grove Hotel this week.

One of the most popular social events of the season was the marriage last Wednesday, June 24, 1908, of Mr Peter McCarty to Mrs Alice Hart Seldom was so popular a couple thus happily united Mr Milton Burns, J P, performed the ceremony Miss Laura Carroll, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid and Mr Robert Newman groomsman After the ceremony choice refreshments were served The happy couple left amid a shower of rice on the afternoon train for Covington, La

Dr C J May visited New Orleans last Thursday

Mandeville Items

Mandeville, La., June 23, 1908.

Editor St. Tammany Farmer.

Mrs. G. N. Smith and her daughter Rachel returned last Saturday from a delightful vist to Birmingham. They speak most enthusiastically of the hospitality extended to veterans during the Reunion.

Mr. Kaub had service in the Protestant church Sunday morning and gave an interesting talk on Sunday School work, in the afternoon.

Mr and Mrs H S Parkerson and family arrived on Friday and will occupy the Hopkins home.

Mr Newhauser and family are enjoying their summer home on the beach.

TheRest-awhileCircle of Kings Daughters entertained guests at "Rest-awhile" Friday evening. Games and music in which the guests and visitors joined helped to make a pleasant evening for all. Mr GeoWilliams and Misses Simmons and McMullan were among the guests. 'Rest-awhile' is now entertaining thirty guests all of whom appreciate the much needed change and rest.

Miss Lilly Vix has returned from a visit to New Orleans..

Miss Gladys Given spent two weeks in New Orleans and is now with her grand-parents on Marigny Avenue

The Catholic Church is to have a lawn party Saturday, June 27. to defray the expenses of a steeple for their new chimes of bells

Mr and Mrs Thomas Witherspoon are occupying their summer home on the beach

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Police Jury.

Covington, La, June 22, 1908

The Police Jury met in special session on above date, all members having qualified.

All members present.

The President stated that the meeting had been called for the purpose of organizing and electing officers.

It was moved and duly seconded to go into the election of officers.

It was moved and seconded that Mr. Geo. Koepp, Jr., be re-elected President of the Police Jury, by acclamation. Carried.

It was moved and seconded, that Mr. E. D. Kentzel be re-elected Secretary by acclamation. Carried.

It was moved and seconded that Mr A Frederick be re-elected by acclamation. Carried.

It was moved and seconded that the election of legal advisor, be laid over till next meeting. Carried.

The president then appointed Messrs. Bierhorst, Schultz and Decker to act as Finance Committee for the ensuing year.

On motion, duly seconded, the Police Jury then adjourned.

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