

OUR MUNICIPAL ELECTION.

The municipal election to be held June 7 provides a situation unique in the politics of Covington. Elections are a necessity, and the work of providing a ticket to fill the positions necessary for the government of the town must devolve upon some person, body or organization.

There is so far but one candidate for mayor, and there will probably be no other. Up to the time the ticket was thrown open to all candidates, there had been no change proposed in the present administration, with the exception of one name to take the place of Councilman Hood, made necessary by his removal of residence, and one additional name to run for the office of councilman.

Under these conditions there may be, and probably will be, some change in the personnel of the council. It is to be hoped if any change is made that due regard will be paid to the fact that at the close of this administration there will be much unfinished business of importance to the town.

The last census, taken in 1900, gave Covington a population of 1205, and until a new census is taken we are legally bound by that, notwithstanding we have a population of between four and five thousand.

OUR RAILWAY SERVICE.

The communication in last week's Farmer from H. L. Garland, in regard to making a rate between New Orleans and Covington that will enable us to get some of the benefits which we are entitled to is timely and deserves consideration by the St. Tammany Railway.

Covington stands in a peculiar position in regard to railway and water travel and traffic. She is a town of prominence as a health resort. As the Ozone City she has been the favorite resort of many travelers and health-seekers, and her reputation has even gone abroad into foreign countries, whose physicians have sent patients here to be restored to health.

three hours to go to New Orleans and three hours to come back. About the same time is made by way of the Baton Rouge, Hammond and Eastern. This is six hours a day on the road for those businessmen of New Orleans who desire to summer in Covington, which is practically prohibitive in its effects and so damaging to the interests of Covington that unless something is done to correct this injustice Covington will slide into obscurity.

It seems that with three railways and the waterways some means could be devised to put us in communication with the outside world within reasonable time and at reasonable rates.

It rests with the citizens of Covington. A mass meeting should be called, a committee be appointed to wait upon the different roads, and a pledge of support offered to the one affording us the best opportunity. The Illinois Central sent a passenger and a freight agent, Messrs. W. S. Priest and M. L. Costley, Jr., to Covington some time ago to inquire into the matter, and it was understood that the Commercial Club was to take the matter up, but it seems that nothing has been done.

THOSE ENORMOUS HAILSTONES.

Louisiana continues to pile up evidence that she is the greatest State in the Union. Not only is she making a record for variety of products, but the fullness of mother earth produces the largest girdle, the greatest diameter and the heaviest weight in her products that are known of a like kind in any other State.

We haven't seen any of these hailstones, but we believe it, because we have been taught not to disbelieve things just because we haven't seen them; besides they give the date on which they fell and everything.

"TRUE BLUE" ABITA.

The spirit exhibited by the Abita Fire Company in its readiness to protect not only its own town, but to extend its service to Covington as well, is deserving of commendation. It is the spirit that breeds good fellowship and makes for progress.

The battleship Mississippi not only made the run to Natchez and back in safety, but made made a world's record, traveling 290 miles in fourteen hours. This proves the river safe and navigable by large vessels, and should induce the Government to take more interest in it.

Covington Society Notes.

BY OUR SOCIETY EDITOR.

Miss Laura Hedges is spending the week with Mrs. Albert Smith. N. J. Pearsall, of Bogalusa, and E. A. Paul spent last Saturday in Covington. Miss Edith Gordon, of Melville, La., is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. G. R. Tolson.

Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Smith, of Cotton Valley, are visiting Dr. Smith's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hardie Smith.

Misses Ethel Walsh and Viola Rugolet, of Abita, spent a few days in Covington.

William Woods spent Sunday at his home in Franklinton.

Miss Anna Diano is spending the week with friends in New Orleans.

Last Sunday afternoon J. L. Smith entertained a party on board his launch Vassar Girl, making a run to the lake with a stop at Houltonville. Those enjoying Mr. Smith's hospitality were: Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Logan Belknap, Miss Idell Caldwell and Barkley Smith.

The lawn party given last week on the convent grounds was in all respects a decided success. An excellent program of music and recitations was arranged and a goodly sum of money realized.

Miss Melie Galmiche is at home after spending a week in Bogalusa.

Mrs. D. A. McDougall is visiting her sister, Mrs. T. R. Adams, at the Three Mile Still.

Dr. W. G. Smith, who has been confined to his home by illness, has returned to Folsom.

D. M. Parish, a prominent Antislavery League worker, spoke last Sunday at the Methodist church.

Mr. and Mrs. Fontaine Poole, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Poole and Clarence Richard spent Monday at Lewisburg.

Miss Anna Schneider, who has been in New Orleans for the past month, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Schneider.

Miss Marion Picard returned on Sunday to her home in Dutchtown, accompanied by her friend, Miss Percy Allen, of Port Gibson.

Mr. Edmund Stern had as his guests last Sunday on board the Louise: Dr. H. H. Smith, of Cotton Valley, Archie Smith, Ferdie, Jessie and Herbert Stern. They spent the morning fishing on the lake, returning after a good catch.

Miss Theresa Kerschman, who has been spending sometime with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Garcia, returned last week to her home in Bay City, Mich.

Mrs. Robert Baden, Sr., and daughter spent Sunday in Mandeville.

Mrs. W. T. Owen, of Mobile, Ala., is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. Tolson.

Mr. Joseph Comeaux and sister, who have been at The Oaks for the past two months, have returned to their home in Plaquemine.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hardie, of New Orleans, are spending some time at Riverside Inn.

Mr. Felix Currow, of Pointe Coupee, has taken possession of the Williams cottage on Economy street.

Miss Gladys Meyer, who has been the guest of Miss Edwina Moore for some time, returned to her home in New Orleans.

Mrs. Powell, of New Orleans, spent a few days this past week with her daughter, Mrs. F. C. Lore.

Joseph Moulton spent Sunday in Covington with his mother and sister.

Mrs. E. J. Richard is at home after spending a week in New Orleans with her daughter, Mrs. Douely.

Clifford Millander, of New Orleans, was the guest on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Lore.

H. Markel, of New Orleans, has been spending a few days in Covington with his sister, Mrs. Percy Cahill.

Mr. and Mrs. Dickey and Ed. Greenlaw, of Ramsay, were in Covington on Sunday.

The Five Hundred Club met on Tuesday afternoon with Miss Lillie Allain. The first prize was won by Mrs. Marvin Poole, the second by Miss Lona Allain. The club will meet next week with Miss Stella Allain.

J. J. McLaughlin, of New Orleans, spent Wednesday in Covington.

Rev. E. A. Blanton spent Tuesday in New Orleans.

Miss Eloise Koch, who has been spending a week at Glen Cottage, has returned to her home in Abita.

Mr. Robert Aubert returned Tuesday evening from New Orleans.

Mrs. Percival Wraiglet, of New Orleans, spent Wednesday with the Misses Pattison, in 23d Avenue.

Miss Myra Pond, of New Orleans, a graduate of Newcomb College, has returned to New Orleans, after spending several days very pleasantly as the guest of Mrs. Wm. Bodebender, in 19th Avenue.

Mrs. M. M. Reid, of New Orleans, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. H. Richard, has returned home.

Mrs. W. J. Warren spent Tuesday in New Orleans.

Dr. Tolson has been absent this week attending the commencement exercises of the Southwest Louisiana Industrial Institute at Lafayette, La., of which he is a trustee.

Dr. and Mrs. Hardie Smith, Jr., spent Wednesday with Mrs. Logan Belknap in Folsom.

Mrs. E. Volker, of New Orleans, has rented the Smith cottage on 24th Avenue, and will move her family over in a few days.

The following death notice appears in the Picayune of May 27, 1909. Miss Ida Masson, sister-in-law of the deceased, was in Covington the early part of the week visiting relatives here, and only reached New Orleans in time to attend the funeral. The death was very sudden.

MASSON—On Wednesday, May 26, 1909, at 6:35 o'clock p. m., Charlot Elizabeth Du Verney, beloved wife of George H. Masson, aged 30 years, a native of New Orleans.

Abita News and Society Notes.

BY OUR ABITA CORRESPONDENTS.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Bacher are among the guests at Long Branch Hotel. Mrs. Harduin is spending some time here the guest of her son, Mr. J. Harduin.

Mrs. C. Kreher left last week for New York, en route to Europe, she will be missed by her many friends here who wish her a safe and pleasant voyage.

Mrs. T. Carey is spending awhile in the Crescent city with relatives.

Mr. H. Abney, of Florida, is the guest of his brother, J. M. Abney for several weeks. The many friends of Miss Gertrude Carpenter will regret to know that she is quite ill. We all wish her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. F. J. Heintz, Sr., was the guest Sunday of her son, Dr. L. C. Heintz.

The baseball team of the Abita School played the Mandeville school team Tuesday evening at the ball park here. The game resulted in a victory for the Abita's, the score being 11 to 1. A large crowd witnessed the game.

Mr. J. Salzer is spending some time here at his country home.

Miss Christiana Cook, after an absence of eight months returned to her home here, where she intends to remain throughout the summer, much to the delight of her many friends here.

Mr. Jim Walsh spent Sunday with his relatives at the Walsh Bungalow.

Mr. Chas. Kreher spent the week-end here with his brother, Mr. Jake Kreher.

There will be divine services at the Lutheran Church Sunday, May 30, 1909, in the German language, at 10:45 a. m., and in English at 7:30 p. m. Everybody welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Frowen were the guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Clements.

Mr. and Mrs. Vaccaro and family have moved into their summer home, to remain several months.

Miss Louise Garlarino spent Wednesday with her sisters, Mrs. Vogt and Miss Mamie Garlarino.

Miss Gertrude Leonard returned Wednesday from the Crescent City after a month's absence. Her many Abita friends are glad to welcome her return.

Mr. Sylvan L. Kohen was a visitor to New Orleans last Tuesday.

Misses M. and B. Schmidt and J. Hall were visitors to Covington Wednesday.

Miss Ethel Abney was a visitor to Covington on Thursday.

The Abita Fire Company has received its new hand engine and truck, and is now prepared to fight fire in earnest. They have a well organized membership, which is increasing right along, and Abita property holders feel more secure from fire than ever before.

There will be a dance at the Town Hall in Abita Springs to-night, May 29, 1909, for the benefit of the public school of Abita. Refreshments will be served and a good time is expected. Admission 25c.

Mr. J. P. Baldwin, of Abita, was a visitor to Covington last Saturday.

Mandeville Notes

Mr. Willie Seymour and family, of Ramsay, spent the day in Mandeville and took a trip to West End on board the steamer Margaret last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunter Greenlaw, of Ramsay, were guests of the Lake View Hotel, Sunday.

Mrs. Jacob Levy and little daughters left for New Orleans to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Heineman of Magazine street.

Mrs. Ribava with grandson Milton returned from Houma, after visiting her daughter, Mrs. Toujan.

Mr. Tucker, postmaster of Mandeville, accompanied by his charming wife were visitors in Mandeville last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Garcia, of New Orleans, were pleasant visitors in our town last week.

Mrs. Walter Ferguson, niece of Dr. and Mrs. Alonzo Givens, was their guest last week.

Mrs. Alice Bonnot and son Walter will summer in Mandeville, to the delight of their many friends.

Mrs. Billie Sharp and daughter Wilhelmina are entertaining friends from New Orleans.

Mrs. Delabrettonne and her daughters were guests of Mr. Arthur Delabrettonne at the Beggarly house last Sunday.

Mrs. Anguad, of France, is spending awhile at her cottage on Lake Boulevard.

The Welcome Hotel entertained many guests from the Crescent City all last week, among them were Mr. and Mrs. Bernard de Marigny.

Mr. Sack and family have rented the David cottage on Girard Avenue and will soon arrive.

Mr. Formento, son of the late Dr. Formento, with friends spent a delightful day in our midst.

The steamers Margaret and Camelia are making fast time across the lake arriving together at the new wharf.

The Tulane Summer School will open in New Orleans on June 14, 1909, and will close August 14. It is under the auspices of the State Institute Board and is intended to give teachers an opportunity to improve themselves as teachers. The only charge is a registration fee of \$2. There were 860 students enrolled in this school last summer.

J. B. FAIN. CHAS. ENGERRAN EGGS FOR HATCHING INCUBATOR EGGS \$4.50 PER 100 Guaranteed Fresh Eggs for Table Use.

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Table with 4 columns: Destination, Time, Destination, Time. Rows for Covington to Mandeville and Mandeville to Covington.

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Largest Shoe Sale In the History of Covington Begins Tuesday, June 1, Continuing Indefinitely. Competition out of the Question \$3.50 and \$4.00 Ladies' Shoes and Low-cuts, at \$1.95 We will refund your money and shoes gratis, if upon examination by a shoe expert they should not prove to be what we claim, \$3.50 and \$4.00 values. \$3.00 and 2.50 Ladies and Misses Shoes and Low-cuts, at \$1.75. \$2.50 Ladies' Shoes and Oxfords, all in one big lot, at \$1.50. \$2.00 Ladies' Oxfords, in Patent Leathers, Tan, and Soft Vici, \$1.25. One big lot of Ladies' Dress Oxfords and House Shoes at \$1.00. RED WINGS, THE IDEAL HOUSE SLIPPER, for ladies with tender feet; made of Soft Buckskin, soft as a glove and the latest thing out. Regular price, \$1.75, at \$1.25. BUSTER BROWN BLUE RIBBON SHOES Low-cuts for Misses and Boys. Regular price, \$2.50, at \$1.75. One big lot of Ladies' Low-cut, regular price \$1.75 and \$1.50, at .75. REGENT AND WHITEHOUSE OXFORDS FOR MEN The Regent and White House Oxford, Men, in Patent Leather, Tan, Ox Blood and Vici, never sold by any one for less than \$3.50 and \$4.00, at 2.75. 4.00 Shoes for men, made by Leonard, Shaw and Dean, (the Great Shoemakers) in Gun Metal and Patent Leather (worth \$5.00) 3.25 One big lot of regular \$1.50 Shoes for Men, at 1.00 One big lot of regular \$2.00 Gun Metal Shoes for Men, at 1.00 All the Girls' and Boys' Shoes in our store and Warehouse at reduced prices. When you see the Shoes themselves the value will appear even greater. It will pay you to borrow the money to visit this sale. You can pay interest and then save half. BARGAINS ALL OVER THE STORE \$15.00 Suits for Men, extra special at \$11.50 \$12.50 Suits for Men, extra special at \$9.50 \$12.50 Blue Serge, all wool suits, extra special, \$9.50 \$10.00 Blue Serge, all wool suits, extra special, \$7.50 \$7.00 Alpaca Coats, extra special, \$5.25 One big lot of \$1.75 and \$1.50 pants, extra special, 75c \$5.00 and \$4.00 pants, extra special, \$3.00 \$3.50 pants extra special, a bargain, at \$2.75 HATS—ALL OUR MEN AND BOYS STRAW AND FELT HATS, UP-TO-DATE STYLES, AT A BIG REDUCTION. THE FASHION STORE S. GARCIA, Proprietor. 212 Main Street - - - - - Covington, La.