

Saturday, July 17, 1909.

TO THE FARMERS OF ST. TAMMANY PARISH.

A letter has been received by Capt. G. E. Millar of Abita Springs, from Secretary J. L. Knoepfer, which states that Commissioner Chas. Schuler, of the Louisiana State Board of Agriculture and Immigration, has made arrangement with Mr. W. S. Keaghey of Ponchatoula and Mr. C. A. Tiebout of Roseland to address the farmers of St. Tammany parish at an institute meeting to be held at the Courthouse in Covington on Thursday, July 22, 1909.

Besides being experienced truck growers who understand every phase of the business, Mr. Keaghey and Mr. Tiebout are good talkers. Every sentence they utter will have in it something of practical value to the farmer. They have made and are making money by truck farming. You will not be asked to accept untried theories or listen to dreamland stories of what has been accomplished on rich bottom lands. These gentlemen come from sections no better fitted for trucking than our own soil in St. Tammany parish, yet the farmers have become prosperous and independent. They want to tell you how you can do the same.

It has been a difficult matter to get the farmers of this parish to attend meetings solely for their benefit. If this meeting is poorly attended it is not probable that another opportunity will be offered soon. We earnestly urge that the farmers fill the Courthouse on July 22, at 10 o'clock a. m.

In the meantime Captain Miller suggests that it would be a great aid to those attending the meeting to prepare beforehand such questions as they wish to ask. Write questions in a note-book and bring the book with you. The suggestion is an excellent one. In the quiet of your home you can think out those questions which will bring to you the most desired knowledge. If you have them written down you will not forget them, which you will be very apt to do if you come unprepared. While the gentlemen who will address you have a vast store of valuable information to impart, they are not mind readers.

It is largely through the instrumentality of Captain Millar that this institute will be held. No one has been more devoted to the interest of the farmer nor has consumed more personal time without remuneration than he. In this instance we hope that the satisfaction will be afforded him of seeing a truck growers' association formed and an interest exhibited by the farmers that will develop into growing fields of vegetables and fruit for shipment.

THE FOURTEENTH OF JULY.

Without detracting from the patriotism of the American citizen, there is an inherent spirit of love and respect in the bosom of every subject whose blood is traced back to the soil of France for the mother country of his ancestry. The storming of the Bastille and the birth of that sentiment that made France a republic gives to the 14th of July, 1789, a place in the memory of every lover of France. The celebration of that day assumes great importance in the State of Louisiana.

Here in Covington we have quite a number of families who are French or of French descent, and the day was to have been celebrated with an exhibition of fireworks at Bogue Falaya Park, the singing of Marseillaise and an address in French by Mr. L. Souchon.

These preparations were viewed with delight by the people, and especially by Hook and Ladder No. 1, which was to be the beneficiary of the ball in the evening, and which had the arrangement of affairs in hand. Crowds flocked in during the day and passed under the handsome triumphal arch at the park entrance, and the day promised one of the most successful celebrations, but ere the time approached for the exercises the wind and rain blighted all hopes and the affair was postponed until next Tuesday.

It would be an improvement to the pavilion if there were canvas curtains that could be lowered in times of stormy weather.

CORN-GROWING IN LOUISIANA.

The State Experiment Station, under the able direction of Prof. W. R. Dodson, has excited an interest throughout the State in the growing of corn. Like other innovations, it has been opposed by the habits of years and the opinion of hundreds of old-time farmers that this "wasn't no corn State." Yet we understand that for the first time Louisiana has grown some corn for export, and while the boll weevil has proven a destructive enemy to the cotton planter it may be a blessing in the shape of increased corn production.

Whenever the farmers begin to raise more feed and to keep more and a better grade of stock they will enter on the road to prosperity. The benefit of this will be noted by observing that among the farmers of our own parish those are most prosperous who have pursued this course.

With a view to aiding those who are interested in corn production, Professor Dodson

desires to get the names of those who are planting corn to any considerable extent with a view to personal correspondence. It will be to the benefit of farmers thus engaged to send in their names to Prof. W. R. Dodson, Director State Experiment Station, or to the St. Tammany Farmer.

IN JUSTICE TO THE COMPANY.

For years Covington had been subject to spasmodic spells in which she dreamed of a waterworks system owned by the town, adequate in its service to patrons and the needs of an up-to-date fire department. Each succeeding fire recalled these spells until, under palliative treatment, they assumed a subdued chronic form, resulting in the establishment of a fire department equipped in advance of its water supply.

We are confronted with projects of importance that require financing before the people will be able to take up the question of public waterworks. We must complete the school-house and we must provide funds for running the schools for the full term of nine months. If the people are willing to assume an additional bond issue for public improvements the difficulty is overcome. In the meantime the demand for a sufficient and convenient supply of water in case of fire is urgent, and the council will have fire plugs put in at advantageous places. There seems to be some disagreement as to the duties and rights of the water company as provided in its charter, the dispute being as to the right of the town to establish these plugs and make connections for fire purposes free of charge, the company maintaining that no such right exists under a fair interpretation of its charter.

The abuse of the power of corporations has created such a strong feeling against them throughout the country that the people are prone to jump at the conclusion that any demand made by them is subject to suspicion, and that a watchful eye is needed to check their greed and protect the public. But in the present case there should be no such suspicion. The stock of this company is owned by citizens who have the interest of Covington at heart. The plant was installed with a knowledge that upon the future growth of Covington depended the profits of the company, and it is to the interest of the company to promote development of the town. We have been at pains to get at the bottom of facts, and we find that the receipts of the company for water for the past two years averaged \$188 per month. Against this is an investment of \$11,368.74, drawing 8 per cent interest, \$909.50, annually. To be added to this is the cost of running expenses, labor, repairs and depreciation of plant. It is estimated that in six years a renewal of pipes will become necessary. There has never been a dividend declared. It is readily seen that the privilege is no sinecure. There was at first a disposition to construe the charter as giving the town the right to free use of water, but the opinion of Town Attorney Richard shows that while the right exists to use the water as at present distributed by the company, it has no right to tap mains and use the water free of charge. In view of the fact that the company has been little more than self-supporting and that it has added greatly to the comfort and protection of the town, there should be no disposition, even if the power existed, to force it to the wall or to a forfeiture of its franchise.

The charge of the company of \$1.00 per plug for use of water is, we understand, but one-half the usual charge made in other towns, and is a very liberal concession. The St. Tammany Ice and Manufacturing Company has been very liberal in its donations to all entertainments for public benefit, always furnishing lights and ice free of charge, and has shown a commendable interest in all movements for the advancement of the town.

Under the new rules of the Navy Department the battleships have been stripped of all unnecessary appurtenances, and among the things removed is the beautiful figure-head of the battleship Louisiana. It represents an eagle and is seven feet high and twelve feet long. Congressman Robt. C. Wickliffe is making an effort to secure this handsome ornament for the capitol at Baton Rouge, and as he usually gets what he goes after the chances are that he will succeed.

WICKLIFFE WANTS BATON ROUGE TO HAVE IT.

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Covington Society Notes.

Miss Lerora Alexius is in New Orleans this week enjoying a visit with relatives. Miss O'Rourke, of Slidell, who has been the guest of Miss Annie Smith, left on Tuesday for Ramsay to spend some time with friends before leaving for home. Frank Keller spent a few days in Covington last week. Mrs. Frederic Roehl and son Howard spent Monday in New Orleans. Miss Hilda Kent returned Wednesday from a visit to friends in New Orleans. Mr. Gus Oertling is spending a week with his family in Claiborne. Judge Burns and District Attorney Morgan left Monday for Franklinton to hold a special term of court. Mr. Clay Riggs has been to Chicago this week on business. Mrs. E. J. Gaude and children, who have

been on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Cantrelle, returned on Monday to her home in Folsom.

Misses Lucille Moise and Mercedes Legier left on Monday for Pass Christian, where they will spend some time.

Mrs. W. A. Hood is quite ill at the New Orleans Sanatorium. Her many friends in Covington sympathize with her in her illness and wish for her a speedy recovery. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Terreboune, are stopping for awhile in Covington at the residence of Mrs. Terreboune's mother, Mrs. S. V. Kentzel.

Miss Miriam Watkins spent last week in Mandeville with her friend, Mrs. Zatarain, of New Orleans, who is summing there.

John S. Waterman was in Covington last week combining business with pleasure.

Dr. L. M. Quin, of Holmesville, Miss., left last week for his home, after a short visit to his daughter, Mrs. C. Z. Williams. His granddaughter, Miss Hallie Williams, went with him to spend a fortnight at his home.

Mrs. S. E. Walker and Miss Willie Olin have returned, after a fortnight spent with Mrs. J. Buchel in New Orleans.

Mrs. M. M. Triplett, Mrs. S. E. Walker and daughter, Mrs. W. G. McDuff and Miss Nellie Olin enjoyed and outed at Mandeville one day last week.

Mrs. G. C. Thomas, of Talisheek, was the guest last week of her mother, Mrs. W. G. McDuff.

Mrs. M. M. Triplett, of Hazelhurst, Miss., has returned home, after a month's stay with relatives.

Mrs. S. E. Walker and little daughter, who have been guests of Mrs. W. N. Patrick, have returned to Tyertown.

Miss Amelia Oppenheimer, of New York City, and Miss Irma Levy, of Beaumont, Tex., left Thursday morning for Amite City. They have been the guests of their aunt, Mrs. J. Stern. They will spend a short time in Amite previous to their departure for home.

Mrs. M. P. House has as her guest for the summer Mrs. S. R. Foster, of Magnolia Plantation, Terrebonne Parish.

Mrs. S. V. Kentzel, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Smith, Mrs. A. R. Smith and baby and Warren H. Smith, left this morning for Slick Rock, N. C., where they expect to remain two months.

Lieut. F. F. Planche and Mr. Wallace Poole left for Camp Stafford, Alexandria, La., Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. H. R. Clark, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. John Edgar, left Thursday morning for New Orleans.

Miss Ethel Arons, who has been the guest of her cousin, Miss Edwina Moore, returned yesterday to her home in Jackson, Miss. Mr. Fontaine Poole, left for Bogalusa last Wednesday morning, where he will establish himself in the livery business.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Colton and family are over for the summer. Mrs. A. H. Hammett and brother Frank Kentzel are visiting in Gulfport and Biloxi. Hon. E. Elmo Bollinger, of Slidell, was in Covington this week on business. Mr. L. Koenig, of New Orleans, was a Covington visitor, Thursday.

BORN—To Mrs. M. P. Planche, on Tuesday, July 13, 1909, a girl.

Rev. J. W. Mount will hold protracted meetings at Denham Springs next week.

There will be a conference meeting of the Council and School Board today at 10 o'clock a. m.

The Citizen's Railway Committee will meet at the Mayor's office at 3 o'clock p. m. today to consult with Manager N. G. Pearsall of the N. O. G. N.

Mrs. Paul Segond, who recently underwent an operation in New Orleans for appendicitis, is recuperating rapidly and will soon be able to return home.

Maurice, Jr., the son of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Planche, entertained a number of his little friends last Sunday, the occasion being his second birthday celebration.

Deputy Ed. Lacroix took Toulouse Deppriest to New Orleans, Thursday for safekeeping. He is charged with robbing and burning the store of J. H. Dixon & Sons, at Sun, La.

The Colored Preachers Alliance was in session in Covington this week. Among those present were Rev. Lawless, W. Washington, of St. John's church, New Orleans; D. J. Channel, A. M. Green, Presiding Elder of the New Orleans Northeast District; Rev. K. M. Michell, J. B. Bell and J. L. Thomas. The sessions were held in the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

Grand entertainment and ball to be given by the Abita Pleasure Club on Saturday, July 24, for the benefit of the school fund. Music furnished by the famous New Orleans Reliance Orchestra, E. Gardina, leader. Admission 25 cents, children free. Performance commences at 8 o'clock p. m. sharp. A good time promised to all. Hon. Garmen, president.

Mrs. W. A. Hood was taken to New Orleans from Onvil last Saturday afternoon on a special train and placed in Hotel Dieu. Her condition necessitated an operation and by reason of its serious nature her sister, Mrs. Elmer E. Lyon, was telegraphed to and arrived in New Orleans Wednesday from Connecticut. Mrs. Hood is reported to be doing nicely.

At the meeting of Bogue Falaya Grove No. 21, U. A. O. D. Tuesday evening the following members took the second degree: Edmund Stern, Felix Lamar, Chas. Deil, Ed. Lacroix, Emile Lacroix.

Robt. Aubert, E. D. Kentzel and Dr. A. H. Grimmer were appointed the Finance Committee.

This lodge is rapidly increasing in number.

Card of Thanks.

The Abita Fire Co. No. 2 wishes to extend thanks to all the ladies who assisted them on July 4 and special thanks to the St. Tammany Farmer and its editor. A. O. PONS, President.

Postponed.

The 14th of July celebration, that was so elaborately and well planned, was postponed until Tuesday evening, when there will be a ball and grand display of fireworks.

The entertainment is under the auspices of Hook and Ladder No. 1, which is of itself a guarantee of a good time.

The Kings' Daughters will meet at the home of Mrs. B. B. Warren, at 5 o'clock p. m. Monday.

From Franklinton.

Franklinton, La., July 14.—The following is a copy of the report submitted by the Grand Jury yesterday afternoon:

To the Hon. Thos. M. Burns, judge of the 26th Judicial District Court of Louisiana, in and for the parish of Washington.

We the Grand Jury in and for said parish and State, beg to submit that since our incumbency we have been in active session for ten days, during which time we have enquired into 176 complaints and examined 425 witnesses, and returned 71 true bills, out of which number 30 are against parties for the illicit sale of spirituous and intoxicating liquors without license.

In accordance with the special charge given by your honor, we have given special attention to the unlawful sale of intoxicating liquors in our parish. We find conditions in some parts of the parish in this connection deplorable. We are convinced that at least 75 percent of the infractions of the laws of our parish are traceable to the influence of the existence of blind tigers. Business centers and towns and villages suffer most from this evil. The town of Bogalusa and annexes are especially infested with unscrupulous men engaged in this business. We find that evidence of a substantial nature is hard to get, because of a lack of the proper and full co-operation on the part of the leading and best citizens with the officers of the law.

We recommend that the officers of this honorable court direct their best efforts toward the ridding of our country of this evil, and that lawabiding citizens of our parish come speedily to the support of our officers in this move.

We have examined conditions in and about the parish jail and find same in a sanitary condition. The courthouse is well provided with cuspidors and kept reasonably clean. There is no excuse for spitting on the floors and walls thereof. J. K. JOHNSON, Foreman.

District Attorney Morgan filed a bill of information against Charles Goodman, one of the principal State witnesses against Tom Boutwell, charging him with running a blind tiger. Goodman pleaded not guilty, was tried, convicted and given a fine of \$800 and three months in the parish jail. Dan Knowles, who was caught loitering around the Bogalusa jail with a concealed weapon while Boutwell was in that jail, was fined \$200 and costs. J. C. Wells, who pleaded guilty to embezzlement at Bogalusa, was sentenced to six months in the parish jail. The following negroes were also sentenced: E. V. Johnson, assault, one year in penitentiary; Cicero Wilson, larceny, one year in penitentiary; Marshal Brumfield, breaking jail, six months in parish jail; Sam Ruffin, petty larceny, three months in parish jail; Felda Crow, white, was given ten days for jumping a bondsman.

The Eleventh District of the Farmers' Union will hold its annual picnic here July 17. The first part of the day will be taken by the Farmers' Union, and prominent men will make addresses. Dinner will be served picnic style, and in the afternoon the crowd will witness a baseball game between the fast local team and some other strong team. Other outdoor sports, such as jumping and running contests, will also be included. The Eleventh District is composed of parishes of St. Helena, Livingston, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa and Washington.—Picayune.

Abita News and Society Notes.

BY OUR ABITA CORRESPONDENTS.

Capt. H. J. Thompson and family, formerly of Algiers, La., have moved to their home in Abita. Mrs. J. A. Salzer and baby are the guests of her parents, Capt. and Mrs. H. Michaelis.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Walsh are spending awhile among friends here. Frank E. Smith, who has been gone for the past six months, returned Saturday for a short visit to friends and relatives.

Mr. M. Dutrey is spending sometime here, among the guests at the Lamoussin cottage. Misses Ethel Walsh and V. Rugen were visitors to Covington Saturday.

Mrs. M. Garbarino is spending a while with her daughter, Mrs. G. Vogt. Miss M. Hardouin is the guest of her brother, Mr. J. Hardouin.

Mr. A. Davenport, of Covington, was among our visitors last week. Mr. Emile Compagno, after a brief stay here, returned to New Orleans.

Mrs. O. M. Lind and son Carl, after spending two weeks with relatives here, returned to her home in New Orleans Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Nelson and baby, of Covington, were welcome visitors here Tuesday. Mr. Steve C. Abney spent last Thursday in New Orleans.

Mrs. S. Biggio and two daughters, Misses Mary and Celestine, and Mrs. M. Walsh, were visitors to Covington Tuesday.

Miss Hilda Schindler left Sunday evening to visit friends and relatives in New Orleans. Although her many friends here wish her a pleasant stay, they are already looking forward for her return.

Mr. Henry Heiny was the guest Sunday of Mr. Thos. Cahill. Miss M. Kennedy is the guest of Mrs. Chas. Spitzfaden.

The baseball game Sunday between Mandeville and Abita proved very interesting and resulted in another victory, the score being 12 to 2. There was quite a large delegation that came up from Mandeville to see their team defeated.

The A. S. B. C. will give another grand ball Saturday night at the pavilion. They extend another invitation to you to come and enjoy the evening.

Mr. A. Aron, of New Orleans, visited her mother, Mrs. Levy, and her little daughters Thelma and Hilda. Dr. Alonzo had for a guest all last week his sister-in-law, Mrs. Giffney, of New Orleans.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Cornibe were entertained by their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cornibe, last Sunday.

Post Master Tucker has moved near his office, in one of Mr. Depre's comfortable houses. The Baptist Car. p Meeting was largely attended and closed Thursday.

Nearly all the houses are rented, this being fortunate as the season is far advanced. Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Gutierrez left for New Orleans, after spending a fortnight with Mrs. Griffin. Judge Livandais is still improving in health. Mrs. Weilbacher and family and sister, Miss Giroux, are spending a while in our midst as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Barbot.

Mrs. A. Poupard, of New Orleans, is the guest of Mrs. Demaree. The young ladies and gentlemen, of Mandeville, gave a hay ride, and enjoyed themselves so much that they intend giving several during this summer. The pretty Mandeville is honored by fashionable and bon tons of the City.

The Progressive and Improvement Club are giving an entertainment to raise money to complete a sum necessary to purchase a hook and ladder for our town. Miss Alice Shells left Mandeville to start with her grandmother, Mrs. Calder, for Virginia for the rest of the summer. Miss Stella Levy spent several days in New Orleans with her sister, Mrs. A. Aron. Mrs. John Schwab, with her sons John and Dominick and charming daughters Alice, Georgie and Theresa, are spending a week with Mrs. Marie Dyer. Mrs. Avegro, with her sister, Miss Rose Coiron, were entertained by Mrs. Emma Frudhomme Wednesday. Miss Anna Baron and her friend, Miss Avegro, are spending their vacation as guests of Mrs. Smith. Mandeville is made very lively by the sweet music of the Mandeville Brass Band practicing the latest pieces every evening.

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6:30 a m	7:45 a m
7:00 a m	8:45 a m
8:30 a m	10:00 a m
9:30 a m	11:45 a m
11:00 a m	12:00 m
1:00 p m	2:00 p m
3:00 p m	4:00 p m
5:00 p m	6:00 p m
7:00 p m	7:45 p m

For the information of the public solely, the announced schedules of the New Camelia are printed below:

NEW CAMELIA—Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, leaves Mandeville at 6:30 a. m. Arrives 6:40 p. m. Wednesday and Sunday, arrives 10:45 a. m. Leaves 4:40 p. m.

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