

THE CONTEST ENDED.

Last Tuesday evening the Farmer closed the most successful contest that has ever been conducted in Covington with a free dance at Cantrelle Hall.

The Farmer wishes to thank the contestants for their efforts in its behalf and all its friends for their interest and support in the contest.

OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The interest you take in the educational projects in the community is one of the greatest incentives to progress. It is a nice thing to put your hand in your pocket and provide for the maintenance of these institutions, but interest should not end here if the best results are to be obtained.

In this connection we note with pleasure the provision by Mr. L. Fishbel, of Abita Springs, of one gold and three silver medals to be awarded to pupils for deportment and scholarship.

Another matter that should awaken interest is the organization of the Covington High School Literary Club. Prof. Lyon expects much good to result from this organization.

LOUISIANA PINE LANDS.

There are many things that indicate a prosperous growth for Louisiana, and not the least of the causes of this growth is the good work that has been done by the State Department of Agriculture in encouraging the production of corn.

Thousands of acres of Louisiana corn lands are being advertised for sale in Chicago, and agents are picking up everything that they can turn over at a profit.

People who can now buy these cutover pine lands, where they are still in the hands

of original owners, at reasonable prices, will wait until they are gobbled up by speculators before they realize their value, and will then pay high prices for them.

If the advantages of early opportunities cannot be impressed upon those who should prosper by them, there is some consolation in noting the inevitable prosperity that is soon to come to the State through the establishment of factories and diversified agriculture by those who are awake to the advantages we offer.

POWER TO SUSPEND SENTENCE.

The suggestion of District Attorney St. Clair Adams, of New Orleans, for the enactment of a law which will enable a judge to suspend sentence in penal cases, would if carried out be of great benefit.

During his visit to New York Mr. Adams was much impressed with the beneficial working of the law in that State. Under that law the prisoner is placed on probation, and if he gives evidence of reformation and shows that he can be trusted to lead the life of a good citizen he is pardoned on the termination of the minimum sentence or probationary term.

Mr. Adams said: "I recollect a case very recently where a young man forged a check for a small amount and pleaded guilty to uttering as true. The minimum penalty is two years in the penitentiary, and this penalty was imposed. Both the judge and myself recognized that the young man should not be sent to the penitentiary; that he was not a hardened criminal and that the penitentiary would only serve by reason of the associates he would then meet to confirm in his criminal habits.

SPECIALIZING BUSINESS.

The Farmer has frequently called attention to the benefits that would accrue to the merchants of Covington if they would specialize their business and devote their attention to meeting the demands of customers in their special line.

Covington Society Notes.

Mrs. M. C. Smith and son Earl left this morning for New Orleans, where Earl will take up a commercial course at Soule College.

weeks with friends here, has returned to her home in New Orleans. Mr. Neil Sweeney, Chief Clerk Railway Mail Service of New Orleans, spent his vacation with his family at his pretty home at Covington.

Mr. Julian Smith is spending the week end in New Orleans. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bell, of New Orleans, spent this week with Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Anderson. Mr. and Mrs. Bell have just returned from Galveston, Texas, where they spent the latter part of the summer.

Miss Elise Roos left Monday for her home in Opelousas, after spending some time here, the guest of Miss Edwina Moore. Mrs. Bouski and little daughter, of Slidell, who were visiting relatives at Ramsay, spent last Saturday afternoon here with Mrs. H. J. and Miss Annie Smith.

The Five Hundred Club was entertained by Mrs. Chas. Loop at the home of Mrs. Dr. B. B. Warren Tuesday afternoon. Miss Lillie Allain won the first prize and Mrs. Wallace Poole the second. Mrs. Ernest Wailles will entertain the club next week.

Mrs. Lobbell and little grandson Beverly, of Hattiesburg, Miss., are visiting Mrs. Boudousque.

Mrs. Dr. Tolson is in New Orleans on a combined business and pleasure trip. Neuma Hebert left this morning to accept a position at the Stanton Plantation.

The Maids and Matrons Euchre met at the home of Miss Nina Cantrell. Miss Susie Bokenfohr won the first prize, Miss Ruth Bokenfohr the second and Miss Coig the consolation. Miss Hennessey will entertain next week.

Mrs. Aug. Illy spent Thursday in the Crescent City. The friends of Mrs. H. H. Smith will regret to learn that she has been quite ill this past week.

Mrs. F. Munn, of Pensacola, Florida, has rented the Warren home on Twenty-first and Jefferson Avenues.

The ladies of the Progressive Union held a called meeting at the residence of Mrs. B. B. Warren. At the meeting it was decided to use the umbrella won in the Farmer contest, for the benefit of the Chemical Co.

Mrs. Leopold Levy and little daughter, of Bogalusa, are spending this week among their many friends and relatives in Covington.

Col. and Mrs. Wallace Harper, after spending the winter at Mandeville, has returned, and will spend the winter at the Southern Hotel.

J. Guide Grimmer, son of Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Grimmer, left Thursday for New Orleans where he will enter the Dental College.

L. J. Heintz and family have moved to the new home Oak Grove, recently purchased from W. N. Patrick.

Prof. and Mrs. A. B. Peters spent Thursday in New Orleans. A painful accident happened to Miss Emma Heintz one day last week. While raising a window it slipped and fell on her hand bruising it and breaking the bone of the little finger in two places.

Dr. and Mrs. John A. F. Burgess, of New Orleans, are registered at the Southern Hotel.

Abita News and Society Notes. Born to Mrs. A. A. Du Vernay on Sunday, Oct. 10, a boy.

Miss Maud Anderson, of Algiers, spent Sunday here with her sister Mrs. H. J. Thompson. Mrs. F. D. Charbonnet and daughter Miss Clare and son are guests of Terrebonne Cottage.

Mr. F. D. Charbonnet spent Tuesday evening in Abita. Dr. and Mrs. L. C. Heintz and little daughter Mingron are in New Orleans.

Hon. A. Mutti spent Tuesday in New Orleans. Miss Florence Terrebonne is visiting relatives in Houma and Ellendale La.

Mr. W. W. Ward spent Sunday here with his family. Miss M. Lawton is on a visit to her sister Mrs. W. W. Ward.

Mr. A. Souza recently celebrated his eighty-seventh birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Thoele spent Sunday in Abita, guests of Capt. and Mrs. H. J. Thompson.

Capt. H. J. Thompson left Abita to attend a banquet given by the Associated Branch Pilots to the National Pilots' Association, who held their Biennial Convention in New Orleans.

Mrs. A. J. Thompson left Wednesday evening to attend a reception tendered Mrs. H. S. Hoyt, who will soon leave for Washington, D. C., her future home.

Capt. G. E. Millar spent Tuesday in the Crescent City. Judge A. O. Pons, Capt. H. J. Thompson and Mr. P. Thompson visited Covington Tuesday.

Mrs. H. Welsh and daughter Etta, after spending the summer here, left Wednesday for their home in New Orleans. Mr. John J. Marshal, Jr., was the guest of his friend Mr. Steve Biggio, on Sunday.

Mrs. Ray, of Amite City, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Daspit. Miss Chauvin, who has been visiting Mrs. Daspit, left Monday for Covington.

Mr. Otto Sizeler spent Sunday with his family here. Mr. J. Walsh spent Sunday here with relatives. Miss C. Biggio spent the week end here with relatives.

Miss M. Barrett was a visitor to relatives here on Sunday. Mr. V. Curry was a visitor here this week. Mrs. Jules Hardouin and family have leased the pretty Dermon cottage.

Misses A. Nickles and M. Lemons Mesdames J. Bennet and J. Lemons spent Sunday eve in Covington. The Misses Bakers left for the Crescent City, after several months spent here.

Mrs. O. Summers and daughter Clara have returned from a visit to Jennings, La. Mr. and Mrs. Dermon and family have returned to New Orleans, after spending the summer months here.

Mrs. A. Verger is spending some time here. Mr. and Mrs. F. Vaccaro and little daughter Lena left last week for their home in St. Louis. Mrs. R. Murray, after spending some time with her mother, Mrs. Thompson, has returned to New Orleans.

Miss Mamie Thompson has returned from a recent visit to New Orleans. Mrs. Seymour Smith and children have returned to New Orleans, after spending some time here.

Mr. J. E. Nilson, of Covington, was an Abita visitor Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Hirt have moved to New Orleans, after spending one year here. Mr. J. Russel, of Covington, was a visitor here last week.

Mr. J. F. Booth, of New Orleans, was a visitor here on Thursday. Among the business visitors here this week was Mr. P. Halbering, of New Orleans.

DIED—Monday, October 11, 1909, after a long illness, at his home in New Orleans, Oscar Loubat, aged 51 years and six months, beloved husband of Eva Lefleur. He leaves three daughters Miss Louise Loubat, Mrs. J. L. Reed and Miss Usule Loubat, and stepdaughter Mrs. L. C. Heintz and one son Hilal Loubat. Mr. Loubat had a beautiful home in Abita, where he spent a number of years and leaves a host of friends.

Just received a carload of brick and shingles. See us before buying. ALEXIUS BROS. & CO. Mandeville Notes

Colonel and Mrs. Harper, of Delaware, left Mandeville to spend the winter months in Covington. Mrs. Alice Bonnot and son Walter are spending a few days in Mandeville.

Mrs. Newman and little daughter were visitors to Bogalusa last week. The friends of Mrs. Tucker are glad to hear that health is improving.

Mrs. Alvarez and Mrs. Brough were visitors to Covington Friday, the guests of Mrs. Chas. Thiery. Dr. and Mrs. Alonzo Givens were guests of Mr. L. Smith and family last Friday.

Jack Shirill returned to Mandeville to spend a few days with his parents. Mrs. Ernest Brinkman and little daughter returned to Brookhaven.

After spending a year and a half in Mandeville Mr. Upton and family have returned to New Orleans. Mrs. Brough, wife of Mr. Alfred Brough, of the Immigration Bureau, of New Orleans, is the guest of Mrs. Frieda Stretton.

Mr. Lafaye's property in Lewisburg has been purchased by Mrs. Marioni, of New Orleans. Many persons from Mandeville will take advantage of the excursion to New Orleans on the Great Northern railroad next Saturday and spend the day in the Crescent City.

Mr. Estarde and charming niece, Mrs. Meilhea, spent a week at their pretty cottage on Marigny avenue. The new hotel on Gerard street is nearly completed. It is a beautiful structure, and is quite an embellishment to our town.

Harriet Levy, the bright and intelligent daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Levy, is attending school in New Orleans. Mr. and Mrs. William Griffin are entertaining their brother, Mr. Ginterz, of New Orleans.

Mrs. Marie Dyer spent the day in New Orleans on business. Mandeville is beginning to look the same as before the storm. Everybody is busy repairing or building new houses.

Miss Mary Pinckney is entertaining her friend, Miss Helene Freret. Mrs. Lavaudais (nee Freret) is a guest of Miss Palmvre Hopkins.

Mr. Willis and family are still lingering in our midst. We hope they will remain for some time. Jos. Cornibe and wife and sister, Mrs. Jake Flick, were charmingly entertained by their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cornibe, of Mandeville.

Ramsay Notes Mrs. H. A. Greenlaw has returned from New Orleans, where she spent several days. Mrs. R. J. Dymond and Master R. J. Dymond, Jr., have gone to New Orleans for a visit of ten days.

W. A. Dardin, of Anniston, Ala., was a recent visitor, the guest of E. R. Greenlaw. Mrs. F. J. Samson and children, after an enjoyable stay of several weeks with her cousin, Mrs. J. F. Dupont, returned to her home in Abbeville, La., last week.

Messrs. J. J. McDermott and P. N. Briere, of New Orleans, visited their sons at St. Joseph's College last Sunday. L. Z. Dickey spent several days in Magnolia, Miss., and New Orleans last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Ball after several days visit to their home in Angie, La., returned last Monday evening. Among the prominent socials of the past week were the surprise parties given to Miss Eunice Broadwater, of Sandy Hook, Miss., at the residence of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Greenlaw, and to Miss Carrie Albert at Hotel St. Joseph by their numerous friends here.

Miss Margaret Carey, of New Orleans, is spending several weeks here the guest of Hotel St. Joseph. Mrs. A. J. Keenan returned last Sunday from New Orleans after several days stay.

C. J. Little, of Zona, La., was a week-end visitor, returning home on last Monday. Willie Ford, who has been attending commercial college in New Orleans, has returned and has accepted a position with the N. O. G. N. railroad here. Misses Margaret Carey, Caroline Albert and V. W. Ollivier visited Allison, La., last Sunday.

Madisonville Notes Mrs. Sam Fury has returned home, after spending a time with relatives. Miss Mary Dykeman has left after spending the summer here. Mr. Phillips and family have moved back to New Orleans, where they will remain. Miss Delphine Galatas is visiting friends in New Orleans.

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