

ARE THE NEW RATES FAIR.

The relation of public carriers to the people is so interwoven with mutual interests that it seems the natural course of events would produce the utmost amity and cooperation.

We of Covington are fortunately so situated that in the matter of freight rates we are more or less independent, because we have a waterway that is ample.

Some other towns in this parish are not so favorably situated, and it is their misfortune not only to be handicapped by increased rates but by rates which are discriminative.

First-class freight—Covington to New Orleans, 30 cents; Abita to New Orleans, 52 cents; formerly 25 cents.

To New Orleans—Feed: From Covington, 8 cents; from Abita Springs, 14 cents. Groceries: From Covington, 18 cents; from Abita Springs, 34 cents.

Abita and Ramsay say they will put in teams, ship their goods by schooner, and haul from the wharf landing in Covington.

Mr. Pearsall has lately shown a disposition to help Covington out in its railroad problems, and he has at all times been very kind in his assistance to the town in the way of gratuitous hauling of road material, and in other ways, and it is understood that his company will at an early date give us another passenger train, with but four stops between here and New Orleans and with a schedule of one hour and fifty minutes.

There should be fairplay for every town on the road; an equal chance for every industry in the territory through which it runs.

A CLEAN INVESTIGATION IS DEMANDED.

Public opinion seems to be that the President has made a mistake in attempting to rescue Ballinger from the flood of disapproval that has submerged nearly every section.

APPRECIATED.

The Farmer has received a letter of thanks from the Women's Progressive Union expressing their appreciation of our efforts to aid them in making their undertakings successful.

A PROSPEROUS FUTURE IN SIGHT.

I have been reading with great interest your editorials urging the people of St. Tammany Parish to engage more largely in truck farming and carrying, and the raising of cattle, hogs, and chickens.

I foresee for Covington, Abita and Mandeville a magnificent future. The temporary depression which has existed for the last two years will soon pass away, for it is the invariable rule for a panic to be followed by a period of industrial depression lasting a couple of years, to be then followed by an era of expansion, growth and development greater than before.

I have been personally assured by Mr. Birg, of the St. Tammany and New Orleans Railways and Ferry Co. that said company will invest \$35,000 in rolling stock and other improvements.

Covington Society Notes.

Despite the early hour quite a number of friends gathered at St. Peter's Catholic church to witness the wedding of Miss Lucille Moise to Mr. Bernard Frederick Dauterive, of Orange, Texas.

Mrs. Albert Smith has as her guest for the winter Mr. Robt. Gerrans.

Miss Mercedes Legier and Sydney Moise were Covington visitors last Tuesday, attending the Dauterive-Moise nuptials.

Recent arrivals at the Blatner House on Boston street are: Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Ayres, Mrs. P. Shrieffer and Mr. Davidson, of New Orleans and Mr. Robt. Colly, of Onville.

Mr. Warren Johnston was a week-end visitor of Mr. Albert Smith.

J. W. Adams and daughter are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charopin.

Miss Julie Charopin entertained at a card party last Tuesday in honor of her guest, Miss Marie Adams.

Mrs. Ernest Wailes entertained the Five Hundred Club last Tuesday from 3 to 5:30. After the game delicious lettuce salad sandwiches and chocolate were served.

Miss Hazel Carroll, after a month delightfully spent with her aunt, Mrs. Ed. Kentzel, has returned to her home in New Orleans.

Willie Clark was the guest this week of his mother, Mrs. Louise Clark, and sister, Mrs. C. C. Robinson.

Mrs. Ed. Kentzel entertained the Maids and Matrons Euchre Club on last Friday, January 14. After playing ten games, Miss Louise Bokenfohr was found the fortunate winner of the first prize.

Mrs. Henry Chavigny spent last Sunday in Covington.

The character dance given by the young ladies of Covington at the Southern Hotel was a decided success.

Characters were represented by the following: Miss Mary Dutsch, a Dutch Lassie, Miss Euphemie Richard and Mrs. C. C. Robinson, trained nurses; Miss Albertine Deschappelle, Folly; Miss Anita Delcroix, Court Jester; Miss Madeline Bokenfohr, Day; Miss Ruth Bokenfohr, Sis Hopkins; Misses Louise Bokenfohr, Cecille Cantrelle, Winnie White and Pauline Frederick, cow girls; Miss Hazel Carroll and Mrs. E. D. Kentzel, bathing girls; Miss Edna Coig, Geisha Girl; Mrs. Clay Hebert, Misses Lou Lyons and Eugenie Heintz, Indians; Miss Susie Bokenfohr, a bride; Misses Mae Poole and Della Chauvin, Sailor Girls; Miss Ola Arbutnot, Queen of Hearts; Miss Emma Arbutnot and her guests, Mrs. Andrews, butterflies; Miss Louise Cases, Gypsy; Miss Marguerite Brewster, Gretchen; Mrs. Fred Heintz and Miss Anna Frederick Red Ridinghoods; Miss Lizzie Kent, night; Mrs. Charles Loop, Shepherdess; Mrs. Frank Gordon, a belle.

Their guests were: Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hebert, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Domezge, Misses Mattie and George Travis, Mrs. Chas. Thiery, Messrs. N. FitzSimmons, E. Stern, F. Heintz, V. Z. Young, A. Dulon, A. Davenport, E. D. Kentzel, J. Haller, Warren Smith, L. White, A. Anderson, O. Richard, Clay Hebert, B. White, J. Diendorf, J. L. Smith, R. Smythe, Hymel, Louis Hebert, W. Patrick and W. Doyle, of New Orleans; Cain, of Slidell, J. and W. Michaelis, of Abita; Robt. Gerrans, of New Orleans and T. L. Young.

New Orleans is filled with strangers, fugitives, mostly from the biting winds and mercurial cold of the North. Some are there to remain the winter through, but a greater number are simply stopping over on their way to Mexico, Florida, California and the Gulf Coast.

COMMENTS AND NOTES BY MATRONITA.

Yes, there is plenty of balmy weather, plenty of sunshine, pretty scenery, good streets; but not a tennis court, not a golf link, scarcely a boat to hire, and pitifully little to lend itself to the amusement of a sojourner in our town.

Now all these drawbacks can and should be removed and Covington put in such an inviting condition that we would not hesitate to sound its praises to the outside world and throw open its gates to the comfort and pleasure seekers, knowing well we could give all that they could reasonably demand.

The current number of the Delineator gives a most interesting account (written by a woman) of Fred Kohler, Chief of Police, Cleveland, Ohio, and of his method of encouraging honesty, suppressing crime and curtailing the expenses of the department by giving to his officers discretion in making arrests in that city.

Under the old regime, every offender who was arrested was held for trial, and many of these cases were dismissed. Mr. Kohler realized that this was useless trouble and expense, and often productive of most trying results.

When the writer of the "Policeman and the Home" asked Chief Kohler what had finally caused him to give his force the order to cut down arrests, it was almost startling to hear this hardheaded officer, used to the misery into which his work continuously threw him, say in almost a worried tone, "O, those women, those women! with their pets and their babies in their arms. They used to sit around on the steps all day. When we used to be so jam-full of cases the court would run all day, and those women had no money to buy lunch. I would go out and get a good, warm, hearty lunch and come back, and there they'd be still waiting, hungry and forlorn, tussling, crying and hungry ones. And perhaps their man would be discharged after all. They got so they haunted me and I made up my mind I'd get rid of them, and I did."

There's a comet, Halley's seventy-six-year comet, within some thirteen million miles of us, rushing upward in our skies at the mild rate of 60,000 miles an hour.

In years ago, comets were universally supposed to bring misfortune in their wake. This superstition has melted away before the light of astronomical education.

Abita News and Society Notes.

Mr. Chas. Biggio and son, Alvin, spent a few days in New Orleans this week.

Mr. G. Burke spent Sunday in Abita with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Oalman, and Mr. and Mrs. Fountain, of Covington, visited relatives here Sunday evening.

Mr. J. P. Gast, of Algiers, spent Friday in Abita.

Mr. J. T. Kieran spent Sunday here with his wife.

Messdames A. Cassagne and P. Lamouin were Crescent City visitors Monday.

Mr. E. Nicaud, of New Orleans, was in Abita on business Tuesday.

Mr. Riley and son, of New Orleans, are spending some time here, guests a Mutti's Hotel.

Mr. Jos. Bordes, of New Orleans, spent Sunday in Abita.

Mr. A. Hall spent Sunday in Abita with relatives.

Mr. Goldbock, of New Orleans, is spending a few weeks here.

Miss Artie Spring visited Onville Monday.

Mrs. P. J. McCarthy spent Tuesday Covington.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Rogers returned Sunday from Franklinton, visiting relatives and attending funeral of her brother, Mr. Ellis Bateman.

Mr. D. Lathenhouse has moved his family from Covington up to Folsom.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Washom, of Falah, La., has been visiting relatives in Folsom.

Mr. C. Ragan, of Abita, has moved his family to Folsom.

Mrs. J. H. Cassels spent Monday in Covington.

Messrs John and Sidney Ragan spent Sunday in Abita.

Mr. Charlie Verger, of Alma, spent Sunday in Folsom.

Miss Alma Magee attended the teachers' meeting Saturday.

Mr. M. Baily, of Onville, spent Sunday in Folsom.

Mr. Talmage, Senior of Ramsay, visited Folsom Sunday.

Mr. P. M. Reed spent Tuesday in Slidell, guest of Mrs. M. Rhoades.

Mr. Hestur, of Alma, visited Mr. H. L. Webb Sunday afternoon.

Mr. F. Varnado, who has been quite ill, is improving slowly.

Two large stores are going up in our town and will be completed soon.

Mr. E. Rhodes, of Hackly, Miss., has been spending a few days with his sisters and brothers.

Mr. T. Rhodes, Mrs. J. Shives and Miss Beulah Carroll spent Tuesday in Covington.

Mrs. C. McClain is spending a while with her son, at Lumberton, Miss.

Misses Emma Blackwell and Tera Wascom spent Sunday in Folsom, guests of the Misses Carroll.

Mr. M. Carroll, who has been working at Bogalusa, returned home Tuesday and spent a few days.

Mr. P. Burns, of Covington, spent Wednesday in Folsom.

Mr. J. H. Lasance, of New Orleans, spent Wednesday in Folsom.

COVINGTON THEATRE 510 Boston St. Covington. New Pictures every show. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday night, 7 p. m. Sunday evening, 5:30. Admission, 10 cents.

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