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Personal and Local

Mr. and Mrs. John Coniff and baby, of New Orleans, are Covington visitors.

Mrs. Jas. H. Gately, after a few days spent in the Crescent City, has returned to her home in 25th Avenue.

Mr. Huylan Shaw and daughter, Edwina, of Ramsay, spent Wednesday in Covington.

Mrs. Jas. Mullally and children are spending awhile in New Orleans.

Mrs. J. E. Williams was a New Orleans visitor this week.

Miss Magdaline Bokentohr left on Wednesday afternoon to spend a few days on the Gulf Coast.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Padin, of New Orleans, are spending awhile here with their daughter, Mrs. W. H. Kentzel, in Boston street.

The Farmer is in receipt of an invitation to attend the commencement exercises of the senior class of the Columbia High School on May 12, compliments of Miss Martha Emma Pickett.

Mr. J. B. Harris, manager of the Inter-State Land Company, of Chambers, Ill., is the guest of Mr. Whit Riggs.

Mrs. C. E. Schonberg and son have returned from White Castle where they were visiting relatives.

Hon. Jos. B. Lancaster, Leon Hebert and W. J. Warren, who attended the convention of the Knights of Columbus at Plaquemine, report an excellent and a splendid time. Mr. Lancaster was besieged and made to promise that he would use his influence to get the convention for Plaquemine. All on account of the fight you made for Covington, Joe!

Mrs. Chas. A. David and interesting little children will return to their home in Mandeville in a few days, much to the delight of their many friends. They have been spending some time in Buffalo, New York, where Mrs. David was called on account of the illness of her mother, Mrs. W. E. Northam, of Buffalo.

Mr. A. Bonnacze, the popular purser of the Steamer New Camelia, spent the day in Covington, Friday, looking after business for that popular boat, which is now making connections with the motor cars.

Rev. and Mrs. A. A. Bernard are on quite a lengthy visit to relatives at Lake Charles.

Miss Annie Hanley, of New Orleans, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. MeHardy, at Glen Garden.

Miss Jennie Smith, daughter of Mr. J. E. Smith, and Miss Cecile Cantrelle, daughter of Mr. E. J. Cantrelle, who graduated, at St. Scholastica's Academy, in the course of stenography, made the highest average ever attained in that excellent institution, each having 98.

Miss Amelia Egan returned to her home in New Orleans, after a pleasant visit to her friends, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Tebault, at Tangewood.

Miss Louise Dodge is visiting her aunt, Miss Marie Fritz, at Tangewood.

Mrs. Dr. Alrich and children, of Baton Rouge, are spending several weeks at Riverside.

Mrs. T. W. Castleman, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Werner and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bartlette, of New Orleans, are sojourning for a long period at Riverside Inn.

All who are willing to take part in the carnival parade, on the floats should notify E. G. DeCorral or W. H. Kentzel.

When visiting saloons ask for a bottle of Purdy Dairy Milk. Purdy Dairy Milk served in all first-class saloons, drug stores and hotels. Purdy Dairy Milk is pure and put up in sanitary bottles.

DEATH OF ARTHUR MOLBROUGH. People of Covington will regret to learn of the death of Arthur Molbrough, which occurred Sunday evening at 8:15 o'clock, while he was on the cars, being home in Houma, La.

Mr. Molbrough came to Covington some time ago to accept a position as barber in the shop of Mr. Pecheon, in the Southern Hotel. His genial disposition and kind heart soon won many friends for him, and he seemed to be getting along nicely until the night of the carnival ball, when he was taken with a hemorrhage while dancing. He never recovered his strength, and was finally taken to New Orleans for treatment, but efforts to save him proved fruitless.

SIGNAL CORPS BEING ORGANIZED HERE.

Captain A. M. Warner, Captain Commanding of the Signal Corps, Louisiana National Guards, was here last Sunday for the purpose of organizing a local branch of that section of the militia.

This movement has been under way for some time, but direct results were attained last Sunday. The Captain's intention is to enlist a platoon here, which, it is thought, can be easily done.

The scope of the signal corps includes mostly brain work. Naturally, only the highest type of manhood is employed in this branch of the service. It has been called the "nerve system of the army. Signal or communication between the different parts of the army is carried on by means of visual signalling, with flags, telegraph, telephone, heliograph, torch light and various other methods that may prove practicable; the aeroplane also may be used.

This work is intensely interesting, and although requiring very little time, shall prove to be very instructive and educational.

The Captain shall be in Covington on the 14th instant to complete the work of organization.

It is intended that very soon the old range near Goodbee bridge will be re-echoing with sounds highly suggestive of Military target practice.

Now Covington, to arms! Give these movement your support, and by your encouragement help to make it not only an honor to the signal corps, but also to the militia as well.

POTATO RAISING IN ST. TAMMANY PARISH.

Mr. Leopold Levy and Mr. Henry Roy Turn Out Prize Samples.

While there has been no particular change in the climate and soil of St. Tammany parish, there has been a remarkable change in the opinion of the people as to what the soil will produce. There have been a few people who have always grown their own vegetables for home use, and such people have been fully aware of the productiveness of our soil, but there seems to have been a general opinion in times past that "nothing would grow here." Late experience has shown that this opinion was based on "know-nothingism," for we are now not only growing vegetables for our home market, but are shipping carloads of them.

We have on exhibition in the Farmer office three Triump potatoes grown by Mr. Leopold Levy which weigh two pounds and ten ounces, and they are not the only ones of the kind in the patch, either; and we have also a basket of "Irish Cobblers," a beautiful white, flat-round potato, sent to us with the compliments of Mr. Henry Roy. These are as fine potatoes as we have seen grown here. There are uniform in shape and size and will weight about two to the pound, which means that 120 of them will make a bushel. They are hard and firm and look as if they would make an excellent shipping potato.

Mr. Paul J. Duillon has also grown a field of excellent Triump potatoes. Another carload of potatoes was shipped from Abita this week.

MILITARY ROAD NOTES

Mr. Numa Bortel and Mr. Cahill are spending the week at "Oakdale."

Mrs. L. Samuel and son and Mrs. Joe Oplateck and son, and Mr. Albert Marchall were the week-end guests of Mr. Henry Samuel and family.

Mr. E. D. Wilbur spent a few days in Rosedale, La.

Mr. and Mrs. Enderly and Mr. P. Stafford have rented the Ferrer cottage for a few months.

Mrs. H. Armstrong and sister are the guests of Edgar Cottage.

Mrs. H. Abrahamson and Mr. Kaufman, of Baton Rouge, spent last week here.

Miss Bella McWhirter spent Sunday with her family.

Miss Marions, of Durell's, spent two days in New Orleans.

Miss M. Pembie is visiting her brother in Hammond, La.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Mouldoues are at their home, "Sunnybrook," for a few days.

NOTICE. Those who have not made their obligations good as to the sale of my horse must do so by 4 o'clock p. m. of May 15, 1911, or forfeit all claims in the matter. J. COLTORA.

CLOSING EXERCISES AT SCHOOL.

Both teachers and pupils of the Abita Springs public school are looking forward with pleasure to the closing exercises which will take place on the evening of Saturday, May 20. Besides the program of entertainment there will be good music, dancing and refreshments. The following is the program:

"Little People From Japan," "Piano Duet," by Clara Summers and Amelia Spitzfaden. "Arabella's Poor Relations," "Piano Solo," by Annette Strain. "Our Army and Navy." These occasions at the Abita school have always been highly enjoyable and for this event special interest has been manifested.

The residence of Mr. Reese, about eight miles northeast of Covington was destroyed by fire last Sunday, caused by sparks from the fire. No insurance.

DUTRUCK-WILLIAMS.

Mr. Alphonse Dutruck, of the second ward, and Miss Rebecca Williams, daughter of Mr. Ben Williams, were married at the residence of the bride's parents, near Zona, on Wednesday, May 10, at 11 o'clock a. m., Rev. E. F. Corkern officiating. A large number of guests were present. Dinner was served and a dance given in the evening in honor of the newly wedded couple.

PUBLIC SCHOOL PICNIC.

The public school children, their teachers and the School League are going to Mandeville on a grand picnic, May 19. Children will commence to assemble about 9 o'clock at their respective school rooms, and, accompanied by their teachers, will march in a body to the car station, leaving there at 10 a. m., returning at 5:45 p. m. The league will furnish each school child his or her carfare and all are expected to bring lunch. We want all the children to come, rich or poor. If your clothes and shoes are shabby, it matters not on a picnic; all will be dressed plan and if your mother can't make a lunch for you, come anyhow, there will be enough for all. The one hope we have is that each will bring his best behavior so that this large crowd can have a happy day without a mar of accident. All the mothers, big sisters and guardians will be gladly welcomed; the more that come, the better. The league will furnish cold lemonade on the grounds. The Mandeville league has been invited to join the picnic for lunch.

The fare for adults will be 25 cents and children 15 cents round trip. The league only pays the school children's fare, which has been fixed at 5 cents a piece.

MRS. S. W. PRAGUE, Secretary. A STEER FOR THE BARBECUE.

Maurice Lacroix has purchased from A. P. Perrin, of New Orleans, a steer weighing 975 pounds which dressed 600 pounds. It can be seen at the cold storage plant. This steer is to be used for the barbecue of the State Firemen's Convention to be held in Covington May 26, 27 and 28, and will provide tempting and tender roast for that occasion.

WILL PLANT GRAPES AND TRUCK.

Mr. A. F. Helwick will have charge of land at Hellenberg and Ozone Park which will be planted in grapes, Niagara and Concord, between the rows to be planted tomatoes and other vegetables. About ten acres will be planted. It is understood that a canning plant will also be put in for the canning of such products as are not sold.

ELECTION PROCLAMATION Twenty-sixth Judicial District Court, Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana.

Whereas, it is provided by an act of the general assembly of the State of Louisiana, approved March 30, 1870, that an election shall be held on the first Monday in June of each year by the qualified electors of the town of Covington, St. Tammany Parish, La., for the purpose of electing one Mayor and six aldermen of said town at large, to serve as such for the ensuing twelve months thereafter, and it being the duty of the clerk of court of said parish to call said election,

Now, therefore, I, H. R. Warren, clerk of the court, for the parish of St. Tammany, La., in compliance with the third section of said act, do issue this notice, notifying all parties concerned to hold said election

ON MONDAY, JUNE 6, 1911, being the first Monday, of said month, with the view of electing the above named officers. Said election to be conducted and the returns made in the manner required by the laws of the State of Louisiana.

The polls will open at 10 o'clock a. m., and close at 4 o'clock p. m. In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed my name and affixed the seal of said court thereto, at the town of Covington, this 5th day of May, 1911.

H. R. WARREN, Clerk of Court.

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