

St. Tammany Farmer

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THE INFLUENCE OF ATHLETICS ON A COMMUNITY.

Every youngster in good health has a certain amount of surplus energy, and "an idle mind is the Devil's workshop." Taken in conjunction, any employment of mind or body that has beneficial results takes away from the opportunity to engage in those things so commonly presented to the growing youth in attractive form, and that ultimately end in evil influences, undesirable acquaintances and a weakened mind and body.

Athletics offer the best remedy for, or rather, preventive of these evils. The youth in training for athletic events cannot be an excessive user of tobacco, must not drink and must keep good hours. In fact he cannot dissipate at all without imperiling his success, and he must be morally clean in order to attain physical perfection. Hence the introduction of athletic societies have a tendency to elevate and cleanse the social atmosphere. In this respect St. Paul's College has done an excellent thing for Covington, because it has opened a field for athletics that should awaken the ambition of the young men of the town, and of the parish, too, for that matter, because St. Paul's Athletic Association does not confine its membership to the college boys, but any boys of the parish may become members.

The cinder track that is being built for the athletic meet in June was contributed to by people from all over the parish, and everybody should be interested in the events that will be pulled off there. It is a Covington and a parish affair, not simply in the interest of the college. If there is any competition between those in the college and those outside, let that competition be friendly. But when it comes to competition between the members of the association and outside associations, then surely every one in the parish should wear the colors of our association and root for it. With a friendly understanding in this respect, it will not be long before all the best athletic material in the parish will be in the association, and with the great ability and experience of Mr. Foster Commagere, who has been most successful with his forms, we would soon be able to win a reputation that would advertise us to the world as winners. This is a matter that all should think over seriously. Under Mr. Commagere's management the college has made a reputation in athletics that has advertised Covington all over the United States, and he has only, so far, been able to select material from the college boys. What could not be accomplished with a thoroughly friendly community interest that would bring out all the athletic material in the parish? Every boy who has any ambition in the athletic field should get into the association. There the best that is in him can be developed so efficiently. He will have the benefit of the best training he can get. The interest thus awakened in athletics will have good influence upon social life as well as upon the healthy development of the man.

Mr. Wm. Bodebender will leave Sunday on a trip through Texas.

Mr. A. V. Smith has bought his old home back and has moved into it with his family.

Mrs. G. W. Hatch, of Humphrey's, La., is on a visit to her parents on Military Road.

Mrs. H. M. Landon and daughters, Margaret, Elizabeth and Alice, of Indianapolis, Ind., are here on a visit and are occupying their residence in Boston street.

Mrs. W. B. Paine and son Wiley who are the guests of Mrs. M. R. Fisher, after taking in the Carnival in New Orleans, left for their home in Covington, Va.

Mr. O. R. Mitchell, postmaster at LaCombe, and Mr. John Todd, came up to Covington, Wednesday, in Mr. Todd's Regal auto. They will return in a new Hummer, which Mr. Todd has just purchased.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Hall, after an extensive tour through Europe, have returned to Covington, where they will spend several months, previous to a visit to Asheville, N. C., when they will be accompanied by Mr. Hall's mother, who is their guest in Covington.

We wish you to read our advertisement which appears in this issue, and note the splendid growth in deposits—a growth of \$40,000 in deposits in the past sixty-seven days. We hope it will have your attention. St. Tammany Banking Co. & Savings Bank.

Prof. C. C. Stroud, director of athletics at the Louisiana State University, and Prof. D. H. Stringfield, superintendent of education for Washington parish, will officiate in the different capacities at the coming school rally in Covington, March 26 and 27, 1914.

Mrs. P. J. O'Keefe and daughters Misses Isabel and Eddie, of Chicago, are at the Fitzpatrick cottage, in Covington, and will be here for some time. Mrs. O'Keefe will be very pleasantly remembered as having spent several months here on former visits. From Covington they go to Hot Springs, Ark., where they will spend some time before returning to Chicago.

Mrs. J. B. Cefalu and daughter, Dorothy, who have been stopping at Dr. Tolson's place, will move to their cottage on the Military Road next Tuesday, having been joined by Miss Helen Cefalu, who has just returned from Washington, where she was delightfully entertained, being the guest of her sister, Mrs. Lewis L. Morgan. Mrs. E. W. Grove, another daughter, who has also been the guest of Mrs. Cefalu, will return to St. Louis in a couple of days.

AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT.

The crossing of New Hampshire and Gibson streets offers the very best kind of an opportunity for accidents by collision of teams or other conveyances, because the tracks on Gibson street being lined with freight cars makes it difficult for a driver approaching on New Hampshire street to know how near he is to a team moving toward him on Gibson. Probably Judge Badon and Mr. S. D. Bulloch realize this better now than they did Monday evening, when at 6 o'clock they plunged into each other with their autos. Mr. Bulloch was driving on Gibson street and Judge Badon was coming down New Hampshire. When Mr. Bulloch reached New Hampshire he made the turn just as Judge Badon came in sight from behind the cars. The collision was almost head-on, and if the speed had been greater there might have been a serious smash-up. As it was Judge Badon's new Buick had two spokes knocked from the left front wheel and was otherwise damaged; the running board being smashed. Damage about \$50. Mr. Bulloch's car had the lamps smashed. Both were new cars.

ARIC'S BODY FOUND IN THE LAKE AT NORTH SHORE

SOME INDICATIONS POINT TO FOUL PLAY, BUT NO CERTAINTY OF THIS.

Supposed to Have Been in the Water Eleven Days, But Was Not Decomposed or Fish Eaten.

The mysterious disappearance of Emanuel Aric, after he had killed "Cap" Collier, eleven days ago, caused many to believe that when he walked along the railroad tracks of the New Orleans and Northeastern, he wrestle he jumped into the lake as a final termination of the troublesome existence that had culminated in the murder. If that rumors that "Cap" Collier knew things regarding Aric that should be called to the attention of the grand jury were true, the motive for the killing might have been strong enough to cause the deed and to have urged him in his final desperation to have jumped into the lake and end it all. But subsequent reports that he had been seen in New Orleans by Mr. Decker and one other after the murder, seemed to put an end to this theory, and the police of New Orleans were notified by Arthur Henz of the report that Aric had been in that city and that he had a sister living there with whom he might seek shelter.

The finding of Aric's body on the lake shore at North Shore Thursday morning put an end to the surmise that he was alive. His dog, that had faithfully traveled back and forth from the shack, about a quarter of a mile from the shore ever since the disappearance of Aric, would tend to further strengthen the theory that he jumped into the lake immediately after killing Collier, but there are still some peculiar and unaccountable circumstances connected with his death. It was brought out at the coroner's inquest held on Collier at the time of the killing that any blow had been struck or that any quarrel had preceded the shooting, yet Aric's face was considerably bruised, there was no water in the lungs (which tend to show that the body had been placed in the water after death) and while the body would have been in the water eleven days, there are no marks of gnawing fish and decomposition had not set in. Further investigation will be required to show whether these conditions will warrant the supposition that Aric met with foul play. If it can be finally proved that Aric was in New Orleans after the killing of Collier, then there will be little doubt that Aric was also murdered.

Mr. W. A. White made a trip to New Orleans, Tuesday.

DIED.

Ruben Grantham died at his home near Bush, La., Saturday, February 2, 1914. He is survived by his wife and two sons and quite a number of relatives. He was buried in the Grantham burial grounds, Rev. Geo. Revier officiating.

DIED.

At Covington, La., Tuesday, March 3, 1914, at 12:05 a. m., Mrs. Augustine Gracia Fournier, aged 91 years, 10 months and 17 days. She was born April 20, 1822, in Mennecy, France, near Paris. Interment in Covington Cemetery, Tuesday, March 3, 1914, at 3 p. m., Rev. Jos. Koegerl officiating.

THERE WILL BE A DANCE AT THE GARDEN DISTRICT SCHOOL HOUSE TONIGHT, MARCH 7TH. ADMISSION 10 CENTS.

There will be a meeting of the Women's Progressive Union Monday, at 3:30 p. m., at the M. C. R. room. Members who have not had an opportunity to hand in their dues will please take advantage of this opportunity.

MRS. WM. BODEBENDER, President.

ST. TAMMANY NOTES.

February 26, 1914.

Mr. Henry Keller was here a few days last week.

Miss M. Gill's spent Carnival in New Orleans.

Miss E. Talley spent a few days in Sun with home folks.

Misses Mae Galloway and Ann Ezell and Mr. Ira Galloway enjoyed a drive to LaCombe Sunday.

Mr. J. C. Krentel is busy building the new bridge.

A "Tacky Party" was given at the school house Friday night. A large crowd was present and they were "some tacky."

Mr. Wiley's Singletary was in LaCombe Saturday.

Mr. A. B. Ezell was here Monday.

Mr. H. Ezell was in New Orleans for Carnival.

Mrs. E. Keller was in LaCombe Saturday.

Mr. Willie Krentel was in New Orleans last week.

Mr. Henry Galloway was a Covington visitor last week.

We had a heavy snow fall here Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson are the happy parents of a fine girl.

Strayed—Came to my place, three miles east of Abita Springs, one sorrel mare, left hind feet white; blazed face; ten hands high; had on saddle but no bridle. Owner can recover same by proving property and paying costs. O. BAHAM.

NOTICE.

The date of the next examination for teachers' certificates will be changed from April 6, 7, 8 (white), and April 9, 10, 11 (negro), to April 20, 21, 22 (white), and April 23, 24, 25 (negro), the week following the meeting of the Louisiana State Public School Teachers' Association. ELMER E. LYON.

LENTEN SERVICES IN ST. PETER'S CHURCH, COVINGTON.

Every Sunday, 7 p. m., sermon and benediction.

Every Friday, 7 p. m., stations of the cross and benediction.

THE LOW YIELD OF CORN IN ST. TAMMANY PARISH.

The average yield of corn in this parish, I do not think, will go over ten bushels to the acre, and I base my estimate upon what I saw last fall in driving over the parish. The average yield should go at least 25 bushels to the acre. There are many reasons why the yield is so low and I am going to try and point out to the farmers who read this paper a few of them and give as many as possible an opportunity to change the methods of growing the crop.

1. The corn plant to do its best must have a well prepared seed bed. By a well prepared seed bed I mean that the land must be plowed deep, that hard pan broken, and all clods crushed. Then there is a bed must contain a fertilizer to suit corn on that particular soil. The hard pan under the surface soil makes the corn fire in wet weather as well as in dry weather. The surplus water cannot be taken up by the subsoil where there is a hard pan, and as a result in rainy weather the soil's continually water soaked and the corn is robbed of the opportunity to enjoy its sun bath and breathing fresh air through the roots, and of course turn yellow and makes a failure. Plow deep and give the corn plant plenty of soil to grow in and give the surplus water a chance to drain off.

2. Do not place the rows too close together, better have them four and one-half feet apart, and crowd little more in the drill. By having the rows this distance you can get up and down the rows much better with cultivators and harrows. Then in the case of a rainy spell of weather the corn has plenty of company—grass and weeds—you have a better chance to clean the corn without plowing it up to kill the grass and weeds. To get best results on ordinary land and when the rows are four and one-half feet apart the corn should be left two and one-half feet in the drill, one stalk in the hill. If plenty of barn loam or manure is available and potash and phosphoric acid mixed with it in the right proportion the corn can be crowded more in the drill.

3. Do not try to cultivate your corn with a turning plow, this implement was made to plow the land and not to cultivate the crop with. The plow turns up the roots to the sun to be baked that the corn plant needs so much to develop itself. The plow does not make a dust mulch either, which is necessary to carry a crop through a drought. The cultivators and sweeps to cultivate the crop with and at laying-by time do not throw up too high a bed. This bed increases the surface of soil and aids in evaporation of much needed moisture, and at the same time the corn does not have a chance to send out its roots in every direction as it should have.

4. Get good seed. Do not go in your crib and take the first sound ear that you can find, and call it good seed corn. Get a variety of corn that has been selected for a number of years and then keep it up yourself by selecting in the field a gathering time. There are several good varieties of corn that will do well under conditions here. The New Era, Dabbs Prolifer are both good and well adapted here, which is an important point in corn growing in the South. I can get the genuine New Era for any one who wishes to try a good corn, and I am confident that the yield of corn would be increased thirty per cent by getting good seed. There is so much to be said about different varieties of corn that I will not try to discuss it here, but I will say that the two above mentioned varieties of corn will give good results in this parish as it is a native corn.

If the above suggestions could be followed in every field all over the parish the corn crop for 1914 would average over ten bushels to the acre and be produced at a lower cost per bushel.

G. C. LEVINS, Farm Demonstrator.

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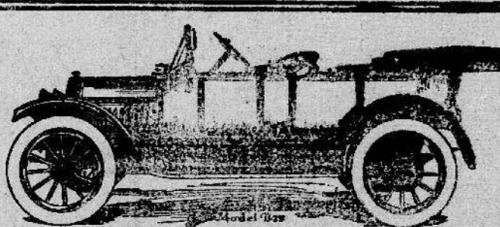
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SILDELL NOTES.

Miss Dona Everitt spent Thursday in New Orleans on pleasure.

Mr. E. R. Moses, of Covington, was a recent business visitor here.

Miss Harr et Levy, of New Orleans, who has been spending a while here as the guest of her cousin, Miss Amelia Levy, has returned home.

Mr. Rodgers, of Chicago, was here on business with the Salmen Brick and Lumber Company this week.

Mrs. M. McDaniel spent Thursday in New Orleans, on account of the illness of her sister, Mrs. W. S. Dwyer, who is at the Presbyterian Hospital undergoing an operation.

Mrs. J. G. Abel visited New Orleans Thursday.

Miss Ruth McCoy and Maro Garcia visited New Orleans last week.

Miss Brokard was the guest of Mrs. S. C. Dubourg, Sunday.

Mr. Albert Salmen has returned from a trip in Honduras and various other points.

Mrs. S. C. Dubourg and son Noel returned from New Orleans, after spending some time there.

We are glad to learn that Messrs. Andrew and John Meza, who are in the hospital in New Orleans for medical treatment, are improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert and little daughter spent a few days in New Orleans last week.

Mr. O. Faclane spent Sunday in New Orleans.

Mr. Hollander, of Baltimore, was here this week on business.

DIED—Wednesday, March 4, 1914, Miss Rebecca Taylor, aged 41 years. She was born in the year 1873, in New Orleans. She has been a resident of SildeLL for 24 years. The cause of her death was quite a sad one. While standing near the fire place her clothing caught fire and she became excited and ran into the yard. Before any one could reach her she was fatally burned and died shortly after. Miss Taylor was a member of the Sacred Heart League and a very devout Catholic. Interment was made in the Ourthele Cemetery.

etery. Quite a number were present at the last sad rites.

The following were among those here from New Orleans to attend Miss Taylor's funeral: Mr. and Mrs. J. Ruck, Mr. P. N. Bentley, Mrs. C. G. Bentley, Mr. Chas. Ruck and Miss E. Westmann.

DIED—Thursday, March 5, 1914, baby of Mr. and Mrs. Cohn. Mr. Cohn is the editor of the SildeLL American. We extend our most sincere sympathy to the bereaved family.

WOULD LIKE TO SEE SANITARIUM ERRECTED.

Covington, La., March 6, 1914.

Editor St. Tammany Farmer:

Dear Sir:—As a step in the right direction, I notice that in your issue of last week you make the announcement of a movement to build a modern private sanitarium for the treatment of those afflicted with diseases of the lungs and throat. In that announcement it was stated that if the proper support was given Dr. Stevenson would co-operate in this project.

There is no doubt that a sanitarium of this description is needed in this community and would prove a blessing to those who are now unnecessarily thrown in contact with these unfortunate, as well as to the sick themselves. It would lessen the danger of possible contagion to the outsider, by placing these sick under proper restrictions, and would also insure to the sick themselves the proper modern scientific treatment and the kind of surroundings necessary to their condition. If it could be possible also to include those of the sick whose circumstances will not permit of their paying but very little for their care and treatment, this plan would indeed prove a blessing. I imagine our ministers, doctors, civic and social workers would do all in their power to make such an institution a success.

AKON RUTWITZ.

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NOTICE TO PRINCIPALS.

All principals of the public schools of this parish are hereby notified that they are to be held responsible for the collection of the incidental tax. A list of the parents and supervisors of children they have in school must be presented to me when they are rendering their statement of the amount collected, and nothing but the cash or an excuse from the Ward Director will be accepted. ELMER E. LYON, Superintendent.