

TEN THOUSAND CRATES OF STRAWBERRIES WANTED

Judge Lancaster Calls Attention Grand Jury to Certain Matters

The St. Tammany Farmer.

The Blessings of Government, Like the Dew from Heaven, Should Descend Alike Upon the Rich and the Poor.

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C RUSHED STRAWBERRIES! THAT IS A SOUND THAT MINGLES WELL WITH THE COOLING WHIRL OF ELECTRIC FANS AND THE CLINKING OF ICED GLASSES. IT SOUNDS EQUALLY WELL TO THE LONE NICKEL OR THE FAT POCKETBOOK, AND IT WILL GATHER ALL THE LOOSE CHANGE THAT IS NOT BLUFD DOWN. IT SHOULD SOUND ESPECIALLY WELL TO ST. TAMMANY PARISH, FOR IT MEANS A RECONCILIATION OF DIVORCED OPPORTUNITIES — ANOTHER CHANCE FOR THE PROFITABLE PRODUCTION OF THE BEAUTIFUL FRUIT THAT SHE IS PRE-EMINENTLY FITTED FOR. IT IS A CHANCE FOR A PROCLAMATION OF INDEPENDENCE AND THE RIGHT TO CARRY A BANK BOOK.

ST. SCHOLASTICA COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES DRAW A LARGE CROWD

GRADUATES ARE MISS CECILE WARREN AND MISS RUTH FREDERICK.

LARGE PAVILLION BEAUTIFULLY DECORATED

Father Abbot Paul Makes An Interesting Address and Scores Modest Style of Female Attire.

The commencement exercises of St. Scholastica's Academy were held in the park pavillion Wednesday forenoon at 11 o'clock. The program was carried out before an audience that was very appreciative of the excellent showing made. The pavillion was beautifully decorated with ferns, pines and potted plants. The graduates were Miss Ruth Frederick and Miss Cecile Warren, who read well prepared papers and who carried their honors with simple modesty and becoming pride.

The address of Father Abbot Paul was full of interesting and instructive advice, with comment on the prevailing mode of female attire, which he criticized severely. Following were the awards:

Gold medal and diploma, high school course, awarded to Misses Cecile Warren and Ruth Frederick, of Covington, La.

Gold medal and diploma, shorthand and typewriting course, awarded to Mary Florence Prieto, Retta Moses, Eugenia McCrory, Nell May Wilson.

Gold medal and diploma, grammar school course, awarded to Gertrude Jones, Lydia Kornfeld, Marie Louise Stevenson, Aline Bernard, Eloise Koch, Lillian Muttin, Edna Callouet, Helena Cole, Inez Lanson, Ella Faust.

Gold medal for general proficiency in music, awarded to Lola Christoffer.

Gold medal for music, advanced grades, won by Marie Louise Stevenson. Merited also by Lola Christoffer, Gertrude Jones, Sadie LeBlanc.

Silver medal for music, intermediate grades, won by Hyacinth Richard. Merited also by Marie and Lillian Muttin, May Stahl, Marie Bradley, Louise Langenstein, Aline Bernard, Nell Basile, Elder LeBlanc, Marie Peyre.

Silver medal for music, primary grades, won by Sarah DeNaux. Merited also by Floyd and Zeldia Adams, Marie Rausch, Myrtle Mullally, Eleanor Borey, Lydia and Lotie Kornfeld, Edna and May Callouet, Maurice Brown, Eva and Elma Frederick.

Silver medal for music, won by Myrtle Mullally.

Gold medal for violin, won by Sadie LeBlanc. Merited also by Louise Langenstein, Josephine Bruno, Earl LeBlanc.

Gold medal for sacred music, won by Josephine Bruno. Merited also by Ida Barrios, Lelia and Laura Bodebender, Rachel Roubion, Heloise Aouelle, Bertha Lacroix, Helene Nagel, Naome Abadie, Edna and May Callouet, May and Nell Basile, Minnie LeBoeuf, Katie Seller, Anita Garcia, Sarah DeNaux, Louise Langenstein, Angela Robinson, Lydia Kornfeld, Inez Lanson.

Silver medal for elocution, senior class, won by Myrtle Adams. Merited also by Josephine Bruno, Edna and May Callouet, Louise Langenstein, Sarah DeNaux, Minnie LeBoeuf, Lotie Kornfeld, Marie Bradley.

Silver medal for elocution, junior class, won by Dorothy Langenstein. Merited also by Marie Steiner, Marie Rauch, Maurine and Beatrice Brown, Marguerite Schwartz, Carmelite Sims, Sophie Kornfeld.

Gold medal for conduct, high school grades, won by Carmelite Garcia. Merited also by Cecile and Wilmoth Warren, Ruth Frederick, Marie Muttin, Eleanor Borey, Alma Frederick, Gladys Hall, Josephine Bruno.

Gold medal for conduct, eighth grade, won by Edna Callouet. Merited also by Gertrude Jones, Aline Bernard, Ella Faust, Inez Lanson, Florence Prieto, Lillian Muttin, Eloise Koch, Marie Louise Stevenson, Lydia Kornfeld, Helena Cole.

Gold medal for conduct, seventh grade, won by Irene Barrios. Merited also by May Callouet, Myrtle Adams, Laura Bodebender.

Gold medal for conduct, sixth grade, won by May Basile. Merited also by Sarah DeNaux, Angela Robinson, Louise Langenstein, Katie Seller, Anita Garcia, Mary Gabriel, Minnie LeBoeuf, Marie Bradley, Nell Basile.

Silver medal for conduct, fifth grade, won by Lelia Bodebender. Merited also by Irma Beaucoudray, Elma Frederick, Lotie Kornfeld, Ida Barrios, Heloise Aouelle, Rachel Roubion, Bertha Lacroix, Eydne Cologne.

Silver medal for conduct, fourth grade, won by Bradford Lancaster. Merited also by August Planche, Laurence Stevenson, Helen Nagel, Marie Rausch, Myrtle Mullally, Floyd Adams.

Silver medal for conduct, second and third grade girls, won by Mariechela Mahonee. Merited also by Amerie Lancaster, Ernestine Dutsch, Elise Sartin, Elise Galatas, Maurine Brown, Dorothy Langenstein.

Silver medal for conduct, second and third grade boys, won by Pierre Laborde. Merited also by Fabian and Earl Bouquet, Allen Kentzel, Felix Planche.

Second and third grade medals, donated by Dr. and Mrs. Bouquet. Silver medal for conduct, first grade, won by Helen Frederick. Merited also by Marguerite Seller, Eleine Barrow, Nicholas Seller, Claud Adams, Edmond Laborde, Paul Lacroix, James Heintz, Maurice Planche.

School pennants awarded to Cecile Warren for general excellence; Ruth Frederick for excellence in English; Florence Prieto for excellence in shorthand and typewriting; Retta Moses, Eugenia McCrory and Nell May Wilson for shorthand; Gertrude Jones for highest percentage in eighth grade; Lydia Kornfeld and Marie Louise Stevenson for general proficiency; Aline Bernard for excellence in English; Eloise Koch for lady-like behavior; Lillian Muttin for excellence in spelling; Helena Cole for arithmetic; Edna Callouet for geography; Inez Lanson for history; Ella Faust for good conduct.

Award of Premiums. For general proficiency: Wilmoth Warren, Carmelite Garcia, Amanda Lancaster.

For general excellence: Laura Bodebender, Lotie Kornfeld, Lelia Bodebender, Bradford Lancaster, Helen Nagel.

For good conduct: Marie Bradley, Elma Frederick, Heloise Aouelle, Laurence Stevenson, Floyd Adams, Marie Rausch.

For application: Anita Garcia, Irma Beaucoudray, Ida Barrios, Marie Steiner, John Lambert, Loyd Ray, Marguerite Schwartz, Elise Sartin, Nina Gabriel, Viola Baden, Zeldia Adams.

For attendance: Jules Barrios, Lawrence Heintz, Edmond LeBlanc, Allen Kentzel, Gilbert Barrios, Anna Teopfer, Ernestine Dutsch, Claire Mullally.

For politeness: August Planche. For rhetoric: Marie Muttin. For arithmetic: Irene Barrios, Nell Basile, Rachel Roubion, Marie Cole, Russell Moses, Raymond Trapagner, Dale Kentzel, Paul Muttin.

For English: Alma Frederick, Eleanor Borey, Angela Robinson, Sidney Cologne.

For history: Gladys Hall, Myrtle Adams, Alvin Basile, Sarah DeNaux.

For penmanship: May Basile, Walter Shean, Mamie Saway, Josephine LeBlanc, Beatrice Brown.

For reading: Katie Seller, Bertha Lacroix, Earl Dequo, Mildred Shean.

For drawing: May Callouet, Josephine Bruno.

For geography: Mary Gabriel. For Christian doctrine: Minnie LeBoeuf, Elise Galatas, Fabian Bouquet.

For spelling: Louise Langenstein, Felix Planche, Dorothy Langenstein, Charles Kornfeld, Maurine Brown.

NEW STEAMER HANOVER; HER MAIDEN TRIP OVER THE LAKE

OVER ONE THOUSAND PEOPLE, PASSENGERS AND GUESTS ON FIRST TRIP.

BEAUTIFULLY EQUIPPED AND COMMODIOUS

Trip Is Made in Two Hours and Forty Minutes, Instead of Expected Schedule of Hour and Half.

The new steamer Hanover left the dock at Milenbourg Thursday at 3:05 with 1003 guests and eight passengers on board. She is in command of Capt. Wm. Hanover, for whom she was named, and is the most elegantly equipped boat that has ever been put in the lake trade.

She was built by Harlan & Hollingsworth, of Wilmington, Del., expressly for Lake Pontchartrain trade, and represents the highest class work in modern steamboat construction. The hull is all of steel, 205 feet in length, 57 feet wide, 4 feet 6 inches draft, speed 15 miles per hour, with a capacity for 2000 people. It has a grand dining saloon, splendid dining room, modern cafe, spacious decks and comfortable lounging nooks. The service will be first class in every detail. Special accommodations will be maintained for automobiles. Good music and dancing will be a special feature, while the fast time is expected to bring a large patronage from those who place special value on quick travel between their homes on this side of the lake and New Orleans.

The guaranteed time of the boat was not made on this first trip, as she arrived at Mandeville at 5:45, making the trip in two hours and forty minutes. This failure is probably due to the unforeseen obstacles that usually arise in the try-out of first experiences, and the remedy for cause of delay will probably be applied in the future.

As the boat was about to leave Mandeville, one of the deck hands, a heavy-built negro, was knocked senseless in handling the gang plank and fell into the lake. The mate jumped in and rescued him. He was unconscious for some time after he was taken from the water.

Women's Board Seeks Reforms

That New Orleans furnishes the third largest in the United States for the exportation of girls for immoral purposes, and that Christians were not efficiently aggressive regarding reform, was a statement made by Mrs. John Parker at a meeting of the Women's Board of City Missions Monday afternoon in St. Mark's Hall. "The city beautiful is all very well," continued Mrs. Parker, "and helpful to the boys and girls as well as the older citizens, inasmuch as pleasant environment has a tendency to lessen crime as well as to help the eye and add to the fact that it needs a moral clearing up, a spiritual beautifying, at the same time."

Every one present was asked to support the abatement bill, which comes up Wednesday in the House of Representatives. Miss Nutt was authorized to send night letters to Representatives Earhart, Frederick, J. E. Generelly, W. F. Jahnccke and M. H. Maylon, urging them to support the bill, and individuals were asked to use their influence in behalf of the measure. Mrs. Parker, the first vice president of the Mission Board, who presided in the absence of Mrs. S. A. Montgomery, explained the purposes of the bill, and stated the necessity for usng houses for immoral purposes was now an exploded hypothesis, and that districts where liquor, lights and license were permitted lure the young boys no longer have an excuse for being. Fifty per cent of the women driven from these districts leave the city, and go to other towns where segregated sections offer them a welcome for continued immorality, and that is the reason New Orleans has her share of this class of undesirables, it was stated. Twenty-five per cent of these women reform, and the other twenty-five carry on a clandestine immoral existence, but in a very quiet and unassuming manner. According to the proposed law any one found guilty of renting a house in any section of the city for immoral purposes will be deprived of the rental for one year. That Christians did not work more aggressively for reform was deplored by the Mission Board.

That 80 per cent of the children in the district of St. Mark's Hall were delinquents was a statement made by Miss Martha Nutt. Many of the children have been offenders of the Juvenile Court, and the lack of a playground in that vicinity was given as a possible reason why so many of the children were delinquents. Their energy and come to work. "We are doing what we can for the boys," continued Miss Nutt. "Three hundred and fifty boys enjoyed our public baths this month. They come in gangs from two to five every day. Two hundred and thirty-two babies are under our observation also, and fresh milk is given them daily. Mrs. Margaret Siebrecht has charge of this part of our work, and seeing to the delivery of sixty pints of milk and 400 pounds of ice is not a small task. Two hundred and seventy-five were treated in the free clinic last month. It is in our clinic work that we are made aware of existing vice," concluded Miss Nutt.

St. Mark's Hall will be leased for another year, with the understanding that the parlor and the clinic room given a coat of white enamel.

The open air meetings held in Frenchmen, near Royal street, were declared an unqualified success, and will be continued every Saturday night. Rev. Harper, Mr. Thomas and Miss Nutt have been in charge of this activity.

Mrs. Meekins reported on the Mary Werlein Mission, and deplored the number of saloons in that neighborhood. It was stated that crowds of inebriated men made early retiring impossible many nights in the week. Temperance education was said to be one of the great needs of the locality.

Mrs. Meekins reported several trips made during the past month to Judge Wilson's court, the reopening of the sewing school for girls, and the success of the boys' club.

Beginning the first week in July crowds of ten will be taken from St. Mark's and the Mary Werlein Mission to the Camp Grounds for a weeks visit.

Miss Emma Abbot, the new deaconess, is expected to arrive in a few days and assume charge of her duties at St. Mark's. Miss Abbott is a registered pharmacist. Miss Martha Nutt and Miss Kathron Wilson leave this week for Boulder, Col., for two months' absence. Mrs. S. A. Montgomery, the president of the Women's Board of City Missions, is visiting in Texas. Mrs. A. A. Bartels and Mrs. Elmer Wood made their reports as treasurer and secretary.

UNION GROVE NOTES.

The farmers at Union Grove are still at work in their fields and think they wish to see a few showers of rain.

Mr. W. M. Galloway was a recent visitor here.

Mr. Alex Taylor was visiting here last Wednesday.

Mrs. Ida Taylor and children visited her sister at Sun last week.

Mr. John David Sharp and family visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Sharp.

Mr. Elmer Taylor, of this community, is having his house re-covered. Quite a number of people had an enjoyable time Wednesday on Bogue, Chitto enjoying the work of the bees and bathing in the cool waters.

Mrs. Esther Williams is spending a while with her parents.

Mr. Boliver Sharp and family visited friends Sunday.

Messrs. Benton and Elv's Taylor were among friends Saturday evening.

A New Industry for St. Tammany Parish Strawberry Growers

JUDGE LANCASTER SPEAKS TO GRAND JURY OF VIOLATION BY SALOONS, ETC.

ATTENTION CALLED TO COMPLAINTS MADE AGAINST RESTRICTED DISTRICT.

Town Will Also Look Into Matter and Proper Steps Will Be Taken to Remedy Evil.

In his charge to the grand jury Judge Lancaster called attention to complaints that had been made of disorderly conduct in the restricted district. It appears that respectable families in nearby houses are subjected to the annoyance of witnessing scenes that should not be uncovered to the moral atmosphere in which youth should be reared. While not having power to remove the district, the judge is determined that if care is not taken to abate the nuisances complained of he will offer to the people such protection as he can within the province of his office, and he will see to it that the citizens in the near neighborhood are protected from annoyance; but it is within the jurisdiction of the town authorities to see that proper provision is made in matters of this kind.

Mayor Lacroix, of the new administration, is heartily in accord with the movement for a more rigid supervision of the restricted district, and while the matter of the removal of the district is one that will require consideration and investigation that will not permit of a hasty decision, it will have the attention of the council, and in the meantime any loose conduct or annoying exhibitions of the true nature of the district will be severely dealt with upon proper complaint being made.

Judge Lancaster also called attention to the fact that two saloons in the parish had been complained of as violating the law in the sale of drinks to minors. The law was very plain in this matter, and if it had been violated the parties so infringing upon the law should be brought to the bar of justice.

Church Entertainment.

There will be an entertainment for the benefit of the Abita Springs Catholic Church, at the town hall in Abita Springs, Saturday, June 27, (to-day). Admission 10 cents. The following program has been arranged for the occasion:

Recitation, Kate Shelly, by J. Bruner.

Two Japanese songs, "In a Jiriki-sha," and "Little Maids of Japan."

Bedouin love song "Three Fishes Went a Sailing," K. Kohne.

Piano solo, Grand Marche de Concert, by Miss Lola Christoffer.

"Seguidilla," piano duet with castanets, triangle and tambourine, by Misses A. Strain, C. Summers, M. Muttin, L. Muttin, O. Planchard, H. Koehl.

Piano duet, Gungarian March, by Misses O. Planchard and M. T. Terreboune.

Play, "Stupid Servant," by A. Casagne and A. Trappin.

SUNDAY'S BASEBALL GAME AT ABITA.

The crack Spencer team of New Orleans was defeated by the Abita Springs club, last Sunday, by a score of 8 to 1. The Abita's regular pitcher, Ivens, did not play in the game, his place being taken by Otto Martin, of Abita, who pitched an excellent game and held the hits down to a remarkably small margin. A feature of the game was the fielding of the Abita team.

The Abita team will play the Ponchatoula's to-morrow. This is considered a strong team and there should be a good game.

The battery for Abita will be Vicario and Ivens.

A Real Fish Story.

During a fishing trip made by a party of ladies and gentlemen on the Jeanette D., the comfortable launch belonging to Mr. J. Louis Smith, one of the finest catches of trout that has been made in the Tchoufouca river, was made by Mr. Smith and Mr. Riggs, just above Madisonville, Sunday afternoon. The catch consisted of twenty-two fishes, weighing eighteen pounds. There were four perch and one pike. The others were trout—weighing, some of them, as much as three and one-half pounds apiece. Those on board the boat were: Misses Anna Morrel, Corinne Poole, Annie Smith, Messrs. E. H. Linton, J. Louis Smith, Whit Riggs and Albert David. The party reports having had a delightful time. This is a fish story in which the fish were actually brought home and weighed in the presence of a representative of the Farmer.

Biggest Battle Of The War

Zacatecas, Mex., June 25.—After four days of preliminary fighting the final assault on Zacatecas took place Tuesday, resulting in the capture of the city by the constitutionalists at 7:30 p. m. The dead on the federal side, according to official figures, numbered 4000 and 2000 wounded, while the losses to the attacking side were not stated definitely, though Gen. Villa estimates his casualties at 500 dead and 800 wounded.

The battle was the most hotly contested during the present revolution, in the belief of the leaders here. Fourteen thousand federals were entrenched in seemingly impregnable positions.

Five thousand prisoners were captured by Gen. Villa's troops. Twelve cannon, nine military trains, 65 thousand rifles and three carloads of cannon and rifle ammunition were captured. The federals were reported to have dynamited many buildings of the city before evacuating, slaying those of Villa's troops who had occupied the buildings in the street fighting.

Gen. Villa, himself, gave out the following account of the battle:

"After four days' hard attacks, today's was the decisive one. The enemy, numbering 14,000, commanded by Medina Barron and five other generals, were defeated completely by my forces, which were aided effectively by General Natera's men. Up to this moment we have 5,000 prisoners, twelve cannon, nine trains, two carloads of rifle ammunition and cannon shells and nearly 6,000 Mauser rifles, and a large quantity of provisions and other munitions of war."

Bookkeeping.

BOOKKEEPING—Evening classes in bookkeeping. Individual instructions. Pupils may enter at any time. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. For terms phone 232. 120-21

NEW PRODUCT TO BE CRUSHED STRAWBERRY

A project is on foot for the manufacture of crushed strawberry product that will become popular in the concoction of refreshing summer drinks, ice cream, etc. It is proposed that the product shall be made of the finest strawberries to be obtained and that the fruit must have that delicious and distinctive strawberry taste and aroma that makes the St. Tammany strawberry a favorite with every one who once eats it.

The Klondyke has been selected as the variety, and it is the variety that is the favorite with growers here. This project gives an opportunity for a new industry in St. Tammany parish, and will lead up to the production of strawberries for the market which will take precedence of and be from eight to ten days earlier than other strawberries north of the Florida shipments.

Mr. Wm. Bodebender who represents the Geer Drug Co., one of the largest in the country, has secured to us the opportunity, which will require the planting of from fifty to seventy-five acres. Mr. Bodebender, upon learning that his company contemplated entering into a contract for these berries, determined to secure the industry for his home town and immediately looked into the matter by conference with Dr. Stevenson, Capt. Millar, G. C. Alexius, Farm Demonstrator Lewis and others interested in agricultural affairs, with the result that the following telegrams passed over the wires Tuesday, June 24:

Covington, La., June 24, 1914. Geer Drug Co., Charleston, S. C.

Referring to strawberry proposition, our people here can comply with all conditions required by you. Are ready to plant an acreage sufficient to take care of your requirements if you will state price and quantity you are willing to contract for. Raise Klondyke which grows to perfection here. Wishing to give an answer before leaving would ask you to wire me so that I may turn details over to manager of growers who will correspond further with you. If you state quantity by crates indicate capacity of crate.

WM. BODEBENDER. (Reply) Charleston, S. C., June 24, 1914. Wm. Bodebender, Covington, La.

Have manager confer with us promptly. How will be able to make satisfactory contract.

THE GEER DRUG CO. It is now up to the growers to provide the necessary acreage. The company is thoroughly reliable and any agreement entered into will be carried out to the letter. The venture will require the employment of quite a number of hands by the company in preparing the berries for shipment, which will be packed in their plant to be established here, and payment for the berries will be received on delivery here. It is a splendid proposition for this parish.

BOARD OF REVIEWERS TO MEET.

The police jury will meet as a board of reviewers to review the assessment rolls of the parish of St. Tammany, on Monday, July 13, 1914.

HERMAN SCHULTZ, President. E. D. KENTZEL, Secretary. jun27-31

PIPE CONTRACT AWARDED.

Mandeville, June 23.—The contract to supply sewer pipes to be used for the sewer wall, upon which work is now under way, has been awarded to Allen Tupper, of New Orleans. The molds for the concrete work have been finished and the work of putting down the piling will start during the next thirty days.