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LOOKING FOR ADEQUATE RAILROAD SERVICE

Merchants All Anxious to Ship by the I. C. Railroad if That Company Will Give Facilities Asked. Would More Than Double Their Present Business.

Wm. K. Vanderbilt once said: "The people be damned," but he had to take it back. Mr. Vanderbilt was a big railroad man and a very wealthy one. There was probably no other man at that time in the rich state of New York who was better equipped to defy public opinion. When he crumpled up it began to be realized that public opinion was one of the biggest assets in the successful management of business enterprises. Today the big nations at war are reaching out for the favor of public opinion. Public service corporations today would not dare to openly defy public opinion. The result is that the public, recognizing the responsibility of its influence, is more carefully guarding the evil effects of hasty action. Finding relief in its power, it has also found the necessity for justice. Corporate interests have thus come under closer inspection and have been credited with their true value to the people, but the rights of the people have likewise become more closely guarded. We to the corporation that says, "The people be damned," either positively or inferentially.

urged prompt action by the people of Covington for relief. The following letter expresses a sentiment that is practically unanimous:

The New Fenwick Sanitarium, Covington, La., December 28, 1914.
Editor St. Tammany Farmer:
Dear Sir:—Covington, being the county seat of St. Tammany parish, certainly has been given a black eye by the New Orleans Great Northern Railroad in taking off the two passenger trains, which will be removed January third. This is the county seat of the parish, and for that reason the railroad should do its best to keep on these trains to aid in its development. When traffic was profitable over their lines some years ago to Covington and they made big money, there was no kick from them. All business has to be run at some time in its life with more or less loss. The Fenwick Sanitarium brings yearly several hundred passengers to Covington, 98 per cent of whom come over the Great Northern. Since we are being given such inadequate service on this road, why should not the people of Covington unitedly exert themselves to secure a service that is adequate. The law of self preservation demands that we do something. If all the rail freight and passenger travel were thrown to the Illinois Central by way of the Baton Rouge, Hammond and Eastern, and if all freight was shipped to us by the same route, would this not be sufficient to induce that road to supply us with the service of which we are in need?
Yours truly,
F. F. YOUNG, M. D.

The sentiment expressed in this letter is general among the people all along the line of the road. Just what the other towns are doing in the matter is not at this moment made ready for publication, but Covington people are seeking relief by offering to the Illinois Central, by way of Hammond, freight and passenger business amounting to quite a neat sum. Practically all the freight now going over the N. O. G. N. may be added to the business the I. C. already has, and if it grasps this opportunity by giving the people the service that is demanded it will get considerable passenger traffic. This action is voluntary on the part of the merchants and others. The sentiment is so strongly a unity that it is like water running down hill.

MILLER ADVOCATES PACKING HOUSE FOR PARCEL POST STUFF

Abita, Springs, Jan. 2, 1915.
Editor St. Tammany Farmer:
Dear Sir:—Enclosed you will find a sample of letters that come to hand every day and I wish to have the same published through your valuable medium:
New Orleans, Jan. 1, 1915.
St. Tammany Truck Growers Association, Abita Springs, La.
Gentlemen:—I notice your name listed in the parcel post guide recently listed by the postmaster. Please quote me prices on the following:
5 pounds of butter per week.
3 pounds of pork per week.
6 pounds of lard per month.
About 25 pounds of potatoes per month.
You can also quote me prices on any other table articles necessary for use in a private family. I am very anxious to deal with the producer and think that an agreement between all the actual workers will do much to bring about a more equitable system than at present exists.
Trusting to hear from you by return mail, I am,
Yours truly,
GEO. WELMAN,
2919 Constance Street,
New Orleans, La.
The opportunity is here to create a very valuable outlet for all who can raise the matter of eggs, butter, country made sausage, soup bunches, lard, choice cuts of fresh pork, and preserves of all kinds, to say nothing of cane syrup and dressed poultry. A start could be made by some one in a certain district calling on a certain day, say twice a week, and collecting all produce the others have, packing and shipping same for a small percentage of the profits. A central packing shed could be used, for instance, I have a large warehouse in Abita Springs, owned by the Abita Springs Water Co., who have given me permission to use the unoccupied portion for any such purpose. I consider that the goods should be packed at such a place to insure uniform packing and grading the eggs collected to be stamped with the number of the owner and a receipt to be able, in case of complaints,

to place the blame, if any, on the right party.
The school children could bring in any small amounts on the days of collection and the collector could call at the school for them. We need the outside money so badly and if we can only make a small start it would soon grow to be a great big business and the farmers could raise what they would be sure to sell, and not as many now do, overstock the market with the stuff that there is only a limited outlet for.
The New Orleans people are willing to meet us more than half way to eliminate the middle man. Let us brace up and do our share.
One thing above all others, we must see that we ship nothing but first class goods, and once we get the name for honesty we can command a premium over those who are careless or dishonest.
I have many other letters asking for shipments of eggs, etc., but only enclose one as sample.
For any other information or cooperation phone or write me.
G. E. MILLAR.

The Slidell Game Still in the Limelight

Slidell, La., Jan. 5, 1915.
Editor St. Tammany Farmer:
The object of this article is not to incur a feeling of enmity from anyone, but rather to attempt an adjustment of misstatements made by Coach Smith and Referee Menetre, relative to the basketball game played at Slidell on Dec. 5, 1914.
In the first place Mr. Smith produces a letter from Referee Menetre stating that both the captain and

coach of the Slidell team were asked if they would take the field after the expiration of five minutes, and they both declined. As I stated in the beginning, I do not wish to say that anyone stated an intruder, but I do most emphatically, speaking both for Captain Fritchie and myself, say that said affirmed statement is a misstatement of facts.
And again, Mr. Smith claims a right to the game on the basis that

the score was almost even. How Mr. Smith can state that the score was almost even, when it was an exact ratio of 2 to 1, is beyond my comprehension.
To make it clear to the public as to why the Slidell team was retained on the field for play, I wish to submit the following:
New York City, Dec. 29, 1914.
Mr. John Sebastian, Slidell, La.
Dear Sir:—Yours regarding basketball received, and our committee begs to make the following decision on your inquiry dated December 12: The player who played the ball committed a foul, and the goal made under these conditions does not count. Would suggest that you finish the game from the point where the game was stopped.
The goal must not count and the opponents of the team making the foul should have a free throw for basket.
Yours truly,
GEORGE T. HEPBRON,
Editor Official Basketball Guide.
A. T. BOND,
Slidell Coach.

MASONIC LECTURE.

On the night of January 16th Mr. John T. Lasley, State Masonic Lecturer, will deliver a public lecture

on Masonry, and while in Covington will be the guest of the local Masonic lodge. This will probably be the first public lecture on the subject of Masonry ever heard in Covington, and the public, especially the ladies, are cordially invited to attend.

Mississippi Railroad Commission Refuses to Let Take Off Train

Jackson, Miss., Jan. 5.—The Mississippi Railroad Commission today refused to grant the petition of the Alabama & Vicksburg Railroad to discontinue service of passenger trains Numbers 5 and 6, operating between Shreveport, La., and Meridian, Miss. The railroad claimed that

passenger traffic had so decreased that these trains were being run at a financial loss.
The petition was opposed by the business men of Jackson and Meridian and on submission of the case the commission voted unanimously to refuse the relief asked by the railroad.
The assessment roll for 1914, and the provisions and instructions herein.
Moved by M. P. Planche, seconded by W. H. Kentzel, that the above ordinance be adopted, upon motion all present voted yes.
Budget for the Year 1915.
Revenues from taxation as per assessment roll for the year 1914..... 7517.33
Revenues from license taxes levied for the year 1914..... 6750.00
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\$25.00 from N. O. G. N. for lights..... 300.00
14317.33
Amounts to be paid out of said revenues:
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For electric lights..... 3972.00
For water..... 312.00
Maintenance and improving streets..... 4000.00
Rent Mayor's Court..... 144.00
Appropriation for cemetery..... 180.00
Surplus to be applied to general fund for the year 1915..... 1825.33
14317.33
The items fixed on the above budget for the year 1915 are based on the specific appropriation for each item heretofore shown, that all surplus of each or any said items, should there be any, is to be paid into the general fund, subject to such appropriations as may be deemed necessary hereafter.
Moved by D. I. Addison, seconded by A. R. Smith that the above budget be adopted for the year 1915.
Carried.
Moved, seconded and carried that the dog ordinance be enforced from and after the date of this meeting.
There being no further business the council adjourned subject to call.
P. J. LACROIX,
Mayor.
L. A. PERREAND,
Secretary.
GRAND JURY HEARS HOW BETS ARE MADE AT THE RACE TRACK.
No Evidence Brought Out That the Law is Being Violated.
New Orleans, Jan. 6.—There was some interest Tuesday in and around the Criminal Court Building when it became known that the grand jury had started an investigation of the methods in the placing of bets at the race track. It was a regular meeting of the grand jury. District Attorney Luzenberg summoned Superintendent Reynolds, Detectives Gynn and Gregson, and several patrolmen detailed at the fair grounds.
The session lasted two hours. No evidence was forth coming to show the law had been violated, conse-

Proceedings Covington Town Council January 5

Covington, La., Jan. 5, 1915.
The town council met in regular session on the above date.
Present: P. J. Lacroix, mayor; D. I. Addison, A. R. McCormack, M. P. Planche, A. Smith, W. H. Kentzel.
Absent: F. J. Martindale.
Moved by M. P. Planche, seconded by D. I. Addison, that the minutes of November be adopted as read.
Carried.
The minutes of December 1 and December 9 were, on motion duly seconded, adopted as read.
The secretary submitted his report for the month of December, as follows:
Receipts:
Licenses collected..... 4500.00
Taxes collected..... 1682.42
Cemetery lots sold..... 5.00
Fines collected..... 37.50
2 chairs sold..... 6.00
N. O. G. N. for lights to Nov. 1, 1914..... 200.00
6430.95
Disbursements:
Cash on hand Nov. 30..... .65
Dec. 12 check to V. Z. Young, treasurer..... 136.05
Dec. 17 check to V. Z. Young, treasurer..... 157.40
Dec. 23 check to V. Z. Young, treasurer..... 294.50
Dec. 31 check to V. Z. Young, treasurer..... 1738.25
Dec. 31 check to V. Z. Young, treasurer..... 1092.25
Dec. 31 cash on hand..... 3011.85
6430.95
L. A. PERREAND,
Secretary.
Jacob Seiler, treasurer, submitted his report from September 30, 1914, to November 21, 1914, as follows:
Receipts:
Sept. 30, balance deposited Covington Bank and Trust Co..... 2227.88
Oct. 31, deposited Covington Bank & Trust Co..... 126.00
Nov. 19, deposited Covington Bank & Trust Co..... 84.80
Nov. 20, deposited Covington Bank & Trust Co..... 43.50
2482.18
Disbursements:
By warrants paid from Sept. 30 to Nov. 21, 1914..... 2471.07
Check to V. Z. Young..... 11.11
2482.18
JACOB SEILER,
Treasurer.
V. Z. Young, treasurer, submitted his report from Nov. 21, 1914, to December 31, 1914, as follows:
Receipts:
Nov. 21 to balance received from Jacob Seiler, treasurer..... 2482.18
Nov. 24 deposit in Covington Bank & Trust Co..... 88.70

on motion duly seconded, the above reports were referred to the finance committee.
The secretary was instructed to draw warrants for the following bills:
A. D. Schwartz..... 4.00
Paul J. Dullon..... 4.00
Schonberg's Pharmacy..... 3.00
The secretary was instructed to write estate of H. Laroussini, in reference to banquetta, and the St. Tammany Bank in regard to water pipes discharging on banquetta on New Hampshire street.
Moved by A. V. Smith, seconded by M. P. Planche, that the assessment roll for the year 1914, showing a total valuation of \$751,733.00, made and submitted by Warren Thomas, assessor of the parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana, be received, accepted and approved.
Carried.
An ordinance levying an annual tax upon all corporations, firms, persons, individuals, etc., carrying on or pursuing any trade, occupation, business or calling, within the limits of the town of Covington, La., for the year 1915.
AN ORDINANCE.
An ordinance levying annual tax upon all corporations, firms, persons, individuals, carrying on or pursuing any trade, occupation, business or calling, within the limits of the town of Covington, La.
Section 1. Be it ordained by the Mayor and Town Council of the town of Covington, That a license tax is hereby levied for the year 1915 upon all corporations, firms, persons or individuals pursuing or carrying on any trade, occupation, business or calling within the corporate limits of the town of Covington, which is subject to State license.
Section 2. Be it further resolved, etc., That the amount of license tax shall be and the same is hereby fixed at the same amount that is now levied and collected by the State, for the same kind of trade, occupation, business or calling, except the license for the sale of retail of spirituous or intoxicating liquors, of which the license tax shall be ascertained after fixed.
Section 3. Be it further ordained, etc., That the license tax of carrying on business of saloon or the retailing

of liquors in less quantities than five gallons is hereby fixed at the amount of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars. That license tax for carrying on business of selling at retail beer or wine only, license tax is hereby fixed at the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty (\$250.00) Dollars.
Section 4. Be it further ordained, etc., That no license shall be issued for a longer period than one year, and the license tax as herein levied to be due and collectible on the same day and date as the license tax due the State. If not paid at the same time the same shall be delinquent at the same day and date as the license tax for the State becomes delinquent.
Section 5. It shall be the duty of the Tax Collector to notify all license tax payers within the said tax is due to them, and when the same shall become delinquent, and he shall report all delinquents to the town attorney who is hereby empowered to institute suit for the collection of said delinquent license. Tax payers shall be subject to all costs, charges and interest as is affixed by the law of this State.
Adopted at the regular meeting January 5, 1915.
Moved by D. I. Addison, seconded by W. H. Kentzel, that the above ordinance be adopted.
Yes: D. I. Addison, A. R. Smith, McCormack, M. P. Planche, A. R. Smith, W. H. Kentzel.
Nay: None.
Absent: F. J. Martindale.
Carried.
An ordinance to provide revenues for the town of Covington for the year 1915, for the purpose of paying the statutory, usual, necessary and ordinary expenses of the said town for the year 1915, was offered:
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An ordinance to provide revenues for the town of Covington for the year 1915, for the purpose of paying the statutory, usual, necessary and ordinary charges of said town for the year 1915.
Section 1. Be it ordained by the Mayor and Town Council of the town of Covington, That ten (10) mills on the dollar is hereby levied on all taxable property taxable under the laws of the State of Louisiana situated within the corporate limits of the town of Covington, according to the assessed value of the property as shown on the assessment roll of the town of Covington, for the year 1914, which assessment is now on file in the office of the secretary of the town council, for the purpose of raising and providing sufficient revenue to meet statutory, usual, necessary and ordinary charges and obligations for the said town of Covington, for the year 1915, as shown by the budget of 1915, adopted by the said town council.
Section 2. Be it further ordained, etc., That the Tax Collector be and is hereby authorized and instructed to proceed with the collection of the taxes for the year 1914, according to

the assessment roll for 1914, and the provisions and instructions herein.
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Our Home Homestead Association

Homestead associations have played a wonderful part in the progress and development of communities and have therefore become a popular means of investment. Money invested in a home is put to the best use that money can be put to. An association that enables a man to provide a home for his family by monthly payments that would be required in the mere rental if he were the

tenant of a landlord gives the man of moderate means an opportunity that could only come to him otherwise after years of stinting and saving. For this reason homestead associations have become universally popular and successful, especially in the large cities, where an immense amount of money is put into them.
The People's Building and Loan Association, of Covington, which has just declared its semi-annual divi-

dend of 5 per cent, saw the opportunity that was offered by such an association in this parish when it was organized March 25, 1901. Through its aid some very pretty homes have been built and its statement in this paper is very encouraging for its future prosperity.
Following is the board of directors: H. J. Smith, T. M. Burns, M. P. Planche, E. A. Leovane, J. S. Jones, P. J. Laborde, Sr., A. J. Planche.

Success of "The Teaser"

The success of the three-act comedy drama presented two weeks ago for the King's Daughters has led it to being again presented at the Parkview Theatre at the more popular prices of 10 and 15 cents.

Those who have not seen "The Teaser," and wishing to enjoy an evening of good, wholesome entertainment will do well to witness this second performance on Monday, next. The performance at Parkview should overshadow the performance at the Park Pavilion, for these reasons: The Parkview has better acoustics and presents a more realistic atmosphere of what you are going to see. Remember that this is your last opportunity to witness Miss Draxilla Todd and Urlish Higgins, which parts are rendered by Mrs. D. I. Addison and Mr. A. C. McCormack.

If you want these things rally at the courthouse Saturday, January 16, at 10 a. m. Learn what the company has accomplished, what its plans are, making suggestions for improvement. Join its forces by becoming a stockholder, and assist in nominating directors an officers.
We have demonstrated that the cannery can pack at a profit. Farmers have hardened to our campaign for increased acreages, and are tendering vegetables in greater quantity than our capital was purchased. From 25 miles have wagon come laden with potatoes. Almost at our door have farmers grown 100, 200 and even 500 bushels. Yet our limited funds can buy but a small portion. We must keep faith with the growers or go out of business. We cannot buy from one and refuse another. We must tell them now to plant, to remain in their humble state as they have for generations or to reap the fruits of their toil in the liberal reward to be paid by the cannery for their entire crops. We want to make the cannery a cannery for the producer by having him become one of our stockholders. We want to make it a benefit by giving employment to many, by lessening the cost of canned foods to the consumer, and by putting money into circulation.
We appeal to your civic pride, to your desire to help your community. It is your right, and your duty, to plant, to man, woman or youth, to help to the best of your ability to place the cannery upon a commercial basis. But you must do it. After the 16th it may be too late.
ST. TAMMANY CANNING CO.

St. Tammany Canning Factory Preparing For Bigger Business

An effort is being made to extend the usefulness of the Covington Cannery. This company started business in a small way two years ago, the purpose being to help the parish as much as to make money for the stockholders. To quote from one of the directors: "The first year growers planted by the row; now they plant by the acre, and the company cannot handle their crops." The appeal follows:
Citizens, farmers, property-holders, men, women! Do you want an

enterprise that affords every farmer, every small grower, every boy and girl a ready and sure market at fair prices for all the vegetables that they can grow; every merchant increased cash sales for his merchandise? Do you want an enterprise that gives pleasant employment to dozens of young people, that by its activities puts money into circulation and so helps the entire public from the baker and butcher to the professional man. Do you want good people to come to your parish and town and till the idle lands and fill the empty homes?

versity should in any manner interfere with the strawberry crop. Also, the expense of planting beans is not great. The seed costs about \$1 for the planting of an acre, and arrangements have been made to supply those who are unable to get them with seed. All who are desirous of planting should get into communication with Mr. Warner. He may be

Farmers to Plant Beans for Shipment

Mr. J. Warner, the hustling president of the Farmers' Association, announces that the association has already 32 acres pledged to the planting of beans. It is desired to increase this acreage to as large an extent as possible, not only because it is a good, paying crop when it strikes the market right, but because it will be a good hedge in case ad-

found at the Mackie Pine Products Company or can be addressed at Covington.
Mr. Warner is keeping in touch with men who are big handlers of strawberries and vegetables in Northern markets, and he seems confident that if the berries come in early that a good price will be received for them the coming season.

members of the labor union, were liable under the Sherman anti-trust law for acts of the officials of the union.
ILLINOIS CENTRAL PEOPLE VISIT COVINGTON.
Supt. W. Meehan, Agents George Wilds, Jr., R. L. Montgomery, J. S. Levi and Traveling Freight Agent McConico, of the Illinois Central Railroad were in Covington, Tuesday. It was claimed that they were simply on a tour of inspection.
BASKETBALL.
The Covington High and Franklinton basketball teams will play a game at the Gymnasium in Covington to-night (January 9). The Franklinton team is rated as one of the best among the school teams of the State, so a very interesting game is expected.

UNITED HATTERS DEFEATED IN LONG BOYCOTT STRUGGLE.

Washington, Jan. 5.—The supreme court today affirmed the \$252,000 judgment of the New York federal courts awarded D. E. Loewe and Company, Danbury, Conn., hatters, against some 186 members of the United Hatters Union under the Sherman law as damages resulting from a boycott.
During a strike at the Loewe Hat Factory in 1902 the United Hatters of North America were charged with having boycotted the Loewe with the manufacturer alleged that large losses resulted. To recover triple damages provided by law the hat company began suit in 1903 against 186 members of the union residing nearby. Judgment for \$252,130 was awarded to the company and was affirmed by the circuit court of appeals.
Justice Holmes today announced the court's unanimous decision. He held that most of the questions of law in the case had been decided several years ago by the court when a demurrer to the filing of the suit was decided in the lower court against the laboring men. He further held that the demurrer, as

Supreme Court Decides Case in Favor of the Loewe Company.

After they adjourned, District Attorney Luzenberg, made the following statement:
"I have requested the grand jury to hear the evidence of the Superintendent of Police, and of the Detectives under him who are detailed at the race track. I have done so because the reports published as to what took place on the opening day of the races, in respect to tables being provided in what is called the 'Palm Garden'—at which tables were seated men, who apparently, were there to bet against all comers—in itself is sufficient to raise suspicion that what was carried on the first day may have been a violation of the law, as the law not only prohibits betting books, but any device used to take their place."
The reports submitted to me through the superintendent of police shows that these tables were not in use after the first day.
"I believe the way to make legitimate racing in New Orleans a success is to prevent violation of the law."
"So far no evidence has been produced which would warrant the returning of an indictment."
District Attorney Luzenberg says he is determined to have a close watch on the track, and any person caught violating the laws will be indicted and prosecuted.

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PARKVIEW THEATRE.
The Barrell Opera Company, at the Parkview Theatre, Tuesday and Wednesday nights, gave Covington people an opportunity to hear some very good singing. The performance was much better than is usually put on at a picture show in a town of this size.