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Association of Commerce and Board of Health Hold Joint Meeting and Advise General Clean-Up of Town

M. C. B. ENTERTAINMENT A GRAND SUCCESS

The entertainment and dance given at the Bogue Falaya park pavilion on Friday night, August 26th, under the auspices of the M. C. B. Club, was a complete success.

The play, "Her Life for His," occupied the first part of the evening and furnished a pleasant amusement. The performance was gotten up under the direction of Mr. J. D. Clifton, the author. Mr. and Mrs. Clifton were assisted in carrying the play to success by our local talent of which the town of Covington as well as the M. C. B. are justly proud.

Chief among the latter performers was Baby Margaret Shortridge, who captivated the entire audience with the way she portrayed her role.

The others in the cast were Mrs. L. Lovinson, Miss Lola Christoffer, Messrs. C. S. A. Farrmann, F. N. Boudouque, Walt Riggs, Jr., Ed. Liebert and A. C. McCormick.

Everyone played his part creditably and received a due amount of applause from the appreciative audience. However, special mention must be given the efforts of Miss Lola Christoffer and Mr. Frank Boudouque, who by their constant and very successfully introduced, the performance may have proved too heavily dramatic for a summer audience.

The M. C. B. Club takes this opportunity to thank, through the columns of the Farmer, each one of the cast, and to assure them that their every effort is highly appreciated.

After the performance the dancing

was the feature of the evening, and lasted until quite a late hour.

Refreshments were served from three booths, which were prettily decorated, thanks to the talent and assisting aid of Mr. John Haller. The Japanese booth, where lemonade cake and tea were sold, looked especially pretty with the Japanese lanterns, umbrellas, and poppies as artificial decorations, while the M. C. B. girls who served, dressed in Japanese costumes, as the natural decorations, were most appreciated.

A lively interest was awakened by the voting contest. The names of all the candidates in the coming election were put up to be voted upon at once at 8 o'clock. Judge Lancaster announced from the stage that regarding what the decision of the Constitutional Convention may be, the women had a vote at this election.

The names of the candidate were T. E. Brewster, A. J. Planche, H. J. Smith, E. J. Domergue, L. L. Morgan, J. B. Lancaster, W. A. Hood, Dr. B. B. Warren, Dr. L. C. Heintz, E. J. Frederick, W. E. Blossman and F. J. Heintz.

The race between Messrs. Brewster and Planche created quite a friendly rivalry among the voters, but Mr. Brewster carried off the prize as the winning candidate.

To those who so kindly made donations which helped toward the success of the entertainment, the M. C. B. Club extend their heartiest thanks. Among the number is the Maison Blanche, of New Orleans, which do-

minated a pair of roller skates, won by Gladys Lacroix, and an indoor baseball, won by Lloyd Ray, for turning in the most money for tickets sold by them. Bradford Lancaster worked so untrillingly in selling tickets that the Club voted to reward him also. D. H. Holmes & Co., of New Orleans donated a beautiful parasol, which was raffled, and was won by Mr. Rudolph Schultz. Mr. C. C. Kornfeldt printed both the posters and programs free of charge, while Mr. W. H. Kentzel printed the badges for the floor committee, as well as the reserved seat tickets. Mr. P. J. Lacroix made gift of bunting which was used for decorating purposes. The St. Tammany Farmer for all the advertising in that paper.

The floor committee, who very graciously performed their duty, was composed of the "M. C. B. Husbands," among whom are some of the most prominent men of the community. The committee was Judge J. B. Lancaster, Supt. E. E. Lyon, Messrs. W. A. Hood, E. J. Frederick, N. H. Fitzsimons, R. L. Aubert and Ed. Barringer.

With all the efficient help and support that the Club received, not only from the individuals mentioned, but also from the citizens of Covington in general, it is small wonder that the entertainment was a huge financial success. With a good amount of the proceeds the Club will purchase new books, so that the public may benefit by the success which the Club achieved.

A "Safety First" Campaign Decided Upon as In Keeping With the Circumstance that Have Made Town Healthiest in State.

Covington is probably the prettiest town in the State. Its beautiful shade trees, its flower gardens and the natural drainage provided by nature give it advantages that could be obtained artificially only at great expense. The building of fine streets has added to the beauty of the town and made it in keeping with the metropolitan spirit drawn from its nearness to the greatest city in the South. As a health resort, it is widely known.

The Association of Commerce, in looking after the interests of the town, finds that with all these advantages in our favor there seems to be an indifference as to danger from epidemics, contagious diseases or disease germs of any kind. A fatal mistake may be made if such idea prevails. Our advantage will aid us if we add ourselves, and with this view the meeting held in conjunction with the Board of Health, last Monday, resulted in the calling for a general clean-up. The rules in this respect will be enforced rigidly and every citizen should join in this campaign of "safety first."

The Association of Commerce was called to order at its regular meeting last Monday evening at 7:30. J. H. Warner presiding. The following members were present: Mayor P. J. Lacroix, J. Haller, H. A. Mackie, E. D. Kentzel, A. V. Smith, H. J. Ostendorf, Jacob Seiler, N. Nielsen, Dr. H. E. Gautreaux, A. D. Schwartz, Dr. R. Smith, H. E. Ellis, R. L. Aubert, Dr. I. Addison, J. R. Barrios, E. Molloy, Dr. J. F. Bouquol, F. F. Planche, M. P. Planche, Dr. F. F. Young, Jr., and Judge Robt. Baden.

The subject of the evening was a "General Clean-Up" in the town of Covington, and every member present pledged himself to assist in seeing that this work was done.

The question of unsanitary closets was brought up and the Association pledged itself to assist the Board of Health in this matter. The Association appointed a committee composed of Drs. F. F. Young, Jr., H. E. Gautreaux and J. F. Bouquol to act as an advisory board in conjunction with the local Board of Health during this clean-up campaign.

If you have not worked under a competent teacher, there is no use in taking the examination. It would be time wasted.

A. J. PARK,
Principal.

Abita Public School Among the Progressive Schools of the Parish. Will Open for Nine Months Sept. 6

The Abita school is among those which will have a nine months term. The action of the town council in making an appropriation to make this possible was a progressive action that was in keeping with the

sentiment of the people toward educational advancement. Good work is anticipated for the coming term.

The teachers for this school are Miss Jessie May Rayne, principal, and Miss Margaret Abel, of Slidell, assistant.

A LETTER FROM SAN FRANCISCO

San Francisco, California, August 13, 1915.

Editor St. Tammany Farmer:

The exposition grounds at San Francisco look like a great show. Flags are flying everywhere, and at night hundreds of thousands of colored lights shine and sparkle and illumine the grounds.

The site occupies six hundred and thirty acres. The Machinery Palace covers nine and one-fourth acres and is the largest wooden building in the world.

Most of the nations have exhibits, even the nations at war.

The pictures, hand embroidered with silk, from Japan, are wonderful indeed. Some are valued at \$2000 apiece.

The Liberty Bell has been brought from Pennsylvania.

Louisiana has an exhibit in the Agricultural Palace. I registered there for I am one of the St. Tammany parish teachers.

The flight of the airship is interesting. The monoplane, used by the aviator this week, looks like a great fish with wings.

Five battleships are in the harbor I have been on board two, the Oregon and the Ohio. The Oregon has a history, for it bears scars of the Spanish-American War.

Chinatown is an interesting portion of Frisco. Twelve thousand five hundred Chinese live there. The present Chinatown is modern and Americanized. Old Chinatown was entirely destroyed by the earthquake and fire in 1906. Our guide explained that the Chinese in this city no longer worship their old idols, but save temple and all to show to tourists. However, lights were burning in the temple, which if extinguished, the Chinese think, will cause the world to come to an end. I visited two underground Chinese homes.

Yours truly,
ALMA FREDERICK,
Tylertown, Miss.

Druids-Woodmen Picnic Sunday At Mandeville, La.

New Orleans, Aug. 26.—Druids and Woodmen of New Orleans are in a contest now for honors of having the most members at the joint benefit excursion and picnic to Mandeville, the resort across the lake, on Sunday.

The picnic is under the auspices of the Elm Camp No. 632, W. O. W., and George H. Pabst Grove No. 53, Druids. The idea of a joint picnic comes from the fact that many Druids are Woodmen and many Woodmen belong to the Druids.

The proceeds will be for the relief funds of the organizations.

Steamer Camella To Carry Crowd

The Steamer New Camella has been reserved and Jackson Park set aside for the fête. There will be music and dancing on the boat, bathing, baseball games, and the rest of the athletic sports and amusements at the park.

A feature will be the presence of Woodmen and Druids from Mandeville, Abita Springs, Covington and the other Ozone Belt towns and resorts.

Tickets are being sold by the joint committee and the number is limited. The committee is as follows: John A. Williams, chairman; John J. Flanagan, vice chairman; Vincent Alvarez, treasurer; Ed. J. Heintz, secretary; Lucien J. Carriere, assistant secretary; Dr. F. Romaguera, A. Miller, Dominick Rispoli, Chas. C. Lutz, F. F. Faisant, H. Luthringhausen, John A. Paneky, R. Korndorfer and Leo Rousset.

Thieves Break Into Safe at Abita Springs Station of N. O. G. N. Railroad Company

Blackmail Attempt, Laurel Men's Plea

Laurel, Miss., Aug. 24.—Attempted blackmail, it is said, will be the defense of E. O. Halbert, proprietor of the Halbert Furubure Co., and E. A. Schneider, manager of the Laurel Brick Yards, in the sensational criminal charges of two young girls of this place.

The girls in the case are Misses Dollie Purvis and Etia Vick, and the accused men have been released on \$500 bond each pending a hearing. They are prominent in the business life of Laurel.

It is alleged that Halbert and Schneider followed the girls to Meridian, hired an auto, met the girls on the street and took them riding. The man induced the girls, it is charged, to leave the hotel where they were stopping on the grounds that it was a disreputable place.

Messrs. Halbert and Schneider have issued the following statement: Laurel, Miss., Aug. 24, 1915.

To Our Friends and the Public of Laurel, Miss.:

We have resided in Laurel for many years and these people who have known us in both a business and social way will take with a grain of salt the idle and silly rumors that have been scattered around the streets about us yesterday and today, concerning alleged misconduct on our part with some parties in a nearby city some two or three weeks ago.

We wish to denounce all such slanderous statements as false and without the semblance of truth. It is simply an old fashioned case of blackmail, pure and simple. We have ample funds for defense, but do not propose to pay tribute to anyone.

Until all the facts are made known we ask the public to suspend judgment. We have no apologies to offer and can look every man, woman and child in Laurel squarely in the eye, conscious of the fact that while it is human to err, we have done naught to cause any friend of ours to hang his head in shame.

Respectfully,
B. A. SCHNEIDER,
O. E. HALBERT.

Knob of Iron Safe Is Removed and Door Closed After Rifling Contents. Sheriff and Town Marshal Notified, But No Clew to Thieves Yet Obtained.

Some time Sunday night thieves broke into the Abita station of the N. O. G. N. Railroad Company and burglarized the iron safe. When Station Manager Carr arrived Monday morning he found that the knob had been removed from the door of the safe. He at first thought the attempt to open the safe had been a failure, but when the safe was finally opened it was found that about \$6.00 in money and a revolver had been taken. Nothing else was missing.

Mr. Carr immediately notified the town marshal, Mr. Bennett, and Sheriff Brewster. Sheriff Brewster repaired to the scene of the burglary but neither he nor Marshal Bennett were able to find any clews that pointed to the thieves. Mr. Carr also notified his company.

The tracing of a crime like this in Abita Springs might be a simple matter under ordinary circumstances but there has been such a large number

of strangers in the town, constantly coming and going, that the working up of clews is a difficult matter. However, every effort will be made to trace the thieves.

Incident to the burglary, Mayor Bordes took exception to the action of Manager Carr in notifying the marshal and the sheriff. He maintained that notification should have first been made to him as mayor. Manager Carr couldn't see that way. He maintained that in notifying the officers of the law he had performed his duty, as he saw it. If the officers of the law thought it advisable to communicate with the mayor, or if there were rules requiring them to do so, it was up to them. He was simply agent for the Railroad Company, and put the matter up for police consideration in the quickest manner possible. The air was a little murky for a while and it didn't need any wireless to spread the news of the rapture.

CONDITIONED PUPILS IN COVINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

Those pupils of the Covington public school, who were conditioned in a subject at the end of last term, and who have done systematic work under a qualified teacher during the summer, will please report at the school building on Wednesday, p. m., September 2, at 2 o'clock, for examination. The subjects for which you have prepared.

Also, bring with you, a statement from the teacher under whom you have taken work, stating definitely what you have done and amount of time that has been devoted to the

AMERICAN SHIP DUNSYRE RE-LEASED

Washington, Aug. 25.—Germany has released the American ship Dunsyre. Ambassador Gerard so reported today, but did not say what disposition had been made of the Dunsyre's foodstuff cargo. One other ship, the Pass of Balhama now is detained in Germany.

St. Tammany Parish Farmers' Association Will Meet at Courthouse Wednesday, at 10 A. M., September Sixth

- Ship.
- "The Marowijne carried one of the finest crews in the employ of the company," said Mr. Ellis. "I don't like to think that all these men were lost. I am just as anxious for their safety as their relatives, but I know that I would have heard something definite by this time if any trace of the ship had been found."
- "Reports have come to me from various ships of our own line and from the United States government wireless stations, and all say the same thing—that they have been unable to discover any trace of the vessel."
- "Of course, we will keep on searching until the last possibility is exhausted. If the ship went down as I think she did, there will certainly be some wreckage which will indicate it. Her name was painted on various parts of the steamer which would naturally come to the surface. I am still hoping that I will hear from the Preston and the Suriname, the last ships instructed to search the coast for the Marowijne."
- The feelings of Mr. Ellis were shared by practically every employe of the company. There was an air of gloom in the office, and the clerks talked among themselves about various officers and men on the lost vessel. All seemed to be convinced that the ship had been destroyed by the hurricane.
- Mrs. George A. McBride, wife of the first officer of the Heredia, who lives at 3516 Palmyra street, said that she considered it an act of Providence that her husband had been released from command of the Marowijne just before she left on her last trip. Captain McLaurin had been suffering from an affection of the eyes and was off duty for about three weeks. In the meantime the company placed Mr. McBride in command of the Marowijne and he made the trip south just previous to the coming of the storm.
- When he brought the ship back to this port he was informed that Captain McLaurin was well and ordered back to his former position as chief officer of the Heredia.
- Vice President Ellis Wednesday made public the full official list of the crew of the vessel. Here it is: J. McLaurin, master, 2300 Jena street.
- C. W. Loughbridge, chief officer, 4801 Canal street.
- M. Barkhouse, second officer, Metford, N. S.
- G. Singlemann, third officer, 1057 Camp street.
- P. O. Corbsan, carpenter, 1057 Camp street.
- F. Hamon, 1446 Magazine street.
- H. J. Hansen, quartermaster, 1066 Magazine street.
- H. Petersen, assistant quartermaster, 1066 Magazine street.
- J. P. Nielsen, assistant quartermaster, 1066 Magazine street.
- R. Dinger, 1066 Magazine street.
- H. Schubert, 1066 Magazine street.
- G. Johansson, 1066 Magazine street.
- S. Hill, 1066 Magazine street.
- D. Kisavancy, 1066 Magazine street.
- J. Cramond, chief engineer, 3229 Banks street.
- G. P. Clark, first assistant engineer, 137 Telemachus street.
- J. Glassey, second assistant engineer, 1623 St. Philip street.
- R. Landry, third assistant engineer, 2328 St. Philip street.
- C. Cameron, first refrigerating engineer, 1440 Baronne street.
- C. G. Carlson, second refrigerating engineer, 1127 Erato street.
- G. Baletine, 1126 Gravier street.
- T. B. Hawkins, 1523 Franklin.
- A. Williams, 1234 Franklin.
- H. Wilson, 1120 Liberty street.
- C. Clarence, 1345 Gravier street.
- W. Newsum, 1452 Howard street.
- L. Dixon, 1234 Union street.
- C. Hamilton, 1432 Liberty street.
- J. Spencer, 1634 North Claiborne.
- O. Jackson, 1734 N. Robertson.
- H. McFee, 1832 Howard street.
- J. Payne, 1455 N. Robertson.
- A. Solomon, 1234 N. Liberty.
- M. Rapp, 1234 North Liberty.
- L. Smith, 1415 Dryades street.
- S. Stewart, 1456 Camp street.
- T. Pinkney, 1567 Gravier street.
- J. Whitner, 1567 Gravier street.
- O. Palmer, 1567 Gravier street.
- G. Perrey, 1455 Dryades street.
- W. Washington, 1432 N. Liberty.
- H. P. Labatut, Jr., purser, 3024 Desoto street.
- J. T. Owens, assistant purser, 2022 Canal street.
- C. A. Quina, surgeon, 2850 Carondelet street.
- N. H. C. Taylor, wireless operator, 321 St. Charles street.
- J. J. Wallbillich, second wireless operator, 321 St. Charles street.
- H. Hoey, chief steward, 320 Alouze street.
- H. Starling, second steward, 216 N. Robertson street.
- R. Johnson, chief cook, 805 Mandeville street.
- H. Kramer, second cook, 1623 Camp street.
- G. W. Dixon, third cook, 1432

New Orleans Carbonate Company Says St. Tammany Strawberries are "Finest Ever" for Fruit Syrups. Will Take 100 Barrels Next Season. Swift Co. Representative Will Attend Farmers' Meet.

The making of a reputation always takes time, but the time has proven short in the case of St. Tammany strawberries. When the New Orleans Carbonate Company contracted for St. Tammany strawberries last season it was simply as an experiment as to the adaptability of these berries for fruit syrups and other purposes of manufacture. Then about twenty barrels were put up. This company now announces that the St. Tammany berries have proven to be very superior for this purpose and that next year they will want enough of these St. Tammany berries to put up seventy-five barrels. As the berries used are those that are not profitable for shipment, or

rather that are out of season for shipment or too ripe for shipment, this will be of great assistance to the strawberry growers in making the crop a profitable one.

Plans are being arranged for a large acreage of berries the coming season, and also an increase in the growing of other crops for shipment. The Swift Company announces that special arrangements will be made for the furnishing of fertilizers at a low rate, and the Farmers' Association has arranged to let farmers have fertilizers, etc., on notes, just as it did last year, so that there will be no excuse for any farmer who does not share in the profits that are expected to be made the coming season.

Women's Progressive Union Meet And Advocate Laying of Sidewalks

Miss Kate Eastman called a meeting of the Women's Progressive Union to discuss a movement advocated by the Association of Commerce to have sidewalks laid in the town of Covington, and thus pave the way to a free mail delivery. The vote was almost unanimous and the following resolution was adopted:

Be it resolved, That the Women's Progressive Union endorse the movement advocated by the Association of Commerce to have sidewalks laid in

the town of Covington.

A committee was appointed to cooperate with the committee from the Association of Commerce to decorate and beautify the courthouse grounds.

Mrs. G. R. Tolson, Mrs. T. Vaughn and Miss Carrie Frederick were appointed on above committee.

MISS KATE EASTMAN,
President.

MRS. J. C. BURNS,
Corresponding Secy.

AN EASY, PLEASANT LAXATIVE.

One or two Dr. King's New Life Pills with a tumbler of water at night. No bad, nauseating taste; no belching gas. Go right to bed. Wake up in the morning, enjoy a free, easy bowel movement, and feel fine all day. Dr. King's New Life Pills are sold by all druggists, 36 in an original package, for 25 cents. Get a bottle today—enjoy this easy pleasant laxative.

No. 2.

Ladies Presbyterian Auxiliary To Give Entertainment August 31

The Ladies Presbyterian Auxiliary will give an entertainment Friday, August 31, that will include many very fine features. The Doll Drill, and Quareel of the Flowers, by many beautiful children, will be a drawing card. Holger Kohne in a pantomime of "Old Black Joe," will be at his best, and give pleasure, as he always does. A play, entitled "Daddy Ben," composed and staged by Mrs. Levinson, with a little child as the heroine, and two instrumental solos by the talented Mrs. Eugene Wehrman Schaffner, of France, and vocal solos by Mrs. Lillian Barrow and Mrs. L. Levinson, and a recitation by Miss Helene Laterriere, a talented elocutionist and artist of New Orleans. We expect this program to be of the highest order, and there will be pleasure for all. The price of admission will be 25 cents and 10 cents. The curtain will rise promptly at 8 o'clock. Come early if you want good seats.

Following is the program:

1. Doll Drill—Lydia Smith, Joie, Frederick, Mildred Davis, Margaret Barrow, Elizabeth Gillis, Marie Aubert, Ruby Park, Hazel McDonagall, Camille Park, Ess Burns, Irma Loyd.
2. A Quareel Among the Flowers. Crocuses—Esther Clark, Margerite Sharp, Dahlias—Alma Heintz, Jeannette Moses, Pinks—Inez Del Corral, Ida Poole, Snowdrops—Grace McCormack, Ruth Morrison, Water Lilies—Irma Levy and Iris Flanery. Violets—Hester Burns, Gladys Lacroix, Rose—Doris Smith, Sunflower—Doris Frederick.
3. "Old Black Joe"—by Holger Kohne.
4. Church Reveries of a School Girl—Miss Helen Laterriere.
5. Instrumental Solo—Mrs. Eugene Wehrman Schaffner.
6. Vocal Solo—Mrs. L. Levinson.
7. Play—"Daddy Ben."
8. Instrumental Solo—Mrs. Eugene Wehrman Schaffner.
9. Vocal Solo—Mrs. H. K. Barrow.

Mrs. Eugene Wehrman Schaffner, who will perform at the entertainment next Tuesday night, is a pianist of some distinction. She studied under some of the masters of Europe and just before the war came to New Orleans, the home of her birth. Her husband sacrificed his life for his country, and she and her two small boys are now living here. She has a cottage at Abita Springs for the summer months.

Her Abandoned For The Marowijne

New Orleans, Aug. 28.—United Fruit Company officials admitted Wednesday morning that they had no hope for the safety of the steamer, Marowijne, ten days overdue at New Orleans, which was caught in

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the vortex of the West India hurricane off the coast of Cuba. Practically all of the crew had homes in this city, and Crawford H. Ellis, vice president of the company, paid a high tribute to their service. There were 96 passengers and crew on the