

St. Tammany Farmer

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LEND THE AID OF YOUR INFLUENCE AND ENERGY TO YOUR TOWN.

On the front page will be found a petition of one hundred property holders who are anxious to bring to an end the condition that has tied Covington down to a fourth-class position among the towns of the state.

We have a town that is finely situated. It is endowed by nature with advantages that could not be bought with money. We have water and railway transportation, a fine hotel and fine streets.

There are over two hundred bills of information in the hands of the district attorney against violators of the health ordinances of Covington. They were filed, we are told, by Dr. Dowling, but were held up pending the putting in of the proposed waterworks and sewer system.

Dr. Dowling is scheduled to speak at the school house on Wednesday, January 5, at 8 o'clock p. m. He will probably tell the people all about it at that time.

Mrs. H. Haller, Miss Minnie Haller and Mr. John Haller spent Sunday in New Orleans, having gone over to attend the funeral of their friend, Mr. Racquette.

Miss Hallie Williams returned Friday afternoon to her home in New Orleans, after several days spent here as the guest of Miss Grace Lassman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Foley were New Orleans visitors last Sunday.

Mr. Felix Limongi spent last Sunday in New Orleans.

Mrs. Leon Beaucoudray spent last Sunday in New Orleans.

Miss Alma Smith returned Sunday morning to her post at the Presbyterian Hospital, after spending Christmas day here as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Claud Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Domergue returned from New Orleans Sunday, after several days spent there as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Baron and family.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Bourgeois and Mr. Louis Bourgeois returned Sunday night from New Orleans, after a visit of several days to friends.

Miss Josie Frederick is spending the week in New Orleans with relatives and friends.

Miss Myra Melancon returned Friday evening from New Orleans, after spending ten days there.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Massman returned Thursday from Bogalusa, after several days spent there.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Richard left Wednesday morning for Houma, La. where they joined a Christmas home party.

Mrs. Louis Theriot and children, of New Orleans, was the guest last Sunday of her mother, Mrs. N. Alpeute, and sisters, Misses Edna and Leah Alpeute.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper E. Nilson and children spent the week end in New Orleans, visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taylor and children returned Sunday morning to their home in Bogalusa, after several days spent here as the guest of their mother, Mrs. Robt. Badon.

Mr. Miller Simmons, of Slidell, Christmas here as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Burns.

Misses Carrie Addison and Ethel Robinson, who are attending the La. State Normal, are at home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Griner and Mrs. Lilla Thompson, of New Orleans, were the guests last Sunday of Mrs. S. G. Peterson and family.

Mrs. Gaston Bertus and family, of New Orleans, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Prevost.

Miss Gabrielle Boudouque was a visitor to New Orleans, Sunday.

Mr. Leon J. Pujol arrived Thursday night and will spend the week end here.

Miss Lou Lyon returned Monday to her home in Slidell, after having spent the week end here as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. White.

One of the most enjoyable events of the holiday season was the Five Hundred card party given Tuesday night by Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Burns.

The first prize for the "vies" was awarded Mrs. A. R. Smith, and second prize to Mrs. D. M. Montgomery.

Mrs. F. J. Heints and children returned Sunday night from New Orleans, where they spent several days as the guests of Mrs. Jas. Tracy.

Tuesday evening, December 21st, Pine Grove No. 212, W. C., obligated new members in their order. The hall was decorated with holly and pine. Refreshments were served. All present had an enjoyable time.

Mrs. Fred Simon and little daughter, Helen, of Birmingham, Ala., are the guests of Dr. and Mrs. L. C. Helms.

Miss Lois Scroggs, of New Orleans, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. McCormack.

Bids for remodeling Pearl River school building were opened Tuesday. J. E. Smith got the work on a bid of \$900. Sam Boss bid \$940.

On December 15th, when the four banks of the parish reported to the State Bank Examiner, they reported having loans to the amount of \$332,591.31. This shows that the money on deposit with our banks is not "tied up" but is being loaned out to the business people and is being used to develop our great section.

The School Improvement League will hold its regular meeting Monday afternoon at 3:30 at the school auditorium. All members requested to be present.

MRS. J. C. BURNS, President.

Clothe Otis was shot and killed by Charles Chambers, Thursday, at Chambers' boarding house. According to the Coroner's inquest, Chambers and three other men and a negro woman were in Chambers' room, who Otis attempted to force an entrance after being refused admittance. Chambers shot him as he started to get in at the window. Coroner's jury brought in a verdict that Otis came to his death by a pistol shot fired by Chambers, and Coroner Helms made an affidavit against Chambers charging him with manslaughter.

At the entertainment given for the benefit of the fire department Mr. John Haller, with his usual kindness, decorated the stage beautifully. This work is attended with a great deal of trouble and some cost, the flowers all being made by Mr. Haller and the ladies in charge on Wednesday night.

Judge Lancaster underwent an operation in New Orleans, Wednesday, and all will be glad to learn that he is doing nicely. An adhesion of the intestines was found and corrected.

James Smith, Louis Pujol, Clarence Smith and Thos. Champagne were thrown from a car en route to Mandeville, last Sunday. Something happened to the steering gear and Pujol went through the wind shield, cutting his leg. James Smith was thrown on his face and received bruises. The damage to Smith's car was about \$100. The accident occurred opposite the Graissin place.

A CARD TO THE PUBLIC. In extenuation of my position in the recent disposition of a doll, for the benefit of the Covington Fire Department, I beg to state the following facts in connection with the case: The doll in question was recently purchased by me at the late bazaar for the sum of \$3.00.

PAUL J. LAOROIX. I respectfully submit the above explanation to dispel any wrong impressions that may have arisen from my intention to benefit a cause so worthy of aid and endeavor.



A column appointed to be read at the weekly councils of the sect. ".....The Pharisees sit in Moses' seat: All therefore whatsoever they bid you observe, that observe and do."—Matt. xxiii, 2-3.

By Adrian D. Schwartz THE PHARISEE'S WEEKLY DISCOURSE.

Happy New Year, Dears!

Yes, this is intended as much for our friends who were, as the friends who may be, but we are not writing an essay "On Friendship." We shall leave that to Cicero, Emerson, Thoreau and those who thought they knew something about the art!

1916 brought us one more inch to our waistband, one more toe to Myrtina's crow's-foot, and a half-dozen fresh cuss-words to Francis Xavier's vocabulary.

You all remember that at the close of the summer of 1915, the writer of this column undertook single-handed the task of abolishing an institution, a system, which had been established in Covington, popularly styled by old and young, as the "vice-district."

While there are many now who are willing to come forth and crow over the results of this move who were first to hesitate, and only second to "knock" at the wisdom of our stand, we believe there are not a dozen citizens of the town of Covington today, way down in the cellars of their hearts, where the steam-heating plant is kept, who do not agree with us that we may have been partially correct in what we advocated.

We haven't talked to a merchant, a saloon-keeper, or any other class of tradesmen who do not speak well and cheerily of the satisfactory business he did during the holidays.

We represent no church, faction or business venture, unless it be the creed of justice, the faction of good will, and the eternal business of progress, in the divine scheme of things, but we do believe that the words of truth usually reach a sufficient number of ears who are not only strong enough to heed, but to follow!

Covington took the first logical step that many towns and cities of larger note have failed upon. She put in her moral sewerage and cleansing system first. All of the pollution of prostitution, which was fixing its cancerous tentacles on the body politic with its carnival of dives, crime and disease has been "sewered out" of town.

Daily Lessons From the Talmud.

Gratitude is more of an attitude than a matter of words.

Whatever your opinion about grape-fruit salad may be, remember it is not a food.

"Man's life is like a candle in the wind, a hoar-frost on the tiles."

Let your friendship be elastic. If perchance, you have thrown them at any one else, they will rebound readily.

Whisky mixes no better with religion than religion with politics.

Among other things that married men are fond of is their wives' husbands.

There is not much difference in the sensations of a man who has been caught red-handed in crime from him who has been jilted in a love-affair.

As a man sows, so shall he reap.—A basis for a bachelor's New Year's resolution.

A certain Georgia senator gives as his reason for not supporting suffrage that the good Lord had no women among his disciples. The nearest thing he had to a senator amongst them sold him out for thirty dollars, we believe.

A poet in that sage document, "The Atlantic Monthly" (there were only two regular subscribers in Covington, ourselves and another lady, before the Acme Book Store left) says: "Holly trees on the Southern hills are bright with promise." This fellow never had to go down in a Louisiana swamp where they grow to hack one out for Christmas extortions.

The year is passing rapidly, sweet friends. Whilst we cannot recall the past, retain the present, nor retard the future, still we think it not unwise for some of us to take our pasts out to the pump or to the bath-room. A little mild toilet-water will be sufficient to add to the lavations of some of us, but for others we recommend a bit of three-ree-re-enforced, concentrated lye to get off the fly-specks of 1915. Good Night!

Contributed. Some people are always complaining because roses have thorns. Why not be thankful that thorns have roses.

The American people owe a debt of everlasting gratitude to Henry Ford and Louis Wehrli, for making walking a pleasure.

AS YOU LIKE IT CLUB. A CARD.

The club was charmingly entertained at its last meeting during the week by Miss Grace Blossman. At hearts the first prize was awarded Miss Gable Boudouque, second Miss Cedie Warren, booby Miss Estelle Evans, consolation Mrs. Warren Smith, and guest prize Miss Hallie Williams.

The club will be entertained at its next meeting at the home of Misses Gable and Anais Boudouque. Guests of the club were Misses Norma Weaver, Hallie Williams, Carrie Addison, Jeanne Piquet and Retta Moses.

COMMENDING THE COVINGTON POSTMASTER. Covington, La., Dec. 29, 1915.

Editor St. Tammany Farmer: The writer of this communication is not given to promiscuous praise and flattery, but when occasions warrant them public servants should be commended for work well done.

Very few departments of public service exact from their officials more patience, tact, forbearance, even physical endurance, than the postoffice, and our genial postmaster and his associates have indeed proven these qualities during the "holiday rush" when their duties assume colossal proportions for five or six days.

Outgoing parcels were handed in at window, weighed, and the required amount of postage marked on each. The sender was even spared the job of "licking stamps," so repugnant to the least fastidious.

Postmaster Seiler and his efficient corps of assistants deserve special thanks, which the generous citizens of Covington will award them. "PRO BONO PUBLICO."

COVINGTON BANK & TRUST COMPANY. Report furnished to the Examiner of State Banks by the above Bank at the close of business on December 15, 1915. RESOURCES: Demand Loans \$100,985.95; Loans Secured by Mortgage 264,570.80; Other Loans and Discounts 101,267.50; Overdrafts 2,639.24; La. State Bonds 4,090.00; Other Bonds and Securities 18,000.00; Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures 27,112.15; Other Real Estate Owned 9,298.54; Due from Banks and Bankers 74,677.14; Checks and Other Cash Items 503.74; Gold Coin 702.50; Silver, Nickel and Copper Coin 2,413.93; National Bank Notes and all issues of U. S. Government 14,338.00; Revenue Stamps 140.00; \$620,785.00. LIABILITIES: Capital Stock Paid In \$100,000.00; Surplus 25,000.00; Undivided Profits, Less Expenses Paid 26,978.83; Unpaid Dividends 335.00; Cashier Checks Outstanding 23.04; DEPOSITS: Banks 12,759.03; Checking Individual 177,250.85; Savings Individual 197,161.25; Certificates of Deposit 81,276.92—468,448.16; \$620,785.00. STATE OF LOUISIANA, Parish of St. Tammany. I, E. G. Davis, President, and I, R. H. Dutach, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of December, 1915. THOS. M. BURNS, Notary Public. In answer to the above call the four banks of the Parish of St. Tammany reported having on deposit the sum of \$863,779.26, and having loans to the amount of \$833,591.31. Of these amounts the Covington Bank & Trust Co. held \$468,448.16 in deposits and \$466,923.85 in loans, being FIFTY-FOUR per cent and FIFTY-SIX per cent of the total deposits and loans, respectively, carried by the banks of St. Tammany Parish. IF YOU ARE NOT ALREADY A CUSTOMER OF OURS YOU HAVE THIS PLEASURE TO LOOK FORWARD TO—AND SO HAVE WE.

MR. MORGAN IN NEW OFFICE.

Representative Lewis L. Morgan of Louisiana has moved into the new quarters in the House office building to which he is entitled by virtue of his appointment to the chairmanship of a committee. C. S. Frederick, of Covington, has been made clerk of the committee. Isom Guillory, secretary to Representative Lazaro, has been made clerk of Mr. Lazaro's new committee. He will continue to discharge the duties of private secretary to Mr. Lazaro as well. Each of these committee clerkships carries a salary of \$2000 per annum.

The Midnight Cry of Fire! The CLANG of the Engine! The SHOUTS of Firemen! The HOOF BEATS of Horses! The CRACKLING of Flames! The SMASHING of Glass! The CRASH of Timbers! The SWISH of Water! All Are Terrifying, BUT NOT So Heart-rending As The Thought That The Home Was Not Insured! It Costs Little, See To It! NILSON-FREDERICK CO. LTD., Covington La.

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Schonberg's Pharmacy Southern Hotel Building CLEANING, PRESSING AND DYEING "THAT'S WORTH WHILE" New Method Laundry, Covington. Misses Letitia and Marie Delery, of New Orleans, arrived Sunday on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Delery. Miss Letitia returns that evening while Miss Marie will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Delery for a week. Mr. and Mrs. Park, of Philadelphia, Pa., arrived several days ago to spend some time here as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Park. Mr. H. J. Smith returned Monday from New Orleans, where he spent several days.

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