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ELECTION FOR COVINGTON WATERWORKS MAY 16TH

Fair Association Preparing for a Big Exhibit Coming October

WATERWORKS BOND ISSUE WILL COME BEFORE THE PEOPLE AGAIN MAY 16TH

General Opinion Seems Favorable to Plans and It is Probable the Election Will Carry. The Five Mills to Cover Bonds Will Be Reduced With Increased Assessment and Insurance Rates Will be Reduced 10 to 33 1-3 Per Cent

The vote on the \$60,000 bond issue for waterworks for Covington will take place May 16, 1916. The proposition seems to be much more favorably considered than the sewer and waterworks plan, and many who opposed sewers will vote for the waterworks. It has been rumored that Mr. E. J. Frederick is getting waterworks, but Mr. Frederick states that this is not so. That while he is not working for it he is not working against it. He is neutral in the matter.

With the proposed waterworks system insurance rates will be decreased from 10 to 33 1-3 per cent, depending upon the class of buildings. Dwelling risks will be reduced 10 per cent, frame mercantile risks from 10 to 15 per cent, and brick buildings from 15 to 33 1-3 per cent. The public school, which now pays \$600 for three years insurance, will pay \$400 for the same amount. The Louisiana Fire Prevention Bureau has approved the plans of Engineer Kramer for his waterworks system and these figures are taken from the insurance agents, as a result of that approval.

The present assessment of Covington is \$715,000, and on this basis

it will require a tax of five mills to take care of these bonds. This millage will be decreased as the assessment is increased. As a committee is now working on the assessment roll with a view to equalizing taxes, there is little doubt that the assessment will be increased considerably. This is the general opinion, the only difference being as to the amount of increase.

Opelousas waterworks are earning \$100 per month for the town, and a 20-year bond issue was retired by the use of this revenue with the taxes in twelve years. Hammond is receiving \$75 per month from its waterworks. Recent fires at Shidell and the continuous alarms in Covington are constant reminders that Covington needs a complete system for the protection of property. The fire department is especially desirous of having the system put in. The new motor truck of the chemical enables it to get to the fires in good time, and funds are now being raised to have the pump engine also equipped with motive power. With available water in all parts of the town and the means to reach fires promptly the department will be in fine shape to protect property from fire.

Court Maid of Orleans, Daughters of Isabella, Admit 12 New Members

Sunday, April 30, will linger long in the memory of Court Maid of Orleans, No. 117, Daughters of Isabella, as on that day twelve of our prominent women were admitted to its ranks.

The candidates and members at the meeting were: Mrs. M. A. and received 7 Communion in a body, and at the conclusion of the mass hymn of praise "Holy God We Praise Thy Name" was sung by the entire congregation.

Promptly at 2 p. m. the initiation ceremony which took place in the convent hall was begun, and the degrees were exemplified in a manner most impressive and effective by a well chosen degree team of the local court.

The unwritten work was imparted by District Deputy, Mrs. I. A. Alfonso, of New Orleans, who also gave advice and spoke words of encouragement to the new members, after which refreshments consisting of

strawberries, ice cream, delicious cake and fruit punch were served. Those initiated were: Meses, H. Pignat, W. L. Stevenson, J. J. Foley, J. D. Lambert, H. E. Gautreaux, M. W. Allen, W. H. Kentzel, W. D. Molloy, K. Perbos, O. Planché, of Bogalusa, and Misses L. Allain and Iva Barrios.

This is a large class and one of which we are proud, as their membership means much to our court and likewise to our order.

The officers of Court No. 117 are: Grand Regent, Mrs. B. B. Warren; Vice Grand Regent, Mrs. H. J. Ostendorf; Prophetess, Mrs. H. M. Wallis; Historian, Mrs. M. Planché; Financial Secretary, Mrs. W. J. Warren; Treasurer, Mrs. J. L. Smith; Monitor, Miss N. Hennessey; Sentinel, Mrs. N. Trognier; Trustees, Meses, J. Bokenfah, J. B. Lancaester, L. J. Heints, A. J. Planché, E. J. Frederick, J. Connaughton; Organist, Mrs. J. F. Bouquet. A MEMBER.

Rules and Regulations of Farm Demonstrator as Laid Out by M. Snowden

Baton Rouge, April 29, 1916. Messrs. Herman Schults, President Police Jury; E. E. Lyon, Supt. of Education, Covington, La.

Dear Sirs:—The following statement of the lines of work and duties of the parish demonstration agent is made on your request for such information.

The purpose of the demonstration work is to teach by object lessons. These object lessons are to show the results that can be obtained by the application of better methods of farming. The farmer learns by doing and the demonstration agent teaches by showing.

Each object lesson is a demonstration and may be of corn, oats, hay, truck or any other crop. The plan of the work for the agent is to have from fifty to one hundred demonstrations located in the different wards of the parish according to population and the cooperation that the farmers show him. The demonstrations are located as publicly as possible along public roads with the farmers who will agree to follow the demonstration methods in working their demonstration crops. The idea is to influence as many people of the community as possible to do better farming through the success of the demonstration. The farmer is the important cog in the machine as he is the demonstrator—the one who does the work and who does the proving or demonstrating. The demonstration agent is the one who acts for both the farmer and the farm demonstration work. The agent brings the message of and information about the better farming methods and helps the farmer to put this information to work on the demonstration. The farmer does the work and reaps the benefit.

Live stock demonstrations are also carried on with the farmers who want them by the parish agent and the specialists from the University.

Extension Department.

As it is perfectly impossible for the agent to visit all the farmers in his parish, he is only required to visit his demonstrators (those working demonstrations), but he must visit these every month, if possible. The balance of the farmers can be and are enrolled as cooperators on promising to try out the demonstration methods on a certain area of their farms. The cooperators are mailed the same bulletins and circulars as are given to the demonstrators. The difference is that the agent is not required to visit their farms except under exceptional conditions. The cooperators should be invited by postal card to meet the agent on his visits to the demonstrators in their respective neighborhoods. At these demonstration field meetings, the agent discusses the methods of preparation of soil, planting, cultivation, or seed selection according to the season.

The farm demonstration work appreciating the impossibility of the agent visiting every farmer individually has developed this plan of reaching the farmers by demonstrations and field meetings of cooperators. In order to best meet the needs of the farmers and their families, there should be organized a farmers' association for each school district with monthly meetings held at the schoolhouse. The agent could meet with these associations and his services would reach and benefit a much larger number of people in each community.

The work of an agent must be adapted to meet the needs of his parish. In general, the following main lines of work should be undertaken:

1. Soil improvement demonstrations to increase fertility and productivity.

2. Crop production demonstrations to increase yields, to

ABITA SPRINGS WAKES UP ON SUNDAY DRY AS A CHIP

Reform Develops After the Failure to Re-elect Mayor Bordes, and the Fiat Was Flat and Clean.

SODA WATER AND POP COMPETE WITH SPRING

Excursionists and Citizens Look Glum and Cuss the Abita Springs Imitation of Mississippi.

Abita Springs is again in the limelight, and again it is politics. The bid was put on tight last Sunday. Excursionists and citizens who wish to see their Sunday todes had to be satisfied with Abita Springs water or pop. This imitation of Mississippi was not received with the applause that a good church member would give to a reform movement. It was a deadlock, and the doors could not be pried open all Sunday.

Mayor Bordes was defeated at the recent election by Mr. Mutti, but Mr. Mutti has not yet received his commission. Mayor Bordes refused to relent, and this last official act was put something in the record of Abita Springs that has never been in before. Abita is a hospitable, easy-going town, and it never before has refused a man a drink if he was right thirsty.

Little Girl Injured by Dynamite Cap

The little daughter of Mrs. McKenzie, living in Claiborne, was painfully but not seriously injured by the explosion of a dynamite cap last Sunday. It seems that she and her brother were playing with some dynamite caps and cartridges that were found in an out-building on the place where they live. These caps were being exploded by hammering on them. In the case of the little girl, the explosion tore open her hand and injured her side. She was attended by Dr. Gautreaux.

lower cost and to market better the standard crops of the parish.

3. Live stock demonstrations to encourage the raising of more and better live stock in connection with trucking and farm crops.

4. To assist in the growing of more and better truck and marketing cooperatively.

5. To assist in controlling hog cholera and charbon by serum and sanitation. To work for tick eradication.

6. To give general information along any line that will better the farm, the farm home and help the people on the farm.

7. Boys pig, corn and cotton clubs.

The duty of the agent is, therefore, to try to organize and to locate his demonstrations so that they will be object lessons to the greatest number of people. He must reach through the influence of the successful demonstrators the farmers of the community that he finds it possible to visit. It is the duty of the demonstrators (farmers) to help the agent interest their neighbors in the working of the demonstrations. It is the duty of all the farmers to meet the agent half way in his efforts to serve the community through demonstrations, field meetings and school meetings. The agent can do it all.

The Farmers Cooperative Demonstration Work is the name of the organization with which the parish demonstration agent is connected. The name means "working together between the agent and the farmer for their mutual success in the demonstration." The successful demonstration means a greater prosperity in that community.

Hope that this explanation of the aims and plan of the demonstration work will be of interest and of help to St. Tammany farmers. I am Yours very truly,

MASON SNOWDEN, State Agent Farm Demonstration Work.

POLICE JURY. The police jury will meet in regular session next Wednesday, May 10.

E. D. KENTZEL, Secretary.

PARISH FAIR PREPARATIONS BEING MADE FOR FALL

Report of Manager FitzSimmons Shows Association To Be in Excellent Condition.

STOCK WELL DISTRIBUTED IN THE PARISH

Effort Will Be Made to Surface Columbia Street So As to Give a Good Road to Gate.

The Directors of the St. Tammany Fair Association met at the courthouse Wednesday to receive the report of Acting General Manager N. H. FitzSimmons on the affairs of the Association covering the past year, including the holding of the sixth annual fair last November.

The fair last fall was very successful, considering the limited time in which a great amount of work had to be accomplished to make the new grounds and buildings suitable for holding such an event. In fact, it exceeded all expectations.

While the association is still in debt for some of the improvements and is in need of money to make still further improvements, in anticipation of making the grounds one of the finest of the parish of the State the finest of the parishes of the state six hundred forty-eight shares of stock have been sold and two thousand more should be sold before the opening of the next fair. Stock sold was under conditions that made it impossible to give the desired attention to promotion of the organization of less than a year ago. The stock sold is distributed throughout the parish in a manner to give evidence of a general co-operative spirit in making the annual parish fair serve the agricultural interests, so that the farmer, the stockraiser, the poultryman and the housewife may reap the benefits that come from object lessons of progressive and scientific methods, and may note the progress that is being made in the parish.

A committee was appointed to meet the Covington town council and ask it to provide for surfacing of Columbia street to fair grounds before the next fair, which will probably be held October 25, 27 and 28. A committee was also appointed to see what aid may be expected from the police jury.

The co-operation of the people of Mandeville is needed, and they will be expected to subscribe to stock, as promised during the organization.

The total sum due by the association, after purchasing grounds and erecting buildings, is \$1200. This is an excellent showing.

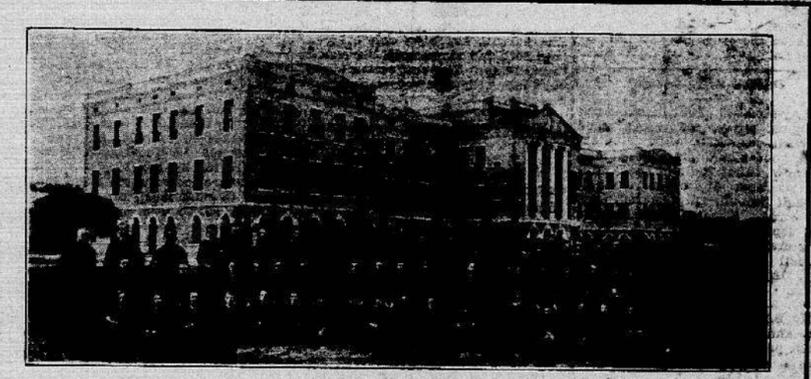
The annual meeting of the stockholders of the association will be held Thursday, May 26, after which meeting the newly elected directors will make all arrangements for the 1916 fair.

Boost Educational Building. On Friday, May 19th, at 3 o'clock, the School Improvement League will hold a May Festival at the school grounds. Several small girls are running in a contest for the May Queen honors. There will be a May pole dance, all kinds of games and drills and dancing in the school basement for all the smaller children. No admission will be charged but refreshments will be sold.

It is requested most earnestly that all school children, parents and friends will patronize this affair. The proceeds will start a fund for an educational building at the Fair.

Looks Fine—Except. Recently A. R. Smith, of Smith Hardware Co., and Walter Jahnke had the Covington bridge over the Bogue Falaya, river whitewashed; also the fences each side of the street leading to the bridge were whitewashed. This work greatly improved the appearance in the locality of the bridge and does credit to these gentlemen as a manifestation of civic pride. But on the north side, mid way of the whitewashed fences, is one that is not whitewashed and that makes a very ugly comparison to the surrounding neatness. The owner of this property would be helping the good work if he stepped into line.

SAINT JOSEPH'S ABBEY, SAINT BENEDICT, LA., 4 MILES FROM COVINGTON, FINEST IN STATE



St. Paul Defeated in Loosely Played Game With N. O. Boys Hi, 7 to 5.

In a loosely played baseball game at St. Paul Stadium the collegians went down to defeat at the hands of Boys' High of New Orleans, May 3d. The Paulites outbatted their opponents three to one, obtaining eleven hits to their opponents four, they made errors by the bushel, both of omission and commission, and when they were very costly, as the bungling happened when men were on base and particularly in the last inning when the bases were crowded.

No team was ahead for any length of time. The lead swapping places every few innings. The score was

five to four in favor of St. Paul when Boys' High came to the bat for the last time and after the smoke cleared away Boys' High was ahead two runs. The collegians made a grand rally in the ninth, succeeding in getting five men to the bat, but the score remained unchanged.

Beurlot, of St. Paul, pitched fine ball, striking out thirteen men and allowing but four hits. Craffigno allowed eleven hits, striking out six. Bayon and Thorburn did the successful hitting for Boys' High. For St. Paul: Landry, 2 hits; LeBlanc, 2 hits; Grenier, 3; Somme, 1; Dabazie, 3.

Athletic Meet at St. Paul's Sunday, May 7, With Catholic Club, of N. O.

Sunday, May 7th, the St. Paul Stadium will be the scene of a track meet between the Downtown Catholic Club of New Orleans and St. Paul.

For the past few weeks the collegians have been working hard and expect to be right in line for victory when they face their opponents. The D. C. C. boys are also looking at the matter in the same light and all

track followers will see a well contested meet.

Following are the events: 100 yard dash, 220 yard dash, 440 yard run, 880 yard run, 120 yard hurdles, 220 yard hurdles, 380 yard walk, pole vault, high jump, broad jump, shot put, discus, javelin, 380 yard relay race.

The meet will start promptly at 1:30 p. m. Admission 25 cents.

Folsom Woke Up Parkview Theatre

Folsom woke up and found itself in a peculiar situation, last week. There should have been an election for mayor and aldermen April 18, but the town slept on its rights and no election was ordered. To correct this oversight it was decided to call an election on May 12. But there were legal difficulties in the way of this procedure, so a petition was circulated asking the governor to order an election. Meaning the officers holding over are in doubt as to their liabilities, responsibilities and duties. Folsom is a little "woke up," and begins to know what it is to be in the arena of full-fledged corporate intracacies.

The program for this Saturday night will consist of a five-part Paramount picture entitled "Rule G," featuring Katherine Emerson. The price of admission will be 5 and 10 cents.

Sunday night's program will be substituted with another feature of the Paramount program. "Are You A Mason" was to have been shown but has been postponed to a later date. The title of the one to be shown can be seen on display Saturday (today). The prices will be 5 and 10 cents.

Monday night will be presented "The Blindness of Devotion," a big five-reeler from the Fox company. The prices on this night will be advanced to 10 and 15 cents. This is "surprise night," and there will be one big and useful prize awarded—a beautiful dinner set.

Tuesday night's program contains Fritz Scheff in the role of "Pretty Mrs. Smith." Five parts. Five and ten cents.

Wednesday night, "The Goddess," featuring Earl Williams and Anita Stewart. Runs regular every Wednesday. In addition will be shown a one-reel Selig and a big comedy, "Dreamy Dud," the kids delight. On this day the doors will be open at 5 p. m. on account of the Firemen's big entertainment at the Park Pavilion. Prices 5 and 10 cents.

Thursday night, Paramount feature, "The Usafraid," four reels, 5 and 10 cents.

Friday night, Paramount feature "Buckshot John." Open at 7 p. m. Prices 5 and 10 cents.

Saturday, May 13, the big matinee idol, Francis X. Bushman, and Beverly Bayne in "A Man and His Soul." The prices on this night will be 11 and 15 cents.

Covington Council Proceedings.

Covington, La., May 2, 1916.

The town council met on the above date in regular session. Present: Mayor P. J. Lacroix, Aldermen Emile Frederick, M. P. Planché, A. R. Smith, J. E. Nilson. Absent: Aldermen D. I. Addison and D. J. Sanders.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read.

Moved by J. E. Nilson, seconded by Emile Frederick, that the minutes be adopted as read. Carried.

The secretary submitted his report for the month of April, as follows: Covington, La., April 29, 1916.

To the Honorable Mayor and Town Council of Covington, La.

I submit the following as my report of receipts and disbursements for the month ending April 29, 1916:

Receipts: Licenses 20.67 Taxes 342.07 Fines 47.00 N. O. G. N. for lights 25.00 Costs 25

Disbursements: V. Z. Young, treasurer 434.30 L. A. PERREAND, Secretary.

Moved by M. P. Planché, seconded by A. V. Smith, that the secretary's report be received and referred to

N. H. FITZSIMMONS Manager Parish Fair



PEARL RIVER IS IN THE TOILS POLITICAL CONTEST.

Joseph F. Crawford, candidate for marshal of the village of Pearl River, died contest proceedings in the District Court, through Attorney Adrian D. Schwartz, attacking the election of Monroe Davis, at the general election held April 18th.

The contest is being made on the grounds that A. L. Vineyard, Eugene Davis, brother of the marshal-elect, and John A. Lewis, were not legal voters of Pearl River village.

The result of the election on the face of returns show a majority of one vote for Davis. According to Crawford's petition if the three votes which were challenged at the polls had been thrown out he would stand elected by a majority of two votes.

Mr. Antoine Hinley, newly elected mayor of Pearl River, resigned immediately after the first council meeting, Tuesday night, on account of his occupation as a railroad man, H. N. Slaughter is mayor pro tem.

Hand Lacerated in Machine.

John Blow, about 17 years of age, one of the press boys of the W. H. Kentzel printing house, met with an accident about 11 o'clock Wednesday forenoon, that will incapacitate him for work for some days. In attempting to grab a sheet of paper from the perforator, his hand was caught in the machine and badly lacerated. Fortunately no arteries nor leaders were cut and no serious injury will result to the hand. Dr. F. F. Young, Jr., sewed up the wounds and bandaged the hand.

The Finance Committee. Carried. Mr. C. C. Kornfeldt, president, and E. V. Richard, secretary of the newly organized brass band, appeared before the council in behalf of said band, asking that the council grant them the right and privilege of naming the said band "Covington Municipal Band," and that a small donation be made to the band.

Moved by M. P. Planché, seconded by J. E. Nilson, that the council authorize the name "Covington Municipal Band" and donate the sum of \$25.00. Carried.

The mayor appointed Aldermen A. R. Smith, J. E. Nilson and M. P. Planché a committee to see about locating and purchasing a plot of ground for a cemetery.

On motion, duly seconded and carried, the council adjourned. P. J. LACROIX, Mayor. L. A. PERREAND, Secretary.