

St. Tammany Farmer

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WE NEED THE STATE HIGHWAYS.

The State highway Bill now in the House is one of great importance to the State of Louisiana. It is true that there is need of economy and that the State is hard pressed for means to do a great many things that should be done, but nothing is ever accomplished by a penny wise and pound foolish policy. A private business is built up by competition with other business and by meeting the demands made upon it. We have witnessed the wonderful development that has followed the advent of the automobile. It is bringing the whole country into communication until we have become one big family. Good roads have become a necessity to such an extent that people do not wish to live in a section that is without them. The most prosperous states are building them and they have been proved a good investment.

The best way to increase the revenues of Louisiana is to do those things that will bring business, increased immigration and greater values to property. Nobody denies that good roads are a valuable asset, and in refusing to build them the state would take the attitude that they were simply a luxury and not a paying investment. The fact is, the State cannot afford to have other states outstrip them in the race for business. The legislature has passed some excellent laws. It has done much that means progress for the State. It cannot afford to pass up the State Highways.

GOVERNOR PLEASANT IS MAKING GOOD.

Governor Pleasant has shown the people that he meant just what he said when he declared that he would be governor without any strings tied to him. He has shown that he has the strength to do what he thinks is right, and he has shown that he is able to secure the support of the Legislature in carrying out his plans for rescuing the State from the distressing condition it has fallen into. He is not an idealist, but a practical man of ability. He has had but a short time in which to think and to consider the problems that are presented, but he has started right and will be looked to with confidence in the future.

Miss Lou Porter, of New Orleans arrived Sunday, and while here will visit the Misses Belle and Eva Kennedy.

Miss H. J. Ragan and Miss Ida Mason, of New Orleans, have been guests of Mrs. S. D. Anderson for a week, enjoying a very pleasant time.

Miss Ruby Anderson came over from New Orleans and was a week end visitor to her father and mother Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Anderson.

Mrs. Joseph Hoffman left Sunday morning for New Orleans where she will spend a month as the guest of her sister, Mrs. H. L. Abadie.

Do you want bargains in automobile tires and inner tubes? If so see Wehrli & Theriot, in Covington You can save money.

Miss Anals Boudousque and Mrs. W. D. McNulty returned Sunday night from New Orleans, where they spent several days.

Miss Anita Mercadel has returned to her home in New Orleans, after several weeks spent here.

Miss Ivy Barrios was a New Orleans visitor Sunday.

Mrs. Laura Pridden and little son, John Gray, left Monday afternoon for Lake Charles, Querro, Houston and Galveston, where they will visit relatives for an indefinite time.

Miss Alice Ostendorf left Wednesday for New Orleans where she attended the wedding of Miss Louise Franz to Mr. Patrick J. McMahon.

See the advertisement of the Mandeville "Hip." Mr. Lew Rose is giving the people of Mandeville a show that is worth going to see. It should always be crowded.

Mrs. Eva Trager and daughter, Miss Eva Belle, left last Friday for Bay St. Louis, Miss., where they will reside in the future. Mrs. Trager and Miss Trager have made many warm friends during their stay of two years in our town who regret to know they have made their home elsewhere.

Miss Annie Smith returned Sunday from New Orleans where she visited Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Smart for several days. She was accompanied by Miss Olevia Smart, who will be her guest for some time.

The Association of Commerce of Covington got busy and had Covington placed on the list of State Highway towns. Representative Heintz did the work for them.

Mrs. Bernard D'Autrive and children have returned to their home in Beaumont, Texas, after several weeks spent here as the guests of Mrs. D'Autrive's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Moise.

Mrs. M. Diendorf, Mrs. Anna Hebert and little son, and Miss Matilda Diendorf, of New Orleans, are the guests of Mrs. Diendorf's sister, Mrs. E. Molloy.

Abita Springs is arranging to have a big celebration on July 4th. Fireworks and fun for everybody who comes, and everybody invited to attend.

Mrs. Edw. S. Hill and children have returned to their home in New Orleans, after two weeks spent here at the Fettes Cottage on Old Landling Road.

Mrs. E. D. Evans and children, of Memphis, Tenn., are the guests of Mrs. G. H. Evans and Miss Estelle Evans.

Miss Ethel Bougere leaves today for New York, Chicago and other northern points where she will visit relatives during the summer months.

Mr. and Mrs. Amade B. Guyot left Thursday for Washington, D. C., where they will reside in the future.

Mrs. M. Mercadel and little daughter, Avis, returned Monday night and will spend the remainder of the summer here.

Mrs. C. E. Boudousque and son Charles, left Friday for New Orleans where they will spend a week.

Miss Gladys Jung has returned to her home in New Orleans, after having spent some time here as the guest of Mrs. Julian H. Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. LeBlanc and daughter, Miss Elder, have left for Mineral Wells, Texas, going by way of auto, where they will spend several weeks.

Mrs. L. A. Perreault and Miss Adele Perreault have returned from Bogalusa, where they attended the Baptist Convention. While there they were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Piggett.

Mr. Frank Blossman, of New Orleans, is visiting his sisters, Mrs. A. R. Smith and Misses Mattie and Grace Blossman.

Mr. E. J. Domergue, Jr., was a Bogalusa visitor this week.

Miss Rose Shushan returned to her home in New Orleans last Sunday after a two weeks visit to Miss Bonnie Moses. Miss Moses returned to New Orleans with Miss Shushan and will be her guest for some time.

Mrs. Solomon and children, of New Orleans, are guests at Riverside Inn.

Mr. A. L. Bear spent Tuesday in New Orleans, attending court.

Mrs. Juliette Heintz and little granddaughter, Beverly White, of Bogalusa, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Heintz.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Williams and children, of New Orleans, guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Kent, at Riverside Farm.

AS YOU LIKE IT CLUB.

Miss Anna Frederick entertained the club at its last meeting. Five Hundred was played, the first prize being awarded Miss Anals Boudousque, second Mrs. Claud Smith, booby Mrs. J. M. Simmons, consolation Mrs. A. S. Burns, guest prize Miss Jeanne Piguet.

The guests of the club were Miss Jeanne Piguet and Mmes. W. D. McNulty and E. D. Evans, of Memphis. The club will be entertained at its next meeting by Mrs. Leon Beauchamp.

Miss Angie Addison tendered her resignation as a member of the club much to the regret of all of the members.

A MELON CUTTING.

The directors of the Covington Bank & Trust Co., known throughout this section as "St. Tammany's Big Bank," met last Thursday and reviewed the business of the bank for the past six months. The officers reported the business of the past six months as being, in every respect, the most satisfactory in the history of the institution. Out of net earnings of something like \$11,000, they ordered a dividend of \$5,000 to be paid to the stockholders, a further reduction of banking house account over \$5,000, and the balance to be held in reserve for the protection of depositors.

The depositors of the Covington Bank & Trust Co. continue to grow. To the surprise of even the officers the deposits have actually reached the large amount of \$600,000, which is greater than the most pronounced optimist would have dared to mention some years back. The business of this institution is an excellent advertisement for the entire parish of St. Tammany.

A dance will be given at Garden District, tonight, July 1, for the benefit of a Catholic Church to be built in Liberty Settlement. Music by the Ragan Orchestra.

Rev. J.B. Folk, of Independence will preach at the Baptist Church, Sunday, in place of Rev. Goering, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. B. Y. P. U. at 7 p. m.

MANDEVILLE NOTES.

Last Wednesday afternoon there was held a joint meeting of the town council, represented by Mayor W. E. Davis, presiding, Secretary James Hutchinson at his desk, Messrs. Jno. L. Smith, A. Hartman and A. Depre, the beach property-owners, of whom there was a goodly number, and the contractors, Black-Laird Construction Co., represented by Mr. Black and his attorney, Mr. P. C. Gidiere, of New Orleans.

The meeting was for the purpose of discussing and definitely deciding how and when the property owners were to pay their voluntary assessment of \$1.60 per running foot frontage. It was very apparent from the very start that the property owners some of whom had made part payment to the last contractor on his forcible appeal for financial assistance, still felt the sting of their past unsatisfactory and sad experience and would withhold consent from any hazardous proposition. Mr. Black opened by stating that inasmuch as he was to give a good and solvent bond for faithful completion of his end of the contract which he had taken on a cash basis, he should be secured by the property owners depositing their respective assessments before the beginning of the work in the hands of a committee composed of and selected by the property owners themselves, or a bank, said money to be drawn by the contractor as the work is finished in front of each individual's property. This was opposed strongly, a majority of the property owners refusing to pay one cent until the sea wall was completed and accepted. The meeting was dead-locked and visions of the sea wall began to look misty. It was unanimously conceded that the sea wall had to be built, that the present contract was the fairest and best yet submitted and to let it slip

Who Says St. Tammany Is Not Prosperous?

We not infrequently hear some one say times are hard and there is nothing like the business done in this section that was done some years back. There will never come the time when everybody will be satisfied and no matter how prosperous a section might be there will be those who cry "hard times." Conditions have changed very much in St. Tammany parish in late years. While there is not the same kind of business as in former years, there is more of a different kind, and those business houses which have changed with the changed conditions are prospering. We have most excellent school facilities, we have splendid highways, more people own automobiles than used to own buggies, and there is by far more money in the banks of the parish than ever before. If these facts do not indicate prosperity, we would like to know what it takes to do so.

The fact that our business has practically tripped itself within the last six years would indicate that our institution is keeping abreast of the times and has changed with the changed conditions. We look for even more radical changes in business conditions within the next eight or ten years. Our present resources, made up almost entirely of forest products, will have been exhausted; therefore, unless the business people of the parish meet the change with foresight, our section will suffer.

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