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BATTLE CRY OF CITIZENS IS, "RESTORE THE PARK!"

"Battle Cry of Peace" Teaches You Preparedness and Patriotism

ASSOCIATION OF COMMERCE, PARK COMMISSION, COUNCIL ALL FOR RESTORING PARK

Not a Citizen But That is in Favor of Putting the Park Back In as Good Condition as It Was Before the Storm, and Success is Practically Assured.

ELKS HAVE EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO LEND ASSISTANCE

Mayor Pro Tem Addison Issues Proclamation Setting Aside Thursday, August 3, as a Day For Every Citizen to Work and For All Stores to Close.

There was a joint meeting of the Park Commission, the Town Council and the Association of Commerce, Thursday afternoon, and the question of repairing the damage to Bogue Falaya Park by the storm was fully discussed. There was no difference of opinion as to the necessity for this, and it was generally conceded that the public was entitled for this action.

A committee was appointed to interest the public in the means to be employed to accomplish this, with the following membership: H. A. Mackie, chairman; D. I. Addison, Jasper E. Nilson, L. M. Bourgeois, J. H. Haller, C. C. Kornfeld.

Whit. Riggs and H. J. Ostendorf were appointed a committee to get subscriptions. It is requested that any one desiring to contribute to this fund shall send check to Whit. Riggs, chairman. In the meantime every one will be called upon by either Mr. Ostendorf or Mr. Riggs.

The amounts contributed will be published in The St. Tammany Farmer. The restoration committee will work out various plans for raising money for the park. One that is particularly attractive is the proposition of having the Elks give an entertainment in Covington. The Elks are noted for the successful presentation of enjoyable plays, minstrel acts, etc. They have always drawn immense crowds.

President Warner of the Covington Association of Commerce, while in New Orleans with various members of the Elks, among whom were Louis Scherer, Fred Enghardt and Ben Cassanac, well known and prominent members of this order. These gentlemen expressed themselves as willing to assist in such a scheme if a convenient date could be arranged. Whatever plan of entertainment is adopted there is no doubt that the citizens of Covington will give their hearty support to it.

August 3, 1916, has been set apart as a labor day, when every citizen will be expected to either come in person or provide an able-bodied substitute, for the purpose of putting the park in condition, taking apart the lumber in the pavilion and stacking it away to be used again, clearing up rubbish and doing other necessary things. It is also requested that every citizen having wheelbarrows, shovels or other tools useful in such work shall bring them with them, as otherwise it will be impossible to provide enough to keep every one busy.

With reference to the above, Mr. D. I. Addison, mayor pro tem, has issued a proclamation setting aside this day and requesting that all places of business be closed thereon. It is also requested that merchants who will observe this day and close up shall notify Chairman Mackie or the committee of their intention of doing so. This closing will enable all employees to tender their services.

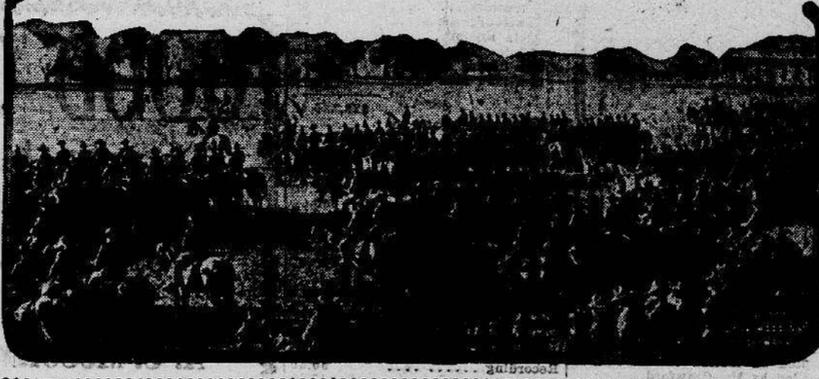
Dinner will be served on the grounds and will be sold for the benefit of the fund. Ladies will be called upon to get up the dinner by contributions among themselves. Those who have been in attendance at the domestic science department of the Summer Normal will have an opportunity of demonstrating its value. Music will be provided by the Covington Municipal Band during the dinner hour.

Hurrah! everybody, for the park!

Teams Can Cross Covington Bridge.

Mr. Currie finished the bridge across the Bogue Falaya river, at Covington, Tuesday, and will now put back the steel bridge. The entire force worked Sunday, in order to finish as early as possible. All traffic can now be accommodated, to the delight of many who have been waiting anxiously to get into Covington with produce and to take back provisions and supplies and food for stock.

REVIEW OF CAVALRY REGIMENT



MASINSKI MURDERED NEAR MANDEVILLE

Body Thrown In Well and Discovered by Neighbor Merkl.

Special to The St. Tammany Farmer: Mandeville, La., July 17.—Saturday the dead body of Ambrose Masinski was found in a well near his cabin, about 2 miles from here, by Mr. Merkl. Masinski's head had been crushed in by some blunt instrument. It is supposed the object of the crime was robbery. He was a recluse in his habits. The fact that he always had money to meet his expenses might have induced some one to believe that he had money secreted in his cabin. He had lived in the neighborhood probably fourteen years. If he has relatives they are not known here. There is no clue as to his murderer. Corone Bulloch held an inquest on the body.

MEETING OF NEGRO BOY CUT BY ANOTHER IN FIGHT

Action Taken in Membership Dues and Report of Chief Ostendorf Received.

Covington, La., July 19, 1916. Meeting called to order at 8:30 P. M. with the following members present: W. H. Kentzel, W. E. Boes, H. J. Ostendorf, H. Rockenshuh, Aug. Strain, Aug. Vergez, Jos. Hoffman, L. David, J. E. Nilson and James Mullally. Minutes of meeting of June 20th read and adopted. Report of Chief Ostendorf read, received and ordered filed.

York Marigny was quite severely cut in the leg by Alfred Callihan, during a quarrel that took place Wednesday. Callihan used a long-bladed knife and sunk it to the bone, making a gash about three inches long. Marigny is about 17 years of age and works at the grocery store of James Conoughton. Callihan is 14. Both are colored. Deputy Ed. Lacroix arrested Callihan and locked him up in the parish jail. Marigny's wound was dressed by Dr. Warren and was later again dressed by Dr. Heintz. Marigny lost considerable blood.

Association of Commerce Appoints Committee.

At a meeting of the Association of Commerce, Monday evening, the question of replacing the park pavilion was taken up, and it was decided to appoint a committee to confer with the Park Commission and join with it in any method that might be adopted for raising funds for this purpose.

Habeas Corpus Issued in Case of Bertha Maier.

A writ of habeas corpus has been issued for the recovery of Bertha Maier, who was taken in charge by Marshal Elliott, of Slidell, several weeks ago and recently turned over to Attorney Heintz of the Juvenile Court in Covington Monday, July 24. Bertha is said to be a stepchild in the Holt family and it is charged that she was exposed to improper surroundings. If the charges are sustained provision will probably be made to care for the girl. She is about 13 years of age.

A Correction.

In the article in The Farmer last week, relative to the available funds of the police jury it was erroneously stated that the general fund had \$1000 to its credit. This should have read \$10,000, being a typographical error.

Miss Esther Hauch, accompanist. Barn Dance—The Tots. A Girl in Your Arms is Worth Two in Your Dreams—Baby Jeanette Pedarre and Master Danie Brennan. Liebesfreud (Kriesler)—Baby Bernad, violin; Miss Esther Hauch, accompanist. The Janitor's Child Next Door—Baby Vivian Ingersoll. Euterpe March—Baby Mildred Lehder, violin. Charlie Chaplin Stunt—Baby Eloise Cassidy. Flowers and Ferns (Kaiser)—Junior Young Musicians Art Circle. MRS. F. F. WIGGINGTON, President S. H. S. I. L.

THE SUMMER NORMAL HAS DINNER AT CLOSING

Term at Covington a Very Successful One. Faculty and Pupils Pleased.

EXHIBITS AND DINNER AMONG BIG SUCCESSES

Mr. Schwartz Gives Readings of Shakespeare and Constitution Lecture.

What is a Summer Normal and what has been accomplished by the Florida Parishes Summer Normal during the fourth annual session which closes here this Saturday, six weeks since the opening on June 12 should be known by all of Covington and likewise appreciated by all as this session of the Normal School has been way above the normal. A Normal School is an efficiency factory where the more important subjects are drilled and practice schools are conducted to fit the young teacher and prospective teacher for his or her work; similar to a factory where the vital parts of an engine are assembled and carefully tested before being turned out upon the market for the particular purpose for which it is intended.

There are many good educators employed in this section of the state and the faculty made up of the foremost has been in our midst during the entire six weeks. Other state educators, specialists in their lines have visited the school and have lectured to the students and any other who cared to attend, for the public was welcome though it is to be regretted that very few took advantage of the privilege. However, it was the first time that we were favored with a Normal of such magnitude and another time we will not miss so many opportunities. There is an old saying that the reason some people don't care for lectures is that they have no places to put them which of course could not apply to the people of our community.

Falling of Bridge Flooring Injures No One.

While working on the old Covington bridge, last Monday, an accident occurred that fortunately resulted in no injury to any one, besides a few bruises. The crew was on the inverted flooring, the bridge being supported down as it was washed into the Bogue Falaya river, and supposing the flooring was bolted to the beams, took no precaution in lifting timbers. Without warning the floor gave way and precipitated the crew into the river, the timbers flying about, with imminent danger of crushing them.

I am sorry to report that some of the members are losing the interest once taken in the department, and have requested that their names be withdrawn from membership rolls. I have refused to settle their dues. I have furnished the secretary with a complete list of these members. Thanks should be tendered to Mr. Louis Wehrli, Jr., for repairing the chemical free of charge. His services are a great saving to the department. Hoping this report will meet with your approval, I beg to remain, Respectfully, H. J. OSTENDORF, Chief.

All bills were returned, approved and ordered paid. Moved by Mr. Rockenshuh, seconded by Aug. Strain, that Ed Jones be allowed one week relief \$3.00, same to be credited as dues. This makes a total of \$30.00 relief paid. Motion made by Jas. Mullally and seconded by H. J. Ostendorf that we suspend the following members for refusing to pay past dues: J. Frederico; C. Michel; R. H. Dutch; E. G. Davis; Covington Bank and Trust Co.; C. W. Alexis; D. I. Addison; Aug. Colg; C. E. Schenberg; W. M. Poole; Emile Lacroix. Collector stated that he called on said members and they positively refused to pay up. The secretary was also ordered to notify the Department's physician of said action.

Moved and seconded that the secretary be allowed 15 per cent on collections and that he have the power to appoint a substitute. The following were appointed to serve as the Finance Committee: James Mullally, Chairman. J. E. Nilson. L. David. The above committee will meet at 2:00 P. M. Sunday, July 23rd. Moved and seconded that we adjourn. Carried. W. H. KENTZEL, President. W. E. BOES, Secretary.

THE SUMMER OIL SENSATION DEVELOPS ON RUMOR OF GUSHER

Real Estate Man Uses Report to Advertise Lands Near Abita Springs.

SECRETARY MARTIN PROMPTLY DENIES IT

Indications, However, Said To Be Good and Paying Well Is Anticipated.

There has been considerable excitement over the oil well being put down at Sulphur Springs Addition to Covington by the Meridian Oil and Gas Company. It was reported that oil had been struck and that the well had been capped. W. B. Lancaster, a real estate man, then advertised in the New Orleans papers that a gusher had been struck near Abita Springs where he had land for sale. Quite a number of Covington people went out to see the well. In the meantime Secretary Martin of the Meridian company made the announcement that it was not true that a gusher had been brought in. There was some oil flowing, but as an artesian well flowing some 600 gallons a minute had also been struck, there was no way of ascertaining how much oil there was until this flow in under control. It has been known that there is oil at Sulphur Springs. The problem was whether it would be found in paying quantities. The drillers are still going down with the well, and more will probably be known of its prospects when a hundred feet deeper is reached. It was expected to go down 3000 feet. However, stockholders seem jubilant and those who are not stockholders are pleased to know that indications are good.

COURTHOUSE NEWS, REAL-ESTATE NOTES

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Mrs. E. J. Frederick to Julian H. Smith, square 35, town of Covington, \$1200. Walter Parker to Ozone Lumber Co., 40 per cent of 20 ft x 4 ft of 20 ft x 4 ft of section 20 to 6 road, \$1100. M. P. Planché to L. A. Perreand, 4 acres land in section 17 to 6 road, range 11 east, \$90. Oaklawn Land & Improvement Co. to Hardy L. Moses, block 106, Lacomb, \$270. Alpha Core et al to Norman Core, the J. H. Hornby headright section 23 to 4 south, range 10 east, \$40. W. B. Lancaster to Caroline A. Casler, lots 1 to 30, square 17, Abita Springs Annex, \$104. W. B. Lancaster to Julia Parks, lots 1 to 10, square 34, Abita Springs Annex, \$150. W. B. Lancaster to Felix Gasperes, lots 15 and 17, square 37, \$40. W. B. Lancaster to Albert N. Jumeil, lots 27 and 29, square 19, Mandeville Annex, \$13.

NEW SUITS FILED.

Ossa Washington vs. Mary E. Mitchell, suit for divorce. St. Tammany Lumber Mfg. Co. vs. St. Tammany Naval Stores Co., injunction to stay boxing of trees belonging to St. Tammany Lbr. Mfg. Co.

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED.

D. A. Booth, Jr., to Mrs. Eugenia Cottel, white. Mack Cooper to Emma Stevens, white.

was free from the glare of electric lights. To describe in detail the novel appetizing courses it would take Scott herself. Suffice it to say that they were appreciated and enjoyed. Mr. A. D. Schwartz in the name of the class of matrons presented Miss Scott with a piece of pottery made of St. Tammany clay at Newcomb College, as a souvenir of the occasion and a token of their appreciation of her work. The question of continuing our school at the same high standard and the possibilities of making domestic science and domestic art department training a regular department will have to be met on August 5th, when an election will be held to vote a two and one-half mill tax in the third ward to give additional aid to this school. We must continue our school as a State high school. (Continued on page 4)