

THE SCHOOL PARADE A GRAND DEMONSTRATION

2000 Children March in Line to the Parish Fair Grounds

PARISH FAIR A BIGGER SUCCESS THAN EVER

Better Stock and Poultry, More System, Bigger Crowd, More Interest.

SCHOOL PARADE HAS 2000 CHILDREN IN LINE

Morgan and Warner Make Addresses on the Day of Opening.

The Parish Fair opened Thursday under most auspicious circumstances. The weather prophets predicted rain for this day, but the morning broke cool and clear, and was followed by an ideal day.

Automobiles carrying guests of honor, mayor and town officials, fair officials, parish officials, school officials, officers of the Association of Commerce, accompanied by the Covington Municipal Band, which wore their new uniforms for the first time, paraded from Boston street to the fair grounds at 1 o'clock p. m. When the fair grounds were reached, Congressman Morgan was escorted to the platform from which the speaking was to take place. Mr. Morgan was introduced by President J. H. Warner of the Fair Association, who previously delivered a short address and formally opened the fair. He said:

Mr. Warner's Address
It is with a great deal of pleasure that I have this opportunity of addressing you on the opening of the Seventh Annual Parish Fair. This is the second season of the Fair Association on their own grounds, and those of you who attended the last fair can no doubt see some improvements in the general appearance of things. It is the aim of the Association to each year add to these improvements until the St. Tammany Parish Fair Association grounds stand second to none in the whole country.

The prime objects of these parish fairs is to bring about co-operation among the farmers, to educate them as to better farming and more profitable farming, to inspire a friendly feeling among them, to have them bring in their products for competition, which always tends to improvement, and at the same time to afford recreation and amusement to our citizens. It is a means of the residents of the parish getting together, meeting each other, and in some cases forming friendly relations which will lead to co-operation and improved conditions in the parish.

The Fair management asks that every resident in St. Tammany parish take a personal interest in the Fair. This is not a fair for Covington or any other section of the parish in particular, but is for the entire parish, and every resident of the parish should own at least one share of stock in the Fair Association and have an active interest in it. We look to every man, woman and child in the parish to help make the fair a success and thereby help to make the parish a success and to make every citizen living in the parish a success.

Our principal improvements this year consist of a race track, a grand stand and an addition to our stock barn, and while the two first are great improvements there is no improvement that gives the fair management more pleasure than to have been compelled to make the addition to the stock barn, for that surely shows the growth of good stock raising in St. Tammany parish.

The management will be glad to have any one attending the fair to offer suggestions for the betterment of the fair, and if you will write the secretary (Mr. FitzSimons) your suggestions will receive careful attention.

I now declare the Seventh Annual St. Tammany Parish Fair open. I wish to introduce our honored Congressman, Hon. Lewis L. Morgan, who has been asked to address you, and to whom I know you will listen with pleasure. Mr. Morgan was welcomed with applause and made a talk that was greatly appreciated by the large gathering present. We give in a condensed form remarks that were especially emphasized.

ARRESTS MADE FOR BURNING TALISHEEK SCHOOL

Assistant Fire Marshal, J. Smith and Mr. Lecoq Put on the Case.

JUDGE ORDERS PRISONERS TO NEW ORLEANS

Nature of the Evidence in the Case Has Not Yet Been Given Out.

A few weeks ago the Talisheek school house, a newly completed building, was burned to the ground. No one knew how the fire originated, but there seemed to be a feeling that it might have been done in opposition to the new compulsory educational law, or that possibly tramps might have gotten into the building to sleep and set it afire through carelessness. However the matter was too important to let go without investigation. A detective was employed, and Mr. Smith of the State Fire Department came down from Baton Rouge to investigate.

The result of the investigation caused the filing of proceedings in Judge Pechon's court, in Covington, and Sheriff Brewster was instructed to issue warrants for the arrest of Maxie Dayport, Jim Parker and Harry Carriere. Deputies arrested these three men on the charge of arson and they were brought to Covington Wednesday evening and locked up. Subsequently, on instructions from Judge Carter, the prisoners were removed to the parish prison in New Orleans.

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Mr. Morgan paid a high tribute to the women, who he said had aided so greatly in every movement that had terminated with success. He said that the women could always be counted upon to do their share in relieving the pressure of economic distress.

He complimented those in charge of the fair on the excellent showing that had been made and its steady growth and improvement. The fair had a very good attendance for opening day, and when the race came off the grand stand presented a pretty lively appearance, notwithstanding an interesting game of tennis was going on at the same time, as well as side show attractions and other diversions.

The stock buildings had every stall occupied, and besides the new shed that it became necessary to erect was also full. The accommodations and the management much more systematic. This department was in charge of Mr. M. N. Olsen. There was a fine lot of Hereford and Holstein bulls. There were some fine horses and mules, as well as cattle, and considerable interest centered about the fine display of hogs, the Duroc-Jerseys being in larger numbers. There were also some fine Chester Whites, Poland Chinas and Berkshire, and the first Tamworth ever exhibited here.

FLEW OVER NIAGARA FALLS



Miss Norma Mack, daughter of Democratic National Committeeman Norman Mack, just before she started on a daring flight over Niagara Falls in company with Phil Rader, aviator. The flight was made in a 100-horsepower machine at a speed of nearly 78 miles an hour.

His finest exhibits in cane and corn. No finer cane could be shown from the sugar district than this St. Tammany grown cane. Other exhibits were excellent. One of our state officials who has made the rounds of all the fairs states that he saw only two samples of cane in the sugar district that equaled the display of cane here.

The Women's Department, as usual, and the school exhibits were fine. The restaurant looked very enticing, in its new quarters under the grand stand, and the service given showed excellent management. It is in charge of Mrs. Bodebender and her committee of ladies.

It will not be possible to give a thorough review of the fair in this issue of The Farmer, because some

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A SUGAR CANE MILL MAY BE ERECTED IN COVINGTON

Mr. Louis Bourgeois Has Capital in New Orleans Interested in Matter.

WILL TAKE \$350,000 IN FARM LOANS BANK

This Amount Has Been Asked For by Farmers of St. Tammany Parish.

Prospects are looking brighter for the farmers of St. Tammany parish. Not only is a better system of farming being followed but the problem of marketing is being worked out.

One of the greatest difficulties of marketing has been the raising of a sufficient quantity of a specific product to attract buyers who deal in these products. This necessarily requires the cultivation of more land, requiring capital not ordinarily possessed by the farmer. Mr. Louis Bourgeois, cashier of the St. Tammany Bank & Trust Company, saw in the new Farm Loan Bank an opportunity to assist the farmer if he could induce him to borrow sufficient money to extend his farming operations to the required dimensions. He has made frequent trips throughout the parish and has secured applications for loans to the amount of \$350,000. He expects the putting of this money into farm work will bring a profit to the farmer that will give great encouragement to the farmers of the parish to increase farming operations and to engage in stock raising. He also has in view the establishing of a central cane mill, whereby the growing of cane may become a profitable industry. His plan is to have farmers take a percentage of the price of his cane in stock and the balance in cash, at the price per ton, thus giving the farmer an interest in the success of the mill, a share in the profits and a sure market for his product.

Mr. Bourgeois says that he has New Orleans capital interested in this mill proposition, the only proviso being that it be shown that the cane can be raised. This should be an easy matter. Cane was brought in this week with eighteen ripe joints, in two kinds of cane—purple and white.

women to serve on the various educational, correctional and charity boards of the state and is strongly supported by the good women of the state. They are certainly competent for these places, and this is a step in the right direction. Let us all vote for it.

Amendment No. 7.—This gives the Confederate Veterans all the money derived from the pension tax and does not limit same and authorizes an increase of the same to \$25 per month as the funds become available for this purpose. Let us support it heartily.

Amendment No. 8.—This only authorizes the City of Shreveport to fund its floating debt into bonds. An amendment is necessary on account of the city having already voted the taxes permissible under the present laws. No other part of the state is interested except the City of Shreveport.

Amendment No. 9.—This amendment amplifies the authority of the legislature in regard to harbor and other improvements and was for the benefit of Lake Charles. There is no special interest there as to the other portions of the state, and I see no reasonable objection to the same.

Amendment No. 10.—This amendment provides for funding the debt of the penitentiary board to amount of \$400,000 at a rate not exceeding 5 per cent interest. I believe these obligations can now be funded at 4 1/2 per cent interest at par. At the present time the board is paying from 6 to 8 per cent on its floating debt, and if this amendment is adopted it can easily save from \$10,000 to \$12,000 per year in interest alone. This will also put the board on practically a cash basis, whereas at present it is paying high prices for everything it buys because it is not able to pay cash for it. The adoption of this amendment is almost imperative if the present state administration is to be permitted to solve the difficulties which it inherited from the old board. The most sincerely hope that everyone will heartily support this much-needed amendment. It is certainly in the interest of economy and sound finance.

Amendment No. 11.—This is the amendment placing officials upon a salary basis and if defeated by the people the state and parishes will continue to pay the exorbitant fees that have been so much complained of in the recent campaign. Government administration is trying to redeem the pledges made the people in the campaign and one of them is that officials be placed on a salary basis. An insidious effort may be made in certain quarters to defeat this reform, but without its adoption the legislation carrying same into effect falls with it and you will have no relief for a long time to come. Do not fail to vote for amendment No. 11.

Amendment No. 12.—This is the amendment abolishing the state board of appraisement and also the state board of equalization and in lieu thereof creating the state board of affairs. The cost of this new board will be very little more after it is once organized than the two old boards which are abolished. This is the amendment which certain special interests, politicians and otherwise, are now sharpening their knives to kill and are already endeavoring to becloud the issue and befuddle the minds of the people in regard to same. By the adoption of this amendment and the enabling act carrying same into effect, the present state administration seeks to give the people the reform demanded on the subject of equalization of taxes. Under the present system the state valuation for assessment and that of the parishes and cities must be the same. The effect of this has been that gross inequalities exist all over the state in assessments, because in some parishes and municipalities the local taxes are so high for roads,

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GOOD ROADS OF PARISH DISCUSSED AS TO UPKEEP

Plan Suggested for Purchasing Outfit for Dredging Shells From Lake.

ESTIMATED IT COULD BE DONE FOR \$12,000

Millions Spent by Sacramento City and County for Good Roads.

There has been considerable discussion among the citizens of the parish, lately, as to the problem of keeping the roads in good condition. The general opinion seems to be that the roads should be surfaced either with gravel or shells. The obstacle is, "where is the money to come from?"

It has been suggested that for \$12,000 a large system for pumping shells could be installed and that the cost for hauling and placing the shells would be small, as most of the wards could be reached by water, and some could be hauled over the Belknap Line. The question is well worth looking into. The economy and value of good roads is shown by the fact that sections known as bustling business and prosperity boomers are putting vast sums into them that seem almost prohibitive to the ordinary mind. The county and city of Sacramento has just approved a bond issue of one and three-quarter million dollars for the construction of \$124.42 miles of concrete roads. The vote was 11,135 for and 790 against the proposition. This shows a pretty general opinion in favor of good roads at any cost.

It is hoped that the \$20,000 bond issue for good roads in Louisiana may become a certainty. Opinion is growing strongly in favor of it. It would make the State, St. Tammany has a good foundation for this proposition in the good roads it has built. Once surface them, and the results would be found to be marvelous in the increase of business and the value of property. The Farmer would like to have some letters from the people on this subject.

Cases Decided at Last Term of the District Court.

The following cases were disposed of in the District Court last week: State vs. Ira Tyson. Plead guilty to stealing lumber. Sentence suspended. State vs. H. C. Wertz. Court ordered verdict of not guilty. Bloodsaw, entering at night. Not guilty. State vs. Frank Sanders. Assault and battery. Plead guilty and was fined \$25 and costs, and in default 6 months on the roads. State vs. Jack Bailey. Assault and battery. Plead guilty and was fined \$25 and costs, and in default 6 months on roads. State vs. Jos. James, charged with stealing. Plead guilty and was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary at hard labor. State vs. Chas. Biggio of Ala. Judgment in favor of plaintiff for \$15,000 and costs of court. Appeal granted. State vs. Andrew Bacon. Assault. Mistrial. State vs. Bessie Sanders, charged with vagrancy, plead guilty. Sentenced to 10 days in jail. In default of paying costs 10 days more. State vs. Berry Nichols. Nolle prosequi. State vs. Cornelius Allison, carrying concealed weapons, fined \$100 and costs and 12 months on roads. Sentence suspended. State vs. Alphonse Dutruach, charged with lying in wait and shooting with intent to kill. The Court ordered a verdict of not guilty. State vs. Ben Dehart, carrying concealed weapons. Not guilty. State vs. Ben Dehart, disturbing the peace. Plead guilty. Fined \$25 and costs, in default 6 months on the roads. State vs. Wm. Stokes, retailing, found guilty. Fined \$200 and costs, in default of payment 2 years in parish prison subject to work roads.

Mandeville Notes.

One of the most pleasant events of the week was the Italian lunch tendered the members of the Harmony Circle by Miss Florence Lallo. The Harmony Circle was organized for the study of the composers of the different schools of music, and as the Italian composers were the subject for this month the lunch was in keeping in every detail. The favors were small baskets decorated in the Italian colors and filled with fruit and proved most effective combined with the table decorations. Mrs. C. Mitchell organized the Harmony Circle and has not only made an intellectual treat, but it has proved a most enjoyable mode of entertaining. The November meeting will be held at the residence of Mrs. C. Mitchell. Before an audience that made up in quality what it lacked in quantity, last Wednesday night at the parochial school house, Dr. Felix Gaudin of New Orleans, delivered a lecture on "The Followers of Christ," which was illustrated by moving pictures and was as beautiful as it was instructive. It is to be hoped that Dr. Gaudin will pay us frequent visits with lectures of a similar kind. The Mandeville baseball club met its second defeat of the season by an 8 to 3 score at the hands of the Silmell baseball club in the latter's town on last Sunday. Next Sunday our club, with Hoffman in the box, will play the Bogalusa club at Bogalusa. On Halloween night the Mandeville

EDUCATIONAL BUILDING HAS DONATIONS OF LUMBER

Women in Charge Appreciate the Liberality of Those Who Have Assisted.

BUILDING WILL BE FINISHED FOR NEXT FAIR

A List Given of the Subscribers to the Building. Schools, Individuals.

(By Mrs. J. C. Burns)
To the regret of the committee in charge of the educational building, it was impossible to have it built for the Parish Fair this year, but just as soon as the material can be put on the grounds work will start and at the 1917 fair we will have a hall that will be a pride to the school children of St. Tammany parish.

Following is the list of the generous subscribers to this cause: Potter & Burr Lumber Company, 15,000 feet lumber. Crosby-Hoakins Lumber Company, 1500 feet lumber. W. B. Thompson & Co., New Orleans, \$25.00. A. D. Crawford, \$10.00. Mrs. L. F. Hadden, \$10.00. Sidel Grocery & Grain, \$25.00. Gov. Grocery & Grain, \$25.00. Sikes Brick & Lumber Company, \$50.00. Madisonville School League, \$20.00. Abita School League, \$10.00. Garden District School League, \$25.00. Middle Roads school, \$4.00. Lacombe school, \$4.00. Covington School League, \$104.00. Mackie Pine Products Co., painter for building. Kwikke & Flanders, New Orleans, one-quarter of roofing. Alex. Brox, sand and gravel. Mr. Liddle, Sidel, 1 keg nails. Mrs. J. C. Burns acknowledges receipt of \$15.00 from Mrs. W. Parker, same having been sent in by patrons of the Talisheek school and Ladies Aid of the Methodist Church, for the educational building. We extend sincere thanks to all who helped and hope to have them share this building with us next year. Middle Roads school also sent \$4 and Lacombe \$2, and thus the work goes on, every school assuming a share in the undertaking. A gift of 1500 feet of lumber was given for the educational building by the Crosby-Hoakins Lumber Co. We acknowledge same with thanks.

Series of Accidents

There have been several accidents within the past few days that seem to indicate that accidents have habits as well as people. Last Saturday Mrs. Charron turned her ankle while coming down the steps and fell, breaking a bone in her wrist. Monday Mrs. E. B. Moore tripped in coming down stairs and fractured her leg in two places. These accidents, occurring at a time when the ladies are particularly interested in helping to make the fair a success, become doubly unfortunate and annoying.

Jones & Pickett in Cotton Market.

Mr. C. S. Hart, the general manager of Jones & Pickett, Covington, is making a success of their new store. Mr. Hart is a plain talker without any frills, and he is going after business. Among other things he is making a specialty of cotton buying. He intends to bring the cotton raiser to Covington with his product, and to this end he is offering a good price for cotton. We spoke of this several weeks ago, when we quoted him as giving 14 cents when it should have been fifteen cents. Today he is giving 17 1/4 cents. 1910 was considered a good year for cotton. At that time he bought 44 bales. Thus far, this year, he has bought 68 bales, and twice that amount of cotton is being marketed here.

Mr. Hart, as manager for Jones & Pickett, will institute the furnishing of farmers with fertilizers for cotton raising, on a bartering basis. There will be no difference between the prices quoted to time customers and cash customers, excepting that time customers will pay 10 per cent on the purchase price for the credit. In this way Mr. Hart expects to encourage the growing of cotton and to bring cotton into the Covington market.

The company, because of its growing business, has rented the complete ground floor of the Sailer building, taking in the store adjoining the one occupied by them. Miss Salome Sailer, of New Orleans, is spending the week here as the guest of Mrs. Carrie Frederick.