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Redpath Chautauqua Coming to Covington Big Attraction

How many have been reading the letters of the Citizens' League on the second page? They should be read by every citizen. They are logical, ring true to every right thinking man of whatever political creed he may be. Every one should be the better qualified for citizenship by reading them. Psychologically their influence is for good. Read them. Interest yourself as a present day thinker and doer. Don't be a slacker. You cannot be of benefit to your community unless you become constructive. You cannot be constructive unless familiar with the basic principles of civic advancement.

THE PRESIDENT TELLS WHAT IS EXPECTED OF THE PEOPLE

Not Necessary To Be On the Firing Line To Be of Service.

EVERY ONE HAS HIS PART TO PLAY.

Every One Is Looked to to Make the War Success.

My Fellow Countrymen:

The entrance of our own beloved country into the grim and terrible war for democracy and human rights which has shaken the world creates so many problems of national life and action which call for immediate consideration and settlement that I hope you will permit me to address to you a few words of earnest counsel and appeal with regard to them.

We are rapidly putting our navy upon an effective war footing and are about to create and equip a great army, but these are the simplest parts of the great task which we have addressed ourselves. There is not a single selfish element, so far as I can see, in the cause we are fighting for. We are fighting for what we believe and wish to be the rights of mankind and for the future peace and security of the world. To do this great thing worthily and successfully we must devote ourselves to the service without regard to profit or material advantage and with an energy and intelligence that will rise to the level of the enterprise itself. We must realize to the full how great the task is and how many things, how many kinds and elements of capacity and service and self-sacrifice, it involves.

These, then, are the things we must do, and do well, besides fighting—the things without which more fighting would be fruitless: We must supply abundant food for ourselves and for our armies and our seamen not only, but also for a large part of the nations with whom we have now made common cause, in whose support and by whose sides we shall be fighting.

We must supply ships by the hundreds out of our shipyards to carry to the other side of the sea, submarines or no submarines, what will every day be needed there, and abundant materials out of our fields and our mines and our factories with which not only to clothe and equip our own forces on land and sea but also to clothe and support our people for whom the gallant fellows under arms can no longer work to help clothe and equip the armies with which we are cooperating in Europe, and to keep the tooms and manufacturing there in raw material; and to keep the fires going in ships at sea and in the furnace of hundreds of factories across the sea; steel out of which to make arms and ammunition both here and there; rails for worn-out railways back of the fighting fronts; locomotives and rolling stock to take the place of these every day going to pieces; mules, horses, cattle for labor and for military service; everything with which the people of England and France Italy and Russia have usually supplied themselves but cannot now afford the men, the materials, or the machinery to make.

It is evident to every thinking man that our industries, on the farms, in the shipyards, in the mines, in the factories, must be made more profitable and more efficient than ever and that they must be more economically managed and better adapted to the particular requirements of our task than they have been; and what I want to say is that the men and the women who devote their thought and their energy to these things will be serving the country and conducting the fight for peace and freedom just as truly and just as effectively as the men on the battlefield or in the trenches. The industrial forces of the country, men and women alike, will be a great national, a great international, Service Army—a notable and honored host engaged in the service of the nation and of the world, the efficient friends and saviors of the people everywhere. Thousands, nay, hundreds of thousands, of men otherwise liable to military service will of right and of necessity be excused from that service and assigned to the fundamental, sustaining work of the fields and factories and mines, and they will be as much part of the great patriotic forces of the nation as the men under fire.

I take the liberty, therefore, of addressing this word to the farmers of the country and to all who work on the farms: The supreme need of our own nation and of the nations with which we are cooperating is an abundance of supplies, and especially of food stuffs. The importance of an adequate food supply, especially for the present year, is superlative.

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WILLIAMS' NEW GRANDSON



Joel W. Bunkley, Jr., is the latest grandson of Senator John Sharp Williams of Mississippi. The youngster is living, with his parents, at Senator Williams' home in Washington. His father is a lieutenant in the navy, now in charge of the only naval recruiting station in Washington. Mrs. Bunkley was Miss Sallie Williams, for several years popular in Washington society.

REDPATH GIVES 5 FESTAL DAYS AND GALA NIGHTS

Redpath Chautauqua Program for 1917 Bigger and Better Than Ever.

THE WONDERFUL NEW TORPEDO WITH EARS.

Unique Demonstration by Noted Scientist—Great Reno in Magic, Etc.

The Redpath program in this city for 1917, bigger and better than ever, has just been announced from chautauqua headquarters in Chicago. Bristling with compelling interest from first to last, this program includes such outstanding features as Lieutenant Donat H. McGiloney, direct from the French front; Montraville Wood, famous scientist and inventor of the "torpedo with ears"; The White Hussars Band, and the Great Reno. Throughout the week are more of what one might call popular numbers than usual, a fact which will be acceptable to the majority of the chautauqua going public. Everybody likes a band. Since the days when we followed our first circus parade, to the pulse-stirring strains of the uniformed band sitting aloft in their gilded, palatial wagon drawn by prancing horses, we have never quite lost the magic thrill which always returns when we hear the rousing strains of a good band. Yet even in the band has the idea of unseasonable been carried out, for it is a singing band that will be featured this year. The White Hussars will appear on the program on the closing day. Their combination of stirring band music with vocal work has made them one of the most pleasing successes of recent years.

At the present time with the subject of national defense receiving attention, it is interesting to know that Professor Wood is the inventor of that "hearing torpedo," about which so much has appeared in magazines and newspapers. This submarine instrument is noted for its humane possibilities and its almost human intelligence.

At one point in his lecture-demonstration, Professor Wood allows members of the audience to come to the platform and wrestle with a 28-pound gyroscope running at a speed of nearly 2,000 revolutions a minute. Later he demonstrates the application of the gyroscope to the aerial plane and monorail car by actually sending small models out in midair on a slender wire stretched above one of the aisles of the auditorium. His demonstrations of the ultra-violet ray are alike marvelous.

In the early days Mr. Wood was closely associated with Thomas A. Edison, and in 1899 was appointed district engineer for the Edison company for the Pacific coast. He is the inventor of the two button electric switch and nearly a hundred other practical and useful devices.

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FIRST SHOT OF AMERICA IN WAR SINKS SUBMARINE

Members of Commissions from England and France Reach United States.

ELIHU ROOT WILL GO TO RUSS. CONFERENCE

Pause in Terrific Fighting On the Western Front.

London, April 25.—Captain Rice, of the steamship Magnolia, is being complimented on all sides here for being the first American captain to sink a German submarine by gunfire since the American ships were armed. The Magnolia accomplished this feat April 19th, the anniversary of the Battle of Lexington and the gun that sent the fatal shot bears the name "Teddy."

The naval gunners on board made a clean hit at 1,000 yards. The periscope was seen to be shattered.

Root Will Head Russian Mission.

Washington, April 26.—Elihu Root former secretary of state, after a conference early today with President Wilson and Secretary Lansing, formally accepted the chairmanship of the American commission to Russia. Mr. Root spent an hour with the President at the White House discussing the Russian situation. The President outlined fully what he desired (Continued on page 2)

TWO MEN HOLD UP LIVERY BOY FOR GAS AND START FIRE

Thursday night, about 11 o'clock, two men came into the Stanga building and demanded some gasoline of the colored man in charge. He told them he had none, but that they might get some at Badon's. They went to Badon's livery stable but failed to get the gasoline. They then returned and again made a demand on the colored man. Finally one of the men placed his hand in his hip pocket in a threatening manner and asked if they were going to get the gasoline or not. The negro became frightened and took them to the car standing in the back of the place and proceeded to draw gasoline from the tank. He then lit a match to see how much gasoline he had drawn, when the gasoline ignited and the flames spread to the floor, where there were accumulated drippings. The men then remarked that the best thing they could do was to "get to h— out of here." In the meantime the alarm was sent in and the chemical engine of the fire department got there in time to put the fire out. It looked for a time as if there was to be a big fire loss. The men have not been heard from since, and the negro man does not seem to be able to give a description sufficiently accurate to trace them. He was so frightened that he failed to note how they were dressed, but he says both were clean shaven and one had on a straw hat. However all hope of tracing the men is not gone, and some clew may be gained by which they can be found and identified. It will go hard with them if they are caught.

Explosion.

Last Saturday night one of the converting boilers of the Mackie Pine Products Company exploded and was blown through the roof, falling in the yard next to the building. The damage is estimated at something over \$500. Repairs will be made immediately and there will be little delay in operating the plant. Mr. Dubuisson, who was scalded on the charge, states that the steam gauge showed a pressure of 45 at the time of the explosion. He cannot account for the accident. There may have been some defect in the castings, or something wrong with the safety valve. Mr. Worley was blown some feet away, but was not injured.

May Party.

Tuesday, May 1, there will be a May and penny party at the Presbyterian Church. It will begin at 3 p. m. The May Queen will be crowned, children's games will be played and penny refreshments will be served.

BROTHER CAPTURES BROTHER IN FRANCE



One of the strangest stories coming from the war concerns these two men. A Pole serving in the Russian brigade in France, during an attack on the enemy's trenches, captured his own brother, who had been compelled to serve in the German army.

ST. PAUL DRAMATIC CLUB TO ENTERTAIN MEETING OF COVINGTON FIRE ASSN.

St. Paul's Dramatic Club will give an entertainment at the Parkview Theatre, Saturday, May 5, at 8 p. m. The following program has been carefully prepared and is sure to win your hearty applause: March—Soldier Boy—St. Paul's College Orchestra. The Habitant's Revenge—Dramatic sketch in one act. Joe Laplante, a French Canadian trapper—Paul H. Bernard. Alec Derrane, a New Yorker—Louis Dupras. "That Is That," comic dialogue. Eccentric—V. Byrnes. Straight—Paul Dazet. Berceuse de Jocelyn—Violin Solo. Miss Maxine Mouton. Accompanist—Miss Odeide Mouton.

St. Paul's Minstrels. Interlocutor—W. H. Warner. Tambo and Bones (end men), J. W. Starnard, A. Clavari.

Chorus. Ode Landry, (Nightengale); Andrew Martin, (An Unknown Quantity); Robbery Bernard (Woody); B. Church, (Embryonic Tenor); P. J. Kelly, (The Ukulele Kid); Paul Dazet, (Basso Noble); V. Byrnes, (Echoes From the Tomb); E. Joanville, (Parvenue).

Some of the latest song hits, such as "Let's All Be Americans Now," "Naughty, Naughty, Naughty," "I've Lost You, So Why Should I Care," "Somewhere, With Someone, Some Day," intermingled with some of the old favorites, "Dreaming of the Girl You Love," "Come Along With Me to Nashville, Tennessee," "Mammy's Little Coal Black Rose," accentuated here and there with laugh-provoking gags, monologues and dialogues. In harmony with the spirit of the times, Mr. Emile Joanillon, a son of France, our esteemed ally, will render "La Marseillaise," and as a fit conclusion all will join in to sing "The Star Spangled Banner," in honor of Old Glory.

Don't fail to come. Besides getting your money's worth and wholesome fun, you are contributing your mite to a very laudable purpose for the returns of this entertainment will be added to St. Paul's Science Fund. Admission: Adults, 25 cents; children, 15 cents.

Round Up Did Good

On the 17th of April a general haul was made of negroes supposed to be idlers and do-nothings. At that time fifteen were gathered in. Of these it was found that six were working and three were ordered to go to work on the streets.

On the 19th another haul of five was made. Three of these were found to be at work and were turned loose. Since then those who were not working for some one else became industrious in the making of gardens, patching up fences, etc. Since the edict went out that there must be no idlers, colored gentlemen of leisure are not depending upon their women for that easy dinner that always waiting for them. They have either moved to their country residence in some other section or are making investments in the shovel and the hoe.

Mr. S. Lang, advance advertising man for the Redpath Chautauqua, of Wisconsin, was in Covington this week.

SLIDELL TO CARE FOR FAMILIES OF ENLISTED SOLDIERS

Organization For This Purpose Will be Regularly Chartered.

PRESIDENT EVERITT SELECTS COMMITTEES

Mass Meeting of Colored Citizens, Personal Mention, Etc.

(By Staff Correspondent)

Slidell, April 24.—The meeting of citizens called for the organization of an association to assist in the care of the families of men from Slidell and its immediate vicinity who have gone or may go to the front in defense of our country, was held in the Red Men's Hall tonight.

Mayor Badon called the meeting to order at about 8:15 p. m. The special committee appointed to draft by-laws and resolutions was ready and reported. It was proposed to incorporate; services of Attorney S. W. Provensal were offered without cost; publishing for thirty days was tendered by Geo. A. Bailey, of The Slidell Sun, without cost, and it was deemed advisable to charter the organization under our State laws.

After the adoption of the by-laws, with some discussion and minor changes, nomination of officers was declared in order. Dr. J. K. Griffith was immediately nominated for president, received several seconds, and would apparently have been made president by acclamation, but begged to be heard and pleaded that the calls of his profession would interfere with the work to be done as president, and that it required the services of a good business man, and that he would do all he possibly could to help but would ask to be excused from the president's chair.

Mr. C. A. Everitt and Mr. W. L. Ellis were then nominated. Mr. Everitt was elected by a handsome majority. Mr. Everitt thanked the meeting for the honor conferred, and was escorted to the chair. Mr. A. B. Crocker was elected vice-president; F. F. Wigginton, secretary; W. E. Gause, treasurer.

President Everitt then appointed permanent committees, as follows: Executive—Dr. J. K. Griffith, P. J. Gardere, Mayor L. Badon, and the four officers of the organization. Investigation and Relief—Rev. S. Wingo, Rev. T. J. Embree, Rev. Fr. Benedict Stetter, W. L. Ellis, Dr. J. K. Griffith. Finance—Mayor L. Badon, J. M. Barr, R. L. Skinner, Mrs. M. J. Daniel, Mrs. F. F. Wigginton. Lieut. L. V. Cooley, Jr., late commanding officer of the Sixth La. State Naval Militia (the Slidell company), was called on for a talk, and said:

A PLEA FOR CANNING OUTFITS IN SCHOOLS

The following letter has been addressed to the police juries of the State:

To the Presidents and Members of the Police Juries of Louisiana: Dear Friends:—I want to ask your assistance in our food campaign in the way of conserving the surplus. As you are well aware, there is a great waste of fruits and vegetables in our State. This waste can be saved to a great extent by canning the surplus. Our blackberry crop alone, if conserved, would be an important matter. We must also save all surplus tomatoes, sweet corn, okra, beans, peas, cabbage (in the form of kraut), peaches, plums, etc. I want to ask that you purchase and furnish each high or central school in your parish with a canning outfit, this outfit to be used by the principal, or some one designated by him, or her, not only to demonstrate but to be used in canning the surplus fruits and vegetables of the patrons and neighbors of the schools. This can be done on the toll or percentage basis. In this way the party in charge can make a nice salary as well as show a patriotic spirit. And if you so desire you can demand the parish for the expense of the canning outfit.

In my opinion you will not only render a great service temporarily to the people of your parish, but you will be giving them a practical education that will be of untold benefit in years to come. Please take this matter up at your earliest convenience and give it earnest consideration. Yours truly, HARRY D. WILSON, Chairman State Food-Preparedness Commission.

Grill Closed.

Mr. E. R. Norman, proprietor of "The Grill," in the New Southern Hotel building, has disappeared and his whereabouts is unknown. Inquiry failed to bring to light whether his absence is permanent or temporary. The only thing that could be learned was that he and Mrs. Norman had left on the train and given no notice to the employees of their going or what to do in their absence. Following closely upon the disappearance of Mr. Ryan, of the News Depot, it seems to be a case of "off again, on again, gone again, Fingagan," for new businesses in Covington.

BABY SATURDAY CELEBRATION TO BE HELD MAY 5TH

Women's Clubs of Covington Arrange to Have Dr. Sara Mayo Speak.

PROMINENT MEN ALSO AMONG THE SPEAKERS

Admission is Free and Every One is Invited to Attend.

"Baby Saturday" at the Covington high school auditorium, will be held Saturday, May 5, 1917. Admission, free. Everybody invited.

The program will start at 3 p. m. As a special feature of the National celebration of "Baby Week" the women's clubs of Covington arrange to have Dr. Sara Mayo of the New Orleans Women's Dispensary deliver an address on "Environment, Feeding and Clothing the Child." Other prominent physicians and speakers will address the meeting and several musical numbers will be rendered.

Program. Invocation—Rev. F. C. Talmage. Solo—Mrs. H. E. Gautreaux. Reading—Mrs. E. G. Davis. "Needs of the Rural Girl"—Miss M. Williams. "Needs of the Rural Boy"—Hon. F. J. Heintz. "Environment, Feeding and Clothing the Child"—Dr. Sara Mayo. "Care of the Weak Child"—Dr. W. L. Stevenson. School Examinations—Dr. H. E. Gautreaux. Duet—Misses Mouton. National Anthem—Audience.

Covington Grocery & Grain Co. Will Open Branch at Laurel, Miss.

The Covington Grocery & Grain Company, whose remarkable growth has placed it among the big industries of the State, is still further advancing its business operations by the putting in of a branch establishment at Laurel, Miss. This field has been investigated and the situation is considered a good one. For this purpose a new stock issue of \$50,000 has been offered. Of this amount all has been disposed of excepting \$6000, which will probably not be open long. The new branch is expected to be one of the most profitable of the extensions of this big business concern.

AT PARKVIEW

The program at the Parkview today will be Sessue Hayakawa in a five part feature entitled "The Typhoon." Doors open at 7 p. m. Admission 5 and 10 cents.

Sunday night will be presented Barney Bernard in "A Prince in a Pawnshop," which is a five part Vitaphone feature, along with this will be the fourth episode of Paris, featuring Mrs. Vernon Castle. Doors are always open on Sunday at 3 p. m. Admission 10 and 15 cents.

Monday, April 30, and Tuesday, May 1, will be presented Lou Tellefero in "The Black Wolf." On Monday night will be run with "The Black Wolf" one of the two-part official British Government war pictures. These pictures are not connected with each other and the management or Mr. Whit Riggs will guarantee that they are worth your time to see them. Doors open at 5 p. m. Admission 10 and 15 cents.

Wednesday and Thursday will be presented Theodore Roberts in the "American Consul." Billie Burke, in "Gloria's Romance," is presented with the regular program every Wednesday without extra charge. Doors open at 5 p. m. Admission 5 and 10 cents. If any patron thinks that the Wednesday night show isn't an all-feature program let them ask some of those who have been there the last two Wednesdays.

Every Friday the management offers a program entirely suitable for children, also adults, as follows: "The Secret Kingdom," which is a serial, and the "Scarlet Runner," featuring Earle Williams, which is not a serial but a series of splendid two-part dramas, each a complete story, and with this a single reel comedy picture. Doors open every Friday at 5 p. m. Admission 5 and 10 cents.

Miss Kate Eastman left Wednesday for New Orleans to attend the King's Daughters Convention.