

DRY KILN TO BE BUILT HERE FOR USE OF FARMERS

First Draft of Colored Soldiers To Leave Covington October 6th

RED CROSS ASKS FOR CLOTHING AND SUPPLIES FOR WINTER

Mrs. R. N. Leonard Announces Red Cross Meet for October 3rd.

FRANK B. HAYNE REPORTS ON UNIT 24.

Says There Must Be Continued Efforts For Large Supplies.

Mrs. R. N. Leonard, chairman of the St. Tammany branch of American Red Cross, will attend the meeting to be held October 3 with a heartier realization than before of the necessity for hard work to supply the needs of the soldiers. She has just received the report of Chairman Hayne, which goes into details of the necessities of the war, and tells why it is imperative that the greatest exertion shall be put forth. His report shows the excellent work that has been done for Hospital Unit No. 24, to which St. Tammany parish has generously contributed.

Secretary Stier writes to Mrs. Leonard as follows:

New Orleans, Sept. 20, 1917.

Mrs. R. N. Leonard, Chairman St. Tammany Parish Branch Chapter A. R. C., Covington, La.

My Dear Mrs. Leonard—Attached here please find a copy of report of the Chairman, Mr. Frank B. Hayne, on the Chapter's activities in the organization and perfection of Base Hospital Unit No. 24.

From the statement you will note the sum of money expended by the New Orleans Chapter—approximately \$95,000.00.

In organizing B. H. U. No. 24, Mr. Hayne and the members of the Executive Committee are of the opinion that this unit will be on an equal footing with the best organized Base Hospital Unit in the American National Red Cross, and that all members of the New Orleans Chapter will, it is believed, feel gratified in knowing that they contributed to the fund that has made possible such an excellent organization.

You are, therefore, respectfully requested to read this report to the members of the St. Tammany Parish Branch, and also prevail upon your local newspaper to publish the report in full if its space will permit. If you are successful in this I would thank you to forward a copy of the paper to this office.

With further appreciation of your splendid co-operation, I have the honor to remain,

Yours very truly,

E. V. STIER,
Secretary.

To the Members of the New Orleans Chapter American Red Cross, New Orleans, La.

I trust that every member of the New Orleans Chapter American Red Cross will carefully read the report of Major John B. Elliott, Jr., Director of Base Hospital Unit No. 24, and I feel sure that they will be proud to know that it is through their efforts that this unit will, in the near future, be on its way to the front, as thoroughly equipped and with as magnificent a personnel as any unit that will be sent from any part of the United States.

Our Chapter has deposited to the credit of Mr. A. J. Tipping, Purchasing Agent, B. H. U. No. 24, \$54,000. In addition we have agreed to pay for the nurses' equipment, amounting to \$4,048.50 (which sum we have in reserve for that purpose). We have already guaranteed to give Major Elliott \$200 per month as long as the war lasts, for extra comforts and necessities that may be needed by the unit, and not provided for by the Government.

We have also turned over to B. H. U. No. 24, the following hospital supplies and so forth, the amount of which I am sure will surprise and gratify the members of the Chapter, in fact, all citizens of Louisiana, as it means months of untiring and devoted work of thousands of patriotic and unselfish women.

The cost of these articles, not taking into consideration the work of the women, which was all voluntary, is fully \$35,000, making approximately about \$95,000, which our Chapter has so far given B. H. U. No. 24.

The names of the various members of the medical profession, who have volunteered to go with the unit speak for themselves, as they are cited and honored by all of our citizens. The names of the nurses are all well known, and they will be particularly missed by the families whose sufferings they have alleviated, and who will look on their departure with genuine regret, but who honor them for their devotion to their country. We who stay at home should feel that after all what we have done is so insignificant.

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POTATO KILN TO BE BUILT HERE FOR THE USE OF FARMERS

W. H. Sullivan Will Furnish Money For Its Construction.

ALSO CONTRIBUTES TO MADISONVILLE ROAD.

Will Be Turned Over To Parish Council of Defense.

Mr. Lewis has given below an account of the difficulties encountered in the erection of a public dry kiln for potatoes, for the use of the farmers of St. Tammany parish. The following letter, however, will still further explain Mr. Sullivan's purpose and desire in the matter:

Bogalusa, La., Sept. 25, 1917.

Mr. Harvey E. Ellis, Covington, La.

My Dear Mr. Ellis—With reference to my proposition made to the people of St. Tammany parish that the company would pay half of the expenses of building a kiln at Covington. We don't want the proposition to be mixed up with a stock company and charge the people for the use of the kiln, so have decided that we will do it in the same way as we have here in Washington parish. Will build the kiln entirely at the cost of this company, the same as we have done at Franklinton and other places, but a little larger, and turn it over to the Parish Council of Defense to be used as they see fit. The Great Southern Lumber Company does not want any revenue from the kiln.

Yours very truly,

W. H. SULLIVAN.

Beside the potato kiln, Mr. Sullivan has shown a disposition to be of help to St. Tammany parish, and his kindly feelings will be appreciated. The building of the Madisonville shell road is a matter of considerable importance to Covington as well as Madisonville, so much so that a day had been set aside for general contribution of labor by the citizens. Mr. Sullivan, seeing this published in The Farmer, immediately contributed \$100 to be used for this purpose. When we say immediately, we mean immediately, for Mr. Sullivan is a man who never puts off anything till tomorrow, and he is rather impatient of any one who does. He sent the following letter to this office:

Bogalusa, La., Sept. 24, 1917.

Mr. D. H. Mason, Editor St. Tammany Farmer, Covington, Louisiana.

My Dear Mr. Mason—Notice in one of your recent issues that the citizens of Covington are interested in building a good road between Madisonville and Covington, and that you are going to have a day set apart by the Mayor of Covington for the citizens to contribute either labor or money.

Beg leave to advise that our company is very much interested in the ship yard at Madisonville, and it seems to be very important that good roads should be built between the two places to assist in taking care of the large number of men working at the place. Having these things in mind, if you will be good enough to advise us when we may send our voucher for \$100 as our contribution to this road, will be very glad indeed to send it.

Yours truly,

W. H. SULLIVAN.

(By Grover C. Lewis)

I am very glad to announce to the public and the farmers of St. Tammany parish, that a sweet potato dry kiln will go up in Covington in the next few days. Mr. Sullivan spoke here a few weeks ago in behalf of the Council of Defense, and in his talk he spoke of his undying love for the beautiful town of Covington and his desire to see the town and surrounding country grow, that his heart was with the farmer and he took pleasure in aiding him in his fight for more profits on the farm. As proof of his statements he offered to put up one-half of the expense of a 5,000-bushel dry kiln to be located at Covington. I took the matter up with several local parties and finally failed to raise the one-half to match Mr. Sullivan. The half to match Mr. Sullivan were business men of Covington were slow to take advantage of an offer where five or six hundred dollars were being donated for the interest of the farmers of the immediate surrounding country. I spent some \$2 in telephoning and I am sure the Great Southern spent more than \$25 sending me down here and in telephone messages. Finally Mr. Sullivan, in his big, big heart, says to me by letter: "The people of Covington must have this dry kiln. It is too good to lose. They don't know what they are missing, and I am going to build this kiln all by myself."

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NEW CAR AND TRAILER OF MACKIE PINE OIL SPECIALTY COMPANY, INC.



The above picture shows Mr. and Mrs. Young in charge of the traveling outfit of the Mackie Pine Oil Specialty Company, Incorporated, a new concern of Covington established for the purpose of distributing samples and soliciting orders. It is so arranged that it may be made into comfortable sleeping quarters in case of mishap or delay between towns. It is also fitted with a "phonon," which produces excellent music when desired. Pine Oil has proved to have wonderful medicinal and healing power. First trip big success.

FEAR OF STORM SHAKES NERVES AND ALARMS POPULACE

Schools in New Orleans Closed and Women Employees Sent Home.

PHONES KEPT BUSY COVINGTON TO N. O.

Covington People Secure Rooms at New Southern Thursday Night.

The prediction of a storm Thursday sent a wave of excitement over Covington, and timid people became alarmed. All sorts of reports were received from New Orleans. It was said that the schools there had been closed and that business places and offices had sent home all women employees. Members of Covington (Continued on page 5)

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH OF A MAN WHO HAS MADE GOOD IN PUBLIC LIFE

Ethelred Macauley Stafford, Lawyer, soldier, president pro tem of the State Senate.

Born: New Orleans, Louisiana, July 13, 1875.

Educated: Public School and Tulane Law School.

Leaving school in 1890 he secured employment with the Southern Pacific Company. He studied law at night and was admitted to the practice of law in 1898. At the outbreak of the war between the United States and Spain he enlisted and served his country throughout the period of that conflict. Entering politics some years ago he was elected a member of the State Senate serving his constituency in the Sixth District, comprising the Twelfth, Thirteenth and Fourteenth Wards. He was first elected to the State Senatorial body in 1908. Four years later he was re-elected and again in 1916.

He was elected President Pro Tem of the State Senate at the opening session of the Pleasant administration.

During his service as a State lawmaker he has carefully guided the interests of the people. Among his principal achievements was the authorship of the Employers' Liability Act, which he fostered at Baton Rouge until the Legislature finally adopted it and placed it on the statute books. He has also headed a number of prison reform measures, and is also responsible for the adoption of the law that provides for the uniform warehouse receipt. Another important piece of legislation that became a law as a result of his activity in the upper house is the law requiring that notices of tax sales be given owners of property. This bit of legislation has been most effective and has been the means of preventing a large number of the

smaller property holders losing their property.

He is also responsible for the law that gives married women the same rights in reference to their separate property as was enjoyed by unmarried women. He also assisted in securing the passage of important constructive legislation that has not only proven helpful and beneficial to the city but to the State at large.

He served as a member of the Board of Fire Commissioners under the old form of government and during his connection with the board championed the cause of the men in rank. He is identified with many commercial and industrial enterprises, among which are numbered some of the more important businesses in New Orleans and the State.

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Politics: Democrat.

Clubs: Chess, Checker and Whist, Press, Choctaw, Loyal Order of Moose, Jefferson Lodge No. 191, Woodmen of the World; Shriner, Grand Consistory of Louisiana and the Masonic Lodge.

Residence: 1233 Eighth street.

SAVE FOOD AS A SOLDIER BOY OF ST. TAMMANY SAYS CAMP PIKE'S FINE

Walter M. Parker Makes Appeal to the People To Save Food.

PLEDGE TO FOOD ADMINISTRATION.

Every Flag In Opposition To Germany Is Proxy American Flag.

John M. Parker, food administrator for Louisiana, says that the United States Bureau of Census estimates the population of St. Tammany parish at 22,990 and the number of families at 4799. If each family would become a member of the United States Food Administration, with a pledge to "carry out the directions and advice of the Food Administrator in the home, insofar as circumstances permit," a great saving could be made, which would be of immense value to the country and tend to check the advance in price of food stuffs, with a like operation all over the country. Send to the "Federal Food Administrator, Tulane-Newcomb Building, New Orleans," for one of these membership cards. There are no fees or membership dues to be paid. The Food Administrator wishes to have as members all of those actually handling food in the home. A home card of instruction is also issued. Any one may have a home card of instruction, but only those signing the pledges are entitled to membership window card, which will be delivered upon receipt of the signed pledge. Send for the pledge card.

The United States Food Administration gives the following information:

Seven years ago a famous European student of history prophesied that the next great war of the future would not be won by fighting but by famine. We are today fighting that war, and famine is indeed threatening to be its arbiter.

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ST. TAMMANY SAYS CAMP PIKE'S FINE

Camp Is a Regular Little City With Sixteen Thousand Men.

DON'T HAVE TO BE ROCKED TO SLEEP.

Stops Writing Letter To Answer the Call To Mess.

The following letter has been received by Dr. H. D. Bulloch, of the Exemption Board, from one of the St. Tammany par'sh boys recently sent to Camp Pike:

Camp Pike, Ark., Sept. 22, 1917.

Dr. H. D. Bulloch, Covington, La.

Dear Doctor—Our boys are all getting along fine, only being quarantined. We will be confined to our barracks for about fifteen days, except when on drill duty, which is enough to make us sleep without being rocked.

It would be a sight for some of the St. Tammany people to see this camp. It is a regular little city. We have something over 16,000 men here.

I have been commissioned sergeant, and am going to try to make good. The regiment is badly in need of officers, and anyone who tries will have a chance to be something more than a private.

It is time for mess call so will stop—don't have much time to write.

Yours truly,

M. E. LEWIS.

LIST OF DEAD LETTERS.

Following is the list of dead letters:

E. K. Bailey, Ernest Bridges, Geo. Corcoran, Lean Cook, Miss Odette Gilbert, Ester Cooper, Mrs. Finars Jenkins, Miss Josephine Kuhn, Miss Melvin King, Corporal John W. Mahen, Mrs. Belle Thompson.

JACOB SEILER,
Postmaster.

BLOND NOTES.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Dutsch, who have been spending a few days in New Orleans, have returned home.

Miss Minnie Easterlin spent the week end here with friends.

Mrs. E. McLain and children returned Wednesday to their home in Lubertown, Miss., after having spent some time here as the guests of her mother, Mrs. L. Allison.

Miss Lou Fisher, of Ponchaoula, was the guest Sunday of Mrs. S. I. Pittman.

Miss C. Mevers, of New Orleans, is spending a while here with her sister, Mrs. Dutsch.

Mrs. C. E. Taylor, of Madisonville, is spending some time here with her mother.

Mrs. T. M. Fisher and family, of Bogalusa, are spending a while here with friends.

SLIDELL DOING ITS PART IN WORK FOR SOLDIERS

Meeting of Priscilla Club Sept. 27 Shows Good Work Accomplished.

SLIDELL PROUD OF ITS LOCAL BRANCH.

Additional Rooms Being Remodeled In High School Annex.

(By Mrs. F. F. Wigginton.)
Slidell, Sept. 27.—The Priscilla Club met on its usual scheduled Monday afternoon with Mrs. Manley as hostess. A majority of the members were present and delicious refreshments of cream and cake were served. Several garments were given in and some of the members have finished the sets of three (muffler, mittens and sweater) and have begun on helmets and socks. The next meeting will be held Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. F. B. Richardson.

The Slidell Red Cross Auxiliary of St. Tammany Branch, organized Aug. 10, 1917, went to work Aug. 22, when first garment shipment was made, and have completed up to this writing 123 shoulder wraps, 12 pairs of mittens, 24 pairs of socks, 12 dozen pieces of gauge work, besides there are eight complete sample boxes made by those who expect to take the examination in surgical dressings.

The people of Slidell are proud of the splendid work done by the ladies of the Local Branch, and we would be glad to see all the ladies in town enrolled as members and workers, and while we hope the war will not be long in terminating it is possible that America will eventually have to win it by her own efforts, alone, and every resource will be required to meet the strain, and the work of preparation done now will be regarded as an inspiration from Providence, and we should do NOW all that can possibly be done, as even though the war ends shortly, enormous demands will be made for these articles by those already maimed or wounded who are not now receiving proper attention, and for those reasons all Slidell ladies are invited to join the Local Red Cross Auxiliary. We meet every Tuesday and Friday, and would like to show anyone interested in the work what we are doing.

Mr. C. Cuyler Jenkins, the new assistant general manager of Slidell Ship Building Company, has kindly donated a bale of oakum, for which the Red Cross ladies desire to thank him sincerely.

The Slidell high school has taken possession of two additional rooms in the annex which is being remodeled by Contractor W. J. Windolph and his Knights of Saw and Hatchet fame. Two more rooms will be ready for occupancy in a few days, and it is hoped that this will furnish all the necessary space required for the whole session of the school. With the recent arrival of Assistant Principal McKnight and Miss Ella Monague, the faculty reaches the number of sixteen, and while some of the little folks are on half day session we hope that the condition will be removed promptly.

The Slidell School League meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month and the League ladies would like to have every parent or guardian of school children become members. The programs are very interesting and besides the work they are doing is of benefit to all school children. We hope to see a good many at our next meeting on Tuesday, October 2.

Mr. Cuyler Jenkins, late of Panama Canal and Newport News Ship Building Company, is the most recent arrival at Slidell Ship Building Co.'s official headquarters. Mr. Jenkins and his family have taken possession of the F. W. Salmen residence on Front street, and will make a welcome addition to the social life of Slidell.

Mrs. F. Salmen and daughter, Miss Ella, have returned from Asheville and Waynesville, N. C., after a very pleasant sojourn of several weeks.

Miss Annie T. Bell, former Slidell high school teacher, returned to New Orleans after a three day visit to Mrs. E. F. Halley.

Mrs. B. P. Dunham, Miss Pomie Dunham, Messrs. Russell Lloyd Dunham and Charlie Liddle spent Saturday in New Orleans.

Miss Sallie Halley was a New Orleans visitor Tuesday.

Miss Flo Dunham left Saturday for Grand Prairie High School, near Opelousas, La., where she has accepted a position as domestic science teacher.

Mrs. J. B. Semple spent Thursday in New Orleans.

Mrs. Robt. Abel and children returned to their home in Vicksburg.

COLORED DRAFT NOTIFIED TO BE READY TO GO NEXT WEEK

Our First Quota of Color Troops Will Be Sent To Camp Pike.

OCTOBER 6TH IS DAY SET FOR DEPARTURE.

Twenty-One In First List and Ten Alternates Provided.

Following is the list of colored men ordered to report to the Local Board on Saturday, October 6, at 2 p. m., for transportation to the mobilization camp at Camp Pike, Ark. The total number of men to be sent is twenty-one—the first list named below:

Tom Stevens, Slidell; Olmpe Vaultz, Slidell; Fred Duffy, Tallsheek; Willie Durr, Slidell; Mose Dantzier, Starding; Aoy Smith, Slidell; Will Edward, Plowerville; Harrison Bristor, Slidell; Wilson Peters, Ramsay; Disbro McLeod, Mandeville; Sanoce Ducre, Lacombe; Geo. Ray, Lacombe; Joseph Ducre, Slidell; John Archer, Slidell; John Henry Jones, Slidell; Thomas McCoy, Covington; Walter Harry Robinson, Slidell; Horace W. Caray, Slidell; Henry Shepperd, Folsom; Eugene Sylvan, Covington; Ben Thomas, Slidell.

Alternates:
Lee English, Slidell; James Hicks, Slidell; Jimmie Stanton, Tallsheek; Colbie Ducre, Lacombe; John P. Lapidary, Covington; Wilson Adams, Slidell; Mack Ducre, Lacombe; Jy. Archer, Slidell; Willie Jenkins, Alton; John S. Robinson, Pearl River.

PROCLAMATION.

The American Red Cross has issued a call to the people of the United States for one million five hundred thousand sets of knitted articles, comprising sweaters, mufflers, wristlets and socks.

Louisiana, a part of the Gulf Division, A. R. C., presided over by Mr. W. J. Leppert, has been appointed the making of many thousands of these knitted sets.

The appeal has gone to all the Red Cross societies within the state, and I am addressing this Proclamation to the noble, patriotic and sympathetic womanhood of our commonwealth, requesting them to devote as much of their time as possible to the making of the knitted sets for the comfort of our soldiers engaged in the defense of the American colors now planted at the European front.

So that the people may thoroughly understand the urgent, immediate need of these knitted sets, I quote the following telegram sent to the National Headquarters of the American Red Cross, by Major Grayson M. P. Murphy, Red Cross Commissioner in France:

"Last winter broke record for cold and misery among people here. Inexpressible dread coming winter finding us without supplies to meet situation. Urge you on behalf of our soldiers and those of our allies who will suffer in their frozen trenches, and also thousands of French and Belgian refugees and repatriates being returned through Switzerland to France. Every one here looks to America. Begin shipping at once one million five hundred thousand each of knitted woolen articles already requested. They must come before cold weather and in view of the shortage of fuel and other discomforts, they will be of incredible value in both military and civilian work."

As the Chief Executive of the great commonwealth of Louisiana, I most urgently appeal to all woman-kind to undertake the task that has been placed upon them in this great humanitarian cause so nobly represented by the American Red Cross.

In faith whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the seal of the Executive Department.

Done at Baton Rouge, this 21st day of September in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventeen.

(Seal)
Signed,
R. G. PLEASANT.

By the Governor,
JOHN MARSHALL,
Secretary to the Governor.

after a week's visit to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Abel.

Mrs. C. M. Liddle returned home Monday from a week's visit to her son and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Watkins, in Hattiesburg, Miss.

Messrs. Frank Comfort, Clarence Domergue and Claud Schneider visited Covington last Sunday, and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Domergue.