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MADISONVILLE CHOSEN SITE TO BUILD STEEL SHIPS

New List of Fifty Names Drawn To Make Seventeen Needed Men

NEW LIST OF 50 MEN TO MAKE SEVENTEEN REQUIRED

Men Ordered to Report on Friday, 16th, for Examination. SECOND DRAFT WILL BE UNDER NEW RULES Men To Be Classified To Show How Best Fitted To Serve.

- Under a call of the Government for ten per cent of the draft fifty new names have been called to make up seventeen men needed to complete the draft. It is understood this is due to the fact that some men have been discharged for physical disability or other good reasons, leaving the quota lacking. The call was for Friday, but there was some misunderstanding as to the date, and some of the boys are expected to come today. Following is the list: 1652—Hansel Rowls, Ramsay. 1423—Will O'Neil, Pearl River. 2143—Wm. Watson, Graham. 1640—Zebby Roly, Madisonville. 1798—A. Schwartz, Jr., Abita. 622—Howard Davy, Mandeville. 585—Willie Davis, Covington. 2191—Robert Woods, Tallshack. 2071—Wm. T. Watkins, Ramsay. 4464—Ell Pichon, Bonfouca. 4157—Jesse McGill, Ramsay. 1077—W. N. Webb, Florenville. 1961—Johnny Terrel, Stirling. 781—Hy. H. Galloway, Blond. 2131—Chas. Warren, Slidell. 1415—F. S. Nehls, Slidell. 1035—George Jones, Sun. 1634—A. W. Roy, Covington. 958—O. J. Hebert, Covington. 323—Webb Co., Florenville. 1342—Arthur L. Martin, Abita. 1439—J. F. Oulliber, Madisonville. 1804—Geo. J. Sharp, Covington. 857—Louis Hair, Florenville. 1564—John A. Peters, Abita. 1400—Will Nash, Mandeville. 1302—Willie Magee, Lacombe. 2151—Izell Washington, Covington. 963—Neil Irving, Slidell. 438—Julius Crawford, Mandeville. 878—John W. Hampton, Abita. 1059—Darral Johnson, Tallshack. 441—Geo. J. Cormick, Slidell. 880—Wade Henry, Covington. 1776—Leroy Smith, Tallshack. 357—Ira M. Camp, Folsom. 22—Morris Anthony, Bush. 1173—Dorsey Logan, Slidell. 331—L. Crawford, St. Tammany. 1881—Chas. J. Schmitt, Slidell. 1108—Christian Koepf, Jr., Madisonville. 1910—Robin R. Stocker, Mandeville. 492—Cornelius M. Crow, Bush. 1201—Lazard J. Levy, Slidell. 1976—Jas. C. Toomer, Mandeville. 565—John Dawkins, Tallshack. 800—Eliene Galatas, Bonfouca. 1747—Oscar Lee Scott, Slidell. 1447—Lowrey Peterson, Slidell. 1049—Samuel Jones, Tallshack. (Continued on page 2)

FIRE COMPANY MEETING.

Covington, La., Nov. 14, 1917. Meeting called to order at 8 p. m. W. H. Kentzel, president, presiding, and the following members present: H. A. Mackie, H. J. Ostendorf, Jos. Hoffman, Aug. Verge, L. J. Theriot, W. E. Boes, Jack Seiler. Minutes of the last meeting were read, received and adopted. The following new members were elected: E. J. LeBlanc, X. Frey, Mrs. Preston Burns, as honorary members; F. B. Marsolan, active members. All bills were ordered paid. Communications read, received and ordered filed for future reference. The election of officers resulted as follows: Jacob Seiler, president; H. A. Mackie, vice-president; W. H. Kentzel, secretary; Julian Smith, treasurer; H. J. Ostendorf, chief; W. E. Boes, assistant chief; L. F. Wehrli, chief mechanic; L. P. Theriot, Jos. Hoffmann, Aug. Verge, Hy. Levy and Haines, assistant mechanics; Jos. Hoffman, house-keeper; Nick Seiler, tank man; Dr. J. F. Bouquol, physician. The following collections were made by the secretary: I. Herber, \$1.50; E. M. LeBlanc, \$6; Mrs. P. Burns, \$6; A. Sawaya, \$2; A. J. Planche, \$5; J. D. Lambert, \$1; X. Frey, \$2; L. Smith, \$2; H. L. Abadie, \$2; L. Watkins, \$2; J. H. Heintz, \$5; W. Galatas, \$2; J. H. Clement, \$3; A. Perbos, \$2.50; Jno. Rafo, \$2; A. Commence, \$2; Aug. Verge, \$2; A. Henry, \$5; Mrs. C. L. Fox, \$2; B. Labat, \$1; J. Smith, \$1; J. D. Smith, \$2; A. R. Smith, \$1.50; Harry Young, \$2; W. N. Patrick, \$2; J. E. Nilson, \$6 E. R. Mos-

RECORD DRIVE IN MANDEVILLE FOR Y. M. C. A. FUND

The Poitevent Company and Employees Donate Liberally. COMFORT BAG PARTY TO BE MONDAY NIGHT Social Doings and Local Matters of the Week.

Mandeville, Nov. 15.—The red triangle war work drive to raise \$35,000.00 for the mental, physical and spiritual welfare of the American and allied armies, was made here last Tuesday. Louisiana has been challenged to raise \$200,000, of which sum St. Tammany parish is expected to raise \$120,000, and of which amount Mandeville or the fourth ward has been apportioned \$200. Did we do it? Yes, gentle reader, we did, and then some more. We saw the bet and raised it 157 1/2 per cent more for a total of \$513.40, from 287 cheerful givers, an average of about \$1.75 per donor, or a per capita of about 40 cents per population. All on good, cold cash, no pledge cards or promises were made to the Y. M. C. A. War work parish committee, then we stood at "tenthon" saluted and mildly exclaimed, "next." The local committee in charge of this red triangle drive was Dr. A. G. Maylie, chairman; Mr. Eads Poitevent and Mr. H. H. Levy, and the chairman does hereby thank and publicly acknowledge the magnificent efforts of Mr. Eads Poitevent, whose strenuous work and sincere patriotism made possible these handsome results. Following is a list of the subscribers: War Work Contributions from Mandeville. Poitevent & Favre Lbr. Co., \$135; John Poitevent, \$30; Eads Poitevent, \$30; June Poitevent, \$30; Mrs. Eads Poitevent, \$10.10; D. J. Mulligan, \$10; Mrs. H. DeL. Vincent, \$10; Mrs. G. S. Orme, \$10; Mrs. F. H. Hayne, \$10; C. O. Treast, \$10; W. G. Hutchinsion, \$5; Mrs. N. Levy & Son, \$5; L. A. Stockton, \$5; Ernest Prieto, \$5; Joseph Birg, \$5; Eugene Esquinance, \$5; Dr. W. E. VanZandt, \$5; D. B. Smith, \$5; Estate of Beaulieu, \$5; Earl S. Poitevent (second donation), \$3; A. Poitevent (second donation), \$3; S. P. Russ (second donation), \$3; A. Depre, \$3; Isadore Levy, \$2.50; Bierhorst & Levy, \$2.50; C. A. David, \$2.50; W. A. Griffin, \$2.50; Gus Mugnier, \$2; Gregg Armstrong, \$2; H. Borey, Jr., \$2; Dr. R. B. Paine, \$2; A. Hartman, \$2; J. F. Lienhard (second donation), \$2; Mrs. E. Duttis, \$2; Edw. S. Poitevent, \$2; W. H. Russ (second donation), \$2; B. Palmisano, \$1.50; Mrs. J. J. Lienhard \$1; Wm. C. Knoph, Jr., \$1; Muriel K. Knoph, \$1; C. W. Davidson (second donation), \$1; W. Shieff, \$1; J. & (Continued on page 6)

FIFTY-ONE KITS SENT IN BY THE RED CROSS

Red Cross work is going busily on. Mrs. Hartwig has received acknowledgment of donations to the Treasurers and Trunket Fund and thanks from both Gertrude B. Lane and Frederick F. Winfield. My Dear Mrs. Hartwig:—The letter telling of the most successful collection of you and your workers in Covington, Mandeville, Madisonville and Lacombe, came several days ago but I have waited to write you until I should hear from Mrs. Bartlett that the box had safely arrived. You will be glad to hear that it has now done so. May I express through you to all who worked for the Treasurers and Trunket Fund in your campaign, and to all who gave their gold and silver to the cause, our kindest appreciation of all that the collection represents. You have the hearty thanks, not only of the Woman's Home Companion editors and of the National Special Aid Society, but also, I can safely say, of the aviators who will be benefited by your contribution. I wish that I might be able to mention the contribution of each town separately and so let each one know what their collection brought to the fund, but this would be a very expensive way to conduct the fund and of course we wish to keep expenses down to the very lowest figure so that every available penny shall go (Continued on page 6.)

HUMAN BONES GERMANS USE TO FERTILIZE THE SOIL

Thousands Russian Soldiers Starved and Murdered By Prussians. WOMEN GIVEN BRUTAL TREATMENT Death and Slavery Faces the Prisoners Without Fire in Winter.

The United States Food Administration issues the following article on "The Prussian System," as told by F. C. Walcott at a conference of field men held September 12. Mr. Walcott introduces his subject with this preamble: This I have seen. I could not believe it unless I had seen it through and through. For several weeks I lived with it; I went all about it and back of it; inside and out of it was shown to me—until finally I came to realize that the incredible was true. It is monstrous, it is unthinkable, but it exists. It is the Prussian system. A year ago I went to Poland to learn its facts concerning the treatment of a people that had been decimated by war. The country had been wide devastated. First the Russian Army swept through it and then the Germans. Along the roadside from Warsaw to Pinsk, the present firing line 230 miles, near half a million people had died of hunger and cold. The way was strewn with their bones picked clean by the crows. With their usual thrift the Germans were collecting the larger bones to be milled into fertilizer, but finger and toe bones lay on the ground with the mud-covered and rain-soaked clothing. Wicker baskets were scattered along the way—the basket in which the baby swings from the rafter in every pleasant home. Every mile here were scores of them, each one telling a death. I started to count, but after a little I had to give it up, there were so many. Died by Hundreds of Thousands. That is the desolation one saw along the great road from Warsaw to Pinsk, mile after mile, more than 200 miles. They told me a million people were made homeless in six weeks of the German drive in August and September, 1916. They told me 400,000 died on the way. The rest, scarcely half alive, got through with the Russian Army. Many of these have been sent to Siberia. It is these people whom the Paderewski committee is trying to relieve. In the refugee camps 300,000 survivors of the flight were gathered by the Germans, members of broken (Continued on page 3.)

SYMPATHIZERS WITH GERMANY NOT WANTED

Mrs. B. B. Warren, secretary of the St. Tammany Branch of the American Red Cross, has received resolutions passed by the New Orleans Chapter that are important in the maintenance of the morale of the workers in all sections. Also a circular from the Gulf Coast Division urging the importance of providing as many surgical dressings as possible. Resolutions Adopted by the Executive Committee of New Orleans Chapter, A. R. C. New Orleans, Nov. 3, 1917. Be it resolved, That the New Orleans Chapter of the American Red Cross does not care to have anyone working for them who is in any way disloyal to our country. We do not care to have anyone connected with us who is in the slightest degree pro-German in sentiment, or anyone who is antagonistic in any way to the war policy of our President and the Administration; that the soldiers and sailors, who are going to fight the enemies of our country, would not care to accept any favors, or be under any obligations to anyone who is not in thorough accord with the cause for which they have offered their lives. That every worker, present and prospective, of the New Orleans Chapter, American Red Cross, be asked to sign the following pledge, and all workers who do not sign it shall be required to immediately discontinue work. We, the undersigned, hereby affirm, without any mental reservation whatsoever, that we are working for the American Red Cross, not only for the cause of humanity, but because we think that the work we do helps in attaining the defeat of Ger-

RESIDENCE DISTRICT OF CRAONNE



All that was left of the residences of Craonne after the latest and severest of the bombardments to which that French town has been subjected by the Germans and the allies who fought for its possession.

SOCIAL SERVICE PROCEEDINGS AND RELIEF COMMITTEE MANDEVILLE

A sub-committee of the Social Service and Relief Committee of the Council of Defense of St. Tammany Parish was busy all of this week purchasing and packing Christmas gifts for our soldiers and sailors in France and on the seas. The committee was composed of Mrs. Bear, Mrs. Robert's, Mrs. Payne, Mrs. S. Levy, Miss Mutti, Mrs. Morphy and Mrs. Ellis. Over sixty boxes were sent, containing kahlki kits, knives, chocolates, nuts, dates, soap, towels, cigarettes or favorite tobaccos, etc. In addition each man will receive a subscription to his home paper, and in some instances subscriptions to magazines, or other specially requested articles were sent. There will be perhaps 200 more soldiers to be remembered, and their boxes must be ready in the next two or three weeks. Subscriptions are coming in very slowly. Now is your chance to help make Christmas happy for our boys at the camps. Send in your donation at once. The following donations have been received in the past week: John Haller \$10.00 Anonymous 5.00 Mrs. Ellen Crawford and Sunday school class composed of children of Audubon Sunday school 5.41 Wm. M. F. Bowman, Violin 1.00 Covington Gro. & Grain Co. 30.00

MEET OF W. P. U.

At a meeting of the Women's Progressive Union held Monday a vote of thanks was extended to the ladies who took part in the restaurant work and to the young ladies who acted as waitresses. The restaurant took in \$1,365.84, which was turned over to the Fair Association after deducting expenses, making the net receipts \$520.58. Mrs. J. C. Burns and Mrs. Chas. Sheffield were elected delegates to the State Convention of Federated Clubs at Shreveport. Regrets were expressed by the Union at the loss of Miss Anna Morell as corresponding secretary. The call to service is clear. It is for more and more surgical dressings. The summer season is ended; members have returned strengthened, and refreshed, ready for work. Do not discontinue other work, but urge your members to increase efforts in this department. The need is immediate. Your response should be prompt. Yours very truly, LEIGH CARROLL, Division Manager. (By Miss W. Lansing.)

The Red Cross is daily sending out calls for suitable clothing and supplies of old white linen and cotton to be used for dressings, packings, handkerchiefs, etc., in the hospitals, and the supplies reaching them grow more and more inadequate as the war progresses. The Honor Guard appeals to the people of Covington to aid them in their collection of a box of the supplies to be sent to the hospitals as soon as possible. There is not a man or woman in this town who cannot give at least one old worn-out handkerchief to help the great need. Ladies, please look into your rag bag and contribute that old baby cloth or sheet to help save the life of some wounded, bleeding fellow-countryman. Nothing is too old to be of use. The Honor Guards will call at your home for your contribution one day next week. Let us not feel ashamed when we are asked what we have done to help end the war.

SLIDELL CHURCH CELEBRATES ITS ANIVERSARY OF 25 YEARS

Addresses By Members of Congregation and History of Church. BIG DRIVE MADE FOR THE Y. M. C. A. FUND. Social and General News of Week in Condensed Notes.

Slide, Nov. 15.—The twenty-fifth anniversary of the Slidell Baptist Church occurred on Wednesday night, Nov. 14, 1917, and was most appropriately celebrated. The first pastor of the church, Rev. Oscar Brown, was guest of honor for the occasion. Of the original nine organizing members, six are still residents of Slidell, three of whom Mrs. Fritz Salmen, Mrs. J. M. Buckley and Mrs. S. E. Davis were present and were recipients of an ovation from the large number present. The ceremonies opened by singing hymn No. 157, "Beautiful River," followed by invocation by the Rev. S. Wingo, who then called Rev. Bowen, who needed no introduction, having endeared himself to Slidell people generally during the fifteen or sixteen years of ministerial service in this community. Rev. Bowen spoke very feelingly of the past and extended the help given him by the ladies, particularly Mrs. F. Salmen, through whose generosity the work was principally supported. Rev. Bowen stated during the course of his talk that he had always endeavored to build up his church around God and not to try to popularize himself so that should he be called away the work might progress as well without him, and he was glad to see from the present membership of over two hundred, that such fine progress had been made from such a small beginning. Mr. C. M. Liddie, treasurer of the church, was the next speaker, and preliminary thereto presented Rev. Bowen with a check for \$25.00, being a contribution of one dollar each from twenty-five members to commemorate the occasion. Mr. Liddie then gave an interesting history of the church, showing how starting in 1892 with nine members, and the (Continued on page 6)

FROM ONE OF BOYS IN CAMP

Mr. W. P. Dinkins, of Lacombe, sends us the following letter: Leon Springs, Texas, Nov. 11. Dear Mr. Dinkins:—Often times I have been thinking of sending you a few lines about our way of living up here at the camp of Leon Springs, but unfortunately time is so short that we can hardly find a little while to write to our friends. From 5:30 a. m. to 9:45 p. m., we have our hands heavily loaded with studies, drills and hikes. We must be ready quickly at any rate. This is our last word of it. In this we find one of the best reasons why out of 3900 officers, students, former officers or lawyers, only 2400 are left here today. Military aptitude has been given to our ranks. Among those who have left us the State of Louisiana has by great majority reached the highest percentage. Leon Springs is a great military reservation of 32,000 acres. No culture here, only mountains, soldiers and canon. The camp is 1300 feet above the sea level and is consequently very cold, especially at night. We had ice several times already. So far as I am concerned I have no reason to complain. The work is not too hard for me and so far my weekly exams have been very good. I have gained 22 1/2 pounds here. Besides our hard work of every day, we are treated like gentlemen in every possible way. Our trench warfare, however, very attractive to an officer anxious to do his best for the triumph of his country, is by no means very pleasant. We are scheduled to spend most of this week in them. I hope, however, it will be the last time here. Day and night we will have to fight as they are supposed to do in the old country. But to the exception that our shrapnel and others do not explode. Still 15 days and our time of probation will be over. Few days rest at home and we will meet again for good this time. However, the situation is pretty gloomy today in some fronts. We will win, never mind about the sacrifices. Our cause is holy. With the prospects of seeing you before long, I remain, B. ARGAUD.

JAHNCKE YARDS WILL BUILD BIG STEEL SHIPS AT MADISONVILLE

Citizens Get Together and Urge Co-operation of All the People. BIG INTERESTS SHOW THEIR APPRECIATION Covington and Madisonville Unite Forces and Endorse Plans.

The steel ships for the United States Government will be built at Madisonville. This is the word that has been anxiously waited for by the citizens of St. Tammany parish for the past week. When it was learned that the Jahnccke had the contract for the building of steel ships to the extent of ten millions of dollars, with the probability that other similar contracts would follow, New Orleans, Pascagoula, Mobile, Morgan City and other places got busy to secure the building of these yards at their cities. Also, Covington and Madisonville got busy to see that the business was kept at Madisonville. A delegation from Covington, headed by Hon. Lewis L. Morgan, waited on Mr. Ernest Jahnccke at Madisonville and asked what could be done to keep the business here. The impression this committee got was that there was not much chance of losing out to any other section, but it was suggested that a certain amount of co-operation was desired and that some assistance could be given if the citizens of St. Tammany would get behind it. It was proposed that \$50,000 should be raised for certain waterway improvement and this amount was pledged by the committee. Other committees met Mr. Jahnccke in New Orleans and discussed matters. Last Friday, November 9, Madisonville people held a meeting at which 200 people were present, including a delegation from Covington, and it was decided that Madisonville would give \$10,000 to the fund and that the town would close up certain streets for the benefit of the shipyards, would give a right-of-way on streets for railway, and would exempt the plant from taxation for five years. In fact, about 60 people of Madisonville subscribed \$14,650. Monday following a meeting was held in Covington at which the thirty thousand dollars was over-subscribed in about fifteen minutes. F. J. Heints presided and J. Monroe Simmons was made secretary. Mr. Heints stated the object of the meeting and the taking of subscriptions was gone into with little discussion. The feeling of the meeting was strongly in support of co-operation with the Jahnccke Company in every way possible, and the amounts were subscribed without hesitation as set, opposite the names below: Madisonville \$10,000 Poitevent & Favre Co., 1,000 Covington Gro. & Grain Co., 3,000 Slidell Shipyards 5,000 Salmen Brick & Lbr. Co., 5,000 E. G. Davis 1,000 Covington Bank & Trust Co., 2,000 St. Tammany Bk. & Trust Co., 1,000 W. A. Hood 500 Covington Naval Stores 500 Great Southern Lumber Co., 2,500 J. H. Warner, for Association of Commerce 2,000 A. D. Crawford 250 Chas. T. Bradley 500 Houllon Lumber Co., 1,500 A. H. Clement 1,000 Covington 500 John P. Rauch 1,000 Total \$39,500 Among those who attended the meeting from out of town were Theo. Deninger, Sr., Theo. Deninger, Jr., P. A. Blanchard, F. M. Stanga, J. A. Stanga and W. H. Bohning, of Madisonville; E. F. Hatley, W. E. Edgins, Slidell; Chas. A. Townsend, of Bogalusa. Other Ship Builders Busy. The yards of the Gulf Ship Building Co., of Madisonville, will soon present a busy scene. It is understood that they have some large contracts. Mr. A. H. Clement has recently become largely interested in this company. The Slidell Shipyards, we understand, now have contracts for steel ships amounting to about eight million dollars. Mr. E. F. Hatley is manager. It will readily be seen that this parish is now engaged in some pretty heavy business. The yearly pay roll, not including the grocer's works at Slidell, nor any industry excepting these shipyards, will be about two million dollars.