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SOLDIERS FROM ST. TAMMANY WHO DIED IN FRANCE

Letter Shows That Colored Soldiers Are Given Every Consideration.

GERMAN PROPAGANDA IS GIVEN DEATH BLOW

Colored Soldier Is Buried With All Rites of the White Soldier.

The following letter has been given to the Farmer by Attorney A. L. Year, of Covington. It will be read with interest, especially by the colored people, because it so plainly disproves the pro-German propaganda disseminated among the colored people for the purpose of creating the impression that no consideration is shown the colored soldier and that he is being used for drudgery and dangerous service. John S. Robinson was a colored soldier:

Hq. 512th Engineers, Service Battalion, A. P. O. 708, Am. Ex. Forces, May 7, 1918.

Mr. Bazile Robinson, care of Snyder Brothers, Pearl River, La.

Dear Sir:—It is my sad duty to notify you of the death of your brother, Private John S. Robinson, (Company A, 512th Engineers, (Service Battalion), who died at Base Hospital No. 28, on Sunday, May 5, 1918, of pneumonia.

Your brother was buried in a beautiful city in France on May 7, 1918, and was given full military honors. His body being carried through the streets in a fine casket conveyed by his officers and accompanied by an American flag and fellow soldiers.

He carried \$5,000 War Risk Insurance in your favor, which you will receive in due time according to the Government's way of paying. Will you notify his other brother and his wife of his death as I do not know their addresses.

Your brother was an excellent soldier. He worked hard and served his country well. He was liked by all who knew him in his company and was leader of his squad. I talked with him Saturday morning in the hospital where he was sick. Everything possible was done to make him well. I also prayed with him at this time and he seemed ready to meet his God. His faith was an inspiration to me personally.

His death, like many others that are occurring over here in France is the sacrifice that America is having to pay for liberty in the world today. I hope you will not mourn his loss as one who has no hope, for after all he has only gone on to his well-earned rest in the land beyond where war and death are no more.

It was my privilege to officiate at the funeral of your brother. His loss is mourned by his whole company.

Sincerely yours,
CHAPLAIN H. R. ANDERSON,
512th Engineers, N. A.

The following letter announces the death of a St. Tammany boy killed at the front. The letter is accompanied by a note from J. P. Morgan, stating that his son was killed in France.

COUNCIL OF DEFENSE DISCUSSES PRO-GERMANISM

At a meeting of the Council of Defense held Wednesday, June 12, 1918, several matters of importance were taken up, aside from the discussion of the means of making W. W. S. drive a success, and several resolutions were passed, followed hereafter.

A matter that was specially discussed and that brought strong sentiment and that brought strong sentiment (Continued on page 4)

CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEES NOW READY FOR WORK

Every Child, White and Colored, Must Be Brought In.

WHEN AND WHERE TO BRING CHILDREN

Rising Generation May Be Assured Better Physical Condition.

In conformity with rules planned by the Child Welfare Committee a committee has been organized in each of the following towns that will be at its respective station at the hours designated, to weigh the children from 3 months to 5 years of age. Parents are asked to go to the town nearest their home and have this done. Failure to do this must be reported to Washington.

Colored children must be weighed also.

Madisonville and Mandeville have not reported their plan of work, but are advertising and will be ready to begin Monday, June 17th.

The Covington station will be next door to the postoffice with Mmes. B. Warren, L. L. Morgan, C. Sheffield, J. H. Warner, G. Clann, W. M. Poole, G. Menetre, Preston Burns, C. T. Bradley, J. Schneider, A. L. Bear, M. Planche and a number of the younger set to fill in cards.

This committee will divide up and be at the station from 9 o'clock a. m. to 6 p. m. for white children Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, and for colored, Thursday and Friday.

Abita Springs, with Miss B. Mutti and workers from the Red Cross, will have a station at Red Cross headquarters, the first five days of next week, from 10 to 12 a. m., and 4 to 6:30 p. m.

Folsom, with Mmes. W. Wallis, B. Spring, McLean, H. Fenderson, will have a station at the postoffice store, open for white and colored, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, from 9 a. m. to 6 p. m.

Orville will weigh the children on Thursday and Friday at Mr. Collin's store from 9 a. m. to 6 p. m.

Goodbee, with Mrs. A. Fuhrmann and Mrs. V. Hennett, at the postoffice, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, from 9 a. m. to 6 p. m.

Slidell will be in charge of Mmes. Cunningham, W. E. Eddins, J. D. Grant, C. A. Everitt, J. K. Griffith, Albert Salmen, C. Minturn, F. F. Wigginton, with quarters at the school house, from 9 to 11 a. m. and 1:30 to 5 p. m. Monday and Tuesday for white; Wednesday, colored. Ramsay, not yet reported.

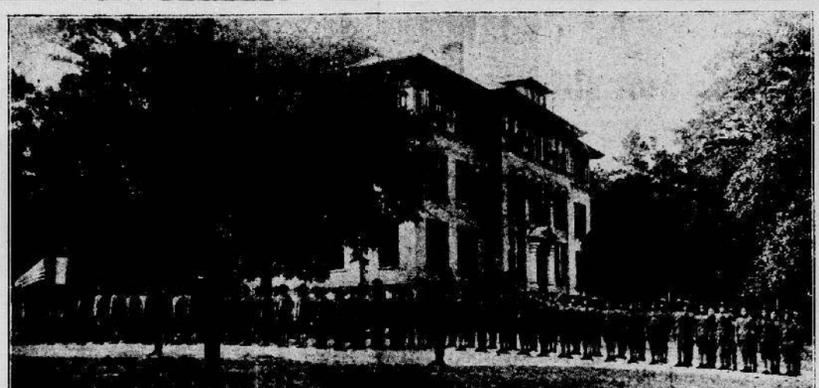
Mothers are specially requested NOT to bring any child or children who have a contagious disease or who have recently been exposed to them, to be weighed and measured.

Our committee will carry on this test for a longer period on certain days, so that such children can be weighed later.

Many of the physical defects which caused the rejection of one-third of the men coming up for examination in the first draft are believed to date from some slight trouble neglected in early childhood. And the Children's Bureau emphasizes the fact that a higher standard of physical fitness in the rising generation can be assured only by greater attention to the physical condition of children.

According to the Bureau, height and weight and their relation to each other are a rough index of a young child's health and development. For instance, when a child is strikingly below the average weight for his height or is strikingly small for his age, it indicates that expert advice about diet and daily care is needed, about diet and daily care is needed, about diet and daily care is needed.

ST. PAUL COLLEGE BOYS, COVINGTON, AT ATTENTION, AFTER BEING DRILLED BY CAPT. MACKIE



PROCEEDINGS MANDEVILLE COUNCIL

Mandeville, La., June 4, 1918.

The Board of Aldermen met in regular session on the above date with the following members present: W. G. Davis, Mayor; Wm. Griffin, E. Dubourg and Jas. Band. Absent: A. G. Maylie and A. Hartman.

Moved by Mr. Band and seconded by Mr. Dubourg, that the minutes of the meeting of May 8th be adopted as read. Roll call: For, Band, Dubourg and Griffin. Absent, Maylie, and Hartman. Three for. Carried.

Entered Mr. Hartman. Moved by Mr. Dubourg and seconded by Mr. Hartman, that the minutes of the special meetings of May 22 and May 28 be adopted as read.

All voting yes the motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Band, seconded by Mr. Dubourg, that the bills approved by the finance committee be paid.

All voting yes the motion was carried.

Moved by Mr. Hartman and seconded by Mr. Band, that the treasurer's report be adopted as read.

Treasurer's report for May, 1918.

May 31, balance 2501.00
May 31, miscellaneous collections 60.25
May 31, taxes 187.19
May 31, licenses 20.00
May 31, lot in cemetery 5.00
May 31, permit 5.00

Disbursements:
Street lights for April 140.20
Streets and bridges 10.75
Repairs to town hall 174.48
Refund to W. R. Smith 10.00
May salaries 106.28

Total \$411.69
Pursuant to advertisement sale was made on May 11 to enforce the collection of delinquent taxes for the year 1917 due the town of Mandeville, at which sale, owing to no bids being offered on the property described below by any one present, therefore the same was adjudicated to the said town of Mandeville for unpaid taxes due the said town for the year 1917, as follows:

Annie I. Andrews—Lots 42, 43 and 45, in square 39; 11 and 12 square 40—\$2.36.
Mrs. Annie Alden—Lots 10, 12 and 14, square 85—\$2.35.
John Couget—Lots 19, 20 and 21 in square 37—\$4.73.
Mrs. H. Dunlap—Lots 43, 45 and 47 in square 39—\$3.84.
Paul de Gray—Lots 5 and 6 in square 37—\$4.73.
H. L. Garland—1 lot corner Lake and Foy streets, square 4—\$7.41.
D. Jackson and L. D. James—Lots 16 and 17 square 4, division of lots 66 and 67—\$2.35.
Dave Jackson—1 lot in division of lots 66 and 67—\$1.58.
Mrs. J. W. Knight—Lots 35 and 37 in square 39—\$2.33.
Thos. P. Leon—Lot 20 square 4, division of lots 66 and 67—\$1.65.
Henry Seals—Lot 23 square D, division of lots 66 and 67—\$2.05.

PROCEEDINGS POLICE JURY JUNE 11TH

Covington, La., June 11, 1918.

The police jury met on the above date with the following members present: Geo. Koepf, H. N. Fenderson, E. J. Domergue, J. M. Smith, S. R. Cowart, Fletcher Crawford, W. H. Davis, E. P. Robert, Robt. Abney. Absent: J. B. Howze, president.

It was moved and seconded that the secretary be authorized to write the Great Northern Railway Company and ask them to leave the old Columbia road at the north end of Bogue Chitto bridge open for travel. Carried.

It was moved by Geo. Koepf, seconded by Robt. Abney, that the police jury purchase from the Seils Co., Atlanta, Ga., 2500 gallons of dipping vat solution, at a contract price of \$1.95 per gallon delivered at Covington, freight paid, in drums. Terms 90 days net. 1250 gallons to be delivered at once, the balance when notified, the second shipment to be paid in 90 days from time ordered. Carried.

The police jury adjourned until 1:30 o'clock.

Afternoon Session.
It was moved by E. P. Robert and seconded by Geo. Koepf, that a new flag be bought for the courthouse flag pole. Carried.

It was moved by Geo. Koepf and seconded by H. N. Fenderson, that the salary of H. D. Bulloch, coroner, be increased from \$50 to \$75 per month. Carried.

The following ordinance was introduced:
An ordinance establishing Road District No. 1.

Be it ordained by the Police Jury of St. Tammany parish, That under and by virtue of Section One of Act 183 of 1914 there shall be heretofore established in the Parish of St. Tammany a road district known as Road District No. 1, to be composed of the First, Third, Fourth and Tenth Wards of the parish of St. Tammany.

Section 2. That it shall have all the powers of road districts conferred under and by virtue of Section Two of said Act 183 of 1914.

Section 3. Be it further ordained, That this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon the promulgation thereof, and that the said Road District No. 1 shall be further empowered to act according to law from and after said date.

Ayes: 9. Nays: 0.
Carried.
Adopted June 11, 1918.

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LOUIS J. GRELE; ABITA SPRINGS, NOW IN NAVY



SURPLUS FRUIT VEGETABLES FOR WINTER

It is especially important this year that all surplus fruit and vegetables be put up for winter use. This increases the food supply at home and so we will need to draw less from the North, so that less cars will be used and we will have more of a surplus to feed our boys on the other side.

With this in view we believe that we should reach the largest possible number of people by having a three-day rally at Covington. We are arranging a series of short courses of one and two days each at different points in the parish.

We had a demonstration at Madisonville, Monday, June 10, and at Folsom, Tuesday, June 11. Both were fairly well attended. The Folsom demonstration was continued and completed Wednesday, June 12.

The following meetings are to be held: Pilgrim Rest, June 18; Lewisburg, June 20; Audubon, June 21; Tallissee, June 24; Savannah Branch, June 26.

A joint meeting with Washington parish will be held at Sun. The date will be agreed upon later.

Special attention is being given to tomato products. If Canning Club boys ever expect to put canned goods on the market they must have a standard pack. This is taken up at the demonstrations, and also the use of inferior fruits in products, other than the canned tomatoes, and the use of green tomatoes to prevent complete loss from rot.

Not only club girls but all ladies are urged to attend these meetings. President Wilson is urging that more attention be given to increasing our food supply for this winter, and I am sure that every one is going to do his best since it means more food for our boys at the front.

Any one wishing information about cans or jars may write the parish agent.

MISS M. WILLIAMS,
Home Demonstration Agent.

FOUR WARDS TO FORM A ROAD DISTRICT FOR GOOD ROADS

Police Jury Takes Action To Let Taxpayers Decide If Want Roads.

MUST TRANSPORT LABOR FROM YARDS

St. Tammany Health Resorts Have Now Become Industrial Centers.

A very significant step taken by the police jury at its meeting this week was to create special road district out of the First, Third, Fourth and Tenth Wards. The purpose of this action on the part of the police jury is to enable the citizens and taxpayers of this group of wards to decide by a vote whether or not it will pay them to surface their roads between the towns of Houltonville, Madisonville, Covington, Mandeville and Abita Springs. These towns are in what may be termed the Ship Building District of St. Tammany parish and daily fresh call contingents are being inducted into the parish for purposes of building ships for the Emergency Fleet.

The necessity of building roads to transport this labor to and from the yards becomes more apparent. In fact the necessity of building roads to the ship yards from all points where labor must be reached is so great that the Government will absolutely require that such roads shall be built before contracts for ships are awarded in that locality.

The sudden reversal of the St. Tammany towns from health resorts to industrial centers has brought corresponding changes with respect to faster modes of travel. With the discontinuance of the motor line between Covington, Mandeville and Abita Springs, the necessity for hard surfaced roads between these towns is beyond dispute, and must be maintained as well as a certain stretch on the Ponchartroula road and the Turn Pike.

The first act of the new Road District, which is to be composed of five citizens who will be recommended by the voters to the police jury, will be to submit the proposition of voting a two mill tax for the road district. Only such roads will be built as the taxpayers will vote to have built just as a vote to build a school in a district is carried out. In this way the road trustees like the school trustees will spend just what the road contract calls for, and the people will get the kind of road they want after they have voted for it.

Taxes will only fall on the district where the road is to be built and that part of the parish which is not interested in the road district, will not be concerned about it. It is only necessary for those who have traveled over the surfaced road between Madisonville and Covington to know how necessary the same kind of road is for the other towns that have to get the workers to and from the ship yards.

The present pay roll of the Jancke Ship Building Co. is about \$24,000 per week. In another three months it will be \$40,000 per week. All of this money is being spent in St. Tammany parish and is bound to benefit every business man and farmer in the parish.

The building of these roads will be the first grand step towards eventually getting the same proposition for the balance of the parish where they are so sorely needed.

DISTRICT COURT.

District Court was in session this week and a great number of cases were assigned for the next term of court. Among the business disposed of is the following:

State vs. Adolph Talley. Fined \$25 and costs, and in default to 60 days in jail. Sentence to be suspended on payment of costs.

Mrs. Jos. F. Crawford vs. Jos. F. Crawford. Judgment as prayed for.

Mrs. J. T. Nolan vs. J. T. Nolan. Judgment as prayed for.

State vs. Hardy and Dave Richardson, Carl Parker, Adolph Reut, A. J. Planche, Paul Laborde, Wm. Oswald, Jesse Thomas. Bills of information filed by District Attorney for failure to dip cattle.

WAR COUNCIL STARTS DRIVE W. W. S. FUND THIS PARISH

St. Tammany Parish Must Raise Over Five Hundred Thousand.

UP TO LOYALTY OF THE PEOPLE

Committees Appointed and Allotments Made For Wards and Towns.

The great drive for War Savings Stamps sale will be pushed to the limit from now until June 30. Mr. E. G. Davis, chairman of the St. Tammany Parish Council of Defense, acting under instructions from the National and State Councils of Defense, has organized his committees and is preparing to show the Government that the loyalty of St. Tammany parish is second to none. The task is a great one, and the people are asked to make every effort to show that liberty is priceless and that no money sacrifice can stand in the way of obtaining it. The Government pleads strongly for the necessity of raising this money, \$532,400.00, or \$20.00 per capita. The same assessment is made on every citizen in the United States to raise \$37,000,000.00 that must be raised some how. In other drives Louisiana has been allowed a handicap, but in this drive she must stand on an equality with every other citizen of America. In War Savings Stamps she now stands fourth from the bottom of the list. Let us hope that after this drive she will stand at the top. We at least an endeavor to place St. Tammany at the top of every parish in the State, in proportion to our population.

Each citizen will be allotted the amount to be subscribed. President Wilson has issued a proclamation calling upon the people to do their duty in the matter. Governor Pleasant has done the same. Loyal citizens everywhere will respond to the very limit of their means. Are you loyal?

The following is the list of committees that have been appointed. (Continued on page 4)

AT PARKVIEW TO-DAY.

The management of Parkview presents to St. Tammany parish on Saturday, June 15 (to-day), a picture performance of wonderful merit presenting Charlie Chaplin in his million dollar picture, "A Dog's Life," along

with Viola Dana in "Blue Jeans"—a wonderful heart interest story—making the entire bill more than suitable for children and one that will lift from the minds of the adults the daily strain of the horrors of the war by bringing relaxation to mind and body and carrying those who witness it far away from the daily burdens of life.

The first performance will be presented today at 3 p. m., and children under 12 years will be given a special rate from 3 p. m. to 3:30 p. m. by being admitted during this first half hour for 15 cents and the war tax. After 3:30 they will have to pay the regular fare of 25 cents and the war tax for children, and adults will be charged throughout the bill 35 cents and war tax. The prices for this performance, in proportion, are far below first-run New Orleans prices.

The same bill will be re-shown on Sunday afternoon starting promptly at 2:30 p. m. Regular prices will be charged, and the usual Sunday show will be started at 5 p. m. "A Dog's Life" and "Blue Jeans" will be shown at Madisonville Sunday night.



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The following special report of the Grand Jury was sent in: