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OVER THE TOP DRIVE RECORD WON BY THIS PARISH

Over \$500,000 Is The Record Added to the Other Over-Top Winners.

QUITE A NUMBER OF LIMIT MEN

While Drive Is Practically Closed Money Is Still Coming In.

St. Tammany parish has gone over the top in the War Savings Stamp drive, as was predicted. When the wealth of St. Tammany parish is considered, this is a remarkable accomplishment. It required leadership and an immense amount of work both clerical and executive, and it was made possible by the intense loyalty of the people. We of St. Tammany parish will always be proud of our part in the war; the cheerful, ready loyalty of the selectmen who have left on the trains with cheers and waving hats; the civilian who is obeying the demands for conservation and who is contributing his money. It is not only the over the top for St. Tammany, and the various chairmen and commanders deserve credit for the way they have worked.

Now will be found the report of Chairman Davis and commanders in the drive:

To the Loyal and Patriotic People of St. Tammany Parish:

We have again accomplished the "impossible." When we were told that the parish was expected to raise \$200,000 per capita, men, women and children, white and black, for the War Savings Campaign, and our allotment fixed at \$400,000.00, there were very few in the parish courageous enough to say it could be done. They did not know how loyal and true they were to their Country; how they would sacrifice and save in order to lend to the Government that it might properly care for the soldiers and conduct the war in a proper manner. Up to this time, Wednesday forenoon, the returns on the War Savings Campaign show a total of \$487,000.00, and I am perfectly satisfied that by the time you read this the total will be more than one-half million dollars. Think of it! The people of St. Tammany have pledged to loan one-half million dollars to Uncle Sam during the next six months. And they will do it. Many, many thousands of these pledges have already been paid in. And the people will be better off for having done it. They will be even more staunch in their support of the best Government the sun ever shown upon.

In behalf of our Government and the National War Savings Committee, I wish to thank the good people of the parish for so liberally supporting this, the greatest call yet made upon them. I trust the time will never come when St. Tammany will fall short of any goal set for it in any feature of the war work.

Faithfully yours,
E. G. DAVIS,
Parish Director.

War Savings subscriptions, by wards, up to Wednesday, July 3:	
Stamps sold previous to campaign	\$20,000.00
Ward 1 (over top)	85,000.00
Ward 2	15,000.00
Ward 3 (over top)	110,000.00
Ward 4 (over top)	45,000.00
Ward 5	8,000.00
Ward 6 (over top)	35,000.00
Ward 7 (over top)	24,000.00
Ward 8	5,500.00
Ward 9 (over top)	124,000.00
Ward 10	16,000.00
	\$487,800.00
Allotment for parish	\$460,000.00

It is impossible to give the number of subscriptions or to give list of subscribers. The number runs high into the thousands.

Taking \$1000.00 Each.

Following are the limit pledges in the Third Ward:

Chas. T. Bradley, Thos. M. Burns, Mrs. J. C. Burns, L. M. Bourgeois, Robert Bardon, S. D. Bulloch, Mrs. Marguerite Blattner, Covington Bank & Trust Company, Jas. Connaughton, J. C. Cappell, Covington Grocery & Grain Company, E. G. Davis, Mrs. E. G. Davis, E. J. Domergue, Mrs. A. M. Finney, A. Frederick, Emile Frederick, Hebert Grocery Company, Paul Herbez, C. L. Hosmer, M. L. Kinchee, Miss Mina Haller, Mrs. Cecilia Haller, John L. Haller, Elias Hall, J. S. Jones, J. D. Kerr, Paul J. Laborde, Emile J. LeBlanc, E. M. LeBlanc, E. E. Lyon, Lewis L. Morgan, J. Newman, Mrs. Alice Poole, Frank Pateck, A. J. Planche, Mrs. Felene Peyre, St. Tammany Bank

SLIDELL CARRIES ELECTION FOR MAINTAINING SCHOOLS

Dr. Griffith Now A Lieutenant In Reserve Medical Corps of Army.

J. D. GRANT ELECTED HEAD OF COUNCIL

Red Cross Organized and Other Interesting News Items.

(By F. F. Wigginton.)

Slidell, La., June 27, 1918.

At a meeting of the community Council of Defense held in the Slidell high school auditorium reports were made by the twenty-two captains of War Savings Stamp campaign and total subscriptions were \$116,550.00, which again puts Slidell and the Ninth Ward of St. Tammany well over the top, and we still have further pledges in sight but not yet reported. The local shipbuilding employees and officers subscribed \$45,000.00 of the above total. Our negro population responded liberally with nearly \$5,000.00, and are imbued with a splendid patriotic spirit, and are offering their services in all capacities, having their own Red Cross branch, and are active in every thing assigned to them.

Owing to the fact that Dr. J. K. Griffith, present chairman of Community Council of Defense, has volunteered for service at the front and has been notified of his commission as First Lieutenant in Reserve Medical Corps, and expects to be called for service shortly, his resignation was presented. However, he was prevailed upon to continue the work as chairman and Food Commissioner until actually called away, and Mr. J. D. Grant was elected chairman and Mr. W. E. Gause vice chairman, to become effective at Dr. Griffith's departure. A committee of three were appointed to draft resolutions in honor of Dr. Griffith's splendid services.

Special services were held in the K. of P. Hall on Sunday evening in honor of the fifteen men called from the Ninth Ward of St. Tammany. Addresses were made by Rev. Father Benedict Stetter, Rev. Franklin C. Talmage and Rev. Spurgeon Wingo. There was a very large audience, the hall being crowded and some remaining on the outside. After the regular speakers had finished, Mr. U. G. Neuhouser called attention to the fact of Dr. Griffith having volunteered and being commissioned for service at the front, and the dramatic effect of his remarks were such as to cause tears to flow openly and unrestrictedly by men, women and children, who know the Doctor and appreciate his splendid character and energetic and patriotic work which he has done and is doing.

Building Steel Ships. Work on five steel ships at the local yards is progressing finely. Labor conditions are good, wages paid are standard, and while the housing conditions are also good they are not ample enough just at present. However, provision is being made for at least an addition of two hundred more employees who will have an hotel entirely to themselves located right among the pines, with every convenience attached; this hotel will be completed and ready for occupancy within ten days.

Colored Folks Organize. Our colored folks, in addition to their other activities, have organized a branch of the Colored Soldier Comfort Committee, National Organization, the object of which is to look out for the colored soldier and also to look after the dependents of these soldiers who may be in need of financial assistance and guidance in other ways. Officers were elected as follows: Isaiah Wombie, president; (Continued on page 2)

POLICE JURY.

There will be a regular meeting of the St. Tammany Parish Police Jury on Tuesday, July 9, 1918.

F. J. MARTINDALE, Secretary.

& Trust Company, J. Louis Smith, J. H. Smith, Miss A. C. Smith, H. J. Smith, Mrs. H. J. Smith, Mary Virginia Smith, Henry J. Smith, Jr., Mrs. R. L. Smith, C. G. Segond, Chas. Theobald, Edward Theobald, Dr. G. R. Tolson, L. Wehrli, Jr., A. L. Young, Joseph Delery, J. F. Hester, J. R. Navers.

Making a total of 55 "Limit Men."

The Seventh Ward was one of the first over the top. The limit men taking \$1000 each were: John A. Todd, Jas. M. Barringer, A. J. Bockenhagen, Davis-Wood Lumber Co. (Continued on page 6)

SUPPLY WAGONS FOR THE AMERICAN TROOPS AT THE FRONT



Train of supply wagons moving through a French village and over a low bridge on the way to the troops at the front.

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING OF JULY 3RD

Covington, La., July 3, 1918.

The council met in regular session on the date. Present, P. J. Lacroix, Mayor; Emile Frederick, H. A. Mackie, M. P. Planche, Adrian D. Schwartz, C. E. Schonberg. Absent, A. R. Smith.

The minutes of June 4 were read and approved.

The treasurer submitted his report for the quarter ending June 30, 1918, as follows:

Special Fund.
Covington, La., June 29, 1918.
To the Honorable the Mayor and Council of Covington, La.
I herewith submit Special Fund report for the quarter ending June 30, 1918:

Receipts—	
Net proceeds bond sale deposited in Covington Bank & Trust Co.	7222.45
Disbursements—	
Warrants paid to June 30, 1918,	4177.60
Amount in Covington Bank & Trust Company	3044.85

Respectfully,
V. Z. YOUNG,
Treasurer.

General Fund.
Covington, La., June 29, 1918.

To the Honorable the Mayor and Council of Covington, La.

I herewith submit my report for the quarter ending June 30, 1918:

Receipts—	
Bal. in Covington Bank & Trust Co., March 30, 1918,	391.35
April 19, deposit	4613.58
May 1, deposit	811.45
June 1, deposit	417.71
June 29, deposit	298.85
	\$5933.55

Disbursements—	
Warrants pd. from April 1 to June 30	2698.33
Amount in Covington Bank & Trust Company June 30	3235.22
	\$5933.55

Respectfully,
V. Z. YOUNG,
Treasurer.

On motion, seconded and carried, it was referred to the Finance Committee.

The secretary submitted his report for the month ending June 30, 1918, as follows:

Receipts—	
Licenses	40.60
Taxes, 1917,	166.43
Taxes, 1918,	75
Fines	45.00
Lights	25.00
Sundries	21.20
Costs	25
	\$298.85

Disbursements—

June 29, check to V. Z. Young, treasurer	298.85
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L. A. PERREAND, Secretary.

On motion, seconded and carried, it was referred to the Finance Committee.

The following petition was read: To the Honorable Mayor and Town Council of the City of Covington.

We respectfully request that your honorable body exempt the New Fenwick Sanitarium from payment of taxes, beginning with the current year, 1918.

Respectfully submitted,
NEW FENWICK SANITARIUM.

Per F. F. Young, M. D., Manager.
On motion of H. A. Mackie, seconded by A. D. Schwartz, the application of Fenwick Sanitarium for exemption from town taxes was denied. The vote was recorded as follows: (Continued on page 5)

WOMEN WANT MORE MORAL PICTURES

Covington, La., July 3, 1918.

There is a movement on foot by the Federated Women's Societies for the production of better films in the picture shows. The Women's Progressive Union has taken up the matter in Covington with the Parkview Amusement Company, and Mr. Fuhrmann has agreed to help the movement. In order to test public approval of the matter he has agreed to set Monday night apart for the exhibition of such pictures as are desired. If the patronage shows that the public desires a continuance of these pictures, the result will be the final elimination of such pictures as have caused complaint and that are believed by the women to be objectionable in their general effect.

Of course there is a wide difference of opinion as to the attractive features of pictures, and it is seldom that there is unanimous approval of any picture; but it should be comparatively easy to ascertain the moral sentiment of the people. Just how far sex problems should be brought out in the films depends largely upon the age and discretion of the audience, within limits, and some of the best actors of the day would be lost to the public if lines were drawn too tightly. There is no doubt, however, that some of the films should not be exhibited to young folks. Whether this is a question for parental control or whether it can be settled by public sentiment can only be known by testing it. The problem is a very difficult one; but the movement should at least result in the elimination of some of the productions that have been passed by the censors. It all depends on how much the public desires this to be done. The Monday night test will have much to do with it, and the success of the movement depends largely upon the attractiveness of the pictures exhibited on this night.

COM. HALLER GIVES RULING ON SUGAR

The new rulings on sugar do not change the amount allowed per person a month which remains three pounds. The change has been made in the number of pounds which can be purchased at one time. In towns it formerly was five pounds, now it has been reduced to two pounds. For the country consumers it was ten pounds, now it has been reduced to five pounds.

Sugar for preserving purposes must come under the three different prices. Different quantities are used for each process, as follows:

1 pound sugar for 1 gallon fruit for janning.

2 1/2 pounds sugar for 1 gallon of fruit for preserves.

The number of gallons of juice to equal quantities of sugar for jellies.

A pledge must be signed to obtain sugar for preserving purposes. Any person purchasing sugar from two different stores to have more than the two-pound allotment violates the law and if reported will be prosecuted.

The Federal Food Administrator is not enforcing the law to deprive any one in any community, but in the contrary they are working hard to have an equal distribution of any commodity to every man, woman and child. I read an article in a New York paper in which it stated that the Food Administration work was such a wonderful protection to the consumer that there are only two classes of people: the patriots who observe the "Food Laws", and the "hogs who know no law but eat."

The Food Administration appeals to the householders to can fruit in preference to other preserves, as it requires less sugar. A further appeal is made to consume less beef and mutton, as chicken, fish, fresh vegetables and fruit are plentiful at present, therefore, no hardship to go with less beef and mutton. The medical profession will tell you that it is far more healthful to eat cereals, fresh fruit, vegetables and fish in the summer months than it is to eat meat; therefore, let us get away from some antiquated idea or custom that we must have a certain article to eat. Assist the Federal Food Administration and think of them as a friend and not as a spy. Allow your assistance to do beyond your own wants and household and see that others who may not observe the law be made to respect the command of your great United States Government the same as our noble boys must respect the command of their superior officers at the front. By assisting four food representative in the parish you are assisting your army at home to help win the war.

JOHN L. HALLER,
Parish Food Administrator.

MR. STIER AND DR. MAYLIE ORGANIZE RED CROSS BRANCHES.

Mr. E. V. Stier, secretary of the New Orleans Chapter, American Red Cross, assisted by Dr. A. G. Maylie, reorganized the following Red Cross auxiliaries as branches of the New Orleans Chapter:

Madisonville Branch, on July 2, with forty members present and the following officers: Mrs. P. A. Blanchard, chairman; Mrs. A. C. Milliot, vice chairman; Mrs. Ralph Chatelier, secretary; Miss Ethelne Bohning, treasurer; Geo. Bohning, chairman of finance committee.

Abita Springs Branch, on July 3, with twenty members present and the following officers elected: Miss R. Miller, chairman; Mrs. N. A. Eriette, vice chairman; Miss Elmira Pons, secretary; Mrs. Jos. Bordes, treasurer; Mayor Jos. Bordes, chairman of finance committee.

On the Madisonville road, a coat with bunch of keys in pocket. Owner can have same by applying at this office, proving property, and paying for this advertisement.

IN THE DISTRICT COURT NEXT WEEK.

Monday.

W. I. Pratt vs. Jones & Pickett, Mrs. Sarah Bennett vs. N. O. G. N. Mrs. Alice Moseley vs. C. Dabiezies, Wm. B. Taylor vs. Louisa Givens.

Tuesday.

Chas. T. Bradley vs. T. N. Jordan et al., John Edgar vs. C. E. Schonberg, Estelle Cousin vs. G. Cousin, Edgar Doucette, Sr., vs. Wallace Pichon et al.

Wednesday.

State of Louisiana vs. Fred Evans, Malicious mischief.

List of jury cases assigned for the special jury term of court ordered to convene at Covington, beginning on July 10th:

Wednesday.

State vs. Frank Tillison. Cow stealing.

State vs. Dallas Sharp. Carnal knowledge.

State vs. Stravade Moore. Shooting with intent to kill.

State vs. Fred Evans. Larceny.

Tuesday.

James Mullaly vs. Jos. Federico. Damage suit.

State vs. Fred Morris. Rape.

State vs. Albert Burns. Shooting with intent to kill.

Friday.

State vs. Olivia Brown. Murder.

FOUND.

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MADISONVILLE SPORT LOVERS TO TURN OUT MONDAY

Sport Fans To Be Treated To Some First-Class Boxing Bouts.

BIG CROWD WITNESS LAUNCHING OF TECHE

Crowds Come From Mississippi and Surrounding Country.

Madisonville sport fans are looking to a good time Monday evening at Madisonville baseball park, when Mr. Williams will pull off his great Red Cross benefit boxing contest. There are some excellent events to take place and there will be a warm time in the square ring. The Murphy-Russell contest is expected to be fast and furious, as they are said to have a grudge to settle. Other bouts are Joe Mandot and Young Chaney; Red Dolan and Pal Moran; Kid Kester and Battling Barree; Arthur Simons and Kid Kelley; Nate Jackson and Kid Catana; to wind up with a "Battle Royal."

Launching Of The Teche.

The launching of the first vessel at the Jahncke Shipyards at Madisonville, Thursday, was a great event and the launching was carried out without a hitch. People came from Mississippi and the surrounding country. There must have been 500 cars on the grounds and the crowd was a swarm. A string of cars were on the Madisonville road all the morning.

Speeches were made by Sidney Storey of the Shipping Board, and H. G. Milson, representing the Canadian Government. The Bayou Teche, which is one of ninety-five to be launched throughout the United States on July 4, is a 3500 ton vessel.

LIST OF MEN CALLED AND THOSE WHO LEFT FRIDAY.

The following white men are called to report in Covington on Monday, July 15, at 6 a. m., to leave on the Y. & M. V. for the school for auto mechanics, Tulane University, New Orleans:

Percy E. Smith, Covington.
Alvin D. Carpenter, Slidell.
Henry M. Cooper, Covington.
Jos. M. Broussard, Lafayette.
James M. Smith, Covington.
Albert Burns, Covington.
Theodore A. Bush, Bogalusa.
Enrico B. Bosquet, Covington.
The following white men left Covington at 6 a. m., July 5, 1918, for Jackson Barracks, New Orleans:
Edward David, Mandeville.
H. M. Carpenter, Slidell.
Zach Hollingsworth, Slidell.
Pleas Lee Coffey, Covington.
Charles M. Pittman, Polson.
Charles Berlier, Mandeville.
Albert S. David, Covington.
Edgar F. Galmiche, Covington.
John J. Finn, Abita Springs.
Martin Galloway, St. Tammany.
Andrew W. Blackwell, Polson.
Emanuel F. Porter, South Point.
Richard Strain, Abita Springs.

PARISH COUNCIL OF DEFENSE.

At a meeting of the Council of Defense, Monday, Mr. Hugh Wilkinson, representing Mr. Pendleton of the Department of Justice of New Orleans, was present and the matter of disloyalty recently occurring in which charges were preferred from Abita Springs and Slidell were discussed.

Mr. Wilkinson gave assurances that the Department was giving attention to such matters and that due investigation was being made. He said that Mr. Pendleton's department was limited to investigation and that such findings as were sufficient to base an action in the Federal Courts were filed with the U. S. District Attorney and would result in action by the Federal grand jury.

The question of the passing of ordinances by the Police Jury of this parish that would enable the quick action of our District Court was discussed, and it was recommended that such action be taken. This would give relief to the Department of Justice, which is at present so overburdened as to make results slow.

COVINGTON BRANCH AMERICAN RED CROSS.

The following is the executive committee of the Covington Branch of the American Red Cross, consisting of officers of the Chapter and appointed members: Mrs. R. N. Leonard, Mrs. B. B. Warren, Mrs. E. R. Moses, Miss Kate Eastman, John L. Haller, E. G. Davis, J. H. Warner, D. H. Mason.

RETTA MOSES, COVINGTON IN AMERICAN WAR SERVICE



Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Moses, of Covington, who has sailed in the Navy as yeowoman, and now stationed at Algiers.

REVIEW OF WAR NEWS ON WEST AND ITALIAN FRONT

Allied Troops Win Big Battle On Italian Front In Complete Rout

GERMANS HELD UP ON WESTERN FRONT

A General Recital of War Events During Past Week or Two.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD.

The grand offensive of the Austrians in Italy, a failure almost from the start, developed into a defeat, and then suddenly into a disastrous rout last week. The hungry armies of Emperor Charles, unable to advance against the gallant Italians and their allies, took advantage of the sudden subsidence of the flood in the Piave to retreat under cover of darkness, but the dawn of Sunday revealed their movements and General Diaz struck swiftly. From the Montello to the sea the Italian artillery poured a murderous fire into the throats of Austrians who, abandoning their guns, were trying to get across the river. Then the infantry, and even the cavalry men, were called into action and speedily completed the rout. The Piave was almost choked with the enemy's dead.

Within two days the Austrians had not only lost all the ground they gained in their first rush, but had been driven entirely across the river to and in some cases beyond their former lines. Their losses were conservatively estimated at 250,000 in killed, wounded and prisoners. In addition the Italians captured great numbers of guns and quantities of munitions and equipment.

The Austrian rear guards fought most stubbornly at the Montello and at the Zenson bend, those at the latter place protecting the two remaining permanent bridges between there and the mouth of the river. The enemy suffered severely from the work of the allied air forces and in this the new American aviators were conspicuous.

All Italy celebrated the great victory and the overenthusiastic, there as elsewhere, expected the Italian army to follow it up by driving the Austrians out of the country. But General Diaz is too wise to fall into a trap similar to the one that caught the enemy. The Austrians have been there long enough to have organized a very strong defensive line, and moreover, the Germans were rushing troops to their support all last week. Diaz did not fall to follow up his advantage in the mountain region, however, for it is there that the next attack is (Continued on page 6)