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## SLIDELL TO HAVE A BIG RALLY BY \$40,000 CLUB MEMORIAL BUILDING

To Be Built In Honor Of Soldiers and Sailors From Here.

PROPOSITION IS POPULAR MOVE

J. D. Grant Donates Five Thousand Dollars To Start.

Slidell now has in hand the erection of a memorial Soldier's and Sailor's Club to cost in the neighborhood of \$40,000.00. The project was started by Mr. J. D. Grant, who professed a personal donation of \$5000, and suggested the probable donation of a similar amount by the Creosote Company. Mrs. M. McDaniel followed with a donation of \$500 and other interests in Slidell will no doubt bring liberal support to the proposition. The Salmen interests have always been alive to undertakings of public enterprise or benefit, and it goes without saying that the fund will be largely increased when they shall have added to it.

Mr. E. J. Domergue, of the Slidell Grocery & Grain Company, speaks of the undertaking with much interest, and a liberal contribution may also be expected from this source. While the plan is but just introduced, it may be taken for granted that Slidell will soon have a memorial building that will be a credit to the town and a testimonial of the sentiment of the people that has been so strongly impressed in the unanimous support given to war measures and the work done in appreciation of the responsibilities of loyal citizenship in time of war.

It is planned to have the building fitted with swimming pool, athletic hall, library and other usual accommodations in a club of this kind.

DRAIN PONDS, CLEAN PRIVIES AND STABLES.

Summer will soon bring its hordes of mosquitoes that discomfort us and poison our bodies with malaria; deadly flies whose dirty feet infect our food and milk with filth and typhoid germs; food-consuming and plague-bearing rats; pestilential ants that pollute our best foods; fleas and other pests. Efforts to lessen insect annoyance and the spread of disease through insect activity must begin at once.

Drain or regularly oil stagnant pools, tin cans and hollow trees. Remove manure every ten days, and work it into your garden soil. Every ten days bury the contents of privies, one hundred feet from the nearest well, under three or four inches of earth (not deeper), and atmospheric bacteria will quickly convert it into harmless fertilizer. Destroy decayed wood and rubbish. Make liberal use of screens, swats, traps, and insecticides, and encourage general cleanliness about the home and place of business.

Much of this work must be done by householders. The drainage of pools and the removal of garbage and fecal matter rests with public officials. People of St. Tammany, you know that reports of the healthfulness of our parish reach every state. Do you also know that a federal sanitary survey of the parish is probably under way, that already the report of the findings in one town of many breeding places for and large number of malarial mosquitoes, is the occasion of regret. Let it not be published that others of our towns are the foci for malaria; that open privies invite typhoid; that civic pride is so lacking that our yards and barns are breeding grounds for deadly flies and mosquitoes.

In Covington, breeding pools that (Continued on page 6.)

## TREEN'S LETTER

It has been hard for us to understand why prices on farm products did not go higher when there was such a demand for food. The following extract will show that we had not enough boats for moving what we made to the places it was needed.

By Edward M. Hurley, Chairman U. S. Shipping Board. Because of inadequate ocean transportation, the prices of farm products had an appalling drop at the beginning of the war. Armistice brought similar conditions, but the situation was saved by the ships of our new merchant marine, these now carrying overseas the greatest shipments in the history of American commerce. More than 1,500,000 tons of our surplus farm products are being shipped to Europe, and more than 80 per cent in American bottoms.

While the war has wrought many changes, its beginning and end—marked by the signing of the armistice—were strikingly similar in one respect.

With the outbreak of the conflict our seaports began to congest with freight, there being no ships to carry our exports because of the more urgent demands of the war. We were the most powerful of all the neutrals, yet we had no overseas shipping.

## COV. CITIZENS TO BOOST TOWN

Prominent Business Men Pledge Themselves To Association Work.

CO-OPERATION THE KEY NOTE OF MEET

A Shoulder to Shoulder Pull To Be Made For Upbuilding.

There was a get-together meeting of the merchants and citizens of Covington, Tuesday, and it was one of the most earnest and enthusiastic gatherings that has taken place. During a discussion of the proposition to get busy for the advancement of Covington, strong expressions of co-operation and interest marked the talks of the business men in attendance, and every man present had something to say that was encouraging. The hearty support given the movement was still further emphasized by the signing of resolutions endorsing the Association of Commerce and pledging assistance in strengthening the work that may be taken up by it for the welfare of the town.

It is of special importance to the future success of this work that the pledge is given to secure all the members possible for the Association, thereby increasing the funds sufficiently to put in operation practical plans for furthering Covington's interests. A few signatures have been added to these resolutions since the meeting and more have expressed a desire to sign and will do so later, as the paper was withdrawn in order to have it published. The resolution follows:

Covington, La., March 25, 1919. Whereas the undersigned citizens of Covington, appreciating the fact that most cities and towns of the United States are preparing to reap a share of the commercial prosperity that may follow reconstruction, feel that inactivity on our part would be a reproach to us as a community; and

Whereas competition and organization may be expected to be met in any effort to bring to Covington a share of this prosperity, therefore be it

Resolved, That in order to bring to Covington the public notice that gives opportunity, we hereby pledge ourselves to co-operate with the Association of Commerce, to become members of same and to give our support to such undertakings as may be for the business interest of the town; and be it further

Resolved, That we appeal to all citizens of Covington to join this movement for the prospering of Covington. E. J. Domergue, E. G. Davis, Bryan D. Burns, Frank Patecek, Harry Figueat, C. W. Alexis, Adrian D. Schwartz, A. R. Smith, N. H. Fitz-Simons, E. B. Webb, G. E. Sarril, T. E. Brewster, C. E. Schonberg, A. J. Planche, N. J. Scofield, F. P. Marsolan, E. R. Moses, J. F. Hester, R. H. Warner, H. A. Mackie, Jacob Seiler, A. G. Maylie, John L. Haller, W. H. Kentzel, H. D. Bulloch, Lewis L. Morgan, J. M. Simmons, E. V. Richard, H. E. Gautreaux, L. M. Bourgeois, Fred. J. Heintz, J. D. Kerr, R. H. White, Leon Hebert, M. Mercadel, W. E. Morris, E. L. Soniat, J. C. Cappel, E. J. Frederick, C. G. Segond, J. A. Stanga, Paul J. Lacroix, H. J. Ostendorf, H. K. Goodwyn, D. H. Mason, Elmer E. Lyon, R. L. Aubert & Co., Inc., A. G. Grimmer, W. Riggs, M. P. Planche, Chas. H. Sheffield, J. E. Stanga, Louis F. Pechon, F. J. Martindale, Arthur L. Bear.

The old Hood home at Ramsay, residence of Mr. Collins, was destroyed by fire last Friday.

Dr. Maylie wishes to have it understood and remembered that the laws relative to the registration of births and death will be strictly and rigidly enforced.

Physicians, midwives and heads of families are warned that failure to report a birth in Covington or the Third Ward, within ten days of its occurrence, will subject the offender, irrespective of standing and condition, to prosecution and a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$200.

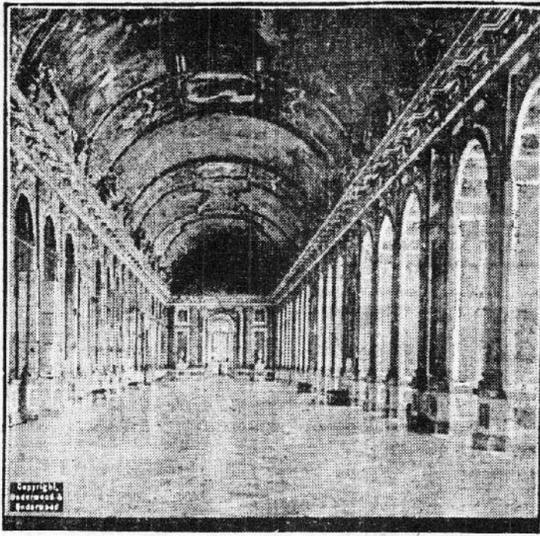
The charges heretofore collected for the registration of births and deaths will be discontinued, thereby eliminating the prime objection and cause of complaint.

Dr. Maylie is overly anxious to have Covington placed in the U. S. Vital Statistics Registration Area, the accomplishment of which will mean just one more boost for Covington, and to that end he asks and invites the assistance of every good citizen to the extent of reporting to him any person who, to their knowledge, fails to report any birth or death, more especially the former, with the assurance that such information will be considered strictly confidential.

Beginning April 1, 1919, the office of Registrar of Births and Deaths will be located at the Southern Hotel.

Mr. Albert Roth has been appointed deputy registrar.

## HALL OF MIRRORS, VERSAILLES



The magnificence of the palace of Versailles, where the peace treaty will be signed, may be judged from this view of the Hall of Mirrors.

## SOME FACTS CONCERNING THE PROPOSED GOOD ROADS ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 15, IN THE PARISH OF ST. TAMMANY.

First—The Police Jury's proceedings in to-day's Farmer show that they have placed the building of these roads in the hands of a highly competent road commission composed of J. D. Grant, of Slidell; John Poltevent, of Mandeville, and Wm. F. Oswald of Abita Springs.

Second—These bonds were sold in the face of the impending uncertainty of the stock market, for future delivery, at a premium of \$6,000.00 above par.

Third—The proceeds will provide sufficient machinery and material to maintain these roads for years to come, without additional charges, out of the general parish road funds.

Fourth—These roads will be surfaced with gravel or some equally durable road material, if it can be obtained as cheaply as gravel.

Fifth—After the roads are constructed, competent district boards will be created to insure that each section of the parish will receive proper maintenance.

Sixth—Each year the Police Jury is required by law to appropriate a certain fixed amount for every mile of hard surfaced road by naming the amount to be required and the road to be maintained, specially in the budget.

Seventh—If conditions are the same, when the time for road building commences, as they are at present, the road building will be conducted by the Road Commission and not sub-let by contract.

Eighth—Road building machinery and road maintenance machinery will be purchased and owned by the parish under control of the Commission.

Ninth—New surfaced roads will receive Government aid and will be built according to Government requirements.

Tenth—Any defects in the way of drainage or road beds now existing with some of the parish roads will be corrected before the said roads are surfaced.

Eleventh—Traffic ordinances preventing the abuse of the roads, or the dangerous use of the roads, will be prepared and enforced from the time that the new building commences.

Twelfth—The cost of maintenance of modern surfaced roads will be less than one-third of the costs of maintenance of the roads now existing in St. Tammany Parish.

Thirteenth—The tax on the first year's assessment will not exceed three mills or three mills and a fraction. This millage necessarily decreases in subsequent years.

An instance showing the decrease in millage is cited with regard to the 1914 bond issue for the present roads, which was two mills the first year. Next year it will stand reduced three-fourths of a mill. When the first tax for good roads was voted, the assessment of the parish was less than six millions. In the last four years, since these roads were put down, the property has increased in St. Tammany Parish to the value of \$16,000,000.00.

Fourteenth—Do not follow half-baked opinions or be misled by statements of persons who have some selfish reason in opposing the good road movement.

Fifteenth—Remember that Washington Parish has already voted one-half million for surfaced roads; that Tangipahoa Parish and other neighboring parishes are already bringing up surfaced roads to our line. We cannot continue to remain "stuck in the mud and hid in the dust" when all of our neighbors are progressing swiftly all around us.

Sixteenth—For the information of the voters of the First, Third, Fourth and Tenth Wards, it should be understood that the First District Road Bonds voted August 27, 1918, have not been negotiated and that the tax now being collected will be credited on next year's assessment for these respective wards.

Published by order of the Police Jury.  
F. J. MARTINDALE,  
Secretary.

## TO ERECT NEW BATH HOUSES.

Capt. Dudley H. Weaver, H. K. Goodwyn, and other young men of Covington have been busy on a plan to improve bathing facilities at Sulphur Springs and to make it a popular resort this summer. The erection of better bath house accommodations and a few other improvements would add greatly to the attractiveness of bathing at this ideal spot. Hundreds joined in this sport last season, and if the intended improvements are made it may be expected that crowds will take part this summer.

## SUPT. LYON UP AND SMILING.

Supt. Elmer E. Lyon has been quite ill for several days and is confined to bed. The promotion of any beneficial project, it is believed everything will move along smoothly and his home, but those who have seen him say he is smiling pleasantly. There is a reason for this smile. Mr. Lyon has always been a fighter for the school interests of St. Tammany parish, and when he learned that the Summer Normal School was about to be awarded to another town he got busy. He believed that Covington was entitled to this summer educational advantage, and he further believed that the people as well as the teachers would endorse the proposition of bringing it here. The result is that the Summer Normal School will be held in Covington this year.

## DAVID LLOYD GEORGE



At the head of Great Britain's peace delegates is David Lloyd George, the British premier.

## RECORD OF EVERY SOLDIER, SAILOR AND MARINE WANTED

Baton Rouge, March 26.—The service record of every soldier, sailor and marine is desired by the Louisiana State Council of Defense for permanent preservation in the state and parish archives. In order to secure accurate information regarding every man's service a campaign is being undertaken which will give friends and relatives of these men an opportunity to furnish facts.

Parish War Record Directors are being appointed by Governor Pleasant who will have charge of the parish organization. Canvassers are being furnished with blanks and will visit every family to ascertain whether they had sons or relatives in any branch of the service. In addition to the man's personal and military record an opportunity will be given to each of the family to furnish interesting extracts from letters and photographs, or anything that will have become valuable from a historical standpoint in one hundred years or more. It is especially important that the record of the men who fought under the Canadian flag, or the flags of other Allied Nations, be secured, as well as all men who volunteered, as the names of these men are not in the possession of the draft boards.

It is determined that there shall be no repetition of the incomplete recording of war service which resulted following the close of the Civil War because no adequate steps were taken to obtain the facts. The public is requested to co-operate in making Louisiana's honor roll complete.

When the canvassers have completed the work for any given parish the blanks will be forwarded to the State Council of Defense Headquarters where they will be copied in duplicate on special blanks, and placed in handsome loose leaf ledgers. One copy will be presented to the parish as a memorial to the men who served and the other record will be retained as the State file.

Relatives and friends of every man who entered the service are urged to ascertain the name of the War Record Director for the parish. Information regarding the parish organizations, where to secure blanks, etc., may be obtained from the State Council of Defense Headquarters, at Baton Rouge, La.

## A SUCCESSFUL CLUB GIRL.

Grace is a pretty girl with auburn hair, of about 17 summers. They must have been real summers, too, but they did not keep her out of the garden, according to the testimony of a few freckles, her general health and vitality. She is a member of both the canning and pig clubs, and has been for several years. Her canning club record is a story of its own. The following observations were made by the Pig Club Agent:

In November the young lady resided, to arrest an outbreak of hog cholera. Grace had a herd of hogs all her own—fifteen head. She very proudly pointed out the one original which was the mother of two litters. Grace helped to vaccinate them, showing no signs of fainting at the operation. In January, when the Agent was again in Folsom getting the new club roll for 1919, he went to see the herd of fifteen but only found three. On returning to the house he met the owner who was just home from school.

"Good morning, Miss Grace; where is your bunch of pigs?" she said. "All sold except three," she said. "Well, fine. May I ask what you did or plan to do with the proceeds?" "Certainly," came the reply with an air of pride. "Come right in and see."

And there was what the pig squeals had been converted into—a handsome cabinet phonograph!

This evidently did not take the whole roll received for the stock. This week the Agent met Miss Grace on the streets of Covington and learned that she was boarding here where she could attend the high school. She is studying home economics.

KARL TREEN,  
Club Agent.

The Boy Scouts will collect the clothing now being gathered by the Red Cross. Mrs. Wharton requests that those having such clothing get them ready so that the collection may be made with as little delay as possible. The call is quite urgent, as clothing is badly needed for the suffering refugees.

See the Patriotic Pictures at Soniat's News Stand to-day.

## ITEMS OF INTEREST AT JAHNCKE SHIPYARDS IN MADISONVILLE

Items of interest to the shipbuilders and public in general will be published in this column each week, and those who have interesting news and local notes can forward same to the Editorial Department Jahncke Shipbuilding Corporation, and they will be handled by them. Notes should be in so as to be mailed every Wednesday, otherwise they will be held over until the next week.  
D. H. VINET,  
Editor-in-Chief.

The great world war with its vast expenditure of blood and money produced many characters in different lines of activity who have made epochal records—made the United States of America famous the world over as a doer of big things and put at rest forever the charge of "money-makers without patriotism." The European catastrophe awoke only some of the great latent powers of this great Western giant, and the world looks on in wondrous admiration of its deeds of love, mercy, charity and valor. The ranks of the army, navy and shipyards contained the rich and the poor, Jew and gentile, and all vied with each other in showing the world in a practical way, the teachings of Washington and Lincoln and their great compatriots.

"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do ye with all thy might." This biblical quotation has been wonderfully exemplified in the person of Mr. E. V. Heughan, the efficient superintendent of the Jahncke Shipyard. He seems to have studied all the peculiarities of human nature and then welded it into every shipbuilding necessity. Mr. Heughan is a lifelong resident of Madisonville and a graduate of the school of experience. He is an ace, being decorated with the consciousness of duty faithfully performed.

In last week's notes Frank Cardone was mentioned as foreman of Hull 214, which was an error. Jos. Cardone is the happy possessor of the title and justly so, because he is an up-to-date workman and painstaking foreman. He is ably assisted by Frank Cardone, upon whom there are no flies. In fact, paper is too high to write as much as I would like to about the qualifications of the Cardone family in the way of ship carpentering and other professions.

Our esteemed friends, Messrs. W. H. Bohning and A. C. Lyon, left last Monday to attend the annual convention of the W. O. W., which convened at Alexandria, La., on March 26th. They go as delegates from Live Oak Camp 268. It would be hard to find two others who are so imbued with the principles of their order as these two gentlemen. Camp 268 hit the nail squarely on the head in their selection and we wish them and their fellows much success. Madisonville has the knack of doing everything well, and the action of the W. O. W. proves no exception to the rule.

Because she deserves it, I can not allow this opportunity to pass without giving unto Calceas that which is her due. Pardon me, I should have said in giving unto Mrs. Kathleen Drury what is Kathleen's. Her magnetic simplicity of meeting comfort out as a housekeeper is unsurpassed. She does it in such vivacious and queenly manner as to make a stranger within her presence always feel at home. Truly, Heaven always provides one sweet soul to serve as an oasis in the desert of life.

## BASE BALL.

When old Bill Shakespeare sat down to write the "Comedy of Errors" he evidently had in mind a baseball game he had witnessed which was similar to the one played by the Shipbuilders and Pencil Pushers on March 23. In the early part of the game it looked like a cinch for the Shipbuilders, but the Pencil Pushers managed to win by a score of 9 to 8.

M. Rousseau, the umpire, got all mixed up but the poor fellow could not help it for Mose Chateiller's stockings were enough to mix any one up. Before the game some one told Sandoz that he was going to a Turkish Bath party, and he brought along his bath slippers.

Langhott, Lyon and Morgan claim the honor of making the most errors but a good many of the other players claim the same honor. A speedometer was used to record the errors, but it was worked so fast it soon got out of commission.

There were a great many features from a burlesque point of view—both in the game and on the outside. The principal one on the outside was Patecek, who reminded us of the little boy that waits for a foul ball to go over the fence so he can get it and bring it inside and then get a seat to see the game. While foul play was the predominant feature of the game, nothing came Patecek's way, so he was forced to rig up an impromptu seat made by the use of a shirt box and a box of socks. Every one would like to know if this will have any effect on the coming styles.

## STRIKE OUTS.

How did those lounge lizards manage to get into the game

I know one ball team that will never get indigestion at a winner's banquet. How about it, Mose?

Some of the fellows have decided to get in condition by playing the old game of Ping Pong for a few weeks.

If married women didn't get any better support than that given to the pitchers in last Sunday's game they would sue their husbands for a divorce.

Mose Chateiller says he is going to enter his team in one of the big leagues. We suppose he will try the League of Nations.

The Shipbuilders team needs but two things to make it a winner. More hits and less errors.

It sounds funny, but the ancient Greeks played baseball. Ever heard of the Laconian League?

The reason why women don't make good ball pitchers is because even if a girl has good curves she can't control them.

Talk about control, why those boys, Dendinger and Phillips, can throw bird seeds at a canary's beak all day and not miss it once.

## PATTER.

Every one has heard of the Shim-mie, Tickle Toe and Buzzard Flop, but when it comes to popping the floor, take it from me, that Pine Knot Kid, Cliff King, is sure some popper.

When we consider the catastrophe Cliff met with on the Covington road his showing was nothing short of being remarkable.

Note: Earl LeBlanc take notice.

Mose: Don't you think this is a good picture of me?

Louis: It's a perfect picture of you, but tell me, who is the fellow holding the bride?

The other day Morgan was writing a letter to his girl. He happened to notice Calceas looking over his shoulder and reading every line. Pretending he did not see Calceas he finished his letter by saying, "Pet, I chose this letter suddenly, because an ill-mannered fellow is reading every word I write."

"That's not so," cried out Calceas, "I haven't read a thing in your old letter."

There is a model young man working in the shipyard. I don't believe an untruth ever passed his lips. The reason for that is he speaks through his nose.

There is a young fellow who is so mean that every time he tries to skate he falls on the floor. That just shows how disagreeable he is, even the skates can't bear him.

Bohning: I never saw a larger bill than the bill my duck has.  
Mose: You ought to see my automobile bill.

Morgan: Your grammar and d spelling is simply awful. I don't believe you know what w-o-m-a-n spells.

Ladlow: Trouble.

Oh, no! said little Johnny, bitterly, there ain't any favorites in my house. Oh, no! If I bite my finger nails I get a rap on the knuckles, but if baby eats his whole foot they think it's cute.

We wish to announce that Godfred no longer sits at the place with the bunch he calls "ruffians." The gang thinks his treatment was harsh enough without the use of the vile words he hurled at them. Just as Cuddy sat down to his new table he said, "I bet this will all happen." These words were accompanied by a look of scorn.

The only perfect man in the world is the fellow your wife was going to marry if she hadn't married you.

About the bravest man we know is the engineer of the Covington train. Why, he always whistles when he sees danger.

Davis has been offered a position at a prison to sing for the prisoners. The judge said it a good punishment for them.

Lost Strayed or Stolen: One green rockite. Finder will please return to E. LeBlanc.

Into a gentlemen outfitter's stroll-ed Norris. "I want a pair of socks," he told the clerk. The clerk produced a box of socks, saying, "Here are some that are very much worn."

"Is that so?" said Norris. "I don't want any that's very much worn; I have plenty like that at home."

Two years ago I saw a marriage performed by the Cheyenne Indians. The bride, she was dressed in a ten-inch smile and six streaks of red paint.

Earl LeBlanc says he can't dance since he hurt his hand. Does he think dancing is a wrestling match? (Continued on page 6.)