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EXCURSIONS ON EDUCATION LAW N. O. G. N. TO COVINGTON PUT ON

President Warner of the Association of Commerce Gets Busy.

N. O. G. N. RECONSIDERS DECIDES TO RUN THEM

McMahon Telegraphs That Excursions Will Be Run Tomorrow.

President J. H. Warner, of the Covington Association of Commerce, took up the matter of excursions to Covington over the N. O. G. N. as soon as it was reported they were not to be put on, notwithstanding other roads were putting them on. When the matter was put before the officials and the injustice to both Covington and New Orleans was pointed out, the matter was reconsidered. The following telegram from Traffic Manager M. J. McMahon will be read with pleasure and relief by the people of St. Tammany parish: Hattiesburg, Miss., April 30. St. Tammany Farmer, Covington: Commencing Sunday, May 4th, Sunday excursion will be operated from New Orleans to Shore Line point. Train leaves New Orleans 7:45 a. m., returning arrive New Orleans 7:55 p. m. Excursion New Orleans to Ramsay, inclusive, \$1.30; Ramsay to Folsom, \$1.65. This includes war tax.

M. J. McMAHON.

The excursion train will leave Covington on the return trip about 4:45 p. m. from the Covington station.

PREST-O-LITE WELDING AT PAUL VERGEZ.

Mr. Paul Vergez, the blacksmith and wheelwright of Covington, has installed the Prest-O-Lite system of welding. This is the modern, up-to-date method of welding, by which oxygen and acetylene is united to produce heat that will quickly, solidly and without waste join broken shafts, axles or other pieces of metal without weakening them in any part. Thousands of dollars may be saved to the people of St. Tammany parish. Wheels, cylinders, castings, boilers, in fact any metal part may be mended efficiently and instantly and motor machinery may be freed of carbon. There is no necessity for sending away for new parts to machinery that is broken. Mr. Vergez can fix them for you in short order.

This new Prest-O-Lite machine may be seen at the shop of Mr. Vergez, in Covington, and he will take pleasure in explaining its manner of working. Mr. Vergez is keeping up with scientific developments in his business. These are the things that push Covington to the front and make it known as a town where they do things.

NEGRO SHOTS ANOTHER.

Bob Bell, colored, shot and seriously wounded Joe Lewis, also colored, the weapon being a .38 special. The shooting occurred on 28th avenue in Covington, Wednesday morning. The bullet entered Lewis' thigh, badly shattering the bone. Dr. Bulloch dressed the wound and sent Lewis to the hospital in New Orleans.

Another shooting occurred at barn six, near Abita, in which Sam Turner shot and seriously wounded Alonzo Blackwell, both colored. A woman is said to be the cause of the quarrel.

"DEVIL DOGS" VS. LACY'S.

The "Devil Dogs," Covington baseball team, will play the Lacy's, of New Orleans, Sunday, May 4th, at St. Paul's Park, at 2 p. m. Admission to the game will be, adults, 25c; children, 15c; war tax included.

BLOOD WILL TELL.

Nine White Leghorn Cockerels hatched from eggs shipped direct to Woodward Farms from George B. Ferris, of Grand Rapids, Mich. 230 to 264 egg strain, will be on exhibition at Hebert's Grocery Store, Covington, to-day. Price \$2.50 each. A rare chance. See advertisement on page 3, this section.

POLICE JURY TO MEET AS BOARD OF REVIEWERS.

Covington, La., April 17, 1919. The Police Jury will meet on the first Monday in May (5th), 1919, as a Board of Reviewers. P. J. MARTINDALE, Secretary.

NOT ENFORCED SUPT. LYON ASSERTS

Supt. Lyon Answers "Tax Payer's" Inquiry Why Children are Absent.

NO INDICTMENTS FOUND BY JURY

School Board Member H. W. Woodruff Also Makes Comment on Subject

Covington, La., May 1, 1919. Editor St. Tammany Farmer:

Dear Sir:—While I must always decline to enter into any newspaper controversy, still I feel that I must ask for space enough in the columns of your paper to answer briefly the letter from "Tax Payer" appearing in your issue of April 26th. The writer of this article is absolutely correct in what he states regarding the bad effects upon the schools by not having the compulsory school attendance law enforced. If you will refer to my report to the Parish School Board at their last regular meeting held April 4th, and published in your issue of April 19th, you will see that I even went further than "Tax Payer" does in naming injurious effects from the non-enforcement of this law.

I am more than delighted to have this matter of school attendance brought to public attention, because it is only by a free, frank and candid discussion of such subjects that a correct understanding by the public can ever be secured. I am always willing to have my official acts discussed, still I must beg the right of calling "Tax Payer's" attention to the fact that I am not a truant officer and neither am I a part of the machinery that prosecutes law-breakers. I have a high opinion of our District Attorney and Judge and I feel sure that if they were convinced that the people of this parish wanted this law enforced they would do everything in their power to see that people from their children were brought to justice. It is now my understanding that a list of people who have violated this law will be once more placed before the Grand Jury at this coming May term, when I trust that some true bills will be found.

In conclusion, I desire to assure "Tax Payer" that I have done everything within my power to have this law enforced during the past three years and that I will not admit any responsibility for conviction not having been secured in the past or if they are not secured at this. May they be the patrons will assist in bringing this matter to the attention of the District Attorney and not leave it to one man. I am sure the school children will be found in regular attendance this coming year.

Very respectfully,
ELMER E. LYON,
Superintendent of Education.

See Mr. Woodruff's letter page one of section two.

MADISONVILLE TO PLAY WALK OVERS TO-MORROW.

Madisonville will play the Walk Overs of New Orleans at Madisonville, Sunday, Mr. Mire states that this will be a good game—plenty of class. The game will be called at 2:30. Battery—Madisonville, Brunette, Godfrey. Walk Over, Enagle, Churchill.

Visitors from New Orleans who come on the excursion will have time to witness this game, as the train will leave Covington about 4:45.

It is said that buried treasure has a tax of 12 per cent. Whoever got the buried treasure under the cedar tree may be sure he is spotted. Better come and pay the tax.

GALATAS LITIGATION SETTLED.

The Farmer is requested to announce that the litigation between Theodore Galatas and others, as heirs of Roland C. Galatas, and Mrs. Rebecca Funk Galatas, widow of Roland Galatas, has been amicably settled, and all claims have been withdrawn by the heirs against the estate and settled by the judgment of the District Court, and Mrs. Rebecca Galatas has been recognized as the owner of the property left by her husband, free from all claims of the heirs, and with full right to sell and dispose of the same as she sees fit.

Say, but that tax on luxuries is a bird. Somebody ought to invent a cash register (exempt from tax as a luxury) that will make the correct returns and save the business men from the insane asylum.

U. S. SAILORS VISIT ROMAN FORUM



As guests of the "Y" and the Italian government, 900 American sailors divided into detachments of about 200 each, visited the famous forum of Rome. Our photograph shows them in front of the Temple of Faustina.

ABITA SPRINGS NEWS NOTES PERSONALS

A grand free dance will be given at the Pavilion, Sunday, May 4th, in honor of Louis Stire and M. Martin, two of our boys just returned from France.

There will be a parade and all soldiers and sailors who were in service and wishing to participate will report at the Town Hall at 6 p. m., with uniforms. Dancing will be free. Refreshments will be sold and proceeds will go towards erecting a memorial shaft. Everybody welcome.

Mr. Joe Ransuch was a business visitor to New Orleans last week. Abita Springs is filling up with strangers.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Pink, of Algiers, have taken a cottage for the summer Monday morning, about 3 o'clock, a negro named Sam Turner shot and badly wounded another negro named Lonzo Blackwell. The sheriff was immediately notified. The shooting was on account of a woman.

Mr. L. Verges, after spending a pleasant time with his parents, left for New Orleans.

Mrs. L. C. Franz has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. L. Verges for the past week.

Mr. Domonick Dazet has been ill for the past two weeks, but is now recovering.

Mrs. A. Mutti is back home now very much improved in health.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Prati are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. Mendow.

Mr. E. M. Fox, of New Orleans, is stopping at the Gannon Cottage for the summer.

Miss Stafford, of Denham Springs, is spending the week in Abita Springs with her friends, Misses Smiley.

Mr. A. Muttel spent Wednesday in Covington.

Mr. Tom Miller has gone back to work at sea.

The Waldheim young people are planning to give their play, "Between the Act" in Abita Springs, Wednesday, and possibly in Mandeville after that. With the proceeds they are buying a piano for the Waldheim consolidated school. Those acting are: Misses Lydia Strain, Ida and Edith Keen, Hattie Cook, Messrs. Weller Dutsch, Jack Dutsch, Julius Heath and Willie Cook. The play will be staged for the first time tonight at the Waldheim school.

Pastor Luecke reports that the congregation here has paid \$25.00 more on the parsonage debt this week, reducing the debt balance to \$625.00. \$25.00 more will be due on July 1st, and the people of the church are preparing to give a play before that time.

Miss Eleanor Rayne is back on duty in Mandeville, going back and forth on the train each day.

SURE 'WELL FINISH IT.
When the Great Southern Lumber Company, of Bogalusa, was appealed to to advertise the Victory Loan, Hon. W. H. Sullivan replied: "Sure; I'll take it up with the company right away." And the order came for a page. Mr. Sullivan and his company have been right in the front ranks of patriotic boosters for the "Good Old U. S. A."

DISTRICT COURT HOLDS EXTRA SESSION

Judge Carter held a special session of Court this week and gave a hearing to several cases.

Judge Carter has not yet recovered from the effects of ptomane poisoning occurring several weeks ago, but he felt that it was his duty to expedite these matters and gave his attention to them in spite of his illness.

\$25.00 REWARD.

A reward of \$25.00 will be paid for information leading to the discovery of the boys who have been placing tacks in the streets for autos to pick up in the tires.

P. J. LACROIX,
Mayor.

There will be a meeting of the School Improvement League Wednesday, May 7, at 4 p. m.

MRS. C. H. SHEFFIELD.

NOTICE.

I wish to announce that I am now operating an Auto Livery Service at Schoen & Molloy's. Your patronage is solicited. Phones 10 and 223.

G. P. MOLLOY.

TO THE CITIZENSHIP OF COVINGTON.

In due time I shall make the regular announcement of my candidacy for the office of Mayor at the election to be held in June. As the time fixed for nomination is considerably ahead, I desire to invite a careful investigation of my record as Alderman during the last two years so that the voters will be fully informed as to my qualifications as a candidate.

Respectfully,
ADRIAN D. SCHWARTZ.

COVINGTON BASEBALL ORGANIZATION.

In response to a request from some of the active business men of Covington, a meeting to organize a baseball team was held in Stanga's office for the purpose. The following officers were unanimously elected: J. E. Stanga, manager; J. D. Kerr, treasurer; A. J. Park, secretary, and C. S. A. Fuhrmann, field captain.

The name adopted for the team was Devil Dogs. The name may sound a little bit harsh, but it is a team composed of members who will fight until the last man is retired.

Then, too, we will likely have to fight teams with names sounding equally as bad—such as Blue Devils, Sea Daddies, etc.

It is the purpose of this organization to have a game in Covington each week. Regular practice will be conducted from two to four days each week, from 5:30 p. m. to 6:30 p. m.

Lend the boys a helping hand by coming out to the games and by boosting the home team. They do not expect to win all the games, but do expect to win a majority of them and even though they are defeated now and then, you will enjoy a good game.

DIES AT THE AGE OF 106 YEARS.

Susan Cousin, colored, aged 106 years, died at her home at Uneedus, La., on Tuesday, April 29, 1919. She has 115 children, grand children and great grand children, many of whom were at her bedside when she passed away. She was well and favorably known throughout the community in which she lived.

NOW ON DUTY IN GERMANY



Benj. O. Young.

Private Benjamin O. Young, of Bush, La., is a member of the Second Division, Regular Army, now stationed at Vallandar, Germany.

A FAIRIES' FETE.

From "A Midsummer Night's Dream," with all due apology to Shakespeare for amputations, inserts and other discrepancies committed during our one week's practice. However, anything may happen on a midsummer night or on a spring night for that matter, so be prepared for all sorts of surprises. Shakespeare claims that it all happened in one night anyway; so we, being less skillful than the old wizard may perhaps be pardoned for taking a whole week to interpret (prefix "miss" and you will have a more correct term for it) one of the master poet's best beloved plays.

By the pupils of the Covington high school, Friday, May 9th, at 8:00 p. m. Admission, Adults 10c; children 5c.

Cast of Characters.
Oberon, King of Fairyland—Earl Ogden.
Titania, his Queen—Willie Marie Denman.

Puck, or Robin Goodfellow—Elwood Nilson.
First Fairy—Alfreda Wadsworth.
Second Fairy—Emilda Smith.

Third Fairy—Marguerite Lardor.
Peas Blossom—Nicholas Seller.
Cobweb—William Norder.
Moth—William Reeder.
Mustard-Seed—Logan Belknap.

Bottom, the mortal who has been turned into an ass by the mischievous enchantment of Puck—Albert Sandoz.

Little Indian Boy—Theo. Baptist.
Fairy Dancers—Marguerite Landon, Marion Smith, Marguerite Bradley, Ruby Helen Park, Emilda Smith, Alfreda Wadsworth, Mary Webb, Mattilda Haik, Maud Mattix, Clara King, Hester Burns, Amy Frederick, Bessie Johnson, Mamie Denman, Cecile Ragan, Sophie Segond.

May Pole Dancers—Dorothy Burns, Doris Sheffield, Iris Planche, Katie Seiler, Avis Mercadel, Claire Mullally, Jean Canfield, Olive Wadsworth, Marguerite Sharp, Carmelite Fogarty, Doris Frederick, Grace McCormack, Ruth Morgan, Dorothy Blossman, Jeanette Moses and Marjorie Burns.

Choruses—Iris Planche, Adrienne Brewster, Dorothy Burns, Doris Sheffield, Elgie Patrick, Conus Dudevior, Augusta Edwards, Mignone Aldrich, Grace Barringer, Marietta Aouelle, Bertha Loyd, Ruby Mattix, Hallie Yenni, Katie Seiler, Ida Poole, Katharine Tomner, Gertrude Worley.

Musical—Mendelssohn.
Dance—"Cecile Waltz."

Features of the night will be the coronation of the May Queen, the most popular girl in the graduating class, and the May Pole Dance.

After the play dancing will be indulged in by the young folks and refreshments will be served by the School Improvement League, under whose auspices the festival is given.

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 shipyard and Madisonville, always patriotic, true to self and country, will subscribe 100 per cent Victory Bonds. When it comes to doing big things in a big way Madisonville is as big as her name. In all things progressive, Americanism, and the like, she stands ace high and she is true to form on this occasion.

Capt. Eugene Casey, who, during the war, occupied the position of Southern District Guard Marshal, under the direction of the Emergency Fleet Corporation, will return to his pre-war position as Captain of the police squad on Canal street, New Orleans. The same high purpose that has always characterized him in the various positions he has filled was amply exemplified in his patriotic services to the government during the period of the war. He is at all times a strict disciplinarian, and those serving the government under his supervision will always feel proud that they stood the test of his watchfulness and faithfulness. The Fleet Guards at the Jahncke Shipyard, wish him much success on his return to his pre-war position.

The Koopp family, of which Anthony Koopp, Sr., is the head, is very numerous and continues to grow. They are closely identified with the business, industrial, political, social and agricultural life of this town and section. The head of the family came here many years ago, and by indomitable courage, thrift, well-directed effort and economy, established himself in the business life of the community, which, through all these years, have been reflected by his offspring. When the black clouds of war threatened and looked ominous and finally broke forth in fury, this family came, and came pretty strong, to the defense of their country. Their names appear on the rolls of the army, the shipyards, the sawmills and in other activities wherever duty called. To enumerate the praiseworthy efforts and accomplishments of this large family in detail, more time than I have to spare would be required, therefore, I must postpone writing more, for another occasion.

Mr. F. R. Merritt still retains his position as one of the most valued employes of the Jahncke Shipyard. While the force of workers have been reduced considerably, to conform to readjustment plans, etc., Mr. Merritt is just as busy attending to calls upon him as he was when the yard was running at full capacity. Of all the efficient and faithful men who composed the real working force of the yard, Mr. Merritt was second to none in his devotion to the special line of work assigned to him. Before coming to this yard he was connected with the Houlton Lumber Company, where his ability as a lumberman was put to the acid test and found A-1. He is the son-in-law of Mr. Christian Koopp, and the proud father of a sweet little baby. He is a native of Florida, and his disposition is as mild and exhilarating as the climate of that beautiful state.

Appropriate Music.

Last Sunday evening at the picture show, one of the scenes was that of the villain striking a man on the head with a bottle of wine, knocking him senseless. The very appropriate music rendered for this scene was, "The End of a Perfect Day." Had the man died we suppose the music would have been "There Will Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight."

HOW TO EAT.

I am going to tell you about the way we contest for our meals and what you should do if it is ever your misfortune to dine with us. While I believe in all forms of exercise, this dinner-table gymnastics is too strenuous for me. It starts off with a fifty yard dash. The winner is the fellow you see with all the desert in front of his plate. After reaching the table you immediately look for the seat that has the most food in front of it. Then proceed to get busy at once. Always keep your eyes on your competitors forgetting everything else except the work before you. And whatever you do don't let any one start eating ahead of you. Very often they start dinner with something you may not recognize, and as this is a very crucial moment all you have to do is to sit back, hold tight, and see what the others do, then go to it!

Sometimes they have soup for dinner. Whenever soup is served look around for the biggest spoon you can find. Some of the fellows, when souping, make a cute little noise like a leaky faucet. Should you find the soup too hot you will eliminate all trouble if you will gargle it in the back of your throat for a while.]

find this to be far better than trying to hide it under the table like Calece used to do. If it happens to be Friday when you, unfortunately, are forced to dine with us, you might be served fish. Should you encounter a bone that sticks in your throat don't try to cough it on the other fellow's plate, if you did it might have some meat left on it, then he would get more fish for dinner than you (the main object is to get the most of everything). The most polite thing to do when facing such a crisis and delay is to fish for the bone with a fork. Whenever you are lucky enough to get an even start with the rest of the gang do not use the fork, start in with your knife. Jake Broders says a knife can hold a great deal more than a fork, especially after you have mastered it. The only time for you to use the fork is when you get ready to clean up.

Be sure you approach the table with a running jump for the place you have decided to take, and by all means be the first one seated and get into action at once, make the other fellows remark "how fast you are." Perhaps you will see a piece of tissue paper on the table. They call this a napkin. Pay no attention to it, for it is not intended to be a food and serves no good purpose. Soup always leaks through it, your shirt. This is something you can not prevent at our table.

Should the gang appear to be careless and not start eating at once don't be deceived, it is only a barrage and they are trying to throw you off your guard. Bear well in mind that you are to start at once, for if you don't your digestion will suffer. Never put off for tomorrow what you can chew today. And if at first you don't fill up, try, try again. If at any time you think you have reached your limit take a short rest, then start again. Eat heavily, if you don't Kelly will. After you have followed my instructions the gang will be captivated by your excellent table manners and good breeding, but rest assured they will see to it that you are eliminated from all future contests. In order to prove your good breeding be sure to carefully knock a few spoons, knives and forks to the floor. When you pick them up slip a few into your pocket. If you practice doing this you will soon be able to go into the cutlery business. Should the waiter make a mistake and serve ice cream don't try to swallow it in lumps, just pat it with a spoon and make a soup out of it when you can drink it down, thereby saving a lot of time. (Norris has made a great success of this.) If coffee doesn't suit you spill it on your neighbor's lap, but be sure and tell him that you really didn't care for it anyway. Valdin always drinks the contents of the finger bowl, but it's best not to do this for it is possible that it was used properly at the preceding meal. If, after handling the food, you are compelled to wash your hands, be sure and call for a bar of soap. After you have made a good lather in the finger bowl, do as Pons does, wipe on the table cloth. If a piece of meat happens to crawl off your plate capture it at once, for if you do not you will be meatless. Should you spill any gravy on the table cloth grab a slice of bread and butter it, place bread over gravy spot, buttered side down, so it won't slip. When you drink water don't try and imitate a soda fountain, like Packard does, for this takes much practice. Don't eat any salads. You may find that while you were dressing your salad Stockfeth had finished the entire contents of the table.

My last advice to contestants is, keep away from our table, for you have no chance with us—we are all in the pink of condition and unbeatable.

PATTEL.

Just picture this to yourself: A bottle of Coca Cola being used to christen a Coka.

Never argue with the milkman. He is liable to make you take water.

If two deaf mutes were on their honeymoon would you say they were unseeably happy.

We have discovered that Jake Broders has a twin brother. Everybody thinks he looks and acts just like Jake.

Some of the peace delegates have made up their minds to have peace even if they have to fight for it.

Some fellows are going around yelling about Congress taking away their personal liberty. And yet these same fellows can't make a move without consulting a five foot female.

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