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RICE GROWERS WILL MEET AT COURTHOUSE TO-DAY

Letter From Mr. Lewis To President Warner Says He'll Be Present.

BELIEVES FUTURE OF RICE IS GOOD HERE

Prevented From Attending Last Meeting Here By Sickness.

President J. H. Warner of the Association of Commerce has received a letter from Hon. J. J. Lewis, prominent rice grower, that he would be present at the next meeting of the rice growers, which will take place at the courthouse to-day at 11 a. m. Mr. Lewis said he was prevented from attending the last meeting because of sickness, and he renews his expressions of confidence that if enough rice can be planted in St. Tammany parish a mill would be a paying proposition. He believes the conditions to be fine and prospects for raising the money good.

Rev. F. W. Loy, district superintendent of the Methodist Episcopal Church in East Texas, West Mississippi and all of Louisiana, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Treen and his granddaughter, little Miss Jane Ann Treen, the first of this week. Rev. Loy commended the proposed Home Service Work of the Red Cross in time of peace.

PROCEEDINGS POLICE JURY

Covington, La., May 26, 1919.

Minutes of the Police Jury of the Parish of St. Tammany, held Monday, May 26, 1919.

The Police Jury of the Parish of St. Tammany, acting as the governing authority of said parish, met in special session at the District Court-house in Covington, Louisiana, on the 26th day of May, 1919, at 10:30 a. m., pursuant to an ordinance adopted April 17, 1919.

Present: Messrs. Howze, Domergue, Dendinger, Smith, Davis and Cowart.

Absent: Messrs. Robert, Crawford and Fendlasson.

R. C. Abney, resigned.

On motion of S. R. Cowart, seconded by Mr. Davis, the following notice, which was mailed to all of the members, be spread on the minutes:

Covington, La., May 19, 1919.

"You are hereby notified to attend a special meeting of the Police Jury, to be held at Covington, La., Monday, May 26, 1919, at 10:30 a. m., for the purpose of receiving bids on the \$150,000.00 road bonds, as advertised, as well as to fix the date of payment of the principal of said bonds, in accordance with law."

The Police Jury having been duly convened, it was moved by Mr. Smith seconded by Mr. Davis, that the Police Jury proceed to open the bids received for the issue of Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars of road bonds of the Parish of St. Tammany, this being the time and place fixed for the award of said bonds. Said resolution being unanimously adopted, the secretary of the Police Jury thereupon presented the bids received for said bonds, which were thereupon duly opened and tabulated.

And it appearing that the bid of Hibernia Bank & Trust Co. was the highest and best bid received for said bonds, which bid is in words and figures as follows:

"This bid will appear in the next issue of The Farmer."

Mr. Smith thereupon moved that said bid of Hibernia Bank & Trust Co. be accepted, and that said Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$750,000) Dollars Road Bonds of the Parish of St. Tammany be awarded to said Hibernia Bank & Trust Co.

Said motion being duly seconded, was adopted by the following vote: Yeas: Six (6). Nays: None.

The following ordinance was thereupon offered by Mr. Domergue and seconded by Mr. Dendinger:

AN ORDINANCE.

An ordinance fixing the date of payment of the principal of an issue of Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$750,000) Dollars Road Bonds of the Parish of St. Tammany, Louisiana.

Whereas, by an ordinance adopted on the 17th day of April, 1919, the Police Jury of the Parish of St. Tammany, authorized the issuance of Seven Hundred and Fifty Thousand (\$750,000.00) Dollars Road Bonds of said parish, pursuant to the authority conferred upon said Police Jury by an election held in said parish on the 15th day of April, 1919; and

Whereas said ordinance fixed the amount of said bonds which should mature annually in each of the years 1920 to 1945, inclusive, but through inadvertence did not fix the day and month in each year upon which said bonds should become due and payable.

Therefore be it ordained by the Police Jury of said Parish of St. Tammany, that said \$750,000 Road Bonds of said parish authorized to be issued by said ordinance of April 17, 1919, shall mature serially on the first day of June in each of the years

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A MEMORIAL TO SOLDIERS OF ST. TAMMANY TO BE ERECTED

Plans Outlined At Meeting Favored Shaft in Some Public Place.

COMMITTEE WILL CONSIDER MATTER

Consultation With Absent Members To Be Had Before Deciding.

The matter of erecting a shaft of honor to the soldiers of St. Tammany parish was taken up at a meeting of the Parish Council of Defense held at the courthouse at 2 p. m., Thursday, Chairman E. G. Davis presiding. The meeting was well attended and a motion was carried to ask for the submission of sketches or plans to be selected from. There was discussion as to where the shaft would be placed and it was decided to leave the matter open for further consideration and consultation with some of the members who were not present. It is the intention to have the shaft erected within ninety days, if possible.

ADRIAN D. SCHWARTZ ANNOUNCES FOR MAYOR.

To the Voters of the Town of Covington: My announcement for the office of Mayor appears in to-day's issue of The Farmer. Until recently I have been inviting the public to examine into my official record as Alderman, particularly, with respect to my position as Chairman of the Finance Committee. During the meantime, however, the entire citizenship of Covington has agreed upon the existing administration, and no opposition, therefore, is urged against any member of the present Town Council for re-election. Accordingly my work stands endorsed by the public without question.

Two years ago, when I was elected, the issue before the people was not of man and man, but the question was whether Covington was bankrupt or not. I think as Chairman of the Finance Committee of the town, I have established to the citizens and the banking world that Covington is not bankrupt—a slander which all should be glad to repudiate.

I have not lived in Covington from the time of my birth, but I have already spent ten of the most useful years of my life in the town; have made my home and established all of my interests here permanently; and will claim the privilege, as many of our best citizens have, of being buried here—and no man can do more.

I was educated for ten years in the public schools of Louisiana and am a graduate from the Tulane University of Louisiana. I have spent twelve years in the practice of law, and I think I have made a success of my profession. So far as my personal record is concerned, I invite my friends to scan every page with the closest scrutiny.

I shall make no rash promise of increasing improvements and decreasing the revenues. I refuse to obligate myself to a number of crank "reforms." I have had all the opportunity in the last two years to initiate any of these so called improvements, if I had so desired.

If I am elected Mayor, I can assure the public of but one determination on my part, and that is, to continue the policy of the present administration to spend no money that is not available; to operate the town's affairs on a cash basis as has been done during the past two years, and to guarantee that the rate of taxation will not increase one per cent over the existing rate during my term of office. I refuse to be elected and forced conscientiously and rigorously to every citizen will be given a square deal, and no man or faction, interest, or corporation, can suggest themselves to me either through fear or favor.

Respectfully,
ADRIAN D. SCHWARTZ,
Candidate for Mayor.

MEETING OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, MAY 28.

The report of the retiring secretary, Mr. W. C. Morel, was read and filed. The report of the auditing committee, composed of Messrs. Ostendorf and Mackie, was read and received as final. The secretary was asked to prepare a new set of books.

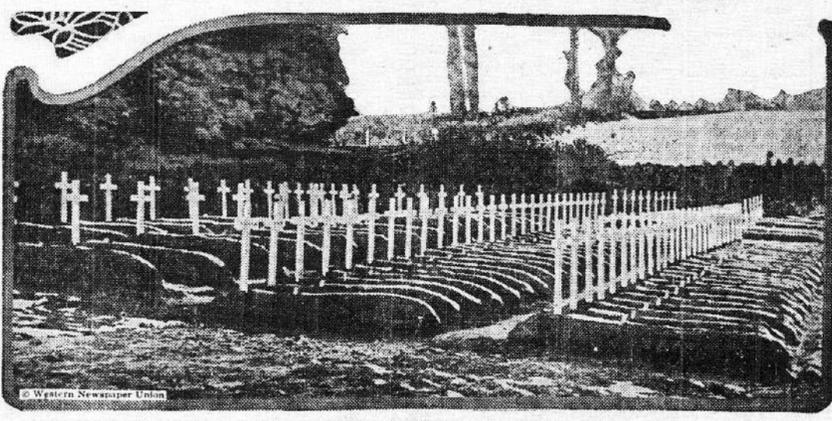
Mr. Seller made a report on the May Festival, showing very satisfactory returns. The net proceeds will be spent for equipment of the department.

Chair appointed the following to Equipment Committee: Chief Ostendorf, E. R. Moses, Dr. A. G. Maylie, J. D. Lambert. Their duties are to:

A letter was read from the president of the State Fire Association addressed to Chief Ostendorf, assigning him a topic to discuss at the coming convention of the organization at Bogalusa, June 17, 18 and 19. A number of members present reported that they expected to attend that meeting.

Following committee was appointed: Dr. Maylie, Messrs. Mackie, Ostendorf, and Seller as ex-officio chairman. The duties are to revise and rewrite constitution and by-laws and make recommendations to be submitted to the Association as soon as prepared.

GRAVES OF U. S. "FLU" VICTIMS IN DEVON, ENGLAND



The graves of 100 American wounded soldiers at Paignton Military hospital, Devon, England, who died from influenza.

SCHOOLS CLOSE A SUCCESSFUL TERM

Slidell High School. The Slidell High School closed a very successful term, Friday, at the Picture Theatre. The commencement exercises were enjoyed by a large congregation of people, who were pleased with the program and much interested in the address of State Supt. Harris, which was along patriotic lines and the present needs of the schools.

There were 142 winners of spelling certificates. The scholarship to the Southwestern Industrial Institute was won by Miss Annie House, Fred Johnson won the medal given by the Interstate Bank & Trust Co. of New Orleans, for the best essay on vital statistics.

After the exercises a reception was given in the school auditorium by the School League.

The following is the program: Chorus, by 7th grade; salutatory, by Louise Marrable; class historian, August Tabary; class prophecy, Fred Johnson; class will, Lloyd Gish; valedictory, Nannie House; class musician, Clyde Polk; violin trio, Clyde Polk, Glen Miles, Miller Redden; address by State Supt. T. H. Harris; presentation of medals and awards, Prof. T. H. McAfee; presentation of certificates and diplomas, Supt. E. E. Lyon.

Covington High School. The Covington High School closed a very successful term notwithstanding many circumstances tending to oppose that success. The difficulty of obtaining teachers and war work—all created a situation that made good work in the school difficult.

The commencement exercises, last Friday, were largely attended and the program nicely carried out.

Following is the program: Overture, Instrumental Duet—Mildred Levy and Irma Domergue. Bible Reading—Rev. J. O. Miller. Prayer—Rev. F. C. Talmage. Quartet—"Beautiful Star." President's Address—Victor Oulliber.

Valedictory—Josie Dossat. Class History—Mildred Levy. Male Quartet.

Address—Hon. Lewis L. Morgan. Presentation of Diplomas—N. H. FitzSimons, president of the Parish School Board.

Announcements. Class Song.

After the program dancing was indulged in until a late hour. The graduates were: Irma Domergue, Mildred Levy, Josie Dossat, Bonnie Mae Smith, Myrtle Gollehon, Almee Riggs, Alma Pichon, Victor Oulliber and Emile Frederick, Jr.

Hon. Lewis L. Morgan, in his address, among other things spoke of the necessity and enforcement of the compulsory education law, stressing the responsibility assumed by the parent in depriving a child of education.

Pupils making the highest averages in their respective grade: First grade, Doris Duboisin and Menry McCarty; second, D. W. Porter; third, Clara Sheffield; fourth, Eunice Quatrevaux and Eunice Dress; fifth, Mildred Davis and Rene Galmiche; Sixth Willie Denman and Albert Sandoz; Seventh, Cecile Ragan and Doris Sheffield; eighth, Avis Mercadet; ninth, E. G. Davis; tenth, Katie Seller; eleventh, Josie Dossat.

In the above list two names occur for the first, fourth, fifth, six and seventh grades, which means that the grades are divided and under two teachers.

The following pupils have received the Times-Picayune badges for having passed the athletic tests: Jack Burns, Richard Jackson, Marietta Aouelle, Eunice Durell, Irma Levy, Ethel Dossat, Mildred Levy, Bonnie Mae Smith, Josie Dossat, Irma Domergue.

The Louisiana State University scholarship was awarded to Josie Dossat for having made the highest grade in the four years of the high school. Bonnie Mae Smith received the scholarship to the Southwestern Industrial Institute, and Victor Oulliber received a scholarship to Tulane University, from our Representative to the State Legislature, Mr. J. Monroe Simmons.

During the summer several of the teachers of the Covington schools will conduct classes and do coaching, particularly with pupils who have failed in subjects during the session. Pupils taking this work will be permitted to pass those subjects provided they pass satisfactory examination on entering school this fall. It will be

A GULF COAST INTER-URBAN SURVEY

Slidell, La., May 27.—At a meeting of the executive committee of the Gulf Coast Inter-urban Project, held at Biloxi, May 21st, an interesting report was read by the sub-committee composed of H. S. Weston, of Logtown, Miss., Thos. L. Willis, City Engineer of the city of New Orleans, and L. C. Irving, of Mobile, Ala., suggesting that in order to determine the feasibility of the project a complete survey of the proposed line be made by competent engineers.

Two bids were received for this survey, the one of Jas. W. Billingsly of New Orleans for \$12,000 being the lowest. After some discussion it was unanimously decided to employ Mr. Billingsly to make the survey, the cost to be pro-rated among the interested communities on the following basis: New Orleans, \$3000; Mobile, \$2500; Harrison County, \$3000; Hancock County, \$1250; Jackson County, \$1250; St. Tammany Parish, \$1000.

It was pointed out that such a survey as the one proposed would include a comprehensive study of the territory traversed by the proposed road, pointing out its present development and future possibilities, would be of great value to the communities interested, even though the road itself should never be built.

The proposed road would pass through about 18 miles of St. Tammany parish and the proposed survey of our resources by an expert in this line of work would be worth more than the amount asked from our parish.

A committee has been appointed to raise this amount and turn it over to Mr. H. S. Weston, treasurer, at Logtown, Miss.

ACCIDENTS THAT WILL HAPPEN.

A boy of Sheriff Montgomery of Natchitoches sustained a compound fracture of the right forearm in falling from a swing, last Sunday.

The 13-year-old daughter of Mr. Henry Polse fell from a tree, at Abita Springs, and broke her arm and collar bone.

Mrs. Wirtz slipped and fell from her surry, Saturday, and broke left leg above the ankle.

Miss L. Santor slipped and broke her right arm below the shoulder.

Henry Hamilton (colored) shot himself in the right hand with a .22 gun, Saturday.

Dr. Heintz attended all of above patients and reports them doing nicely.

DR. GRIFFITH OBJECTS.

Slidell, La., May 27, 1919.

Editor St. Tammany Farmer: I am reliably informed that a young man of Covington has been criticizing me on account of my recent stand in regard to the New Orleans to Logtown Highway, and that he has dubbed me a hot-head and agitator. I am probably guilty of the charge, but believe that a majority of those most interested will consider that an agitator is required at this time.

Every public position that has been given to or that has been assumed by me, has received all of the attention or energy that was required of me. On the other hand, just a few months ago my critic had to be replaced in the office that he held in the Parish Council of Defense, because he neglected the duties of his office.

I am willing to be criticised by a man that has proven himself to be 100 per cent American, otherwise I object.

Our records are open for comparison as far as I am concerned. Yours truly,

JNO. K. GRIFFITH.

WANTED—To buy gentle horse, also second-hand surry. Apply to F. P. Marsolan, Covington.

ANNOUNCEMENT.

We are pleased to announce that Mr. Philip Burns, who has been with the American Expeditionary Forces in France, has returned and will resume his position as Assistant Cashier of this bank, which was held open for him.

COVINGTON BANK & TRUST CO.

necessary to apply to the principal for this examination. Those report cards that have not been called for may be obtained by calling at the home of the principal. (Continued on page 2)

ITEMS OF INTEREST AT JAHNCKE SHIPYARDS IN MADISONVILLE

By D. H. Vinet.

Among the different species of oak will help restore to us the lost art of silence. Of course, every one knows that silence is an art. And it's the most difficult one in the world to master. It requires a little talent to be a good conversationalist, but it takes a genius to be a good silencer.

The art of "How To Say Nothing" at the right time should be taught in all girls' schools. They have thousands and thousands of schools and colleges to teach young women how to use words, but there's not one silence school to teach them how to shut up.

I've got a good silence school right near my home. It's my neighbor's wife. Yes, she made him master of the art the first week they were married, and she's kept him in constant practice ever since. But I enjoy his wife's conversations. They are so restful. When she starts to talk every one has to take a rest.

He only married that woman for her money. Well, it serves him right for trying to buck up against one of those get-rich-quick schemes. They say married men live longer than bachelors. That's not so. The time drags and they imagine life is longer.

It's a funny thing, every man you meet will tell you how to win a wife and everybody will gladly tell you how to make love. But after a man marries, he has to shift entirely for himself.

There's not going to be any more marriages in India. The legislature has passed a bill forbidding weak minded persons to marry and they are the only ones who ever think of doing such a thing.

Woman says that in most cases a bachelor is one who has been crossed in love. That may be so, but let me tell you in most cases a married man is one who has been double-crossed.

Some people say that marriage is a lottery. But it isn't. Because in a lottery you can win once in a while. I know a woman who is a great talker. When she starts to talk she makes a Victrola sound as though it was stuttering. Well, talk is cheap. Women are fond of bargains, and that's all there is to it.

Most married men have a great respect for their wives. I don't think you can find one who would say a thing against his wife for the world, especially if she was listening.

Let us discuss my neighbor's wife some more. Every time I think of her it brings to mind that great saying "What might have been." For the life of me I can't understand how a man could commit such a crime. Her figure is a perfect fifty-seven. In an evening gown she looks like a Heinz pickle. I saw her in a bathing suit once. She looked very well in the water, especially when she was up to her neck. The only way to improve her appearance would be to go in deeper. She has universal feet. They're so universal that while in a Pullman sleeper on their honeymoon the porter slid one of her shoes and a suit case.

While we are discussing size I wish to say that the trouble with stout girls is they roll off your lap so easily.

My neighbor took his wife to New York for the honeymoon. After he was there two weeks they were settled somewhat and his brother went to New York City to see the zoological garden and the freaks, but as soon as he saw his brother's wife he went home satisfied.

New York is a great town. New York is bounded on the north by Yonkers. Yonkers is not a fruit like onions. Yonkers is next to the largest city in America. New York is bounded on the bottom by subways and sewers, and on the top by chorus girls and roof gardens. When you first reach New York you should get familiar with the habits and customs of New Yorkers. It's not difficult to get familiar, all you have to do is to show a wad of money and six taxi drivers, two head waiters, three porters, nine hat boys and two hundred and fifty chorus girls will chase you from one end of the town to the other. They are thinking of building a round courthouse in New York. I suppose it's because a court can't be on the square. When I was in New York I heard a song entitled, "If New York Is Sick of Racket, Is Chicago Illinois." Gee whiz! I have to get off this subject because the Homely Ladies Journal asked me to write about Love, Marriage, Spring-time and June.

Perhaps the readers of this article have an idea that I am going to write things about the inner circles of married life. They are wrong. I don't use that kind of language. Marriage is simply a question of dollars and cents. Women marry for dollars and cents. Men marry because they have no sense. Love intoxicates a man. Marriage sobers him up. Some men get married and think it over. Some men think it over and don't get married. They say marriage is blind, but the neighbor's aunt Before marriage you call the girl your little angel. After marriage you wish she was. A man will spend more money in one month while he is courting a girl than he does all through her married life. There are two periods in a man's life when he doesn't understand women—before and after marriage. Most men's lives begin when they are born—and end when they get married.

In conclusion I wish to state that I am not against marriage as I expect some day to be up against it. A song entitled "No Love Is Stronger Than Mine" has been written by a man named A. Limberger. (Continued on page 2)

Now that Spring and June are here and the young man's thoughts are lightly turning to baseball, mosquitoes and other things, the sports editor of the Homely Ladies Journal has requested me to write an article on girls and marriage, and here it is.

June has been called the ladies month, because it's the month in which the most deadly of the species do the most deadly work.

June is a wonderful month. It deserves fame because of the fact that it rhymes with "spoon" and "moon."

June is the first month immediately after May. It was put on the calendar just to furnish a choice assortment of bills for July first.

Porch awnings are all up in June, so is the price of ice.

June makes the sixty-five year old bookkeeper long to take the new stenographer out on the scenic railway, buy her pop corn, and a photo post card (heads together).

The question of the day is: Do married men make the best husbands? How should I know, in all my youth, beauty and innocence? I'm not married. They say marriage is a necessity. So is jail.

Women are more liberal than men. Take, for instance, a wife. The wife who has a mind of her own is always willing to give her husband a piece of it.

Let me impress upon you, some man should invent a machine that would just furnish a choice assortment of bills for July first.

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