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## WHAT LAUNDRY ACCOMPLISHES IN PROGRESS OF TOWN

Need of a Good Laundry Is Many Times Experienced By Covington.

GOOD WORK BY HOME CONCERN

Warrenton Built One for an Investment for the Community.

Recently we spoke editorially of Warrenton, a town of North Carolina that was so progressive and prosperous as to attract the attention of the press. It has a population of less than one thousand, yet it had undertaken several projects of importance in the way of public improvement, one being a \$120,000 hotel. It also had under way a laundry.

How many people have ever stopped to consider just what a laundry is worth to a community? Warrenton considered it so worth while that the town is building it. In truth, a laundry means a great deal to a town, especially to a town like Covington, depending largely upon visitors and tourists. When visitors come to a town they do not know where to find the wash-woman and they do not care much about entrusting valuable clothing to strangers, nor do they care to risk having the clothes badly done, when perhaps they will not have time to have them done over. In fact, a good public laundry means service. A town that cannot give service must suffer, for people traveling will criticize it. It builds reputation largely through the traveling public.

Covington has felt the need of a laundry. Even residents have sent their clothes to New Orleans and other places to have them laundered. Yet with all this experience, it is said that the new laundry established in Covington is not getting the support it should have. It is said to be doing excellent work and good service, when by all means the town should be interested enough to see that no work goes away from here that can be done at home.

We have a laundry built, equipped and in operation. It would be like a gift to such a town as Warrenton and would save it the cost of putting in one. WAKE UP, Covington; make capital of your laundry. It is an investment that pays the town. It encourages visitors to spend money here and to stay longer.

### MANDEVILLE NOTES.

Mandeville, Dec. 14, 1920. Miss Julia Eider entertained Miss Anita Wallace and Miss Gladys Howze at an informal tea Sunday afternoon.

Miss Gladys Howze entertained a few of her friends Sunday night at a party at her home.

Miss Emily Brown is a guest of one of her friends from Brownsville, Texas, at the Grunewald Hotel, New Orleans.

Mr. Will Brown spent Sunday here with his family.

The girls of the High School entertained at an informal luncheon recently in honor of the boys' basketball team. Horace Howze was presented with a gift by Miss Julia Eider for the good work he has done as president of the Athletic Club.

Mr. Joseph Kelly spent the week end here as the guest of one of his friends.

Miss Gladys Howze, Mr. Horace and John Howze, Jr., were visitors to New Orleans Monday.

### THE MASONS WILL MAKE USUAL CHRISTMAS DISTRIBUTION.

The Masons will make their usual distribution of Christmas packages to the poor. Any one who knows of some deserving person who has Christmas packages will be of great service if they should present them on this day, because of poor circumstances or misfortune, should send the same to Judge Robt. Bardon. He will see that he or she is not forgotten.

### LIST OF DEAD LETTERS.

Following is the list of dead letters remaining in the Covington post-office:

Johnnie Bell, Anthony Bossy, Mrs. Edren Cenkle, Master Gerard Collette, 2 Buddy Parms, Mrs. L. B. Gilbert, C. Holden, Mrs. C. L. Jones, Ben King, Miss Dora King, Hamp King 2, Nathan Tisdale, Mrs. A. Thompson.

### JACOB SEILER, Postmaster.

Mrs. W. J. Davis, girls' club demonstrator for St. Tammany parish, was returned from the demonstrators' meeting at Baton Rouge, where she was called upon to assist in demonstrating the curing and packing of meat.

Mrs. Davis says the work was of much practical value and she found that those attending the short course at L. S. U. were much interested and benefited by the work done at this course. She says bulletins explaining the curing and putting up of meat can be had on application for same.

## A ST. TAMMANY CITIZEN TELLS OF THINGS ABROAD

Agriculture Is Middle Name For Territory Around Buenos Aires.

TRIP PROVES A STORMY ONE

Paris Fashions and \$20,000 Diamonds for the Women.

Buenos Aires, Nov. 6, 1920. Editor St. Tammany Farmer:

Just finished with a small sized hurricane. It has been blowing and raining for three days and the end is not yet.

Reports are coming in from all parts of damage to crops, fruit trees torn up, floods, etc., so these people have their troubles also. Each wind and weather as we have had has never been known here. The spring is well advanced and it should be warm. Temperature 56 degrees. Glad we were in dock.

Buenos Aires has altered so that I do not recognize it. The low places filled in and fine warehouses and docks built, former the river ran. Many additional fine buildings have been put up and every sign of prosperity is in evidence on every side, and to think of it—all comes out of the ground. Agriculture is the middle name for this place, and one realizes it more when he meets steamer after steamer sailing with full cargoes of grain, frozen meat, hides, bones, live stock, all bound to some European port. Few at present going to the States.

Car fares, 5 cents; beer, 5 cents. A splendid meal, 75c to \$1. Clota, cheap. Vegetables almost given away. We brought up 250 tons of bananas from Santos and they are still on board. We had a car load of pineapples, but they took them off. I did hope that we would return via Santos with coffee to New Orleans, but another of our steamers will be on the loading berth at the same time. The market is dull, the States not buying, and as we carry 100,000 bags each, there was not enough to go around.

We are to load cargo for Barcelona Spain, 6,500 tons, and some 100 horses on deck, calling at Rio de Janeiro to get our fuel oil. They have prize sheep and rams displayed in the store windows, such monsters, principally Lincolns. I send you a picture of one—some wool. I wish we had a few like them in St. Tammany parish. If our boys could only see the results obtained here through keeping nothing but high grade cattle, they would go out into the woods and drive to the butcher every odd scrub bull in the parish. Nothing but the best goes here. Short-horns seem to be the favorite cattle, but they have all breeds.

The average horse here is much heavier than our's—week, we fed it as a pleasure to watch them. Alfalfa is king here. The streets are asphalt, and some wood. Clean and constantly swept. Stores are a dream. We do not know how to dress windows in comparison.

One curious thing—red seems to be the prevailing color. Paris fashions rule, and believe me, if a dame wishes to be in the swim, somebody has to dig. Diamond earrings at \$20,000. Furs, silks, displayed so that no one would want anything cheap.

There are a great many American steamers here and in Rio they swam like bees. The government has put an embargo on the export of wheat to Brazil and we are shipping large quantities to Brazil from New Orleans.

We shall probably spend our Xmas in Barcelona.

My best wishes for a Happy and Prosperous Xmas and New Year to all. Kindest regards.

Yours truly,  
G. E. MILLAR.

### AN OPEN LETTER.

Covington, La., Dec. 15, 1920. Editor St. Tammany Farmer:

I shall ask you to kindly publish this letter in the issue of your paper of Saturday, Dec. 18th.

Since the last presidential election in November, considerable gossip about town would have it that I would be Covington's next postmaster. A number of my friends approached me, inquiring if this rumor was true. I emphatically told them NO; I was not seeking the office. If it was tendered me I would not accept it under any circumstances. Being a Democrat and so registered as one, I cannot understand why any person or persons should start such a rumor.

Respectfully yours,  
A. J. FINNLEY.

### TAKEN TO JACKSON.

Lucille Childs (colored) was taken to the Jackson Insane Asylum by Deputy Sheriff Quatrecaux, this week. Lucille is about 35 years of age, and while docile enough ordinarily, it is said to have spells of violence that make her a serious charge and a dangerous person to be unguarded.

## PRESIDENT USES CHRISTMAS SEALS DO YOU?



There is one kind of Christmas seals that will never go out of style. That is the Red Cross seal—all returns on which go to the Anti-Tuberculosis League. Little Adrian Mayer is shown here delivering the big package of stamps to Secretary Tumulty at the White House, and to be used by president and Mrs. Wilson on their Christmas packages.

## HUCKABY WILL NATURALLY BE IN CHARGE OF HIGHWAYS

It is not thought that Mr. Buie will put St. Tammany parish to any unnecessary expense in the building of roads in which federal aid is given. Evidently it would be unnecessary to have other engineers on the ground, as Mr. Huckaby is thoroughly qualified to carry out all such work. The following letter from Mr. Buie seems to be plain on that point:

New Orleans, Feb. 18, 1920. Mr. A. D. Schwartz, Attorney, Good Roads Committee, Parish of St. Tammany, Covington, La. Dear Sir:—In connection with road construction in St. Tammany parish.

In the event satisfactory arrangements can be made between the Highway Department, the Bureau of Public Roads and your parish, beg to advise:

Mr. M. C. Huckaby, your parish engineer, is well and favorably known to this Department, and it will be agreeable to us to have him act in the capacity of Resident Engineer, in charge of road construction upon which Federal and State funds are applied. It, of course, being understood and agreed that Mr. Huckaby will conform to the rules and regulations now in vogue, that is, submit daily reports on progress of work, and comply strictly with the plans and specifications involving construction, where same have not been changed by agreement between the contracting parties, which in this case is between the United States Government, through the Bureau of Public Roads, the State of Louisiana, through the Highway Department, and the Parish of St. Tammany, through the Police Jury of St. Tammany Parish.

Yours very truly,  
DUNCAN BUIE,  
State Highway Engineer.

### CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT AT ST. PAUL COLLEGE.

St. Paul's College students will put on an entertainment at the College Sunday, December 19th, at 7:30 p. m., at the auditorium. The entertainment is offered by the students as a homage of respect and attention to their new president, the Reverend Brother Bertrand Victor, F. S. C.

The public is invited. Following is the program: Welcome, by the orchestra. Drama, "Dark Before Dawn." Song of Peace, solo, by James N. Larose. Bethlehem, choir and orchestra. Santa Claus, cornet solo, by Cass. L. Pajol. Shower of Gold, by orchestra.

Two Opposite Characters, comedy. The Star Spangled Banner, by the choir and orchestra.

The Union Army—Cast of characters: General Sherman, Wilmer S. Hagg; General Howard, Camillus J. Fabacner; General Forester, Wallace J. Landry; Mr. Ludlow, a southern farmer, Edmond J. Gaudet; Percy Ludlow, his son, in the Union Army, Paul L. Paget; Little Jim, Percy's young brother, Scott H. Carson; Old Black Joe, a slave of the family, Harold A. Johnston.

The Confederate Army: General Hardee, Charles McVea; Lieutenant Page, John D. Lambert; Corporal Johnny, Dennis C. Dunlap; Corporal Lanes, Steve J. Bruno; Sergeant, Louis J. D'Antoni.

"Two Opposite Characters": Mr. Wilson, Horatio N. Ogden; Danny Snooze, Adrian J. Esmard; Quick-silver Hotspur, Platt Lanphier.

## A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO OUR READERS.

We wish our readers a Merry Christmas. We hope that every family and every person will enjoy all the blessings that the season implies. We especially send greetings to those who live in homes on the farm. If there have been losses this year, we believe they will be made up in the next and that better times are in view.

## WIFE OF DEAD HUNGER STRIKE MAYOR HERE



Mrs. Muriel MacSwiney

The arrival of Mrs. Muriel MacSwiney, wife of the hunger strike mayor of Cork, who recently died in a London prison for the cause of Irish freedom, gave the supporters of the cause in America an opportunity to stage a great demonstration when her boat docked at New York. Mrs. MacSwiney comes to testify before the unofficial committee of 100, which is in session in this country. Mrs. MacSwiney is only 23 years old.

## INTERSTATE WHOLESALE GROCERS

The Interstate Wholesale Grocers is growing into one of the biggest concerns in the country of the kind. It has had a remarkable and rapidly progressive career under the management of Mr. E. J. Domergue. Having but recently taken in one of the larger grocery concerns of the South, it is now reaching out to include three other large and prosperous concerns. They are the Dupont Wholesale Grocery Co., Hottel, La., and the Percy Lobdel Company, Thibodeaux and Lakeport. A new charter is being drawn and provision is being made for an extension to several millions of dollars. It is said that more stock will be issued on the new capitalization. The substantial character of this concern and the dividends declared by it will probably be sold with the rapidity of stock in each extension of its business. As this company is a child of Covington and has branches in both Covington and Slidell (with a number of other branches in other parishes and states) it is a pleasure for us to tell of its success.

### MRS. DAVIS TO HER CLUB MEMBERS.

Dear Club Girls:—I have just returned from the annual meeting of the Home Demonstration Agents at Baton Rouge. I was glad to be able to tell them we were organized and ready for work. I have been away over two weeks. Just as soon as I can I will see you. I intend to visit every club member during the holidays. Don't forget we must have our gardens put in shape now for spring planting. We want to lead the state in good club work, and it's up to the club members to do this.

I have a good recipe for the canning of the home meats, if any of you are interested, or your mothers. Write me, as the "women folks" are the ones who usually have to take care of the meats, after all.

Your Club Agent,  
MRS. W. J. DAVIS.

### FOR SALE.—At Abita Springs, the old Antonio Flow farm, 100 fruit trees and all farming tools, new wagon, big 4-year old Kentucky horse, barrow, cow, horse, hammock land, new gravel road in front of farm. Apply Robt. Ingham, Abita Springs, La. #18\*

### FOR SALE.—Cheap, one Kirston two-horse stump puller, large size, complete. Apply Mrs. T. E. Brewster, Covington, La. #18

### FARM FOR SALE.—Located on Madisonville-Pontchartraine hard-surfaced highway, two miles from town of Madisonville, containing 347 acres Good house and barn. Eighty bearing peach trees. Twenty acres in cultivation, balance timbered with hard-wood and some pine. Would make ideal country home. Price reasonable. Apply Mrs. T. E. Brewster, Covington, La. #18

### KING'S DAUGHTERS.

There will be a meeting of the King's Daughters at the Community House, Monday, December 20th, at 3:30 p. m.

MRS. F. J. MARTINDALE, Secretary.

## OPPOSES EXTRA COST TO USERS CUMBERLAND TELEPHONES

Says Rates of This Company Are Already High; Recently Advanced.

HIGHER RATES NOT JUSTIFIED

Tells Commission Raise Is Not Justifiable When Costs Declining.

At a special meeting of the Covington Association of Commerce held on Monday, December 13th, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, the Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Company has petitioned the Honorable Railroad Commission of Louisiana for permission to increase its rates, and

Whereas, the present rates charged by said Company in this community are already high, and

Whereas, the Telephone Company only recently advanced its rates for all classes of service in this community, be it

Resolved, That this Association make a vigorous protest against any further increase in rates being granted, as being not justified at this time, when costs are declining, and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent the Honorable Railroad Commission of the State of Louisiana as an expression from the people of this community and also that a copy of same be sent The St. Tammany Farmer for publication.

J. H. WALKER, President.

E. BURTHE, Secretary.

### HAVE YOU PAID YOUR POLL TAX?

Very few poll taxes have been paid and the end of the year is very near. Eight or ten women have paid. The first to pay was Mrs. Fred J. Heintz. The second was Mrs. James Barringer, of Lacombe. Only 300 taxes have been paid.

Voters should remember that they must have two poll tax receipts in succession to entitle them to vote. Besides, the school's need the money.

### SAYS COUNTRY TOWN BELONGS TO COUNTRY.

"The country town is a part of the country. It is one of the encouraging signs of the times that country town men are coming to realize this fact. It has not been so long ago that every little town thought that its business was to grow into a city just as soon as possible. Some towns and many small town people still think so. Many small town people, too, still think that their chief relation and interests are with the cities rather than the country. The most far-seeing business men have come to know better. They are seeing more and more clearly that the town, the small city, is an integral part of the country, that it prospers only as the country prospers, and that it has its place in the scheme of things to be the life center of the country about it. The town merchant who opposes co-operative buying or selling by the farmers of his territory, the town banker who would hinder the establishment of farm loan associations in his parish, the town editor who neglects the interest of the back-country districts, are becoming more and more out of date. Not until the country and the country town learn that they are yoke-fellows and must pull together can either make the progress it should. And both are learning."—Southern Agriculturist.

### THE SCHOOL LYCEUM.

The High School of Covington will entertain the public with a good program, Wednesday. The funds will be used for the contemplated gymnasium. The lyceum entertainment will cost the school \$400. All above this amount will be set aside for the purpose stated. The lyceum will consist of a number of entertainments to be put on each month. If you have not tickets, write to Prof. A. J. Park, school principal.

### LIVE STOCK SANITATION.

The cold weather is setting in, and it is time to see that the outdoor livestock are provided with shelter. This is not only a question of humanity but of economy as well, as it takes feed to produce animal heat within the body, and if it is allowed to leave the body for want of shelter to keep it in, it simply calls for more feed which might be economized by proper shelter for the stock.—Dr. W. H. Dalrymple.

### ST. TAMMANY POULTRY ASSOCIATION.

A meeting of the St. Tammany Poultry Association (incorporated referred to as the "Ozone Poultry Co.") last week will be held at the barbershop of Louis Pichon in Covington, at 8 p. m., Tuesday, December 21st. The meeting is important and a good attendance is requested.

### JAHNCKE PLANT BURNED.

The Jahncke ship building plant in New Orleans was burned Thursday. Loss is said to be several million dollars. Thought to have caught fire from an electric spark.

### ED. JONES WILL PULL THROUGH.

Word has been received from New Orleans that Night Marshal Jones, who was shot several days ago by F. B. Trenchard, is getting along splendidly and will soon be able to return to Covington.

## BIG CHRISTMAS TREE FEATURE COMMUNITY HOUSE

Children To Be Given Tickets Entitling Them to Presents.

SANTA CLAUS WILL BE THERE

Those Who Have Not Donated Should Send In To Mr. Mackie

Plans for the Community Christmas Tree are complete. The episcopalian have generously allowed the use of the green in front of their church, where a large tree will be planted and decorated for the occasion. Old Santa will be there in person to distribute the gifts.

The following is the program for the evening, beginning Christmas Eve at 7 p. m.:

"It is Christmas Everywhere," by pupils of St. Scholastica's Academy. "Chiming Christmas Bells," pupils of Covington High School. "Holy Night," led by joint choirs of churches.

Fireworks. Distribution of Presents, by Santa Claus.

Tickets entitling each child of the community to a present will be distributed next week. All children, who have not received their ticket at school, must call for it at the Community House, between 2 and 5 p. m., next Wednesday, Dec. 22.

Tickets are free, but each child must have one in order to receive a gift.

Some friends of the children have been very generous with donations, but the funds raised are not yet sufficient, and it is hoped that others will contribute. Send in your donation to Mr. Mackie, and help make the kiddies enjoy a real Christmas.

### MASS MEETING SUNDAY.

A mass meeting will be held in Covington on Sunday, December 19, at 2:30 p. m., at the courthouse. It is the aim to interest the people in organizing a Charity Organization for St. Tammany parish. You are invited to come or send some one in your place to help get this movement started.

### AGENTS ASSIST IN MARKETING PRODUCTS.

Louisiana farm agents have been very active in assisting farmers in marketing of their farm products. These men are familiar with the details necessary for successful cooperative marketing. This is shown from a report on a car of sweet potatoes shipped to one of the leading commission merchants in New Orleans, by W. M. Wiggins, agent in Winn Parish. This firm states that this was one of the best cars of yams that it had received, that it was properly graded, sacked and loaded.—Extension Press Service, L. S. U.

### THE ELECTION.

At the general election held Tuesday, December 14th, for delegates to the Constitutional Convention, a very small vote was cast. Fred J. Heintz, unopposed, received nearly all the votes, except for a few scratches. In the ninth ward some voters wrote the names of others on the ticket. In this ward Henry J. Smith received three votes, Dr. J. K. Griffith one, D. H. Mason one, E. G. Davis one, L. L. Morgan one and Geo. R. Tolson one. In the fifth ward Emile Talley received one vote, and at the Folsom box L. C. Moise received one vote.

### GROCERIES TO CLOSE CHRISTMAS DAY.

All the grocery stores on Main and New Hampshire Streets will be closed all Christmas Day. Do your shopping next Friday or you will get left on the grocery line.

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