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DO YOUR HILL LANDS NEED DRAINING ALSO?

U. S. Farm Bulletin Says
 There are Few Soils That
 Don't Need It.

HILLS OFTEN POORLY DRAINED

Any Land In South Not Artifi-
 cially Drained May
 Prove Unsatisfactory

(By A. E. Briggs)
 U. S. Farmers' Bulletin No. 1088,
 on "Selecting a Farm," has this to
 say about drainage:
 "On this point a person selecting
 a farm should make assurance doubly
 sure, first, as to the natural drain-
 age of the fields, and, second, as to
 the possibility of draining them if
 the land needs artificial drainage.
 There are few good soils that do not
 need artificial drainage in many
 places. The gains from ease in
 working the land, earlier drying out
 in the spring, and the consequent
 lengthening of time available for
 preparation of crops, the insurance
 of deep rooting of the plants and
 consequent protection from injury
 by drought, to the avoiding of crop
 failures due to water standing on the
 gain through standing on the land
 and slowness in drying, which often
 retard the seed or retards growth, are
 very important factors bearing on
 successful crop production."
Drainage Needed On Hill Lands.
 "It is often difficult to determine
 merely by looking at the crop grow-
 ing on it at certain seasons whether
 a field needs drainage. Frequently
 the best-appearing fields, even with
 considerable slope to them and seem-
 ingly well drained, as a matter of
 fact are very poorly drained in many
 places."
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SCHOOL BOARD

Covington, La., June 16, 1921.
 The St. Tammany Parish School
 Board met in special session in the
 office of the Superintendent on the
 above date with the following mem-
 bers present: Geo. R. Dutsch, ward
 1; T. J. O'Keefe, ward 2; N. H. Fitz-
 Simons, ward 3; H. H. Levy, ward 4;
 W. W. Talley, ward 5; Dave Evans,
 ward 6; Geo. F. Bancks, ward 8;
 W. J. Sebastian, ward 9; Wm. Os-
 wald, ward 10. Absent: I. H. Keller,
 ward 7.
 Being a special meeting, the min-
 utes of the preceding meeting were
 not read.
 The president, N. H. FitzSimons,
 stated that the purpose of the meet-
 ing as being the election of teachers
 for the session of 1921-22, and the
 following teachers were nominated by
 the Superintendent:
 Abita Springs School—Mrs. O. S. S. S.
 Bastian, Misses S. Schellhaus, Beat-
 rice Estopinal and Edna Davis.
 Audubon School—Mrs. W. J. Davis,
 Misses Jennierie Turner and Lena
 Moran.
 Benton School—Mrs. Carrie T.
 Porter.
 Bonfouca School—Misses Ida Wat-
 son and Mattie Carruth.
 Central School—R. W. Kemp,
 Misses Zella Sharp and Julia O.
 Berry.
 Folsom School—Geo. W. Varnado
 and Miss Ray Schreck.
 Lacombe School—Miss Eleanor
 Borey.
 Onward School—Miss Emma Robb
 and Miss Olive La'Rd.
 Pearl River—J. C. French, Misses
 Mamie Braig and Louie Crawford.
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DENIES LEGITIMACY OF OWN CHILD TO KEEP IT



Can the tenderness and care of mother love offset the brand of illegitimacy in the memory of little Gene Del Secco of San Francisco when he grows to be a man? His father, Julian Del Secco, has sued for the custody of the child. His mother, shown here with him, denies that Julian is the child's father. It is a human interest question that has the whole West watching the court to see what decision will be handed down.

W. P. U. SETS CLEANUP DAY

The W. P. U. has announced Clean-
 up Days from June 20th to the 25th.
 The people are asked to consider the
 importance of this matter as a sani-
 tary precaution against disease and
 important aid to healthfulness gener-
 ally. Unsightly trash piles and
 weeds are not only homes for dis-
 ease germs, but the breeding places
 for flies and mosquitos and an ad-
 venticement of uncleanness that is
 not attractive to visitors.
 A communication will be sent to
 Mayor and Council asking for the
 enforcement of the ordinance requir-
 ing the protection of fruit and veg-
 etables from flies.

SLIDELL LEAGUE WORKING FOR PROGRESS OF THE FARM

Farmers' Bureau Is Under
 Presidency of Henry
 Keller.
 BUSINESS MEN
 FORM PRODUCTS CO.
 New Potato House Will Be
 Built. Personal Men-
 tion. News Items.

Slidell, La., June 15.—At the regu-
 lar monthly meeting of the Slidell
 Commercial and Civic League, held
 in the Community House last night,
 it was decided to call a general meet-
 ing of the farmers in this section of
 the parish for Saturday, July 16, at
 which matters of general interest to
 the farmers will be discussed.
 The recently organized St. Tam-
 many Farmers' Bureau, under the
 leadership of President Henry Keller,
 is accomplishing a great deal of
 good among the farmers, and co-
 operation is being manifested in a
 manner never before witnessed. The
 farmers are pulling together for sys-
 tematized methods of planting and
 gathering crops and are co-operating
 with the Slidell Farm Products
 Company, Inc., an enterprise recent-
 ly organized among the business men
 of Slidell for the marketing of farm
 products.

POLICE JURY

Covington, La., June 14, 1921.
 The Police Jury met in regular
 session on this date with the follow-
 ing members present: Theo. Den-
 dinger, Jr., H. N. Fendlason, C. M.
 Poole, R. C. Cooper, Emile Singletary,
 W. H. Davis, M. P. Schneider,
 J. B. Howze, Emile Burkenstock.
 It was moved by J. M. Smith, sec-
 onded by M. P. Schneider, that the
 reading of the minutes of the min-
 utes of the last meeting be dispensed
 with. Carried.
 The following bids for Fiscal
 Agent for the parish money were
 opened, which bids read as follows:
 Covington, La., June 13, 1921.
 To the Police Jury of St. Tammany
 Parish, State of Louisiana:
 Gentlemen:—In accordance with
 your invitation for bids for the cus-
 tody of the funds of the Parish of
 St. Tammany, we respectfully sub-
 mit the following bid:
 We will pay 3 1/2 per cent for the
 custody of the funds of the Parish
 of St. Tammany, all in accordance
 with your letter and notice published
 in The St. Tammany Farmer, and
 Act 205 of the Acts of the General
 Assembly of the State of Louisiana
 for the year 1921.
 We enclose herewith sworn state-
 ment of our bank, as required by
 law.
 Respectfully yours,
**COMMERCIAL BANK & TRUST
 COMPANY.**
 By R. A. McCormack,
 Cashier.
 Slidell, La., June 13, 1921.
 To the Honorable Police Jury, St.
 Tammany Parish, State of Lou-
 isiana:
 Gentlemen:—In accordance with
 your notice of May 21st, 1921, we
 offer to pay 3 5/8 per cent interest on
 the average daily balances, for any
 part of the funds of St. Tammany
 Parish, subject to the provisions of
 Act 205 of 1912, and amendments
 thereto.
 Attached hereto is a sworn state-
 ment of the Bank of Slidell at the
 close of business June 1st, 1921,
 which is for your information.
 Yours very truly,
 C. A. EREHITT,
 Vice-president and Cashier,
 Covington, La., June 10, 1921.
 To the Honorable Police Jury, Parish
 of St. Tammany, Covington,
 Louisiana:
 Gentlemen:—In response to your
 invitation for bids for Fiscal Agency
 and in accordance with Act 205 of
 1912 and all amendments thereto, all
 the terms and conditions of which
 we hereby agree to, we hereby sub-
 mit a bid of 5 1/10 per cent interest
 per annum, to be paid on average
 daily balances during the life of the
 contract, which we understand is to
 run for a term of two years.
 We herewith submit statement of
 this bank's condition as of May 1st
 and June 1st, 1921.
 Respectfully submitted,
**COVINGTON BANK & TRUST
 COMPANY.**
 E. G. Davis,
 President.

BABY WEEK HAS NURSE LANSING ENTHUSIASTIC FOR RESULTS

Clinic and Operations for
 Children with Throat
 Troubles.
 A PAGEANT BY
 COV. CHILDREN
 Opening Address By Mayor
 Badon; Address by Dr.
 Maud Loeber.

Saturday, June 25th, there will be
 a clinic at the Community House and
 there will be operations performed
 on children urgently in need of at-
 tention—who can not afford to go to
 the city. It will be arranged so that
 children can be taken care of
 throughout the night and a trained
 nurse will be in attendance. This
 clinic will start at 8 a. m. Children
 who were requested to use eye
 drops three days before examination
 should use them Wednesday, Thurs-
 day and Friday of next week. Drs.
 Whitmore and Boebinger will be in
 attendance and will be able to see
 the patients again Sunday. Urgent
 cases of throat trouble should be re-
 ported to Miss Lansing. See her
 personally.
 During Baby Week there will be
 interesting exhibits among them at-
 tractive posters, including a variety
 from different sources and which
 should be of interest to all citizens,
 whether they have babies or not;
 also welfare literature spoken of by
 Mr. Zueblin in his Chautauque lec-
 ture, besides some very interesting
 health literature on different dis-
 eases. All visitors will be welcome
 during the four days.
 Wednesday evening the health
 fairy, who is very beautiful and who
 knows many fairy stories, will come
 over from Fairbank to meet the
 children at Community House. Be
 there promptly at 7 p. m. to greet
 her.
 Following is the program for Baby
 Week:
 Monday, June 27, at 7:30 p. m., at
 Parkway Theatre:
 Opening Address—Mayor Badon.
 "David and the Good Health
 Elves," pageant by Covington chil-
 dren, conducted by Miss Jeanette
 Moses.
 Address—Dr. Maud Loeber.
 "Lullaby," by Mrs. R. A. McCormack
 accompanied by Mrs. Unglesby.
 "Announcements"—Dr. A. G. May-
 lie, Chairman.
 Parkway regular show and A. R.
 C. slides.
 Tuesday and Wednesday at Com-
 munity House:
 9 to 12 and 3 to 5, examination
 of white babies.
 Wednesday, 7 p. m., at Communi-
 ty House, the Health Fairy will en-
 tertain all the children with fairy
 stories.
 Thursday and Friday, at the Com-
 munity House, 9 to 12 and 3 to 5,
 examination of colored babies.
 All four days exhibits of model
 lullabies, kiddie coops, posters, etc.,
 free distribution of infant welfare
 and health literature.
 Everybody welcome every day—
 "lets make a better Nation by baby
 conservation."

BIG 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION WITH FUN

The big Fourth of July entertain-
 ment at the Fair Grounds is begin-
 ning to bunch up a lot of fun for
 that day. Secretary Minckler of the
 Fair Association says he has a lot of
 stuff up his sleeve that promises good
 sport, but he is not ready to an-
 nounce it. The ball game between
 Covington and the Association of
 Commerce has taken on new interest
 since the announcement that Mayor
 Badon will be the substitute sprinter
 for those men who do not feel equal
 to the task of running bases. Those
 who have seen the Mayor in action
 are ready to make bets that he will
 make second base for every man who
 is not walked to first.
 The firing of the artillery with
 ammunition from France is being
 expected. If this is true, some of the
 Legion men should remember the
 original package that caused such
 havoc in the peaceful tent of the
 coffee boiler. But the dancing then
 will be nothing to the dancing that
 will be at the Fair Grounds when
 the grand jazz band turns loose.

FLOATING BODY IS IDENTIFIED

Coroner Bulloch's investigations
 resulted in identifying the body
 found at the mouth of Tehefunctia
 river last Monday as that of John
 Meier, formerly a resident of Wald-
 heim. He is said to have been 70
 years of age. The body had evident-
 ly been in the water several days and
 decomposition had set in. The cap-
 tain of the Lillian D. towed the body
 to Madisonville. A wound in the
 neck may have been caused by con-
 tact with some object or there may
 have been foul play. Further in-
 vestigation will be made.

THE CHINQUAPIN BLUEJAY

(Edited by Wildwood)
 Our Motto: "There's always room for a Bluejay."
 Chinquapin-by-the-Bayou, La.

OVER THE BAYOU.
 The green is blithe, and soft the blue
 That decks the wood and tints the
 sky,
 And wind'g zephyrs murmur through
 The land where tender memories lie—
 Over the bayou, there.

Across the stream there is a place,
 A cottage home now in decay,
 And hearts will sometimes seek to
 trace
 Some happier days now passed away
 Over the bayou, there.

The nearby road, long overgrown,
 Bears friendly steps that way no
 more.
 And all around in undertone,
 Seems half a tale that's whispered
 o'er—
 Over the bayou, there.

The big, wide gate has fallen down,
 Will vines the chimney upward climb
 And blossoms bright no more will
 crown
 The trees that blest the gardens
 prime—
 Over the bayou, there.

Half hidden by yon grassy sedge,
 Beside the stream an old canoe
 Lies rotting at the waters edge,
 Companioned now by lilies blue—
 Over the bayou, there.

The crumbling porch, the rose that
 died,
 The hoarts dear fancy can restore,
 And smiling think on life's bright
 side,
 Within and out the cottage door—
 Over the bayou, there.

AS A JAY THINKS.
 Good morning, have you met "Bot-
 ty" She is real cute. Tell about
 her sometime.

PIE AND BUTTERMILK.
 Bud Yancy invited the editor over
 to take pot luck with him last Thurs-
 day. I accepted and surely enjoyed a
 treat in Mr. Yancy's blackberry pie
 and dumpling, fixed up the old fash-
 ioned way with a plenty of cream.
 The buttermilk, too, was fine—but-
 termilk that came from a church
 setting on the shady South porch
 where the path leads under the plum
 tree to the old spring house with
 the cob, trickling stream flowing by
 a bed of wild ferns, on to where the
 rambler rose climbs over the fence
 and sprawls outside until tangled up
 with the middle of the big gully
 where the cows stop and drink when
 coming home.
 When it comes to "linked sweat-
 ness long drawn out," Bud Yancy's
 dinner had Milton's poetry beat all
 hollow.
 Loo's like a close race between
 the Georgia peach and some others
 to which will get the most color
 in their cheeks. Look out! All red
 cheeks are not peaches.

IN THE GARDEN.
 Morning glories all
 Upward growing tall—
 Mother-vine's pride
 Is her family
 Smiling—blue-eyed
 All her children see.

WILL POWER.
 The family of one of the leading
 residents of this place was sitting
 around the evening lamp not long
 ago, each occupied with their fa-
 vorite book or magazine. Fred, the
 youngest boy, rather a bright young
 fellow by the way, closed the volume
 of stories that he had been reading
 and looked up with the air of one
 who is possessed with an idea. Ad-
 dressing his father who sat opposite
 Fred asked seriously: "Pa, what do
 I need most to get on in this world?"
 "Will power, my son, is what every
 one needs who would eliminate the
 useless and accomplish great and
 good work. Will power is potential
 and grand."
 "Well, pa," said young Fred earnest-
 ly, "doesn't the doctor get along by
 pill-power?"
 "Yes, I think so," answered the
 father.
 "And pa," said Fred again, "the
 lawyer, isn't it bill-power that helps
 him?"
 "Yes, you're right there son," the
 father spoke.
 "And, pa," queried the son, "the
 politician doesn't he get along by
 pill-power?"
 "Surely," was the reply.
 "And, pa," said the boy, "every
 married Jack, doesn't he get along
 by Jill-power?"
 At this point the father's severe
 parental glance admonished the
 youngster better than words that
 bed-time had arrived for him.

LOUISIANA MEXICANIZED.
 Hist! Whither are we of Louisi-
 ana tending? Where are we drift-
 ing? Look here! A steamship
 from Mexico arrives at New Orleans
 recently with a cargo that contains
 among other things one thousand
 green-headed parrots. What is the
 hidden meaning? Bolshevistic teach-
 ings, annexation, bomb plots or
 what? What do these Mexicans in-
 tend doing to us? Do they covet our
 beautiful senioritas and intend to
 follow these parrots and Mexicanize
 Louisiana? They cannot do that.
 Why? Because the Constitutional
 Convention assembled at Baton
 Rouge has anticipated them and done
 this very thing by adopting a resolu-
 tion that the new constitution would
 not be submitted to a vote of the
 people for adoption or rejection.
 Bravo! How one of the battos-
 scarred generalissimos of Mexico
 would envy such a fine revolutionary
 stroke.

FIREMEN'S CONVENTION GOES TO DERIDDER.

Covington lost the Firemen's Con-
 vention by four votes. Covington
 has everything beat a mile, but the
 convention was packed in the after-
 noon session by friends from nearby
 towns, and Deridder got it. Covington
 got 55 votes.

LAWN PARTY AND DANCE VERY SUCCESSFUL AFFAIR.

The lawn party and dance given
 for the benefit of the cemetery im-
 provement, was a grand success
 financially and socially.
 In the face of threatening weather
 the committee in charge worked with
 energy and confidence, sure that all
 would work out as well.
 The several activities were crowded
 throughout the evening and the pub-
 lic brought generously. The little
 play, "Mother Go se and Her Family,"
 was well rendered with about
 45 lovely children in the cast repre-
 senting all of the quaint characters
 of the nursery rhymes, and little
 Miss Ethel Reider, of New Orleans,
 gave a fancy toe dance.
 The hope box was exhibited and
 excited some interest among those
 who have taken chances. Mrs. R. H.
 Ferguson has charge of it and will
 continue to sell tickets for a short
 time.
 The postoffice, fish pond, grab-
 bags, flower stands—all kept the
 crowd busy.
 The concrete bench donated by Mr.
 Bourgeois, was awarded Mrs. H. A.
 Mackie. The large guessing cake
 given by Mrs. Dubison, was awarded
 Mrs. Preston Burns. The embroidered
 doll, given by Mrs. A. G. Mc-
 Manus, was awarded Miss Gladys
 Burns. The towel given by Mrs. J.
 Burns, went to Mrs. J. C. Burns.
 The cake given by Mrs. Fox went to
 Mr. C. Smith.

All of the work, and articles for
 sale, were donated by the public,
 and we wish to express our appre-
 ciation for the generous response to
 the numerous calls made for this
 entertainment.
 We feel that special thanks are
 due Mrs. Alice Wilson, who for four
 weeks has sold tickets for the dis-
 position of articles, etc.; Mr. Joe
 Caserta, Cyprian Schoen and Burns
 Furniture Co., for hauling and ser-
 vices of all kinds; Mr. John Haller
 for decorations; Mr. G. Heck for
 painting stage. To all these Mrs.
 J. C. Burns, as chairman, wishes to
 express her sincere thanks, and that
 of the Cemetery Association, for the
 success of the evenng.

The receipts are not complete, but
 a rough estimate places them at
 \$425.00.

MRS. J. C. BURNS,
 Chairman.

INDICTED FOR MURDER.

Deputies Quatreveaux and Moise
 carrying out an order of Court, took
 Martin Jenkins and Ernest Polar to
 New Orleans where they were placed
 in the parish prison for safe keeping.
 The grand jury indicted them for
 the murder of Green Rodgers, near
 Folsom. They will be tried at the
 criminal term of the District Court.

Dr. H. E. Gautreaux announces
 that he has opened his office in Mad-
 sonville, in the Madisonville Bank,
 and his hours at that office will be
 from 1:30 to 2:30 p. m.

WANTED—To rent, about 4 or 5
 bed room furnished house, in Cov-
 ington, Abita or Mandeville. J. E.
 Brandt, Box 66, Covington. j613*

ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT EXER- CISES OF ST. SCHOLASTICA.

St. Scholastica's Academy closed
 its eighteenth successful term last
 Thursday. The big auditorium was
 packed to capacity with friends of
 the institution who listened atten-
 tively to the excellent program, as
 follows, which was interspersed with
 selections by the orchestra:
 Our Country and Schools For-
 ever—Song and Chorus by all the
 pupils.
 Salutatory—By Laura Durel.
 A Catholic Psalm—By Elise Ga-
 latas, second prize winner in contest.
 Class Will—By Marguerite Shar-
 Because, solo—By Laurence Stev-
 enson.
 Fate of Virginia—By Elizabeth
 McMillan, first prize winner in the
 contest.
 Class Prophecy—By Floyd Adams.
 The Legend of Breesme—Laura
 Durel, third prize winner in contest.
 Valuedictory—Laurence Stevenson.
 Address by Rev. Father Bedo
 flors, O. S. B., of St. Joseph's Ab-
 bey.
 Distribution of Medals and Di-
 plomas.
 The complete list of awards will
 be published next week.

ST. SCHOLASTICA'S ALUMNAE.

The annual meeting of St. Schol-
 astica's Alumnae Society took place
 Sunday, June 12, at St. Scholastica's
 Hall. The meeting was called to
 order by the president, Miss Cecile
 Warren, and the following officers
 were elected for the ensuing year:
 Marie Louise Stevenson, pres'id-
 ent; Nell Basile, 1st vice-president; Haz-
 ard Harding, 2d vice-president; Henri-
 etta Koepf, corresponding secretary;
 Annie Theriot, recording secretary;
 Carmelita Young, treasurer. There
 were also present Misses Floyd and
 Zella Adams, Alice Brewster, Louise
 Langenstein, May Basile, Polmie
 Durel, Laura Durel, Laurence Stev-
 enson, Viola Badon, Anna Taylor.
 Delicious refreshments were served
 and the meeting was a very enjoy-
 able one.

ST. PAUL'S TO CLOSE SUNDAY.

St. Paul's College extends an invita-
 tion to its commencement exercises
 which take place Sunday afternoon,
 June 19. This successful institution
 has graduated many of the success-
 ful young men in various of our
 states, and have quite a number of
 students from Covington.

Miss Marie Louise Rausch, daugh-
 ter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Rausch, of
 Abita, graduated from the Home In-
 stitute of New Orleans, class of 1921.

LUTHERAN SERVICES.

In Covington to-morrow at 11 a.
 m., in the courthouse. In Abita
 Springs at 9:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.
 Also the regular quarterly meet-
 ing of voting members in Abita will
 take place at 3 p. m., at the church.
 REV. O. W. LUECKE,
 Pastor.