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### SWEET POTATO PROSPERITY IS BIG THING IN DOLLARS

How Mr. Verrett, Even In Ill Health, Demonstrated This Fact.

IMPROVED METHODS GROWING, MARKETING Better Market for the Small Potatoes and They Dry Quicker

(By A. E. Briggs)

One of the few things St. Tammany farmers have already demonstrated they can raise profitably is sweet potatoes. There are other things which eventually will be found to be much more profitable. But it is nothing else other than sweet potatoes, this crop alone would make it worth while to drain every acre in this parish. A few months ago in these columns we called attention to the necessity to good drainage in connection with this crop, with good drainage it pays to raise sweet potatoes.

How one St. Tammany farmer has succeeded with sweet potatoes under very adverse conditions is a story which would convince everyone who is now skeptical about the possibility of making this parish among the first in agriculture.

Twenty years ago Mr. Theodore Verrett, of Lewisburg, had to leave the city because of bad health. Other men would have stuck to the city and died there. But St. Tammany had its remedies for Mr. Verrett, for his youth had been passed in Mandeville. The piney woods of this part of the parish under several acres of cleared ground in the center of which is an attractive brown building. Twenty years ago that land was covered with forest as thick or thicker than now surrounds it on every side. It was Mr. Verrett who cleared it. It was a much bigger job, much harder to do, than to clear the ordinary pine stump land in this parish. There were lots of fat stumps, oak, magnolia, and a tangled wood of underbrush and vines. One of these days St. Tammany will go to work on a big scale with giant machines and adequate labor which cooperative enterprises will make possible and do the stump-pulling business wholesale. Some people think that is the only way possible to do it. But a poor man can pay himself good wages doing it just like Mr. Verrett did it, a little at a time. He just dug them out by hand.

For a while he worked at the lumber mill, but fortunately he played out at that job; the work was too heavy for his strength. Some one cautioned him, when he said he was going to quit, that he would starve to death if he tried to farm. The man who gets in the habit of working for daily wages or on a salary becomes a coward and is soon afraid to try working for himself. The lesson to be learned from Mr. Verrett's experience is that anyone who has a

WANTED—A reliable tenant to farm place near Covington. Small house, barns, out-houses and good artesian well. Twenty-five acres cleared and under good fence, and 125 acres partially fenced. Rent no consideration. Want man to take place and put and keep it in repair. Good soil and exceptional opportunity for right man. Harvey E. Ellis, Covington, La.



Hanford Mac Nider, of Mason City, Iowa, new national commander of the American Legion.

### FOLSOMTOWNSHIP THANKSGIVING COMMUNITY FAIR NOV. 24

Arrangements Have Been Made for Unusually Fine Exhibition

GOOD STOCK AND POULTRY SHOW

Committee on Entertainment Assures All a Good Time

Folsom, Nov. 17.—Plans are being made and completed as fast as is possible for a community fair to be held in Folsom on Thanksgiving Day, November 24th, at the Community house.

We have been able to secure the use of a spacious barn and are expecting a live stock show, including horses, cattle, hogs, sheep and poultry, to equal any of the parish fairs. Much interest is being manifested and we are sure that we will have one of the most successful fairs of the year.

Arrangements have been made for displaying needle work, canned fruit, vegetables and jellies, and from reports received from the committees in charge of the different departments an exceptionally fine display will be made.

The entertainment committee assures us that no one need complain of a dull day, while the refreshment committee is arranging to take care of the eating so that no one need go away hungry.

Judge Prentiss B. Carter and Hon. M. J. Sylvest, of Franklinton, will speak.

All residents of the Second Ward are asked to exhibit any article raised or made in the ward, or any rooms which they may have.

Our program will be as follows: Judging exhibits, 10 o'clock. Speaking, 1 o'clock.

Fiddlers' Contest and Demonstration of Old Fashion Spinning Wheel, 2 o'clock.

Horse races and basketball games 3 to 5 o'clock.

School entertainment, 7 o'clock.

The time between events will be filled with interesting events which are being worked out by the committees in charge.

We extend to everybody a cordial invitation to attend our fair on Thanksgiving Day and we assure you that your time will be well spent.

Further information may be had by writing the undersigned.

GEO. W. VARNADO, President.

P. M. REND, Secretary-Treasurer.

### XMAS WITHOUT MUSIC

In the home is like a Xmas without presents. Read the New Edison display ad on page seven in this issue. Don't let the family go without a present like the New Edison miracle phonograph. It has a soul—it recreates and reproduces songs and music exactly as sung and played by the great singers and players of the world. It is realism you will hear—the soft, sweet melodious tones of the singers—the exact notes and melody of the musical instruments. No "talking machine" compares with the New Edison. Place the former and New Edison side by side in your home—you will keep the New Edison. We invite comparison. We will put a New Edison in your home with 25 beautiful songs and late instrumentalists without charge on our part. Get this wonderful free music. Don't let Xmas pass without trying the New Edison. Don't let money worry you. Our terms are "a little down" and "balance to suit your income." Prepare for Xmas music now. Give your family a happy surprise with a New Edison. Come to our music room and hear this wonderful instrument demonstrated.

### FRANK PATECEK "The Big Store"

C. M. Brown, Sales Manager, Over Patecek's Store

### THE MASONS' SUPPER

The young members of the Masons of Covington, following the usual custom, gave an impromptu supper to the older members of the lodge, at Gabe's Tavern, Thursday night. The supper was greatly enjoyed and the talks were interesting. The principal speakers were Lewis L. Morgan and C. S. Frederick.

### FOR SALE—Roasting size pigs

12 cents a pound. Apply B. W. Brown, Box 577, Covington, La., or at place on Mandeville road.

### FOR RENT—Three furnished and two unfurnished modern residences.

Covington Realty Co. n19

### FOR SALE—Roast size pigs for Thanksgiving. Also large cockerels.

A. E. Cresson, Military Road and Car Line.

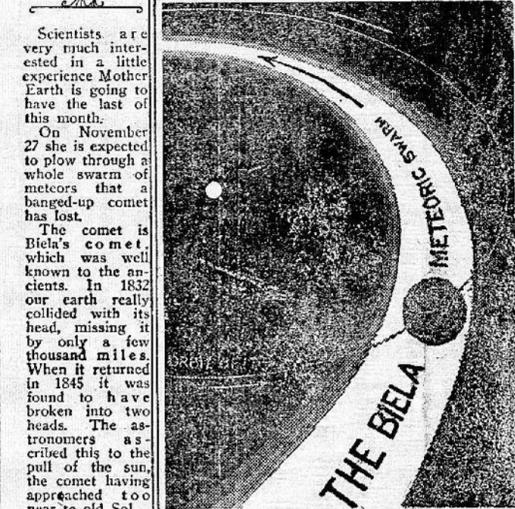
### FOR SALE—Limited number of exceedingly promising hound puppies.

Price \$5.00. Jack Ellis, at Witchwood Farms, Covington, La.

### FOR QUICK SALE—One Ford tractor, cheap.

Apply at Liberty Garage, Wm. Warner, prop. n12-2t

### EARTH PLOWS THROUGH WRECKED COMET THIS MONTH



Scientists are very much interested in a little experience Mother Earth is going to have the last of this month. On November 27 she is expected to plow through a whole swarm of meteors that a banged-up comet has lost. The comet is Biela's comet, which was well known to the ancients. In 1832 our earth really collided with its head, missing it by only a few thousand miles. When it returned in 1845 it was found to have broken into two heads. The astronomers ascribed this to the pull of the sun, the comet having approached too near to old Sol. Biela's comet never came back again, but on Nov. 27, 1872, the earth passed through a tremendous shower of shooting stars. Science believes that between 1845 and 1872 the comet simply went to pieces and that these shooting stars was its debris. Now, 49 years later, they predict that we will go through the debris again. The picture, which was printed in special arrangement with Popular Science Monthly, shows the earth's rush through the swarm. Nobody need fear injury on Nov. 27. When "shooting stars" hit our thick atmosphere, some 300 miles up, they begin to burn and the friction reduces them to nothing by the time they reach our vicinity. Popular Science says that one hundred and forty-six billions of these fragments enter our atmosphere every year, and you never hear of one of them hitting a human being—thanks be!

### PROCEEDINGS ST. TAMMANY PAR. MEDICAL SOCIETY

The St. Tammany Parish Medical Society held its regular meeting on Thursday, Nov. 10, at the Southern Hotel, with the following members present: President Dr. A. G. Mayfield, Secretary-Treasurer Dr. H. D. Bulloch, Drs. J. P. Cook, Wallace J. Dard, N. M. Hebert, R. B. Paine, W. E. Vanzandt, C. W. Davidson, H. E. Gaudreault, J. F. Buequet, P. E. Young, Jr.

A number of medical and surgical cases of great professional interest were reported and discussed. The next meeting will take place Thursday, Dec. 14, at 7 p. m., at which will take place the election of officers for 1922, and the initiative move in the formation of a Tri-Parish Medical Society, including St. Tammany, Washington and Tangipahoa parishes.

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### FRANCIS LYNDE



Francis Lynde is another example of "When a Man Comes to Himself," the title of an excellent little book which ex-President Wilson wrote for young men some years ago. He was born at Lewiston, N. Y., in 1836, went to Denver as a young man, got him a job on a railroad, married a nice young woman and sailed along in obscurity until he was thirty-seven years old.

Then he woke up and took his pen in hand. What he had to say didn't stir the nation appreciably during the first five years. In 1893 he wrote three novels within 12 months, each one of which was a ten-strike. After that it was easy.

Mr. Lynde has romanticized the railroads of the West and written many other fascinating tales of that region. We have been fortunate enough to secure his late story, "The Girl, a Horse and a Dog," as interesting as its title implies, for serial reproduction in this publication. You must read it!

### NOVEMBER CROP REPORT FOR LOUISIANA.

The yields per acre this year of corn, Irish and sweet potatoes are above the 10-year average, and the yield of other crops is very satisfactory, according to a report just issued by Mr. Lionel L. James, Agricultural Statistician at New Orleans, of the Bureau of Markets and Crop Estimates, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Dry weather which has prevailed this fall has in general been detrimental to the best development of sugar cane, but has been ideal for harvesting rice, sugar cane, corn, etc. Farm labor has been plentiful and willing to work at reasonable wages. In general farm work is well advanced for this time of year. Final production figures of all crops will be announced next month.

### CORN 19.5 Bushels Per Acre.

The preliminary estimated average yield of corn per acre this year is 19.5 bushels, which compares with 19.2 bushels in 1920, and with 19 bushels for the 10-year average yield per acre (1911-1920). The preliminary estimate of the states total production of corn this year is 43,856,900 bushels. Dry weather this year cut down the expected yield of late planted corn.

### OATS 23 Bushels Per Acre.

The preliminary estimated average yield of oats per acre this year is 23 bushels, which compares with 23 bushels in 1920, and with 23 bushels for the 10-year average yield per acre. The estimate of total production for the state is 1,537,000 bushels.

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### GOVERNMENT TO TAKE MOVIES NEXT DOOR TO FARM

Pictures Will Show Uses of Farm Machinery and Lighting Outfits

UNCLE SAM THE GREATEST FARMER

Scenic Views of Beautiful Spots in Rocky Mountains, a Feature

In its endeavor to stimulate more and better interest in agriculture and farm products, the United States Department of Agriculture has put on a campaign of motion pictures, making use of a light truck and a good lighting outfit. By this means they are able to reach the remote farming districts, where they can illustrate to the country farmers the best means and methods used in modern farming. An outfit like this is now in Louisiana, under the direction of Dr. E. J. Mebel of the Bureau of Animal Industries, and will spend the week of November 21-29 in St. Tammany parish. These views are absolutely free, and cover, among other things, a diversified field of agriculture covering all kinds of farming, from the small truck patch to the ten thousand acre wheat field.

There will also be shown scenic views of the most beautiful spots in the Rocky Mountains. It shows the protection given by the Forest Service; the strawberry industry is shown complete, taking the berry from the vine to the short-cake. Included in this great agricultural illustration also comes the live stock industry. Uncle Sam is pictured as the greatest agriculture producer in the world. These pictures are free and should be seen by not only the adults, but especially by the school children.

Special notice is called to the fact that Mr. Ed. F. Pickering is the special representative of the United States Government, and will have charge of the operating of the picture machine, and will be glad to answer any questions that anyone may care to ask.

The following itinerary has been arranged: Monday, Nov. 21—Sun school, 2 p. m.; Oak Grove school, 7 p. m. Tuesday, Nov. 22—Pearl River school, 2 p. m.; Slidell school, 7:30 p. m. Wednesday—Tallisheek school, 2 p. m.; Central school, 7 p. m. Thursday—Covington school at 8 p. m. Friday—Onward school, 2 p. m.; Folsom school, 7 p. m. Saturday—Waldheim school, 2 p. m.; Mandeville school, 7 p. m. Sunday—Progress school, 2 p. m.; Abita Springs, 7 p. m. Tuesday—Middle Roads school, 2 p. m.; Madisonville school, 7 p. m.

### MISSIONARY SOCIETY WILL GIVE BAZAAR.

The Ladies Missionary Society of the Covington Methodist church will give a bazaar on November 26th, to assist in paying for the new church building. The bazaar will be held in the Pools Building on New Hampshire street. Members and friends are asked to patronize the bazaar and help the worthy cause along. The affair will be in charge of Mrs. Alton Smith and Mrs. Roy Nelson.

### COVINGTON MILK SUPPLY INSPECTED.

At the request of the Covington Board of Health, J. P. Hinton, dairy inspector for the State Board of Health, recently obtained eleven samples of milk from dairymen along their routes and later, with the cooperation of Dr. Stevenson, inspected their dairies. An analysis of the milk sold in the restaurants and at the soda fountains is planned for a later date. The milk analysis will be made known in a few days. The majority of the dairies were found to be sanitary. One of the largest that supplies hotels and restaurants in New Orleans was found below standard. The owner will be notified. The manufacture of cream cheese was also open to criticism.

### A STUDEBAKER SPECIALIST.

The Covington Garage was the original home of the Studebaker and special pride was taken in providing patrons with a service that would make them fully appreciative of the many advantageous features of this wonderful car. Mr. Thos. F. Miller, who has recently become owner of this garage, is determined that to do this he has engaged the services of a mechanic who is a specialist in Studebaker work. You may bring your Studebaker there with the assurance that it will receive expert attention.

Mr. Miller also desires to have it known that the mechanical skill represented in the Covington Garage is fully capable of doing first-class repair work on any car and solicits public patronage.—Adv.

### SLIDELL DOINGS OF THE WEEK TOLD BY OUR REPORTER

Slidell Community Fair Is Now Open and Closes Saturday Night, 19th

DANCING AND ATHLETIC SPORTS

Lyceum Course Nov. 22d at Auditorium; Personal and Local News.

Slidell, Nov. 18.—The Slidell Community Fair held at the Community House beginning Friday, will last through Saturday night, Nov. 19th. The doors will be open at all hours. Many season tickets have been sold. The booths look very beautiful and the fair will be a great success. Dancing is featured both nights. Luncheon will be sold both days. The automobile parade was scheduled for 2:20 v. m., Friday.

Slidell High School boys will play the Franklinton High School boys in a basketball game Saturday afternoon, and next Saturday will return the Bogalusa game.

### Second Lyceum Course.

Tuesday, Nov. 22, the second Lyceum course will be given at the high school auditorium.

### Local and Personal.

Mrs. B. P. Dunham entertained at a birthday party in honor of Mr. Donaldson Dunn, Tuesday night. Those present were Misses Howze, Bourgeois, Row, Hutchinson, Voss, Sanders, Dunham, and Messrs. Dunn, Bise, Redmond, Beavers, and Mrs. J. B. Semple. The evening was greatly enjoyed by all present.

Misses Hazel Martine and Ella Salmen spent last week end in Bogalusa.

Mrs. J. B. Semple spent several days in Mobile, Ala., last week.

Mrs. M. E. Wakefield is visiting her sister, Mrs. L. F. Talley.

Mrs. L. G. Poyrette entertained in honor of Mrs. M. E. Wakefield, of New Orleans, at cards, Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Heloise McCrackin has as her guests Mrs. H. MacEuan Davidson and little son, Mac, Jr.

Mr. H. M. Davidson spent last Sunday in Slidell.

Mr. Roy Ferral was taken to New Orleans, Wednesday, to an oculist, he having gotten acid in his eyes.

Mr. W. L. Ellis returned Monday, having attended the Methodist Conference in Alexandria.

Rev. W. H. Giles returned Monday having been re-appointed as pastor of the Methodist Church at Slidell for another year.

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### THE PRISCILLA CLUB.

Mandeville, Nov. 16, 1921. "Just because 'tis a little dead. Come to home of Mrs. Lemelux; Bring your work, your needle and thread, Thursday, Sept. 8, at half past two."

was the invitation sent to about twenty ladies in town. Quite a number accepted and were present. Thus the Priscilla Club was organized and has held its meetings regularly at each member's home in alphabetical order every other week.

Our club is growing, as new names continue to be added. As one of the rules is "No Gossip Allowed" our meetings are pleasant, instructive and wholesome, and as our fingers are busy while we talk, the evening has not been spent in idleness. Only light refreshments are allowed to be served under penalty of a fine, so that entertaining need not be a burden to any member.

Considering all things we think we have found a very agreeable way of enjoying the company of our friends one afternoon every other week.

### A MEMBER.

### CUT DURING QUARREL.

A difficulty occurred at Folsom, Thursday, in which Josh Gaines was severely but not seriously cut over the heart by one of the Carlyle boys, it is charged.

It is said the difficulty occurred regarding some piles of wood, the quarrel starting in a dispute between George and John Carlyle, on the other side and Dudley Gaines on the other. In the meantime, Josh Gaines comes on the scene and as he crawled under the car with a gun in his hand one of the Carlyle boys jumped on him, the gun was discharged, and it is claimed that the other charge was fired by Carlyle to make the gun useless. In the tussle Josh Gaines was cut with his own knife. Mr. Gaines claims that the knife was taken from his pocket while he was down. The story of one witness, a negro man, has not been heard. The true facts of the difficulty will probably not be known until the case comes into court. In the meantime George and John Carlyle have been placed under \$500 bond to await the action of the grand jury.