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THE BRIDGE ACROSS THE LAKE.

In the large dining room of the Southern Hotel in Covington last Monday evening at the annual banquet of the Covington Association of Commerce there assembled the most representative gathering of citizens of St. Tammany parish that has at any time participated in a movement for parish development. Of the 147 members and guests present there was not a dissenting voice against the proposition of building a bridge across Lake Ponchartrain, which was made the special feature of the business session of the banquet, and every speaker who advocated the movement, especially the very interesting and encouraging remarks of A. E. Briggs, was applauded. We presume there was no one present who would not be delighted at the consummation of such a project.

It must be conceded that the building of such a bridge or causeway is a great undertaking in the matter of financing, but it presents no great difficulties in engineering. And even the financing, granting it will take fifteen millions of dollars, should not frighten any one, provided the investment is good. People who attempt nothing but the sure and easy things will never be able to point to any achievement to be proud of. Great wars have been won in the face of great difficulties and sacrifices. Great cities have been built by conquering obstacles, many times doing the almost impossible, often under the leadership of a few men who were derided dreamers. Germany said we would never cross the ocean with an army. The idea that mosquito riddance would stop yellow fever was laughed at. It may be said that these comparisons are not fair because the possibility of building the causeway is not questioned but that there is no security for the investment to attract capital. We maintain that until the matter is thoroughly gone into and the details threshed out nobody knows what inducement there may be in such a movement. There have been millions invested in oil wells before they spouted oil, and many have helped to finance some that never brought even the smell of oil. Water power projects, mines, railroads and in fact many business undertakings have depended upon the condition created by their establishment. The building of a bridge across the lake and a hotel in the center of the bridge; the making of Mandeville a watering place, with its moss-hung trees along the beach; with golf links and beautiful highways through the parish; with summer homes of wealthy people throughout the United States; the business man and the suburban resident from New Orleans, the beautiful drive across the lake that would attract auto parties from everywhere; the opportunities created for railroads; the many things that would increase values and population in a short time—these are the things that would make the investment a paying proposition, just as the advertising of California has brought profit from the thousands of visitors and tourists. And it must be remembered that California has nothing on St. Tammany parish, when it comes to climate and health. A bridge across the lake would be a good investment for the State of Louisiana simply as an advertisement. The people drawn here by this attraction would return home with a different impression than that made by stories of swamps, alligators and malaria, just as they are now realizing that the commercial opportunities of New Orleans far outweigh the pleasure of its entertainments and hospitality.

But aside from all this, those who do not believe this great thing can be accomplished should at least appreciate the efforts of those who are trying to bring it about. If they have no vision themselves, if their dreams are confined to the common every-day practice of sitting down and waiting for something to turn up, like Micawber, they should at least realize that the men who try to do something are more valuable to a community than the men who ridicule them for trying. The Association of Commerce has grown from a handful of men who tried to do—who have stretched and scraped for funds to meet rent and postage—to a body that commands respect and consideration. The banquet last Monday evening was an evidence of this that leaves no room for doubt. We believe, also, there are few citizens who will not do all in their power to make the work of the bridge committee a success. If it fails—well, 'tis better to have tried and lost than never to have tried at all.

THE AMERICAN FARM BUREAU.

This edition of The Farmer is devoted largely to matter discussing the American Farm Bureau and the state branches of this bureau. It should be read carefully by every farmer and every business man. If you look over the advertisements you will find that hearty support has been given to the movement by the big business concerns, banks and corporations, as well as the town merchants. In fact, the edition has been financed by the business interests of the parish because of the important bearing the Farm Bureau has on the agricultural prosperity and social uplift of the parish and state. The business man to-day realizes that upon the prosperity of the farmer depends the success of business. With more than 50 per cent of the population of St. Tammany parish living in the rural districts it is evident that no intelligent plan for the future prosperity of the parish can be formed without consideration of the interests of the farmer. As a rule, the farmer is not a business manager. He is a producer, and has been a producer without co-operation or organization. When he buys a coat, a plow, a set of harness or any other thing he needs he pays a price based upon the cost of production and a reasonable profit to the retailer. But when he sells what he produces on the farm he must take what he can get for it, regardless of cost of production. And just as long as he remains unorganized this condition will remain. The Farm Bureau is endeavoring to place the farmer in a position that will allow him to enjoy the fruits of his labor; that will make it possible for him to add to the cost of production a fair profit for his products.

Becoming a member of the Farm Bureau does not interfere with your local farm organizations. It makes it easier, through co-operation of various community organizations, to enter into large contracts and to secure the advantage that can be gained only through big transactions. Financing, storage and marketing and the control of markets can not be accomplished by one parish or one state. This must be done through nation-wide co-operation and organization; but the moral effect of having a national organization behind you with the power to secure legislation to protect you from fraud, robbery and injustice would of itself be in the nature of insurance against such treatment.

There has been a big change in the attitude of the farmers of St. Tammany parish recently. While there has been some disagreement as to conditions or privileges affected by organization, the spirit of co-operation

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Always!
When a young woman agrees to share a young man's lot she should be sure there is a house on it.

What are the wild waves saying?
Well, if they're crime waves, they probably say "Ain't we got fun!"

When it comes to modern fashions for girls, there is a lot in the dress, but there is a darn sight more out of it.

Nowadays.
With everybody passing the hat these days charity covers a multitude of sins.

Perhaps They Meant "Jammed."
The crowds almost swept us off our feet. Packed and Damned! Bankrupt Sale ad.

There are people who will give you everything the hen lays but the eggs.

Harsher Name.
How old are you, uncle Eph? Ninety-eight years old, sah. You're a fine example of longevity, sah?

I say you are a fine example of longevity.
Yes, sah; thank you, sah; but when my ole 'oman is hard at work and I'm setting in de sunshine, dat ain't what she calls me.

Speaking about ships in this state, some people think that a dry-dock is a physician who won't give out prescriptions.

Out in Des Moines, Ia., another woman has pulled that bone about discovering after living with her husband for eighteen months that she is a woman. Heinz preserve us: Do your own commenting.

He Must Have One of Henry's Synthetic Cows.
Wanted—Experienced gardener, who can milk and run automobile; apply by mail giving age and references. John S. Stoops, Ft. Thomas Avenue Herald.

Strong. Difficulties always arise in the consideration of new undertakings and the problems will be fully worked out satisfactorily.

Washington parish has given quite a strong membership to the Farm Bureau. Mr. M. C. Graham and Mr. Floyd Spencer, who spoke to the farmers of Washington parish have been speaking in this parish this week. There will be a general organization meeting in Covington at 10 a. m. to-day. The speakers will be, H. F. Kapp, representative of the Federal Farm Bureau; M. C. Graham, of the Louisiana Farm Bureau; L. W. Wilkinson, district agent. O. C. Price, farm agent for St. Tammany parish, has done a great deal of work, personally and through his office, in an effort to impress the farmers with the importance of attending the meetings and becoming informed as to the work of the Farm Bureau. Every farmer should attend the meeting in Covington to-day, and every business man should use his influence to bring about an understanding of the importance of this meeting.

TAXED TO THE LIMIT.

When the Legislature opened it looked as if there was to be a drive for more money by taxation and a general amendment of the Constitution. It would take just one more income tax and a tax on outstanding accounts to build an asylum big enough to accommodate the people these taxes would drive insane. It would take all of it and some bigger net incomes than the people can now earn. However, the rumble of discontent that swept the state seems to have been accepted as a warning that too much is more than a plenty.

AGAIN THE PRACTICAL JOKER.

The dignity of the State Legislature has been sadly bruised by the thoughtlessness of a practical joker named Nesbit. He telegraphed to a New Orleans saloon man that for \$500 the racing bill could be defeated. But not only has he hurt the feelings of the Legislature, but he has everlastingly tarnished the nickel plated assurance of the press that it had some influence in the affairs of the state and could butt into legislation as the spokesman of the people. Nesbit got off with a reprimand, but the press, it seems, got off at the wrong place and has not yet found its destination. When will newspapers learn that they must not publish the news?

**A little bit of this and a little bit of that—
You put it all together but keep it in your hat
And no one ever knows that you a secret hold.
Nor miss the silver speech in the silence that is gold.**

Things That Never Happen.

Lady escaping from hotel fire in cheap, plain robe of nuit.
Driver admitting that he might possibly be to blame for automobile accident.
Butcher advising customers to take the "cheaper cuts of beef."
Lawyer telling prospective client that his case will be easy to win.
Society bride being unacclaimed as plain looking and unaccomplished.
Banquet speaker blushing when the toastmaster refers to him as a brilliant and illustrious citizen.
Man worrying about the same thing he was worrying about a year ago.
Man fooling somebody by putting a Ford hood on his Rolls-Royce.

Human freedom has made great strides, but there is still a silly law against slaying the horse who takes up your time.

Sweat 'em Early.
The early fly's the one to swat. It comes before the weather's hot, And sits around and flies its legs And lays at least a million eggs, And every egg will bring a fly To drive us crazy by and by.

Of course, women do wear some awfully funny looking things, but a celluloid collar is not one of them.

Comforting.

Old Lady: Oh, sir, please stop the train! I've dropped my wig out the window.

Fellow Passenger: Never mind, madam; there is a switch just this side of the next station.

Some things to ponder over: Why is it that the principal rivers always run by large cities? The fortune of Washington, Lincoln and Uncle Sam to have been born on national holidays.

Cause for Wonder.

What are those things? Life buoys. They will keep you from drowning if you go overboard. Huh! I wondered what they're doing with spare tires on a motor boat.

The ideal hammock should be just large enough for one but strong enough for two.

As usual, lots of people will be getting married this month. The honeymoon will work overtime, just as it did last June and other Juneas before that. Then will come July, August, September, October, Reconciliation, November, Indignation, December, Resignation, after which the years will begin to roll by with ever increasing and ever increasing appreciated celebrity.

Ask Dad!

Marion: George was the goal of my ambitions, but—
Mildred: But what?
Marion: Father kicked the goal.

A lot of birds are already worrying about their vacations and most of their employers are wondering why they want vacations.

Every man has his price and every woman has her figure.

Had the Girl.

"Dar am one ting Ah like bout de Prodigal Son," said a negro preacher, "de boy had de grit ter walk home stead er telegrafin for money."

"But dearest, on what grounds does your father object to me?"
"On any grounds within a mile of this house."

Why Will They Do It?

She cannot dance the toddle, For she has too much fat, But you should see her waddle; She shakes the floor at that.

A Kansas paper says the definition of a mugwump is a man sitting on a rail fence—with his mug on one side and his wump on the other.

We are morally responsible. Palmistry teaches us that we have our lives in our hands.

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

June 11, Mr. John Araine, of New Service at 11 o'clock, Sunday. Orleans, will officiate. The Rector will preach the sermon. The public is invited.

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Yes, we serve Holland Farm Butter and buttermilk every day at the Covington Restaurant.

FOR SALE—A lot of chickens 25c and 35c per lb., delivered; Aristocrat Barred Plymouth Rock settings, \$1.50 each, roosters \$2 each; pigs, \$2.50 each. Address J. M., care of The Farmer.

FOR SALE—Fine Jersey bull, between 8 and 7 years old. Apply to Felix Bachemin, Military Road Dairy Farm. je10

How a Noted Vet Gets Rid of Rats—Farmers Heed.

Dr. H. H. Butler says "I use RAT-SNAP" around my hospitals every three months, whether I see rats or not. It does the work—RAT-SNAP gets them every time. I recommend it to everybody having rats." Don't wait until there is a brood of rats, act immediately you see the first one. Three sizes, 35c, 65c, \$1.25. Sold and guaranteed by Smith Hardware Co. and Schonberg's Pharmacy.

CALOMEL MAY TURN ON YOU NEXT TIME

Next Dose You Take May Salivate and Start World of Trouble.

Calomel is mercury; quicksilver. It crashes into your bile like dynamite, cramping and sickening you. Calomel attacks the bones and should never be put into your system.

If you feel bilious, headachy, constipated and all knocked out, just go to your druggist and get a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tonic for a few cents which is a harmless vegetable substitute for dangerous calomel.

Take a spoonful and if it doesn't start your liver and straighten you out better and quicker than nasty calomel and without making you sick, you just go back and get your money.

Don't take calomel! It makes you sick the next day; it loses you a day's work. Dodson's Liver Tonic straightens you right up and you feel great. No salts necessary. Give it to the children because it is perfectly harmless and can not salivate.—Advertisement.

WANTED—A middle-aged woman servant, one for all-round work. Phone 227, Mrs. W. P. Minckler, Covington. je10

HOLLAND FARM.

Fresh butter and buttermilk three times a week.

FOR SALE—Seven hogs, White Chester and Duroc, 90 to 150 lbs. See Geo. Messick, Mandeville.

FOR SALE—Reo Roadster, good condition; dirt cheap. See Geo. Messick, Mandeville.

FOR SALE—Pure Breed Ferris Strain White Leghorns; also chicks from 5 days to 3 months old. Geo. Messick, Mandeville.

DRESS-MAKING—Plain sewing, ladies' lingerie and children's dresses. Mrs. Annie Briant, 16th Avenue near Jackson, phone 178. je10-21

FOR RENT—4-room house, hall, front and back galleries, modernly built and screened. Januck Avenue and Temperance street, Covington. Apply Paul Herbez. je10

FOR SALE—Collie pups. Apply Mrs. C. S. A. Fahrman, Covington.

FOR RENT—Single 4-room cottage, modern; bath, lights, etc. Apply A. D. Schwartz. m13

FOR SALE—1 National cash register, 2 drawers; 1 electric coffee mill. Both in A-1 condition, if possible, see us, if not, write for further information. Hammond Lumber Co., Hammond, La. m611

FOR SALE—A choice lot of young mares, horses and mules; 2 wagons. Ed. Brunet, phone 235, Covington. 2

ROOM and BOARD—Meals also served on premises or at your home. Creole cooking at cheap rates. Apply Mrs. H. Bullson, at Madison and 24th Avenue, or phone 252. l'141

666 quickly relieves Colds, Constipation, Biliousness and Headaches. A fine Tonic. je3-297

Advertising in The Farmer pays.

We have on hand a big stock of rough and dressed lumber of all kinds; sash, doors and cypress shingles, cypress lumber, etc. Our price before you build or buy your supplies. H. J. Smith's, Covington, La.

FOR SALE—Two lots of ground in Division of St. John, Covington. Will sell separate or together. Big lot faces on Rutland street and one on New Hampshire street. The lots are less than one square from the courthouse and Southern Hotel, but are 2 1/2 squares from the depot. For particulars see Richard & Blaine Covington, La.

FOR SALE—30 acre farm, 1/2 mile north of Covington; 4 room house, barn, dry well; several bearing trees. M. Moran, 1227 Constance St., New Orleans, La.

FOR SALE—We have a complete line of second-hand furniture—bed springs, dressers, washstands, chairs, armchairs, rockers, etc. BURNHAM FURNITURE CO., Covington.

FOR SALE or RENT—Completely remodeled modern 8-room home on 16th avenue and Harrison street, full square of ground. Will be ready for occupancy on or about May 15th. Apply to H. J. Rouillon, phone 21, or Box 284, Covington.

WANTED—We have openings for Accountants, \$150 to \$200 monthly; Bookkeeper, \$100 to \$150 monthly; stenographers (male and female) from \$50 to \$125 monthly; male and female clerical and general office work positions, from \$80 to \$100 monthly; lumber timekeepers, 10 and board; office manager, 10 and board; traveling salesman, 10 and board; \$25 to \$50 weekly. Other positions. If you want a position, write immediately, giving full details of yourself, names of references, and enclose registration fee which is four dollars. No application considered unless accompanied by the fee. We have positions now so rush your application by return mail. Bankers & Merchants Service Bureau, 515 Canal-Commercial Building, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Queen Quality SHOES

Whether you are in need of a pair of shoes or not, be sure and go in at **Patecek's** and get prices before buying elsewhere—especially on White Shoes, which we have reduced below market prices. As for our men's shoes, don't pass them up, for they were purchased in quantity and at right prices. This is what gives us the power to save you money. Convince yourself by coming in and looking them over.

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