

ASCENSION SCHOOL CLUBS.

Rules and Regulations.

CORN CLUBS.

1. Any school boy able to plant and work one-half acre of corn may become a member.
2. All members complying with all requirements hereinafter laid down, as well as later requirements, may compete in the annual school contest; provided that those members who wish to compete at the state fair be required to plant one acre of corn instead of one-half acre.
3. Each contestant must make a special study of corn, including seed selection, adaptability of soil, preparation of seed bed, time and method of planting, fertilization, cultivation, harvesting, storing, diseases and insect pests.
4. Each contestant shall write a composition on corn. He shall have his corn measured at the proper time (when harvested) by the local trustees and principal of his school; the yield ascertained and certified to in writing and signed by the member, the trustees and the principal; and this document, together with the composition, turned over to the principal, who in turn shall forward same to the parish superintendent at Donaldsonville when called for.
5. Each contestant shall exhibit his best ears of corn at the annual school exhibits and contests. Each ear must be labeled with the name of the club member and his school.
6. Each contestant shall cultivate and gather his own crop, but he may hire labor to do the rough plowing if he is not able.
7. Each contestant shall hand to his principal, who in turn will forward same to the superintendent, the following information: Name of contestant, postoffice, age, amount of previous experience in corn growing, variety of seed used, how obtained, size of plot used, kind of soil, subsoil and drainage, previous crops grown on plot, fertilizers used, preparation of seed-bed, date of plowing; depth of plowing, date of planting, cultivation, kind of planter used, distance of planting between rows, between hills, number of kernels to the hill planted, date the corn matures, date of selecting seed, date of harvesting, yield and by whom corn was measured, cost of producing the crop, value of the crop, profit. (Printed blanks for the report will be supplied).

PIG CLUBS.

1. Each contestant shall secure at least one pig, preferably full or registered stock, and prefer weighing under fifty pounds.
2. Each contestant shall feed his pig for a period of at least two weeks, and shall keep a careful accurate account of the weight of the pig and the feeds fed. He shall take the weight of his pig every seven days. He shall keep a record of the age of his pig.
3. Each contestant shall write a composition on the pig and shall hand same to his principal when called for, together with his report of feeding, feeds, weights, etc., who in turn shall forward same to the superintendent. (Blanks for reporting will be supplied.)
4. Each contestant shall exhibit his pig at the annual school exhibits and contests.

TOMATO CLUBS.

1. Each club member shall make a special study of tomato growing, including adaptability of soil, seed selection, preparation of seed-bed, time and method of sowing, and transplanting, fertilization, cultivation, harvesting, diseases and insects.
2. Each contestant shall grow about one-tenth of an acre of tomatoes.
3. Each contestant shall plant, cultivate and gather his own crop and keep a complete record of same on blanks which will be supplied for that purpose.
4. Each contestant shall write a composition on tomato growing and submit same, together with her report, to her principal when called for, who in turn shall forward same to the superintendent.
5. Each contestant shall exhibit ten cans or jars of tomatoes, properly labeled, at the annual school contests and exhibits.

POULTRY CLUBS.

1. Each contestant must own and care for at least two chickens of any good breed.
2. Each contestant must keep a record of the age, breed, feeds fed,

care, etc., of his chickens.

3. Each contestant must write a composition on chickens and submit same together with his report, to the principal when called for, who in turn will forward same to the superintendent.
4. Each contestant shall exhibit her or his chickens at the annual school exhibits and contests.

POTATO CLUBS.

1. Each contestant shall make a special study of potato growing, including adaptability of soils, seed selection, preparation of seed-bed, time and method of planting, fertilization, harvesting, storing, diseases, and insect pests.
2. Each contestant shall plant and grow one-tenth of an acre of potatoes.
3. Each contestant shall plant, cultivate and gather his or her own crop.
4. Each contestant shall have his or her crop measured by the principal or local trustees of the school, or both, the yield ascertained and recorded and signed by the member, the principal and trustees.
5. Each contestant shall write a composition on potatoes and shall submit same, together with other reports, to the principal when called for. The principal shall in turn forward same to the superintendent.
6. Each contestant shall exhibit one-half bushel of potatoes grown on his plot, at the annual parish school contests and exhibits.
Money premiums will be awarded in all contests.

J. L. RUSCA,
Superintendent.

GETS PRESENT FROM MOHAWK.

Birth of New Year Symbolized in Gift to Great Junior Sagamore.

The great junior sagamore, (G. P. Reynolds), will long remember the visit to Donaldsonville on Dec. 31, 1914, as a bright oasis in the daily grind toward the time when time shall be no more, for 'twas on that night Past Sachem Thibodaux of Mohawk Tribe No. 33 presented him, in the presence of the braves of Mohawk and the lovely maids of Napanee, with a new child, all dressed and with a gold band around its waist; or should I say her waist? The occasion was a banquet given to Napanee Council by Mohawk Tribe. Every one who has ever been to Donaldsonville knows Mohawk Tribe never does anything half-way, but this time they exceeded their own bounds.

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After the banquet, the tables were removed and braves and maids tripped the light fantastic from 1914 to 1915, to the strains of Donaldsonville's best band.—Speaking Leaf.

SOY BEANS AS A HUMAN FOOD.

Highly Nutritious, Appetizing, and Can be Prepared in Many Ways.

Although soy beans as an article of food have attracted attention from time to time in the United States, this fact they have been but little used. The beans contain but a trace of starch and they are highly recommended as a food for persons suffering from diabetes. The numerous ways in which the soy bean can be prepared as human food should encourage its use.

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OUR CITY'S FIRST ANNUAL SPRING SHOW

To Be Held at Donaldsonville, April 3 and 4, Under Auspices of South Louisiana Fair Association-- Premiums for Truck, Flowers and Poultry.

All exhibits of truck, flowers and poultry must be entered and in place by 12 m. Saturday, April 3, and remain on exhibition until 6 p. m. Sunday, April 4.

Judging in all three departments will commence promptly at 2 p. m., April 3. The premiums offered will be paid in cash within five days after the close of the Show.

All poultry must be banded. Exhibition coops will be provided by the management, who will insist on all fowls being transferred thereto from the shipping coops. An entry fee of 25 cents will be charged for single fowls and 50 cents additional for pens of five (1 male and 4 females). No entry fee will be charged for pigeons, but they must be shown in coops furnished by the exhibitor. No charge for feed or care of poultry and no charge for space or entry in the other departments.

All exhibits must have been raised by exhibitor or been owned at least six months.

Entry blanks may be had by applying to the Secretary-Manager.

Admission to the Spring Show will be 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for children under fifteen years. During the baseball games and races an additional charge of 10 cents will be made for admission to the grand stand. Passes for the first day will be issued to all exhibitors who make application.

TRUCK

PROF. G. L. TIEBOUT, Baton Rouge, Superintendent.

Best dozen tomatoes, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best crate tomatoes, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best display tomatoes, first premium, \$1; second, ribbon.
Best dozen red beets, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best dozen stock beets, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best dozen Brussels sprouts, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best two heads cauliflower, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best dozen carrots, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best dozen stock carrots, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best two heads cabbage, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best dozen celery, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best dozen salsify, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best dozen parsnips, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best dozen cucumbers, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best dozen melon, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best dozen green onions, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best dozen green garlic, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best dozen ears sweet corn, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best three heads lettuce, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best two dozen asparagus, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.

CUT FLOWERS AND PLANTS

MRS. R. N. SIMS, Donaldsonville, Superintendent.

Two separate classes will be made in this Department, one for professional florists and the other for private exhibitors.

Best specimen of palms, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best collection of 3 palms, first premium, \$1; second, ribbon.
Best specimen of nephrolepis ferns, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best collection of three nephrolepis ferns, first premium, \$1; second, ribbon.
Best specimen of maiden hair ferns, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
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Best specimen of asparagus plumosus, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best specimen of asparagus sprengeri, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best specimen of begonias, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best collection of 3 begonias, first premium, \$1; second, ribbon.
Best planted window or porch box, first premium, \$1; second, ribbon.
Best hanging basket and plants, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best floral design or centre piece, first premium, \$1; second, ribbon.
Best specimen of crotons, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.
Best collection of 3 crotons, first premium, \$1; second, ribbon.
Best specimen of coleus, first premium, 50c; second, ribbon.

POULTRY

MRS. R. E. BRUCE, New Orleans, Superintendent.

Best cock, hen, cockerel or pullet of each of the varieties mentioned below, first premium, \$1; second, 50c; third, ribbon.
Best pen (one cock and four females) of each variety, first premium, \$2.50; second, \$1; third, ribbon.

AMERICAN
Barred, White, Buff and Partridge Plymouth Rocks; Black, White, Golden, Silver, Buff, Columbian and Partridge Wyandottes; R. C. and S. C. Rhode Island Reds.

ASIATIC
Light and Dark Brahmas; White, Black, Buff and Partridge Cochins; Black and White Langshans.

MEDITERRANEAN
S. C. and R. C. White Leghorns; Buff, Black and Brown Leghorns; S. C. and R. C. Black and White Minorcas; W. F. Black Spanish; Blue Andalusian and Mottled Anconas.

ENGLISH
S. C. Buff, Black and White Orpingtons.

POLISH
White Crested Black, Bearded White, Silver and Golden, Non-Bearded Golden, Silver and White, Buff Laced.

HAMBURG
Golden and White Spangled Games.

FRENCH
Houdans

BANTAMS
Games and Ornamental.

TURKEYS
Bronze, Narragansett, White Holland, Black Buff and Slate. Best pair of each variety, first premium, \$1; second, 50c; third, ribbon.

DUCKS
Pekins and Indian Runners.

Best old drake, old hen, young drake or young hen of each variety, first premium, 50c; second, 25c; third, ribbon.
Breeding pen of each variety, first premium, \$2; second, \$1; third, ribbon.

GEESE
Best pair, any variety, first premium, \$1; second, 50c; third, ribbon.

PIGEONS
Pouters, Carriers, Barbs, Tumblers, Fan Tails, Homers and other varieties.
Best pair of each variety, first premium, 50c; second, 25c; third, ribbon.

SWEEPSTAKES
Best and largest display of poultry by one exhibitor, first premium, \$3; second, \$2; third, ribbon.

SEND-OFF FOR SO. LOUISIANA.

Diversity of Agricultural and Live Stock Possibilities Shown in Series of Interesting Pictures in Gulf States Farmer.

South Louisiana, "the land of God knows what" as Herman J. Seifert so aptly and strikingly expresses it, is given some very valuable publicity in the January number of the Gulf States Farmer, an agricultural journal of wide circulation published in New Orleans. The front page of the magazine contains four fine photographs of typical scenes in south Louisiana, and throughout the publication are scattered pictures showing the varied agricultural resources and possibilities of this favored section. These are the same illustrations which were used in the handsome folder issued recently by the South Louisiana Immigration Association, and they constitute a striking presentation of south Louisiana's claim to recognition as the garden spot of the world. The titles and explanatory comments under the various views are as follows:

"Correcting False Impressions.—Agricultural products in Louisiana are not confined to one crop, here as sugar or cotton. They are here as well as there, 50 bushels of oats to the acre on the Elm Hall plantation, Assumption parish.

"An Indiana Stock Grower in Louisiana.—Hogs in soy beans. Boldstock farm, Plaquemine, Iberville parish.

"Forage Crops Grow Fast.—Picture of clover field taken ten days after cutting. Murrell's Glenmore plantation, Iberville parish.

"Louisiana Getting in Line.—Silos on the Manchac plantation in Iberville parish.

"Alfalfa, Too.—This is the third crop of alfalfa grown on L. M. Sohier's Cedar Grove plantation, Iberville parish.

"Work and Play.—High School with City Square as playground for students, Donaldsonville.

"Louisiana Discarding the One-Crop System.—Two hundred acres of tomatoes for the northern market and the canning factory. Godchaux's Elm Hall plantation, Assumption parish.

"Good Roads.—Millions of dollars being voted for just such roads. Gravel road to station, Bayou Goule.

"A Valuable By-Crop.—Nature works while the master sleeps. Munson pecan grove, Assumption parish.

"Louisiana Beautiful.—Typical surroundings in a Louisiana home. Munson residence, Assumption parish.

"Healthy Looking Natives.—These natives were bred and raised on Supple's Catherine plantation, Iberville parish.

Supplementing the photographic display, and emphasizing the favorable impression created by the beautiful pictures, the following article is presented in the same issue of the publication, under the title, "South Louisiana is Moving to the Front."

"Accumulative evidence of the value of south Louisiana lands for variety in production is piling up. The work being done by the South Louisiana Immigration Association is bringing results and in all of it one can see the handwriting of R. S. Vick, the hustling secretary of that efficient organization. No claim that has been made by that body of believers in the everlasting superiority of Louisiana—and especially south Louisiana—has ever been disproven. They tell the truth about that territory when they say there are few places in the world that will compare with it in fertility of soil, delightfulness of climate and every vegetable that has ever been heard of, and to help her raise cattle and hogs and sheep and to push the dairy industry, here in a land where it can be made more profitable than in any other section of the whole country."

BACKBONE OF COMMUNITY.

Business Men Who Advertise Contribute Largely to Town's Welfare.

The Louisiana Sun contains the following, which is equally as applicable to Donaldsonville as to Hammond, and deserves the same measure of consideration by patriotic and public-spirited citizens in this community as in the orbit which the Sun illuminates.

"Read the advertisements each week in this paper. You will be surprised at the information you will gain, and the amount of money you will save if you trade with the Sun advertisers. They are asking for your trade in a business-like way, and but for the advertisers, you would have no home page, neither any live town. The success of this town, and the possibility of trade coming this way, is due entirely to the men who advertise their business. Read this paper over, and you will readily see what men in this town are directly responsible for the growth of the town and the publicity given it. It's a fact, and the entire town owes them a share of their patronage, and a liberal share, too."

Live Stock in Louisiana.

Estimates of the number and value per head of live stock in Louisiana on Jan. 1, 1915, as compiled by the Bureau of Crop Estimates of the United States Department of Agriculture, give the following figures: Horses, 121,000; value per head, \$83. Mules, 132,000; value per head, \$125. Milch cows, 268,000; value per head, \$36. Other cattle, 458,000; value per head, \$16.40. Sheep, 180,000; value per head, \$2.20. Swine, 1,412,000; value per head, \$7.70.

WOMEN OF SEDENTARY HABITS.

Women who get but little exercise are likely to be troubled with constipation and indigestion, and will find Chamberlain's Tablets highly beneficial. Not so good as a three or four-mile walk every day, but very much better than to allow the bowels to remain in a constipated condition. They are easy and pleasant to take and most agreeable in effect. Obtainable everywhere.

President Wilson became a grandfather on the 17th inst., when a husky little son was born in the White House to his daughter, Mrs. Francis B. Sayre. There was talk of the child being named for the president, but Mr. Wilson concurred in the decision that the father's name should be chosen instead.

More than \$20,000 worth of new machinery is being installed in the city of Monroe's electric lighting plant.

Mardi Gras

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SAY, MR. FARMER!

Hearken to Sound Advice From One Who Knows.

The St. Helena Echo, edited by a modest genius who can handle a hoe as well as he can a pencil—if not better—and who can dig up turnips as readily as he can legal precedents, addresses a few timely remarks to his farmer friends which they can hear with some profit and heed with ten times more. What the combination editor-lawyer-farmer says of St. Helena applies with equal truth to most of the rest of Louisiana, including Ascension.

Listen to the Echo man:

"Say, Mr. Farmer, it is none of our business in particular, but somehow we feel interested and would like to know how wisely you are going to act this year as to what you plant. We hope you are not thinking about planting any cotton, unless it be a very small patch and entirely as a surplus crop. But you had better take a tool's advice and plant none at all. Cotton will be worth something another year, and you can make it much cheaper than cotton, and you can raise a crop of cow peas along with the corn and sell them at \$2 a bushel and up, and in the meantime you will be restoring the fertility to your soil. There will be a market for all the poultry, hogs and cattle you can raise, and there is no better country for the business than right here in St. Helena. With our vast ranges lasting for nine months in the year, it costs but a trifle to raise beef cattle, and the buyers will come to your house to get them and pay top-notch prices. Turn your attention to making a living and you will then begin to make money and to be happy and contented."

A GOOD RECORD.

Louisiana's Country Newspapers Are Among Best in Nation.

Recently the University of Oregon took a straw vote to ascertain the fifty-two best country papers published in the United States. A compilation of the answers received shows that seven Louisiana papers were put in the list, a distinction that should be a matter of congratulation to the respective papers as well as to all Louisianians.

Louisiana was ahead of every state except the large state of Pennsylvania which likewise had seven papers on the list.

Louisiana papers selected Lake Charles American, Alexandria Town Talk, Natchitoches True Democrat, St. Martin's Chief, the Natchitoches Star, the Lake Providence Democrat, and the Democrat of Natchitoches.

Editors of the above, and other craftsmen connected with the publication of same, the Journal desires to add the comment that the honor is well deserved.—Madison Journal.

IN PLAQUEMINE.

Statements of Plaquemine Citizens Are Always of Interest to Our Readers.

To many of our readers the streets of Plaquemine are almost as familiar as those of our own town, and we are naturally interested to read of happenings there. The following report from a well-known and respected resident will be helpful to numbers of men and women here in Donaldsonville.

Mrs. Louis Barbay, Sr., 520 Main street, Plaquemine, says: "Whenever I suffer from my back or my kidneys are a little out of order, a few doses of Doan's Kidney Pills relieve me. Others of the family also have great faith in Doan's Kidney Pills."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Barbay had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

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