

D. H. S. NOTES. By Wilfred Binings.

As was done in all the high schools of the United States, a thrift stamp campaign was initiated in the D. H. S. Dec. 17. Mayor Sims was present and in a talk to the pupils outlined the campaign, explaining how it was to be conducted, and its object.

The following letter was written to the pupils by the principal. "In the past it has been the custom—and a very pretty custom, too—for some of the pupils to give presents at Christmas to the teachers. However, this year, in view of the call of our country, not only to men and women, but also to the school children for assistance by lending the government all their surplus cash, the pupils of this school both collectively and individually are earnestly requested to suspend, for the present session, at least, the above mentioned custom.

The regular meeting of the Literary Society was held Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 18. The program was very interesting and was successfully rendered. Judge Marchand conducted the mock trial in a manner similar to that of a criminal court, and it proved both entertaining and instructive. The evidence presented by the prosecuting attorney, W. Binings, and the attorney for the defense, F. Constantine, was very strong, and the arguments to the jury were exceedingly good. The prisoner was adjudged guilty of treason and sentenced to be shot at sunrise. But he is never known to rise before 8:30, and the sentence had to be called off.

Due to the fact that the duties of the Seniors are increasing and growing more exact as the session progresses, it was thought advisable that the managers of the school bank and store appoint assistants. Earl Warwick was appointed to assist in the store, and Clyde Warrick was selected to assist in the bank. Both assistants are juniors, and the possibilities are they will handle these enterprises next session.

Pressing Sale of Thrift Stamps. A booth for the sale of thrift and war stamps has been opened in the postoffice by Principal E. S. Vickers of the Donaldsonville High School, and students of that institution will be present therein from morning until night every day up to January 31, which date will mark the closing of the campaign for the sale of these patriotic securities instituted in the schools of the state by Supt. T. H. Harris.

Registrants Keeping Lawyers Busy. The members of the local bar their hands full just now, and are working hard to accommodate all the registrants who call upon them for assistance in filling out the questionnaires. This service is performed by the lawyers free of cost to the registrants, and entails a great deal more work than the average person has any idea of. Much praise is due the legal practitioners for their display of patriotism and public spirit in the premises. Registrants whose order numbers range from 800 to 1299 inclusive were sent their questionnaires during the past week by the local board. A total of 1758 men are to be classified in Ascension parish under the new regulations, and the task of issuing questionnaires will be completed by the end of next week.

Lieut. Vega Here En Route to Post. Dr. Jaffray Vega, first lieutenant in the medical reserve corps of the army, arrived here Friday morning from Rochester, Minn., where he pursued a special course of study for several weeks at the famous institution conducted by the Mayo brothers, after completing a three months' course of intensive military training at a camp of instruction near Indianapolis, Indiana. Lieut. Vega will leave today for a brief visit to relatives in Opelousas, after which he will proceed to Camp Gordon, at Atlanta, Georgia, where he has been ordered to report for active duty with the base hospital of the 82nd division. He makes a nifty appearance in his officer's uniform, and may be relied upon to prove as fit as he looks.

Christmas Entertainment. A delightful Christmas tree entertainment was given at the Methodist church Monday night. Pupils of the Sunday school rendered an appropriate program, and the exercises afforded a great deal of enjoyment to all present. H. L. Baker, of Plattenville, superintendent of the Sunday school, acted as master of ceremonies, and some sixty-odd pupils of the school and members of the congregation were in attendance. Christmas gifts for everyone were distributed from a beautifully decorated tree, and the holy spirit of the glorious Yuletide was much in evidence.

Our 1918 Christmas Club now open. Commercial and Savings Bank.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

DONALDSONVILLE'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES

Extend their best wishes to patrons for a Happy and Prosperous New Year, and express thanks for the business enjoyed at their hands during 1917. We assure the public that the methods that have so successfully won and held their patronage and friendship in the past will continue throughout the year about to begin.

Table listing various businesses and their owners in Donaldsonville, including E. L. Rodrigue, Welcome Saloon, Opera Saloon, Home Mercantile Co., Nicholls Cafe, Habib Shaheen, Grand Theatre, Best Moss Collar Factory, Rousseau's Garage, Hotel Donaldson Barber Shop, Allen's Foundry, F. C. Richard, Lafourche Mercantile Co., Netter's Department Store, Chas. LeBlanc, Donaldson Lumber Yard, Casso's Restaurant, X-Ray Pharmacy, Alfred Landry, K. A. Aoucin, Excelsior Steam Laundry, Elray Kocke, J. C. Babine, Mrs. R. Wahl, Mattingly, Hudson's Sons Co, H. Schaff & Son, Frank Graffeo, Joseph Solar, Sandy Truxillo, F. L. Trepagnier, E. Spano, Tours World on Battleship, Clay Braud called by death, Special Meeting of Council, Red Cross Notes, and Israel She Store.

RED CROSS NOTES. By Miss Freda Singer.

Unlike New Orleans, the Ascension-St. James branch has gone "over the top" and secured the allotted quota in the Red Cross Christmas membership drive. Rivalry between the teams lent zest, and this competition caused the addition of many dollars to the treasury. The total will be published later.

Too much praise cannot be given to Adolphe Netter, B. Lemann & Bro., and Jasmin Tobias, whose firms maintain 100 per cent membership. Not only these merchants members of our great organization, but they made it possible for every clerk, porter, watchman and drayman in their employ to become members also.

In many homes, the large Red Cross with the numerous smaller ones listed on, proclaim to the world at large that all members of the household in the garden during their agricultural period and get practical training out of it.

Warm garments are necessary to the health of our boys. All members, new and old, are urged to come to the meetings and do their bit.

Words are inadequate to express my deep gratitude to all of them; especially, to Mr. Chas. Landry and his family, Dr. T. H. Hanson and wife, Miss May Ginyry, Mrs. Graham, and all the other dear ladies present; to my uncle, Mr. J. Lafargue, and his wife, for taking charge of the funeral; to my uncle, Mr. Leo P. Blanchard, and family, for the use of his parlor, and to my young cousin, Mr. Ferrier P. Blanchard, for his kind offer and help in arranging all matters concerning the church service.

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CLAY BRAUD CALLED BY DEATH. Cold Caught on Trip Results in Fatal Attack of Pneumonia.

Rarely, if ever, have these columns chronicled a sadder incident than the death of H. Clay Braud, only son of Hon. Henry C. Braud, of Burnside, which occurred at the family home at the latter place at 10:10 o'clock Wednesday night. The sorrowful tidings that Mr. Braud had been summoned by the Grim Reaper proved a profound shock to the multitude of friends of the family here and elsewhere, and brought desolation and sorrow to the hearts of all who knew the estimable young man.

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Why one so youthful and gifted, and on the very threshold of buoyant life, should be called from those who loved him is one of the inscrutable dispensations of Providence which rends the heart, but also carries the blessed thought that there is a brighter world to which his immortal soul has been removed.

A young wife, who before her marriage nine years ago was Miss Kenie Stephenson, of Burnside, together with a grief-stricken father and one sister, Mrs. James C. Bates, of Dallas, Texas, are left to mourn his loss. Col. Braud, the father, is one of the best-known men in Louisiana. He is a member of the Pontchartrain levee board, and has been a member of the Democratic state central committee for years. He served as president of the Ascension police jury for a long period, and has been prominently identified with almost every phase of public activity in the parish.

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SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL. Applications for Franchises and Saloon Permits Acted Upon.

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Survived is survived by his wife and eleven children, namely: Mrs. T. Ray Cary, Mrs. Adam Hebert, Mrs. A. Bech, Mrs. L. Poirrier, Steve, Lena, Anna, Agnes, John, Louise, and Julius Erato. Two brothers, Frank Erato, of Boston, Mass., and Thomas Erato, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and two sisters, Mrs. Madeline Lopez and Mrs. B. Rogers, of Boston, are also left to mourn his loss. To the bereaved family we extend our sympathy.

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MULES FOR SALE. SIX MULES belonging to the Fourth District of the parish of Ascension will be sold at public auction at Holart, in the eighth ward of said parish, SATURDAY, JANUARY 12, 1918, at 9 o'clock p. m.

THESE animals are all sound and in good condition, and are being disposed of solely for the reason that they are no longer needed, a tractor having been acquired for use on the roads of said district. They will be adjudicated to the highest bidder.

B. L. CAMBRE, President, Fourth District Road Board. L. B. DUPLESSIS, Secretary.

TRESPASS NOTICE. Burnside, La., Nov. 3, 1917. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that no hunting or shooting is allowed on the plantations of the Miles Planting and Manufacturing Company, including all the plantations comprising the "Miles group" at Burnside, on the east bank of the river, and the New Hope plantation in Ascension and Avoyelles parishes, La., owned by Miles Planting and Manufacturing Company.

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