

THE TENSAS GAZETTE

Tensas Gazette Publishing Company, Ltd.

Official Journal of the Parish of Tensas, Board of School Directors, Fifth Louisiana Levee District and Town of St. Joseph.

\$2.00 Per Annum.

NEW SERIES—VOL. XXXI

ST. JOSEPH, LOUISIANA, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1922

NUMBER 51

Citizens Bank of Newellton, Louisiana

To The Farmers And Business Men Of Tensas Parish:

In last week's issue of the Gazette we described the financial condition of Tensas parish, and no one can deny but what this parish is in a bad financial condition.

Now the question is, what can the people of the parish do to remedy this condition? We wish to offer some suggestions, which we believe, if they are carried out, will greatly improve the financial condition of the citizens of the parish.

First: We think that the citizens of the parish, that is, the farmers, merchants and bankers, should organize an association. These organizations are being formed and organized in nearly every parish in the south and have produced good results in every parish where they have been tried. There should be a central organization at St. Joseph, and two branch organizations at Newellton and Waterproof, both co-operating with the head organization at St. Joseph.

After organizing these associations, then the first thing to do is to employ a county agent, who should be a practical and scientific farmer as well as a good business man, and let him look after the farming interests of the citizens of the parish. The county agent should be a man chosen for his ability as a practical and experienced farmer and not on account of his popularity or political influences. The parish should pay his salary and the farmers should pay the other expenses of the organization.

Every organization has to have a head, and the President of the organization, with the county agent and with an executive board of three to five members, should attend to all of the business of this organization, and it should have meetings every month, probably twice a month. We can do nothing to improve the condition of this parish unless we organize and all of the citizens act harmoniously together for the best interests of the parish. Such an organization can do many things to benefit the people of this parish. First, they can do a great many things towards lessening the damage of the boll weevil in this parish. Second, they can do a great deal towards improving the labor conditions in the parish, which any one must admit are getting in a desperate condition. They can also help the farmer to dispose of his products by selling his products collectively. They can also help the farmers to buy a great many things that are not handled by our local merchants, such as fertilizer, cow peas, farm machinery, etc. They can discuss the best and most improved methods of farming and can do many things to improve the farming conditions of the parish. When the farmer is prosperous, all other classes in the parish will prosper with him. This is strictly an agricultural parish and the farming interests should be paramount and of first importance, and the way to make the whole parish prosperous is to make the farmers prosperous in the first place, and the prosperity of the rest of the parish will follow as a result.

In next week's issue of the paper we wish to point out ways in which we think such an organization can lessen the damage done by the boll weevil; also we will point out how they can improve the labor conditions in this parish; also how they can give better educational facilities to the children of the parish, especially the children of the farmers who have practically no educational facilities for their children at the present time, although they pay a great majority of the taxes for educational purposes. We will also show many other good and useful things that such an organization can do for this parish. We know these things can be done because they have been done in other parishes in this state and other states, by such organizations.

We Pay 4 Per Cent on Savings
Citizens Bank of Newellton

Have Your Old Hat Cleaned!

You can now have your old hats, either STRAW, FELT, PANAMA or BANGKOK, cleaned, blocked and trimmed at the following prices. Mail or send them to us. All work guaranteed:

Cleaned and blocked.....\$1.00
New Band.....50c
New Sweat.....50c
New Binding.....50c
Dyeing.....\$1.50

GRADY'S HAT RENOVATING COMPANY
408 Main Street, Natchez, Miss.

Heating Plumbing Tin Work

THOS. J. HOLMES
117-119 S. COMMERCE STREET
Phone 258 Natchez, Miss.

...Michelin and Firestone... Cord Tires and Tubes

Genuine Ford and Fordson parts. Full line of auto accessories, such as Ford Tops, Curtains, Covers, Seat Cushions, Luggage Carriers, Running Board and Floor Mats, Fenders and Fender Braces, Dash Lamps, Front and Tail Light Bulbs, Hot Shot Batteries, etc. Hassler's Shock Absorbers for all cars. Gasoline, Lubricating and Tractor Oils, Cup and Transmission Greases and 600 W. Gear Compound. Free air and water.

Mail orders given prompt attention.

Hugo Jereslaw
Newellton, La.

Phone No. 11 P. O. Box 62

PROCEEDINGS POLICE JURY.

State of Louisiana,
Parish of Tensas.

Tuesday, Dec. 5th, 1922.

Be it known and remembered, that on this 5th day of December, 1922, it being the first Tuesday in said month and the day for the regular meeting of the Police Jury in and for above parish and state, said Hon. body met at the Court House in said parish.

There were present Mr. F. H. Curry, President, and Messrs. E. D. Coleman, F. M. Hopkins and H. B. Lynch, absent Messrs. Burnside, O'Kelley and Ratcliff.

There being a quorum present the Board proceeded to business as follows:—

On motion duly made and seconded reading of the minutes of last meeting was dispensed with.

On motion duly made and seconded it was resolved that Mr. John K. Guice, he and he is hereby employed for the year 1923, as Tax Inspector for this parish, at the same salary as he now receives; it being hereby stipulated that it shall be the duty of said Inspector to assist planters and stock owners on vaccinating stock, treatment of disease of stock and other similar matters, free of charge, upon being furnished necessary vaccine and apparatus.

On motion duly made and seconded it was resolved that the President of this board be and he is hereby authorized to borrow the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars, to meet current expenses, and to pledge the incoming revenues for security of same.

The President appointed the following named persons as a Committee, to inspect the books, and accounts of the Tax Collector, and the Parish Treasurer, to-wit: Messrs. W. M. Davidson, Jos. T. Curry and C. H. Rowan, the said Committee being hereby vested with full and complete authority to issue to said Tax Collector a quibus for and on behalf of the Parish of Tensas.

On motion duly made and seconded the following resolution was offered and adopted to-wit:

Be it Resolved by the Police Jury of Tensas parish, in lawful session convened, that the President of this body be, and he is hereby authorized to execute the contract for the construction of the St. Joseph-Tallulah Highway, project No. 331, of which the Parish of Tensas is to pay approximately \$71,667.15, out of the proceeds Good Road Funds set aside for the construction of the said St. Joseph-Tallulah Highway.

Be it further Resolved, that the President be, and he is hereby authorized to place to the credit of the Louisiana Highway Commission the sum of \$71,667.15 in the following banks in the proportions as follows:—

\$30,646.35 in Canal-Commercial Trust & Savings Bank; \$24,940.55 in Marine Bank & Trust Co., and \$16,080.25 in Whitney-Central Trust & Savings Bank of New Orleans, La., in accordance with the resolution of the Police Jury adopted on Dec. 5th, 1922, and the Resolution of the Louisiana Highway Commission, adopted, 1922, for the construction of the said St. Joseph-Tallulah Highway.

Be it further Resolved, that the said three banks of New Orleans, La., be and each of them required to furnish Surety Bond or collateral sufficient and acceptable to the State Treasurer, as depository of the above mentioned fund, in the sum of 100% of said deposit, in favor of the Louisiana Highway Commission.

F. H. CURRY, President.
E. F. NEWELL, Clerk.

LEVEE BOARD PROCEEDINGS.

Office Board of Commissioners fifth Louisiana Levee District, Tallulah, La., Dec. 6th, 1922.

The Board of Commissioners for the Fifth Louisiana Levee District, met in special called session, at Tallulah, La., its domicile, on this day.

The Board was called to order by its president at 10:30 o'clock A. M. and the roll of members called, there being present the following Commissioners:

F. H. Schneider, W. D. Brown, East Carroll Parish.
A. E. Kell, R. K. Boney, Madison Parish.
S. T. Shaw, Tensas Parish.
J. D. Neal, Concordia Parish.
Absent: J. H. Lambdin, B. F. Young.

A quorum being present, the business of the Board was taken up and considered as follows:—

On motion of Commissioner Neal, seconded by Commissioner Boney, the following resolution was adopted:—

Blackman Theatre, Monday, Dec. 18

THE KELLAN DUO.



The Kellan Duo will be one of the big attractions on our Lyceum Course. This company has successfully toured the United States and Canada for ten years and have appeared repeatedly on some of the best Lyceum and Chautauqua courses.

Mr. T. J. Kellan, baritone reader, is also a musician of ability. He plays violin, mandola and piano, and as an entertainer he is unsurpassed. With him is Miss Lela Lowery, singer, pianist and piano-accompanist.

Resolved, That the Board sustain the action of the President and Assistant State Engineer, in the matter of the continuance of the construction work of the Lloyd-Burn Levee in Tensas Parish and pledge the necessary funds to complete it, in case it becomes necessary.

On motion of Commissioner Boney seconded by Commissioner Kell, the following resolution was adopted:—

Be it Resolved, That the president of this Board be and he is hereby empowered and directed to withdraw from the Bank of Baton Rouge, out of the funds derived from sale of bonds, now on deposit in said bank, the sum of \$50,000.00, and to place same in the First National Bank, Vicksburg, Miss., to the credit of this Board, to replace funds in said Bank previously withdrawn, during the process of delivery of the said bonds.

On motion of Commissioner Boney, seconded by Commissioner Kell, the following resolution was adopted:—

Resolved, That the claim of the mortgage creditor, the Est. of W. M. Scott, for land taken and used for construction of the Duckport Levee, for pit room, on the Harrisfield Plantation, being 33.1 acres, to be paid for in accordance with

the assessed value for the year 1920, as provided by law, be and is hereby allowed and that the president of this Board is authorized to issue a certificate of indebtedness for the amount due, \$1-324.20, without interest, to be paid out of the revenues of 1923, assessed for that purpose and to become due July 1st, 1923.

On motion of Commissioner Kell, seconded by Commissioner Boney, the President was authorized to advertise and let for construction the Henderson Point levee and the O'Possum Point sub-levees in East Carroll Parish.

On motion of Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Kell, the President was authorized to pay the expense bills of the Commissioners who attended the levee conference at Baton Rouge on the 16th of October.

LUDEN'S
MENTHOL COUGH DRUGS
for nose and throat
Give Quick Relief

STEVENSON New Stock of
Dry Goods
Clothing
PETERS' DIAMOND BRAND SHOES
Saddles, Harness
High Quality, Low Prices
Hats for Men, Women and Children, Boys and Girls
Polite Treatment to All Ailms
Will Abrams
Corner Store
St. Joseph, La.

MISSIONARY CENTENARY
Pay-Up Week Dec. 3-10
\$50,000 Louisiana Quota by Dec. 31
LET'S DO IT!

EVERYTHING ELECTRICAL!
—22 AND 110 VOLT—
Lamps, Toasters, Heating Pads, Percolators, Etc.
Also "Gifts for Every Occasion"—Party Prizes
Greeting and Tally Cards
J. M. FRIED
Electrical Outfitter and Gift Shop
VICKSBURG MISSISSIPPI

On motion of Commissioner Shaw, seconded by Commissioner Neal, G. P. Bullis, Atty., was allowed \$380.64, or 25% of the sum of \$1,442.56, the amount paid by the Black River Lumber Co., for timber cut on lands belonging to this Board.

On motion of Commissioner Shaw, seconded by Commissioner Boney, the following bills were allowed: (Continued on the supplement)

HEMSTITCHING
We do hemstitching; 10 cents per yard for all kinds; guarantee all work done.
Mrs. A. J. Wason
519 Main St. NATCHEZ, MISS.
686 quickly relieves Colds and La-Grippe, Constipation, Biliousness and Headaches.
our terms carefully.

"Ole Missus" Fruit Cake
The Cake that is being shipped into every State in the Union.
The quality cannot be excelled.
Order now for Christmas.
NATION'S BEST CAKE
Natchez Baking Company
NATCHEZ, MISS.

W. R. BAKER & SON
ST. JOSEPH, LOUISIANA
For the Household
Fire Pokers, Shovels, Guards
Coal Tongs, Coal Hods, Coal Shovels
Stove Boards, Fire Guards
Stovepipe Ventilators and Rings
Flue Thimbles or Crocks
Dutch Ovens and Savory Roasters
For Sportsmen
Gun Cleaning Sets and Gun Oil
Gun Grease and Rust Remover
All sizes and gauges Loaded Shells
Viscol for Shoes and Boots
Flashlights, Lunch Kits and Thermos Bottles
Don't forget that Alarm Clock, either
Phone 29 for Prices
BAKER & SON

COCKE
of the
MULE BUSINESS
Sells For \$20 Per Head Less Than Any One Can
Quality, Quantity, Fair Dealing Our Motto
Come and See Us
F. A. COCKE LIVE STOCK CO.
INCORPORATED
Phone 12 221 Main St., Natchez, Miss.

VULCANITE
ORNAMENTAL
ROOFING
is a distinctive design that is artistic as well as serviceable. It is a Slate Roofing in Red or Green colors, and the design is printed upon the roll with Liquid Asphalt.
Get our prices, remembering that VULCANITE Roofing is "made to make good."
The
E. A. ENOCKS LUMBER CO.
Natchez, Miss.