

Abbeville Meridianal.

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RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

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The Government of France has ordered a cruiser to the Russian Baltic Provinces for the protection of her citizens.

In the recent battle between the Russian troops and the revolutionists at Moscow five thousand were killed and fourteen thousand wounded.

Russia is to day undergoing the greatest struggle in her history in an attempt to keep her head above water. The revolutionists party apparently is gaining strength daily, which if not crushed at an early date, we may expect to see rise from the ashes of the Russian Empire, one of the mightiest republics on the face of the globe.

Now that the canal being cut by the Pecan Island people between White and Grand Lakes is nearing completion, it would be well that the people at this end of the parish and especially the business men of Abbeville take some steps to connect Schooner Bayou with White Lake by the digging of a canal, or the opening up of the west end of that bayou which will only require about five miles of dredging that would not cost over five thousand dollars at the most, on account of the easy digging. The opening up of this bayou would admit the passage of light draft vessels to and from the Jennings Oil Field, Lake Arthur, Gueydan and Pecan Island, thereby greatly reducing the freight rates on oil and lumber and the controlling of the Pecan Island trade by the town of Abbeville. Not only would this canal serve for transportation purposes, but serve as a drainage canal with the reclamation of some 25,000 acres of marsh land, that would be made to produce, whereas it now affords pasture for only a few head of cattle. These lands when brought into cultivation are recognized by the leading agriculturists, as the most productive in the State. Then why for so trifling amount are they allowed to remain idle? Aside from this there is a commercial feature for the town of Abbeville that our business institutions can not well afford to lose track of.

At last the towns along the branch line leading out from New Iberia to Gueydan and from Lake Charles to Lake Arthur have awoken to the crying necessity of closing the 12 mile gap between Gueydan and Lake Arthur. Strange is it not that they have been so long asleep to this most important matter? A matter which is of more importance to the material welfare of this belt than any known enterprise on the face of the globe. The closing of this gap would mean to every town along the route a reawakening in business matters. It would be far more beneficial to any of the towns than the erection of two rice mills, in fact the closing of this short gap would mean more to this section than one at this date can imagine. The towns to be most benefitted are Gueydan and Lake Arthur, yet the other towns along the line will receive their pro rata of the benefits, and should therefore be willing to chip in for the buying of that short strip of right-of-way which will not be given by the owners of the land through which it passes. If a clear right-of-way is secured from the Mermentau River up to the town of Gueydan and presented to the officials of the road by a joint committee of the various towns along the line, we feel certain it will be followed by the letting of the contract for the construction of the road and the laying of the steel. They could not and would turn the proposition down, for they are doubtless as anxious to close the gap as the various towns, yet they may feel that in as much as they are compelled to put out a considerable sum of cash in the construction of a bridge at Mermentau, and as the towns along the line are to be so much benefitted, they might at least lend a hand in the obtaining of the right-of-way, even if the road has to pay for that portion not donated. If the city fathers of Gueydan and Lake Arthur will only set the pace in the naming of a committee and providing them with sufficient funds to meet the actual expenses of that committee, we feel certain that all of the town will follow suit.

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An Ordinance

For the protection of Quail or Partridges in this parish:
Be it ordained by the Police Jury of Vermilion Parish, in regular session assembled: That it shall be unlawful to kill or trap any Quail or Partridges in this parish for sale or market for a period of five years from the passage of this ordinance, and for each and every violation of this ordinance there shall be a fine inposed of \$25.00, to be collected before any court of competent jurisdiction, and on failure to pay said fine the party shall be subject to imprisonment for 10 days. This ordinance to take effect immediately after publication. Adopted.
J. N. WILLIAMS, E. M. STEBBINS, President
Clerk.

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CATHOLIC KNIGHTS

St. Mary Magdalene Branch, No. 597, Catholic Knights of America, meets second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. O. Bouquet, Pres.; J. L. P. Faissons, Sec.

KNIGHT OF HONOR.

Arcadian Lodge No. 334 K. of H. meet every first and third Sundays of each month. H. J. Stansbury, dictator; D. W. Wall, reporter; J. T. Labit financial dictator.

EASTERN STAR.

Lizzie Chapter No. 11. O. E. S. meet first Friday of each month.

A. O. U. W.

Abbeville Lodge No. 38 A. O. U. W. meets on the second Monday of each month. R. Deizer, recorder.

W. O. W.

Abbeville Camp No. 6 W. O. W. G. W. Wall, C. C.; Felix Hoills, Clerk.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

Vermilion Lodge No. 122 K. of P. meets every Tuesday night at Masonic Hall. W. B. White C. C.; G. A. Levy, K. of R. and S.

TOWN COUNCIL

meets on the First Monday of each month at the Court House at 7:30 P. M.

CHURCHES.

CATHOLIC.

St. Mary Magdalene Church, Rev. F. A. B. Laforest, pastor Sunday Service: Low mass, 7 a. m.; high mass, 9 a. m. Benediction 7:00 p. m.

M. E. SOUTH.

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BAPTIST.

First Baptist Church, Rev. Dr. C. A. Schilling, pastor. Preaching first and third Sundays of each month.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE

State of Louisiana—17th Judicial District Court—Parish of Vermilion No. 581.

Succession of Euphemie Meaux. By virtue of a order granted by the said court in the matters of the above numbered and entitled succession and to me directed, notice is hereby given that I will offer for sale at public auction at the late residence of the deceased in the 6th ward of Vermilion Parish, on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, 1906 between legal sale hours, the following property belonging to said succession to pay the debts thereof, or so much thereof as may be necessary for that purpose, to-wit:

One certain tract of land situated in Parish of Vermilion, La., on west side of Bayou Vermilion containing 120 acres; bounded North by William Meaux, south by Ignace Broussard, east by Celestin Dillion and west by Mrs. Elodie Guidry, together with all buildings and improvements situated thereon or thereto belonging.

One lot of movable property, including house furniture, kitchen utensils, farming implements, one lot of fencing, one wagon, one buggy, one lot of hogs, one lot of cattle—about 5 head, one pair mules, one American mare, one horse, one year-old colt and various other things too numerous to mention.

AURELIEN T. BROUSSARD, Administrator.
Greene & Greene, Attys.
Abbeville, La. Dec. 7, 1905.

SUCCESSION NOTICE.

State of Louisiana—Parish of Vermilion—17th Judicial District Court—No. 615.

Succession of Miles Joiner. Whereas, Isaac Taylor, Jr. of the Parish of Vermilion, La., has filed in this Honorable Court his petition and application praying to be appointed Administrator of said succession.

Notice is therefore hereby given to any and all whom it doth or may concern to show cause, if any they have, within ten days, why the prayer of his said petition should not be granted.

By order of Court, this 13th day of Dec. 1905.
SIMONET LEBLANC, Clerk of Court.
Greene & Greene, Attys.

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