

WILL NEW ORLEANS SACRIFICE BUSINESS THAT WILL NET MORE THAN \$10,000 A MONTH AT A COST OF ABOUT \$130,000

FERRY COMPANY TAKES IN MORE THAN \$650 A DAY, OR \$240,000 A YEAR—ALGIERS PEOPLE PAY THIS TAX.

Herald's Contention of Free Ferriage Possible, According to City Engineer Klorer.

The Algiers ferry committee held an important meeting Friday morning with the New Orleans Commission Council to take up again the important matter of municipal ownership of our ferries.

COULD CARRY PASSENGERS FREE. Mr. John Klorer, the City Engineer, made the statement which corroborated fully the opinion of the Herald for the past seven or eight years, that passengers could be transported free of charge with the present revenue now maintaining at the Canal St. ferries.

Commissioner Murphy was of the opinion that bonds for the ferry franchise could not be sold because it did not carry a tax, but those present were of the opinion that banks would be glad to carry the city for \$150,000, the amount necessary to purchase this industry, which brings in a net profit of more than \$100,000 per month.

Mr. Moloney, Commissioner of Public Utilities, under whose direction a census of the ferry's company's receipts were taken for a month, shows as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Amount. Includes categories like Foot passengers, Animals, Single wagons, Double wagons, Floats, Two passenger autos, Five passenger autos, Seven passenger autos, Trucks.

TWO MILLION DOLLARS CUT FROM FARES. Mr. Peter S. Lawton who has made a very exhaustive study of the finances and conditions of the ferry company and especially of the one operating at Canal St., made a statement the other day that he is positive that two million dollars could be cut off the fares in fifteen years and the ferry company still enjoy a sufficient profit to pay a good interest on the investment.

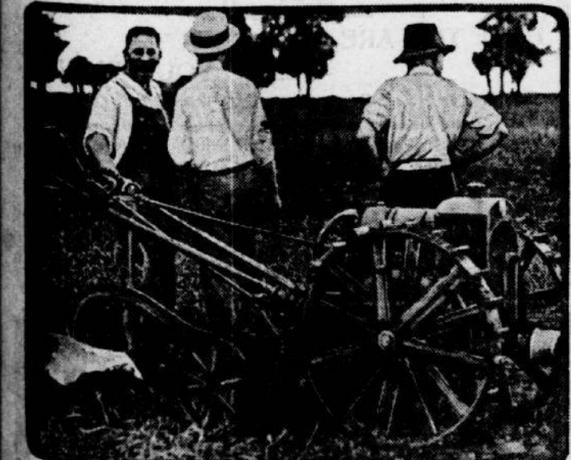
WHAT IS THE PROPERTY WORTH. The Southern Improvement and Ferry Company paid for the boats, pontoons, ferry houses, in fact all of the physical property which they now have, \$109,000. This was fifteen years ago, and during this time two ferry houses, the values of which were in the neighborhood of \$20,000 were destroyed and there have been fifteen years of depreciation on this property.

The city in taking over this property would not, in our opinion have to pay more than \$130,000 as a fair value and this small investment would net the city at the present rate of ferriage \$10,000 a month. Any bank or monied institution would be glad to offer all their monies on securities of this kind.

The Algiers people should take a great interest in this matter which is now drawing to a close. A modern ferry service at reasonable prices will spell success for us from a commercial standpoint. The present system is a barrier which has kept industries away from this section.

If you have any fight in you for Algiers, talk municipal ownership as hard as you can every day until such times as we get the relief we are so justly entitled to.

Wounded Veterans Learn Farming



Wounded veterans of the great war are being trained in agriculture at the New York State Institute of Applied Agriculture at Farmingdale, L. I. This photograph shows a few of the vets with a baby tractor drawing a plow.

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE — WE'RE GONNA GET STUCK EITHER WAY



Knights of Columbus Elects Officers

At the regular semi-monthly meeting of Santa Maria Council No. 1724, Knights of Columbus, Peter E. Muntz was re-elected grand knight for the third successive term.

Other officers elected were: Walter T. Ryan, deputy grand knight; Aubrey Galennie, chancellor; Joseph P. Skelly, financial secretary; John A. Bardett, Jr., recorder; G. A. Lyncker, treasurer; F. O. Lyncker, warden; James L. Hogan, advocate; A. B. Ryan, inner guard; John M. Nolan, outer guard; R. E. J. Quinn, B. Zerangue and Owen Lindquist, trustees for three, two and one year terms, respectively; Benjamin Borne and John A. Barrett, Jr., were elected as alternates to the next annual convention of the state council, the delegates being the grand knight and a passed grand knight.

As you glance through the above list you will no doubt come to the conclusion that the members present at the election showed their wisdom by picking the present set of officers to handle council affairs for the coming year. We know the record they made and the wonderful work they have done during the year just drawing to a close, all real Santa Marians full of pep and setting a mark for all other councils to follow.

A demonstration of hand clapping and cheering lasting about five minutes was given Grand Knight Peter E. Muntz, when his name was mentioned to succeed himself, showing the popularity of our Grand Knight, under whose leadership we have come to be one of the liveliest and most progressive councils in our order. Pete responded with a nice little talk and promised to do even bigger things in the months to come. Go to it Pete, we are all with you. A like demonstration was given to all the other officers on down the line, accordingly as their names were proposed for their respective offices, showing the high esteem in which they were held. Let's go now boys, and make this the biggest year Santa Maria ever had.

SURPRISE PARTY.

A surprise party was tendered Mr. Joseph Polse on Thursday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Polse in Elmira avenue. Dainty refreshments were served in abundance and dancing indulged in. Those participating were: The Misses Annie Elston, Inez and Stella Bourgeois, Laura Mendoza, Pearl and Jennie Lottenger, Emily Choate, Rose Babin, Adeline Bloom, Irene Trahan, Loretta Becnel, Onelda Bruney, Odessa Babin; Messrs. Berkman Church, Sberald Martin, Alvin and Jas. Robichaux, H. McCall, Clevin Mandoza, Lawrence Menge, Mr. and Mrs. C. Chauvin, Mr. and Mrs. W. Mendoza, Mrs. H. Barrilleaux, Mr. and Mrs. E. Dapeau, Mr. and Mrs. E. Polse and many others.

JELLY BEAN SOCIAL CLUB.

The Jelly Bean Social Club met at the home of Misses Lillian and Ethel Hildebrand, Thursday night. Dancing was indulged in and refreshments were served in abundance. Those participating were the Misses Ethel and Lillian Hildebrand, Una Johnson, Cleo Wheatley, Estella Thates, Lillian Hunn, Alice Kramme, Messrs. Chas. Puckett, George Matulich, Chas. Hildebrand, O. Brien Clark, John Hunn, Charles Christenson, Edward McMahon, Misses Carrie and Rita and Mildred Hildebrand, M. J. and Mrs. C. Hildebrand and many others.

OPERATING CAR WITHOUT LICENSE.

Henry Bernard, chauffeur, charged with operating an automobile with an improper license plate was arrested at the corner of Verret and Homer streets, by Motorcycle Patrolman Joseph Vitari. Bernard was paroled by Captain James Cripps to appear before the traffic court.

PLAYGROUND NOTES.

Miss Emma George accompanied a large crowd of Algiers children to Audubon Park, Saturday evening. Those winning the races were Miss Mary Gordon, who came in first in the 25-yd. race and second in the 50-yd. race. Miss Mary Crowley won 2nd place in the 100-yd. race.

DO YOU KNOW MR. AND MRS.

What wonderful thoughts come up when these two abbreviations are printed in a news item—what intense human interest these portray.

In the home weekly paper, they take the one big place in all news items, from the simple visit to relatives, to the larger matters of human life.

"Mr. and Mrs."—the great news item of the universe, the bringer of recollections to the man far from home, who takes his old home town paper, and reads the items of Mr. and Mrs. and lets his mind wander back to the days when he knew the Mr. and Mrs. in knee pants and shall we say short skirts.

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ATTEMPTED HOLD-UP.

An armed highwayman made an unsuccessful attempt to hold-up Oscar McIntyre, first mate of the S. S. Minnesota Saturday night at the corner of Wagner St., and the river. McIntyre was on his way to his ship, moored at the head of Behrman avenue, when an armed highwayman stopped him and, pointing a revolver at his stomach ordered him to throw up his hands. The seaman seized the revolver and struggled with the highwayman. Seeing that he could not wrest the gun from his assailant, McIntyre took to his heels, calling for help. The highwayman fled into the Southern Pacific yards.

LOCAL GIRLS SUCCESSFUL AT SWIMMING MEET.

In the women's events, at the swimming meet at Audubon Park Saturday, Miss Gerard was the star, winning the 50 and 100 yard events rather easy. Mary Gordon, of the Algiers Playgrounds, lived up to form, winning the 25 and being second in the 50 yards. Mary Crowley, another Algiers girl, gave Miss Gerrard a hot time of it in the hundred and was beaten by two lengths.

TOWN PESTS



The Borrower lugs off Eggs when they're Eighty Cents a dozen and brings them Back when they are Down to Twenty-Five, and takes the Lawn Mower in the Summer and Returns it in the Winter and borrows Today's Newspaper and 87 Other Things and Never Brings Them Back No More No Time!

JAMES E. CRIPPS GETS GOLD BADGE

James E. Cripps, the youngest captain in the police department, was the guest of honor at a reception tendered by his friends, at the Avenue Academy. Captain Cripps was presented a gold badge studded with a diamond.

Leonard Santos was chairman of the arrangement committee, comprising Fred Moss, Guy Sadler, Jesse Knecht and Recorder John J. Duffy. The presentation address was made by Thomas V. Craven, assistant district attorney, who praised the efficiency of the guest of honor.

Addresses were also made by Charles Witte, Hubie O'Brien, John Kessler and others. More than three hundred persons were present, including Superintendent of Police Molony, Commissioner of Public Safety Stanley Ray, Judge Armand Desangles, Judge Emile Leonard, John Minor, Frederick Cripps, Sergeant Joseph Hadley, Corporal Frederick Smith, Paul Surcouf, Captain Charles Traub, Captain Edward Roach, Tony Farrantella and Alex Johnson.

The Crescent City quartette sang and there was a brass band.

MIKE ROONEY DIES SUDDENLY

FUNERAL THIS AFTERNOON AT 3 P. M.

The sudden death of Mike Rooney yesterday morning was a great surprise to the hundreds of people on this side of the river who knew him.

Mr. Rooney was born in 1874, and was educated here in Algiers. His trade was that of a machinist, and he worked for several years at the Southern Pacific. He served thirty-nine months as a machinist in the navy, and before he was discharged he was head machinist. He was also connected in that capacity with the United States Mint and remained there two years. He also served as clerk at the Treasury Department at the City Hall. For many years he was chief clerk to Mayor Behrman.

During the Spanish American war, he was a member of the United States Navy and was in several engagements with forts and land battles in Cuba.

The funeral will take place this afternoon from the Catholic Church. Interment will be in Greenwood Cemetery.

Deceased, who was 47 years of age, is survived by his widow, formerly Miss Genevieve Owens, his daughter, Miss Mary Rooney, his mother, Mrs. M. J. Rooney, Sr., three brothers, Daniel, Thomas and Joseph Rooney, and four sisters, Mrs. Peter E. Muntz, Mrs. Canibel and the Misses Margaret and Mamie Rooney.

Member of Many Clubs.

Mr. Rooney was associated with many fraternal and local organizations, among them New Orleans Lodge No. 30, B. P. O. Elks, Alhambra Club, Choctaw Club, Loyal Order of Moose, Benevolent Knights of America, Woodmen of the World and Junior Order United American Mechanics. His daughter is now attending school at Franklin, La. Mr. Rooney was connected with one of the oldest and most prominent families in our district.

For twelve years Mr. Rooney was chief clerk to former Mayor Martin Behrman. As such, permits for all entertainments, balls, boxing contests and numerous other events, were issued by him. He was thus in a position to come in contact with a large number of persons and make many friends. For many years Mr. Rooney was a big political factor and was always allied with the Regular organization forces.

LIBERTY SOCIAL CLUB.

The Liberty Social Club will give a dance at the Avenue Academy, Saturday, Sept. 24. A real good jazz band has been engaged and the committee assures everyone that attends a good time.

HISTORY OF THE FERRY FRANCHISE

FERRY FRANCHISE CARRIED TAX TO ALGIERS FOR STREET REPAIRS.

J. R. Norman Tells Council.

The following address was made before a special session of the council on Friday, Sept. 16th:

Some fifteen years ago the Canal Street-Algiers Ferry System Franchise was sold at Public Auction and bid in for \$225,000. In addition thereto, among other matters the lessees were to pay to their predecessors the value of the sidewalk from the Ferry landing to the L. & N. Station, and were also to maintain Canal Street from the Ferry Landing to the L. & N. crossing. In other words, the people of Algiers were not only taxed to yield a revenue of \$225,000.00 to the City, but were also taxed for the construction on this side of the river, of a sidewalk from the ferry landing to the L. & N. Depot, as also to maintain Canal Street from the landing to the L. & N. crossing, besides immense profit earned by the lessees.

We may be, and no doubt are, somewhat ahead of the times in our views, as to the rights of the citizens of New Orleans to have free access and egress to one side of the river from the other; nevertheless we are not ahead of the times in insisting upon and exacting the privilege of being free of tax for overcoming natural conditions beyond the actual cost of overcoming the conditions. The city of New Orleans is not legally or morally entitled to exact a quarter of a million of dollars from our people to cross the river, besides, a princely million and a half of dollars of profits to the lessees are wrongfully wrung from us.

Progress is an essential and necessary part of modern civilization, and our people are continually, consciously or unconsciously, placing in operation progressive ideas that become part of our daily lives.

There was a time when it may have seemed proper to exact and collect a toll to cross the New Basin and Carondelet Canals, as it was the custom to collect toll to travel on the shell road to the Cemeteries or West End. This is no longer the case, these crossings are all free to our citizens, as is the right of free travel to West End on the Shell Road.

We are not here, however, to ask you to grant us free transportation across the river, the times are not yet ripe for this, but we are here to register our solemn protest against a system of lease of our Ferry franchises that may yield a half million of dollars or any part of it, to the City, an immoral tax upon us, besides additional taxes to pay for the sidewalk, to maintain Canal Street to the L. & N. Crossing, and the unheard of tax of more than one and one-half million dollars of profits to the lessees, resulting not only the keeping away of industries from our side of the River, but in the actual driving away of the established industries from our midst.

Is it right, is it fair, is it honest that these onerous and burdensome additional taxes should have been or should be levied upon us, only a fractional part of the Citizenship of New Orleans.

My statement is based on figures furnished me by a statistician sometime back and may be challenged by interested parties, however, as the Honorable Commissioner of Public Utilities has checked the income of the Ferry for a given period, the figures are before you, and any intelligent person, with some knowledge of the subject, can fairly accurately calculate the cost of operation and the difference between that and the

Weddings of New Orleans Folks

WEST SIDE COUPLES WHO ENTERED THE STATE OF MATRIMONY DURING WEEK.

FISHER-TRAUTH.

Miss Stella Fisher and Elbert C. Trauth, both well known young people of Gretna, were married quietly last Thursday night by Judge George P. Platt of Algiers. Misses Izola and Theresa Trauth and Vernon J. Wilty and Herman Anderson were the witnesses. The couple are residing in McDonoghville.

TOE BADLY CRUSHED.

Gladys Ramsey, 307 Patterson St., 5 years old, received injuries to her left foot while swinging on an iron gate of the courthouse in Morgan street. Gladys and Julia Benoit of 219 Seguin street, were playing on the iron gate when Gladys' foot caught between the gate and the gate post, crushing one of her toes. She was treated at the hospital.

NEW SOCIAL CLUB.

On Friday evening a crowd of young boys and girls met at the home of Mr. Fred Umbach for the purpose of forming a social club. After the election of officers, dancing was indulged in and refreshments were served in abundance.

The following officers were elected: Mr. Edgley Schroth, president; Miss Esther Puckett, secretary; Miss Alma Hawkins, treasurer. We feel that we could not have selected a better set of officers.

Mr. Harry Evans who is also a proud member of the club as well as a professional pianist, furnished the music for the occasion. Mr. Evans is the popular young man who returned home recently from a tour of the "Orpheum Circuit". Mr. Earl Cayard furnished the laughter for the evening by rendering a Chinese solo, accompanied by Mr. Red Hornosky. All left happily, after an evening long to be remembered. This club is open for a few more members. Applications can be secured through any member, but only those with select reputations will be considered.

wear and tear deducted from the earnings will give you the result.

This difference represents the unjust and unfair tax wrung from our people in the past by an archaic system, as old as it is wrong and wicked.

We believe in the City ownership and operation of our ferry system for the benefit of our people and not a lease of the system for an immoral revenue to the City, and princely income to the lessees, all at the cost and discomfort of a fractional part of the citizenship of our City.

We are here to appeal to you to give us relief from our present unbearable situation and to give it to us in that form and manner which alone can be scientific. To give us the relief in a way that the tariff will be elastic, permitting changes in charges and regulations as exigencies from time to time may require, and not again to bind us, as we have been bound in the past, through fifteen years more of serfdom.

In our opinion, the only manner and method by which this can be accomplished is for the city to own and operate its own Ferry system.

The City, from a moral point of view, should forego all ideas of enriching its treasury from the operation of the Ferries and should set aside from the net revenues such sums as may be necessary for various purposes appertaining to the Ferry system and the balance, after doing this, returned to the people in the shape of comforts and a lowered tariff.

I am aware that under existing conditions, a municipally owned ferry would be more expensively operated than a privately owned one, and in saying this, am guided by the work

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Champion Broad Jumper in Action



An action photograph of Ned Gourdin, Harvard's great negro athlete, counted by many the greatest track-field athlete of the day, who recently smashed the world's broad jump record, making the miraculous leap of 25 feet and 3 inches in the Harvard stadium during the meet between the Yale-Harvard and Oxford-Cambridge combinations.