

COUNCIL MEETING NEXT WEDNESDAY PROMISES TO BE ATTENDED BY LARGE NUMBER OF MERCHANTS

What promises to be one of the best attended meetings of the city council in history of Bogalusa will be held next Wednesday afternoon when the city fathers will discuss municipal ownership of the sewer works; improving of the streets, purchasing of the school buildings and the erection of a city hall. No definite action will be taken towards these improvements but the business and professional men will be given an opportunity to make suggestions and state their views. Following

this session a mass meeting will be called when every resident of Bogalusa will be given an opportunity of knowing every detail in connection with the contemplated improvements. A large number of the business men of the city have expressed their views in this matter. They all agree upon several of the improvements and this meeting will be a splendid time for all to state their views, why the city should or should not own the schools and other buildings.

DECISION OF FRANK CASE WILL MOST LIKELY BE ANNOUNCED DURING THE PRESENT WEEK

Atlanta, Ga., June 14.—The testimony for and against Leo M. Frank, which was presented at his trial on the charge of murdering Mary Phagan and in subsequent court proceedings, was exhaustively reviewed before Gov. Slaton at Monday's session of the hearing on Frank's application for commutation of his death sentence. Shortly after 6 o'clock the hearing was adjourned until Wednesday. When it is resumed Wm. Howard will complete his argument in behalf of Frank and the case then finally will be submitted to the governor. Solicitor Dorsey, in a four-hour argument today against commutation undertook to convince the governor of Frank's guilt on the testimony of other witnesses than Jim Conley, the negro, who was

convicted as an accessory after the murder. Eliminating Conley's evidence Mr. Dorsey sought to show how incidents and circumstances surrounding the crime as testified to, pointed to Frank as the perpetrator. Mr. Howard also relied upon the record to show Frank's innocence. He declared that the trial of the murderer led from the "murder notes" found beside the girl's body and which Conley testified he wrote at Frank's dictation. The attorney attacked Conley's affidavits and testimony and asserted that his story was "a cunning invention of Conley's own mind, contrived to save his own life and to place the nose of the law around the neck of another."

FIGHT KEPT UP UNTIL THE LAST AGAINST HALL

Extra Session Of Legislature Adjourned At 2 A. M. Tuesday Morning
Baton Rouge, June 15.—When the end of the extra session of 1915 came at 2:15 o'clock Tuesday morning, the drop of the curtain found Rep. Duncan Buie, of Richland, on floor of the House still protesting his inhibitions against an extension of the office of Gov. Hall and others serving under his administration. A bare quorum had dwindled down to a small coterie of last ditchers, and, at the psychological moment, the Hall forces challenged the roll call. The toll showed that there were less than one-third the membership in the House. Immediately there came animated motion to adjourn and above the roar and shrieks of cat howls and hoots—and flying spit balls—the speaker's gavel dropped and the work of the session was over.

YOUR HELP WANTED

It is quite necessary for the citizens of Bogalusa to donate generously to the Fourth of July Celebration Fund, as the expense of getting the aeroplane here from Michigan is twice as much as originally estimated. There is not enough money in sight to take care of the expenditures and as a record-breaking crowd is expected, those who will benefit by the bringing in of these people, should argue their original subscription. Kindly devote a little time to this project which means so much to Bogalusa, and advise Mr. J. A. Spekenhiser, Treasurer, of the amount received.
Miss Sadie Gill, of Bogue Chitto, Miss., is in the city to make an extended visit with her brothers, Dr. Cave E. and Grady Gill.

EXCLUSIVE SHOE STORE TO OPEN DOORS NEXT SATURDAY

Bogalusa first exclusive shoe store will throw its doors open on Saturday. The new store is a chain of the "Royal Blue Store" and E. A. Quick is president. J. T. Harmon, an experience shoe man of Laurel Miss., and Geo. Going of New Orleans are stock holders in the new concern. Selz Schawb Co., are recognized as one of the largest shoe manufacturers in the country and their line will be handled exclusive, embracing all lines which range from \$1.50 to \$7.00. The public is invited to attend the open which will be held Saturday. Free souvenirs will be given. The new store is located in the Sherman building on Columbia St., where extensive improvements have been made.

Will Leave City.

W. S. and R. C. Mason, accompanied by their families, will leave Bogalusa within the next week for Sunburst, N. C., where they will make their future home. Their father, W. G. Mason, has located there and is well pleased with the new field. Their many friends wish them happiness and commend them to the people of North Carolina.

Birthday Party.

Mrs. Nick Breuser, of Ave C, entertained about 20 little folks Saturday afternoon complimentary to her daughter, Miss Jane Caroline, in celebrating her fifth birthday. The decorations for the occasion were very pretty and the children were given one of the most enjoyable parties of the season.

Grand Jury In Session.

The grand jury of Washington Parish has been in session at Franklinton this week and has been investigating several offenses and about the usual number of bills are expected to be filed.

HUSTON BICKHAM, OF COMMERCIAL BANK NOTORIETY, GETS PAROLE AFTER SERVING YEAR AND HALF OF TEN YEAR TERM

Before the people of Bogalusa, Angie and Mt Herman had time to forget about the clever manipulations of Huston D. Bickham who was sentenced to serve ten years in the state penitentiary for receiving money into insolvent banks, the announcement was made that he had been paroled. Bickham was convicted at the January term of the Washington Parish Criminal court in 1914 and served less than one year and a half of the time, his parole going into effect last Monday morning. The announcement of his parole was unexpected to Bogalusa people.

Bickham was president of the Commercial Bank of this city. When the doors were closed it was stated that approximately \$50,000 had been misappropriated here while \$30,000 each had been misappropriated at Angie and Mt Herman. Bickham was reputed as not only being clever but one of the most congenial and refined men in this part of the state. Many interesting stories are being told in connection with his "high finance" here that were not brought out at the trial.

MOST EXCITING GAME OF BALL PLAYED THIS SEASON WHEN LOCALS "BLOW UP" AND VISITORS GET THREE RUNS

The most interesting game of baseball played on the local diamond this year was played Sunday afternoon, when after eight innings of perfect ball playing the local team "blew up" and Kentwood was permitted to make three runs, resulting in a score of 4 to 3 in favor of the locals.

The ninth inning brought the fans to their feet and caused the visitors to almost yell themselves hoarse. The fan that did not enjoy this game or get his moneys worth is indeed hard to please. Until the ninth inning there was nothing that would make the game sensational. Bogalusa played fine ball until the ninth. The fielding was perfect, the stick work was timely and the visitors were unable to get a man further than first base, and the only to be retired on a double. Givhan and Stapleton scored in the third. In the sixth Stapleton scored again and in the eighth inning, Bankston wanted to show the fans and visitors what he could do in the way of hitting and knocked a home run to center field, the ball not going over the fence. It is said this was the longest drive made at the park this season. In the ninth inning Rankin fumbled an easy one and this was followed by two or three similar plays by the locals and resulted in exciting times. Rankin saved the day by catching a visitor at home plate which would have tied the score, then struck out the next man while another runner was on third. It was a thriller and the Kentwood team was satisfied with making the three runs, even though it was a donation by the locals.

STRIKE OUTS AND FOUL TIPS

Manager Freret must be given credit for being the hardest worker of the local team. He was kept on the jump all the time.

Givhan proved to be one of the fastest players ever seen on an amateur team. He is there with the "stick" work too.

Stapleton is a valuable man. He works every second of the game, uses his head as well as his feet and arms. He made half of the runs for the locals.

Mason was signaled to steal home when no outs were recorded. He followed instructions as far as he could and was caught at the plate.

When they get better than Rankin they belong in the big league. He has speed, "twisters," a level

head and certainly can swat the ball.

Hardin, the Umps from Kentwood caught a foul tip with his chest. That a bone was not fractured is considered lucky, indeed. He never said a word or let out a "grunt." He should belong on the local team.

Kentwood sent a delegation of about 60 fans with the team. They done their part of the rooting.

It was said that Rankin had a bad arm and that Stapleton has just gotten out of the hospital. If they can play better ball than they did Sunday we would not like to see a team like Kentwood at their mercy.

Bankston showed the fans how easy it was to knock a home run and never sent the ball out of the park. And then the fans showed him that they appreciated his work by making a nice collection for him.

This was the second game that Kentwood has lost this season. Editor Durkin, of the Kentwood New Era, was in attendance to see that the boys played the right sort of ball.

A number of ladies attended the game and they were among the most enthusiastic fans.

The grand stand was taxed to its capacity. Bogalusa has a team that deserves the support of every citizen. Your attendance and rooting means a lot to the locals. Lets fill the grand stand every Sunday

And now Bankston wants to know why Harry the Tailor did not offer a hat for the first home run.

Fair decisions and no wrangling was one of the features of the game. Mason is a "bear" on first. Made

two doubles and never missed an opportunity. He done some timely hitting too.

The outfield had no chance to show how good they really were. It is said that they are as strong as the infield. If this be true lets get the Pelicans back here and "show them up."

If we could forget that ninth—well it would not be fair to Kentwood. Now they will want to come back and show that they can beat us.

And C. J. Wade is some score-keeper but the players will have to keep out of his way.

DEVICE PATENTED FOR REMOVING OF STUMPS FROM CUT OVER LAND AT CASE OF \$4 PER ACRE

Ambrose and George Moore, two New Orleans men, inventors of a mechanical stump cutter, announced last week that they had perfected their machine to a point where it would reduce the cost of clearing cut-over pine lands from \$22 per acre to about \$4 an acre. The device is said to remove stumps at a cost of about 10 cents each by a process of reduction to shavings through a double set of auger knives revolved under high pressure. Recent tests with 120 horsepower have shown that a 30-inch diameter stump can be reduced and

cleared out to a depth of 18 inches below the soil in a few minutes, and that the rich pine shavings can be mechanically blown into sacks, where they can be preserved and baled for treatment in by-product plants.

It is estimated that through this process products valued at about \$47 in the aggregate can be obtained.

There are approximately 6,000,000 acres of cut-over pine lands in Louisiana, and the promoters of this invention state that all of this could be cheaply and quickly cleared by this machine.

GREAT SOUTHERN SHIPPED MORE LUMBER IN MAY THAN ANY MONTH IN PAST YEAR AND HALF

The Great Southern Lumber Company reports that they shipped more lumber during the month of May than during any equivalent period throughout the last eighteen months.

Orders for Yard and Shed stocks are being received in very satisfactory numbers, and the demand for the upper grades seem to be better than at any time since the first of the year.

A spirit of optimism is prevalent

among the yellow pine saw-mill men in this territory. Satisfactory orders in good volume are being received for railroad and car material with prices stronger by 50c to \$1.00 per M than they were thirty to forty five days ago. While the number of new cars being built are not up to normal, the amount of car repairs being made by the various railroads, throughout the country, is exceedingly heavy, and they are using satisfactory amounts of Yellow Pine in this work.

JACK WHEAT KILLED BY ITALIAN YOUTH

Four Shots Fired-All Of Which Took Effect-Died Instantly

Jack Wheat, age about 53 married and the father of two children, was shot four times and instantly killed by Tony Madonia an Italian age 21, shortly before six o'clock Saturday evening, at the store of his father at the extreme south end of Columbia street. Following the shooting, Madonia left the store and has apparently made his escape.

There were no eye witnesses to the shooting but according to the information given to the police Wheat, who conducted a near beer establishment, rented his building from the Madonia and that when the elder Madonia presented Wheat with a bill Saturday there was a dispute over the account regarding some purchases which were made by negroes at the Madonia store. Words followed and Wheat is said to have struck Madonia, the latter leaving the place and reporting the affair to friends.

Later in the day Wheat is said to have gone to the Madonia store where he made a small purchase from Tony. The previous trouble between Wheat and Madonia senior was discussed, Wheat is reported as saying "that your father did not treat me right." Tony is alleged to have said "that I think he was right." Perhaps other words followed but the only witness to the affair, a negro woman, left the store at this point of the argument and few seconds later the report of revolver shots were heard and when persons rushed to the place they found Wheat dead, with four bullet wounds in his body. Young Madonia took all the money from the cash drawer, left his revolver and went in the direction of Pearl river.

The shooting was reported to the police a short time afterwards and an effort was made to overtake Madonia but it was unsuccessful. Jack Wheat was well known to a majority of the residents of Bogalusa and has been located here for several years. He resided in Richardsontown, leaves a widow and

two small children. He came to Bogalusa from Mississippi where he has a number of relatives.

The Madonia's came to Bogalusa from Lumberton, Miss., and little is known of them. Excitement ran high following the shooting and the elder Madonia was sent out of the city, fearing that further trouble might result.

The remains of Jack Wheat were taken to Mississippi where the funeral services were conducted Monday.

3,000,000 FT. OF LUMBER DESTROYED AT MANDEVILLE

Fire at the plant of the St. Tammany Lumber Co., located about two miles from Mandeville, destroyed between three and four million feet of lumber Monday night, valued at \$40,000 to \$50,000. The mill property was saved by a change of the wind and a light rain. The origin of the blaze is unknown. Insurance to the amount of about \$20,000 was carried on the lumber

Fenerty Leaves City.

W. J. Fenerty for 2 years the day clerk at the Pine Tree Inn has resigned his position and returned to his home in New Orleans. Mr. Fenerty was one of those pleasant clerks that makes you feel at home and takes the "chill" out of hotel life. He has a large number of friends, not only with the traveling public but in Bogalusa who will regret to know that he has left the city.

Mug-Wumps vs Social Lions

The ball game between the Mug-wumps and the Social Lions scheduled to take place at the ball park next Saturday, will no doubt prove that ball players are born and not made. It is expected that an extra force of men will be at the park Saturday morning to put it in shape for the fray, such as putting extra feathers in the bags, have a plentiful supply of talcum powder on hand, and plenty of pink ribbons to decorate the bats. A good game is expected.