

# A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR TO ALL THE BOGALUSA ENTERPRISE

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## To Homes of 125 Families Sunday Morn Bogalusa Elks Will Take Christmas Cheer

The Elks of Bogalusa will take Christmas cheer into the homes of 125 families this year in the shape of baskets containing good things to eat. It has been the custom for several years of the local Elks to supply the necessities for a good Christmas dinner to all families in Bogalusa not in the best of circumstances. This idea first originated with E. R. Cassidy, who was the exalted ruler of the then baby lodge of Elksdom, No. 1338, and since that time the number and size of the Christmas baskets has steadily grown.

Dr. J. H. Slaughter is chairman of the Elks' Christmas Fund Committee this year and to him and his committee is due great credit for the success of the undertaking.

The Great Southern Lumber Company donated the boxes in which the "good cheer" will be packed.

Two hundred loaves of bread were donated by George Bertoniore of the Family Bakery.

The roast were sold at cost by the Bogalusa Stores Company.

Other supplies were delivered at wholesale prices by the Bogalusa Grocery and Grain Company.

Following is a list of the contents of each basket:

- 2 loaves bread.
- 1 peck sweet potatoes.
- 1 gallon syrup.
- 1 head cabbage.
- 1 bunch celery.
- 6 apples.
- 6 oranges.
- 1 sack salt.
- 1 package macaroni.
- 1 can coffee.
- 1 sack (12 lbs.) flour.
- 1 can milk.
- 1 can corn.
- 3 pounds sugar.
- 3 pounds rice.
- 5 pounds corn meal.
- 2 pounds assorted cakes.
- 2 pounds candy.
- 5 pounds roast.
- 3 pounds onions.
- 2 pounds bacon.

The packing will be done Saturday night at the Elks home, 7:30 o'clock, and all Elks and their wives and sweethearts are invited to assist. The Elks' Band will furnish music during the evening. George Field is packing boss.

Delivery of the boxes will be made at 7:30 Sunday morning.

## CUSTOMS OF MANY PORTS SLATED TO BE IN NEGRO'S CARE

Washington, Dec. 20.—Under regulations which will become effective January 1, the office of comptroller of customs will be a much more important position. As provided for in the Fordney tariff act all ports of entry will report to the comptroller of customs in the most convenient district. Heretofore the naval officer at New Orleans has supervised the accounts and customs transactions for the port of New Orleans only.

Under the new tariff act the title of naval officer, always a misnomer, has been changed to comptroller of customs, a title conveying some idea of the nature of the duties. The new regulations provide that the comptroller of customs at New Orleans shall supervise the accounting work and the handling of customs papers for the districts with headquarters at Mobile, Sabine, Galveston, San Antonio, El Paso, and for the State of Arizona.

This order is of particular significance at this time since the Alabama, Texas and Arizona customs districts will have a voice in the proposal to place the administration of this important work in the hands of a negro.

## Negro Slated for Job

Were Walter Cohen to be seated as comptroller of customs at New Orleans, he would have immediate supervision of all accounts of customs transactions with the required schedule of collections and disbursements and vouchers, together with schedules of miscellaneous as well as duty collections. This applies to the New Orleans customs district and the others mentioned. According to this order, the collectors of these districts would have to submit to him all accounts and customs papers for administrative examination and certification. These papers include all entries of imported merchandise, with the returns of appraisers and surveyors, drawback entries, manifests, permits, withdrawals from warehouses, transfers of unclaimed merchandise, and all other papers necessary for a verification of imported merchandise. Manifests of vessels which heretofore have been mailed to the comptroller at Washington will be turned over to the comptroller of customs. Transportation papers come within the jurisdiction of the district comptroller. Adjustments and corrections are to be made by the comptroller. This decentralization of the work and the large increase in the responsibilities attached to the office mean that a much greater volume of business must be handled through the office of the comptroller of customs, with the inevitable result that the comptroller at New Orleans must have continuous and frequent personal contact with those engaged in the importation of merchandise. This implies to importers from Florida on the East to New Mexico on the West. As a result it is believed that a much stronger case now can be made against the confirmation of Walter Cohen for this office.

## School Buses Tax Free

Automobiles used in transporting children to and from school will be exempt from federal taxation under a bill introduced today by Senator Dandell. The bill proposes an amendment to the existing revenue act which would exempt vehicles in that type of service, whether or not they are owned and operated by the school authorities.

## Youths Take Merchandise From M. Berenson's Store

While the merchandise taken would not exceed \$10, one of the boldest pieces of thievery in Bogalusa in many months was committed at the store of M. Berenson in North Bogalusa at noon Thursday, when four boys, about 18 years of age, walked into the store, and while the one on duty at the rear of the store, the youths helped themselves to ties, belts and other merchandise and beat a hasty retreat through the front door.

## NOGAN BOYS HAVE BOWLING LEAGUE

Employees of the N. O. G. N. will organize four bowling teams of five men each and play a schedule of games on the Y. M. C. A. alleys. From among the group two teams, one of "rookies" and one of "experts" will be selected to bowl in the city-wide championship games to be played in March.

The Nogan League expects to play its first game Thursday, January 4, 1923.

## Errors in Reporting O. E. S. Installation

In reporting the installation of the officers of Jessamine Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, which was held on Monday evening, The Enterprise stated the silk umbrella was presented to Mrs. J. H. Lipscomb, retiring worthy matron, with several other gifts. This was an error, as the umbrella was presented to Eddie Moore. The story also said that Jim Warren was installed as worthy patron, when it should have read Jim Warren Richardson.

Mrs. Ella Tate was the installing officer and the manner in which she performed her duties was very impressive. Mrs. Dollie Richardson and Mrs. Georgia Gentry assisted, and the event was one which will be long remembered.

## PICKPOCKET STEALS NAPOLEON LETTER FROM FRENCHMAN

New York, Dec. 20.—Joseph M. Attie, a French broker, today appealed to the police to assist him in finding a letter written by Napoleon Bonaparte in 1805, which was stolen from him last night by a Broadway pickpocket.

The letter was one Napoleon wrote to the Austrian general, Mack, after defeating him at Uhm, congratulating General Mack on his gallantry, and presenting him with a gold clock. M. Attie said he was especially concerned about the letter because without it he could not prove the authenticity of the clock, which was in his possession.

The letter and the clock, an ornate affair mounted with an equestrian figure of Napoleon, cost him 7,000,000 German marks, he said.

## CHARLES SMITH, AGED 4, CELEBRATES WITH PARTY

Mrs. H. H. Smith was hostess on Tuesday afternoon, from 3 to 5, at her home on Virginia avenue, where she entertained about twenty-five children in honor of her son Charles' fourth birthday.

The little guests brought Charles many pretty gifts and wishes for many succeeding happy birthdays.

The Smith home was decorated in the colors of the season and games were carried out in a manner most pleasing to the guests. To be sure, the fine cake was on display, laden with four brilliant candles.

Mrs. Smith was assisted in entertaining the little folk by her sister, Mrs. J. L. Burns of Avenue B, and Mrs. F. W. Watts, who served cream and cake before good-byes were said.

## DRIVER PULLS STUNT

Vulcan, Alberta.—Hauling 1144 bushels of wheat 22 miles in eight wagons draw by fifteen teams of horses and mules, driven by one man, and then unloading into the elevator in one hour and seventeen minutes, without unhooking a single animal, is the proud record of Ralph Morehouse, of the Bar O. N. Ranch, in the Buffalo Hills District.

## C. L. JOHNSON OUT

C. L. Johnson, sales manager for the Bogalusa Turpentine Company, has completely recovered from an operation for appendicitis, and is at his desk again, much to the delight of his many friends.

Mr. Johnson is still weak and it will be several days before he is in his old-time form.

## Hoosier Residents to Greet Pathfinder

When Mrs. Margaret Noblet, pathfinder of the Indiana Motor League arrives in Bogalusa Saturday afternoon, she is going to be met at the Mississippi-Louisiana state line by a local committee of Hoosiers and escorted to the Pine Tree Inn. The novel idea was developed by H. E. Hoppen, a native of Indiana. J. A. Spekenhler will serve as chairman of the committee and Mayor Sullivan will arrange for a luncheon at the Pine Tree Inn.

Mrs. Noblet is making the trip in a Cole "8" and she is being followed by a truck with men and signs to mark every mile from Indianapolis to New Orleans. Mrs. Noblet will remain over here Saturday evening and leave for New Orleans Sunday morning.

## Boyett Home Destroyed By Fire Wednesday

The home and entire contents of J. A. Boyett, at Mitch, was destroyed by fire Wednesday afternoon, as were also several outbuildings.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyett and their older children were away from home at the time, which accounts for the fact that nothing was saved.

## R. A. M. Honors D. W. Richardson

An honor which seldom comes to any man was bestowed upon D. W. Richardson, one of Bogalusa's most highly esteemed citizens, at a meeting of the Royal Arch Masons on Thursday evening, when he was made an honorary life member by Bogalusa Chapter No. 61. At the meeting of F. A. & M. last Saturday night he was presented with a sterling silver loving cup by members of Center Lodge, of which organization he has served as treasurer for thirty-three years.

At the same meeting Judge C. Ellis Ott, retiring high priest, was presented with a magnificent past high priest apron. The presentation address was made by W. C. Flanders.

Bogalusa Chapter No. 61, R. A. M., installed the following officers for 1923:

- N. S. Young, high priest; W. M. Babington, king; F. W. A. Reagan, scribe; E. E. Moore, captain of host; E. A. O'Mara, principal sojourner; J. A. Wadsworth, treasurer; K. I. Bean, secretary; T. P. Blackwell, royal arch captain; Eugene Arbona, Jr., master third veil; E. C. Toups, master second veil; J. P. Tucker, master first veil; Norman Ott, sentinel; Rev. H. E. Pettus, chaplain.

## "Billie" Pfaff Will Be Guest and Speaker At Association of Commerce Banquet

W. N. Pfaff, active in the Louisiana League of Homestead and Building and Loan Associations of which organization he is an ex-president, will be a guest and one of the principal speakers at the Association of Commerce luncheon to be held at the Pine Tree Inn Thursday, December 28. Mr. Pfaff is one of the leading printers of New Orleans and has many friends here.

W. H. Sullivan, president of the Association of Commerce, has called a meeting of that body to discuss and

find some solution for the crying need of more homes in Bogalusa and he invited Mr. Pfaff, who is exceptionally well posted on home-building and its inestimable value to a growing community, to deliver an address to the members.

Other matters of importance to the association and to Bogalusa will come before the after-dinner business session on Thursday and every member is urged to attend. The luncheon will be served at 12 o'clock noon.

## Mass at Midnight On Christmas Eve

There will be a special High Mass at the Church of Annunciation on Christmas Eve (Sunday) at midnight, to which the public is invited by Rev. Placide Dobyns.

Special music has been prepared for the occasion. The midnight mass is always observed in Catholic Churches on Christmas Eve and is a very impressive service.

## Columbia Street School Bazaar Nets Sixty Dollars

The Christmas Pageant and Bazaar, given December 20th for the benefit of the Columbia Street Parent-Teachers' Association, was a decided success.

The ladies realized a neat profit of \$60, which amount will be duplicated by the city and will mean \$120 in the treasury.

The association, through this medium, wishes to thank Dr. J. H. Slaughter, the Bogalusa Paper Co., Bogalusa Stores Company, Bogalusa Coca-Cola Bottling Co. and the Columbia street merchants who so generously donated to the bazaar.

## No Enterprise Will Be Issued Next Week

When you receive your Enterprise today (Saturday), please bear in mind that no Enterprise will be published next week. This is due to the fact that it has been necessary for The Enterprise to increase its floor space and it would be impossible to get on the paper on time next week, therefore it is issued early.

## Legion To Give Big Dance New Year's Eve

What promises to be one of the most enjoyable dances of 1922 will be at the Army on New Year's Eve, given by the Magic City Post of the American Legion.

One of the best jazz bands in the South has been secured and invitations have been mailed to all the neighboring towns, and the Legionnaires are expecting a record attendance.

John Dale, who has charge of the event, assures the public they can come, expecting the best dance of the year.

## LOSE 4-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER

Elma, aged 4 years and 6 months, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Morgan, residing in Adamstown, died at the Elizabeth Sullivan Memorial Hospital on Monday. Cause of death has not been determined.

Funeral services were held Tuesday and burial was in Whittington Cemetery, near Sheridan, on Tuesday.

John Lee returned Friday afternoon from a business trip to El Dorado, Ark.

## "Slick" Summerall Seriously Injured

E. R. (Slick) Summerall, one of the best known and most popular trainmen in the N. O. G. N. service, fell from a moving train to the river bridge at Columbia Friday afternoon. Meager reports of the accident were received in Bogalusa which stated he did not fall into the river. His shoulder blade was broken and he received other injuries and bruises. Mr. Summerall was brought to Bogalusa for treatment.

## Special Radio Programs For Christmas Holidays

Arrangements are being made to receive special Christmas week radio programs at the Y. M. C. A. Walter Leahy has moved the radio set at the "Y" downstairs and it is now located in the lobby.

It is expected many will take advantage of this opportunity to "listen in." Mr. Leahy reports good results now that cold weather has arrived.

## TREE HAS 27,000 KUMQUATS; CHAMPION OF THE WORLD

Etherwood, La., Dec. 20.—Mrs. J. P. Hoyt has a kumquat tree in her orange grove here which is claimed to be the champion producer of the world. The tree has 27,000 kumquats upon it and is arousing unusual interest. Other large trees of the same variety also are heavily laden with fruit. These trees are of a budded stock, free from the scale that ruins so many citrus trees.

The kumquat is a toothsome fruit. It is eaten skin and all. It makes excellent orange preserves and marmalade.

Mrs. Hoyt also has been successful in budding oranges on the trifoliato stock, which never freezes.

## MAGEES GET SON

Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Magee of Franklinton are the parents of a son who arrived Thursday night at the Elizabeth Sullivan Memorial Hospital, weighing 5 pounds. Mother and little gentleman are getting along nicely.

## SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS AT MAGIC CITY THEATER FOR THE HOLIDAY

Following is a list of the special attractions booked for the Magic City Theater during the holidays:

- Wallace Reid in "Across the Continent."
- Lillian Gish and Richard Barthelmess in "Way Down East."
- Irene Castle in "French Heels."
- Elaine Hammerstein in "Evidence."
- Lionel Barrymore in "Boomerang Bill."
- "Free Air," from a Saturday Evening Post story.
- Plenty of good comedy every night.

Miss Margarita Holden has a visitor from Covington, Miss Evelyn Sibley.

## Over 3000 Kiddies Made Happy By Santa Claus At Schools Friday Night

If there is an unhappy kiddie in Bogalusa this Saturday morning, it is not because there were not gifts for him from Santa Claus, who appeared in every section of the city Friday night, and he had toys, candies and fruits left over after supplying all the children of the city.

It is estimated that 3500 children were presented with gifts through the Community Christmas Trees held at the ward schools in every section of the city. Santa visited every school house in the city at 7 o'clock and was assisted by a committee in presenting the gifts. It was a beautiful sight to see the kiddies of every age thronging the schools awaiting Santa Claus.

Although every school building was packed with children, they were handled in such an orderly manner that each received a liberal supply of presents, and without an accident of any sort.

In North Bogalusa C. L. Black served as Santa Claus; at Central School W. J. Willoughby represented Saint Nicholas.

The funds to provide gifts for the children were raised through Commissioner of Education Starns, Superintendent F. C. Ratliff, the principals and teachers in the schools, and committees in every section of the city assisted in preparing the gifts for distribution.

Since the foundation of the City of Bogalusa, the kiddies have never been overlooked at Christmas time. It is stated that the late Mrs. Elizabeth Sullivan was the originator of the idea which has brought such happiness to the little folk. For several years the Community Christmas Tree was held at the Y. M. C. A., but the growth of Bogalusa made it impracticable a few years ago and since the building of the modern school houses in each section of the city, they have been used for the distribution of the gifts.

The colored children have likewise been remembered and the distribution of presents to them was made at the Colored Y. M. C. A. on Friday evening, when more than a thousand assembled to receive their gifts.

## SENIOR CLASS HAS CUTTING TIME ON HIKE

The Senior Class had a "cutting" time on the "cane hike" given them at the DeWitt Richardson plantation Thursday night. A great bonfire was lit and everyone crowded close and soon were eating sugar cane and toasting marshmallows. It was a roistering, happy crowd that came home on the truck which Mr. Mills had kindly permitted them to use. Miss Brainard, Senior Class sponsor, was asked to chaperone.

A new club, the D. B. F's (what?) has been organized among the Sophs at Hi. We suppose this is a sister club to the L. L. L's, because the members of the D. B. F.B.B;hearheR L. L. L's are mostly Seniors. The charter members of the D. B. F. are: Misses Marilyn Gould, Edna Milton Brumfield, Pauline Planché, Alyne Planché, Patra Andrews and Isobel Sutton. They gave their first party Thursday night and invited the L. L. Ls as a whole.

## Operating Dept. Wins Bowling League Trophy

The G. S. L. Office Bowling League closed Thursday night when the Operating Dept. won the last two games out of three from the Treasurer's Dept. The Sales Dept. and Auditor's Dept. put up a good showing for the prize, but the Operating Dept. seemed to be in a class of their own.

It was a hard-fought battle all the way through and many of the games were nip and tuck from start to finish. But Operating Dept. started right off by taking the first series of games and held their lead to the final awarding of the trophy. The other teams met their Waterloo with a smile.

The Operating Department will be awarded a trophy, a gilded bowling pin, suitably inscribed.

Standing of Teams	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Operating Dept.	3	0	1000
Auditor's Office	2	1	.666
Sales Dept.	1	2	.373
Treasurer's Office	0	3	.000

## City Basketball League Is Now in Full Swing

The City Basketball League is in full swing now, playing four games a week. Christmas week the N. O. G. N. and Plant teams play first game Tuesday night; the Office and Invincibles the second. On Friday night the N. O. G. N. play the Office and Invincibles the High School.

Standing of Teams	Won.	Lost.
High School	3	0
G. S. L. Office	3	1
Invincibles	0	3
N. O. G. N.	0	3

Doors open at 8:15 and games start promptly at 8:30.

## THE SEASONS GREETINGS FROM MAGIC CITY THEATER

We extend to the people who attend our shows daily the season's greetings. We have the public to thank for our own Merry Xmas and in an effort to demonstrate our appreciation of their generous patronage we promise for the New Year to maintain our high standards, to screen the finest pictures of the day and to bend every effort to make every performance you attend at our theater just that many hours of good, wholesome pleasure.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you.

MRS. R. BLANCHARD, Manager.

## MT. HERMON YOUTH DIES

Delmar, the 17-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Pettit of Mt. Hermon, died at the Elizabeth Sullivan Memorial Hospital Monday. Death was due to pneumonia.

The remains were taken to the family home and burial was in Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Tuesday, near Mt. Hermon.

## To Release All Prisoners Sunday

The four prisoners in the city jail are going to have a Merry Christmas, for Chief of Police Magee stated the prisoners, three of whom are white and one colored, will be released from jail Sunday.

They will be paroled on their honor and have promised to report back at the city jail Tuesday morning. The two-day parole will permit them to spend Christmas with their families.

## STUDENT COUNCIL TO BE CONGRATULATED

The Student Council of Bogalusa High School is to be congratulated for the success of its first big undertaking—the Christmas tree. Mrs. Myers-Turners and Mrs. N. E. Young arranged the program and Miss Machree Causey was master of ceremonies.

## PROGRAM (High School Orchestra)—Sung by all.

Reading—First 20 verses of Luke, Miss Daisy Rundell.

Violin solo—"His Day," Ed Quin, accompanied by Mrs. N. E. Young.

Reading—"Christmas Carol," Miss Machree Causey.

Song Cycle from "The Adoration" (Nevin)—First quartet, Guy Byrd, tenor; Miss Florence Bertoniore, soprano; Miss Ruby Byrd, alto; Willie Byrd, bass. Second quartet, Miss Margarita Holden, first soprano; Miss Virgie Foil, second soprano; Miss Mary McLendon, first alto; Miss Lillian Paul, second alto.

Reading—"Just Before Christmas," Jimmie Francis.

The presents were distributed by the commissioners of entertainment, and after the affair was over, Miss Amelia Goulding, on behalf of the faculty, complimented the student body on their excellent management of the proceedings.

## Where the Teachers Will Spend Christmas

Prof. Sims has arranged for all teachers living out of town to go home for Christmas, and as a result Miss Chester Pybus, commercial, left Thursday evening for Trenton, Tenn.; Mrs. Flowers, Latin, left for Jackson, Miss., Saturday, where she will attend the family reunion at her brother's home; Miss Adanson left for Hammond, La., Friday morning; Miss Barnard, French, went to her home in Anguillan, Miss.; Miss Ball, domestic science, went to Tylerstown; Miss Eaton, home economics, left Wednesday evening for Proctorville, Ohio; Mrs. Lois Myers-Turner, English, and her husband, Leroy Turner, are going to spend the holidays with relatives in Durant, and will go from there to Memphis, returning to Bogalusa via Silver Creek, Miss.; Mr. and Mrs. Simmons, Latin, will spend the holidays with Mr. Simmons' parents in Franklinton; Mrs. Flanders and Miss Georgine Flanders, with the rest of the family will be in New Orleans for Christmas. Others teachers leaving are: Miss Rawls, New Orleans; Miss Jettie Lou McInnis, Monticello; Miss Wilson, New Orleans; Mr. Wollridge, Winnesboro; Miss Gryce, Brookhaven; Mrs. Fortinberry, Kentwood; Miss Smith, Poplarville; Miss Amelia Goulding, New Orleans.

Miss Ethel Overstreet is expecting two holiday visitors, Miss Nell Rankin of Columbia, Miss., and Miss Georgia Livesay of Bristol, Va.

Some of the school girls going away for the holidays are: Misses Anna and Esther Berenson, New Orleans; Miss Virgie Foil, Tylerstown; Miss Hazel Thomas, Covington; Miss Gladys Daniels, Franklinton; Miss Gertrude Gilbert, New Orleans; Miss Caroline and Frances Jones, Edwards, Miss.