

RAPIDES PARISH TO HAVE STATE PARK

Rapides parish promises to have the first public state park in Louisiana. A meeting was held at Alexandria recently where was organized the Rapides Park Association, to affiliate with the Louisiana State Park Association.

It is the purpose of the Rapides body in organizing the local park association to formulate plans to obtain 3,000 acres of land, to be dedicated as a park in which reforestation may have been practiced and the wild life preserved and protected.

The Rapides park will be under the supervision of the forestry division of the Department of Conservation, and that division will give special attention to the development and demonstration of forestry and forest products.

FUR SEASON OPENS WITH LIGHT RECEIPTS.

A New Orleans buyer of furs declares the receipts of skins in that city has been the smallest ever known at this time of the year. The same statement applies also to New York and St. Louis, and is attributed to the warm and dry weather which has interfered with trapping.

No one can make an intelligent estimate of the catch of fur-bearing animals during the present season, and even the figures of last year are not yet available, because certain dealers took the matter of the tax into court, and though the state won the case full payment has not yet been made.

Many trappers and fur dealers who use license tags of the Department of Conservation in shipping furs in and out of the state and who are required by law to return the stub of the tag to the office of the department do not seem to be aware that all that is necessary is to attach a one cent stamp to the card and mail it, for the stub bears the address. No envelope is necessary.

THE REFORESTATION OF CUT-OVER LANDS

Despite the hostility evidenced by a few interested persons here and there in the State, the reforestation idea is growing rapidly in Louisiana, as indeed it is throughout the United States. The practice of forestry must come some time. If it is begun now nature will do the work and will only ask ordinary protection in return.

The evils that come from the destruction of forests can be cured by leaving one or two seed trees to the acre and the protection of the growing trees from fire. The cost is infinitesimal in comparison with the benefit accruing, and there are millions of acres of land in the yellow pine territory of this country that can be put to no more profitable use than the growing of trees.

WHO GOT DAD'S TURKEY?

Dad Leguay, of Leguay's Barber Shop, is anxious to find someone who has a large fat gobbler. Dad purchased one about six weeks ago and took it home, where the bird was fed on delicacies to make him fat—and he was.

Dad says he hopes that whoever got it will enjoy it as much as he had anticipated doing.

PASSENGER TRAIN DELAYED

The early southbound passenger train was delayed for almost four hours in Bogalusa Thursday, due to the derailment of a few freight cars near Sun. The damage was slight and no one was injured.

MAY COMPROMISE ON PHONE RATES

Consideration of the petition of the Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Company to appoint a master in chancery to hear the evidence in the phone rate controversy was continued until after the holidays by Judge Foster in United District Court, New Orleans, Tuesday.

In making the decision to continue the consideration of the petition Judge Foster assumed the role of mediator and suggested that the company and members of the Public Service Commission get together before January 3 and arrange a satisfactory schedule which will be agreeable to both sides.

Should Arrange Rates "The commission issued its rate reduction order last May, Judge Foster declared. "Six months have passed, during which time you could have met and arranged a satisfactory schedule. I think that during this period when the spirit of the holidays is so manifest you should get together and arrange a schedule of rates which would be satisfactory to both sides and to the public."

As the judge spoke an atmosphere of Christmas cheer seemed to pervade the courtroom and grip the legal array present, including J. Blanc Monroe and J. C. Henriques.

"That's fine," Mr. Monroe declared enthusiastically. "We will be glad to meet with the members of the commission at any time and arrange a reasonable rate."

At this Huey Long, chairman of the commission, threw a handful of snow on the proceedings and emphatically declared that "there will be no compromise."

Order Will Stand "We stand by our rate order issued May 13 and the company must abide by it," Mr. Long shouted. "We have given them ample time to come before the members of the commission and present any evidence which they may have in their possession to prove that the rates we fixed last May are not proper and right. They have failed to do this. We believe the public is entitled to a fair telephone rate. We have reduced the rates to a pre-war level. The rates we fixed are reasonable. Before the war the company made millions on the basis of these rates. Since the war they made more millions with higher rates. The commission believes that the public should be protected and given a square deal. The rates we fixed May 13 will stand. There'll be no compromise."

The scene ended when the judge with a sad smile set January 3 for the hearing and expressed a final forlorn hope that the company and commission might arrange their differences before that date.

As the attorneys walked from the court, newspapermen present brought Mr. Monroe and Mr. Long together in the hall outside the courtroom. With newspapermen they stood facing each other within striking distance.

"Well, what are you going to do," they asked each other. "Are you going to follow Judge Foster's advice and compromise, or are you going to continue fighting each other?"

Won't Compromise "We are willing to compromise," said Mr. Monroe, while at the same time Mr. Long emphatically replied: "We will not compromise."

At present the company is collecting the high rates.

TIERNANS FOUND INCOGNITO IN N. Y.

New York, Dec. 20.—Professor and Mrs. John P. Tiernan of South Bend, Ind., and the boy whose head fell the brunt of their paternity court battle against Harry Poulin, a South Bend haberdasher, were found today living in a hotel in Greenwich Village.

With them were their two daughters. They were registered as "William A. Ross and family, Detroit."

They have been in the city ten days. Professor Tiernan, with relatives in New York, came here for the announced "purpose of making a new start."

Mrs. Tiernan and the children have remained in seclusion, taking their meals in their rooms. "There's nothing I can say," said Mrs. Tiernan when reporters called on her.

"Do you and Professor Tiernan intend to remain in New York?" Mrs. Tiernan was asked.

"I believe so," she said. "Are you planning to continue living together?"

"Yes," she said simply. Professor Tiernan had been granted a divorce, but this was annulled after he married again.

Prof. Tiernan was as silent as his wife.

INSTRUCTORS 'FIRED' FOR HOME-BREWING

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 20.—Resignations of four instructors at North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering here have been requested as a result of charges that they made home-brew in their rooms.

Dr. W. C. Riddick, president of the institution, announced today. The president did not give any further details except to confirm the reports that the action following an investigation by students who conducted it privately.

The instructors who were said to have offered their resignations as requested are: C. V. Busbe, T. B. Parks, C. B. Buckner and J. C. Miller. No further action is contemplated, it was said.

Spirit of O. Henry Showers Gifts On Down-and-Outers

New York, Dec. 20.—The spirit of O. Henry (William Sidney Porter) visited the scenes depicted in so many of his short stories to wish the "has-beens" and "down-and-outers" a Merry Christmas. At the request of O. Henry's daughter, Mrs. Margaret Cesare, \$50 received recently by her for a magazine story about her father, was distributed to the derelicts and strays assembled in downtown parks and lodging houses.

George Vanderweid, an old friend of O. Henry's passed out the money for Mrs. Cesare. He went first to Madison Square. It was bitter cold and the park was deserted. A messenger, 70 years old, his face as blue as his uniform, hurried past.

"Merry Christmas from O. Henry," said Vanderweid. "Thanks," said the messenger, grabbing the dollar bill and hurrying on.

Most of the money went to "guests" at the Olive Tree Inn and Washington House on Second avenue. Similar greetings and \$1 went to a "cop" on duty in Bryant Park. O. Henry wrote much about New York "cops" and like them.

The German landlord of the Rumanian Embassy in Berlin bricked up the door and stood outside to tell the tenants they could not enter until six months' rental in arrears had been paid.

CONSTABLE SALE

Wesch Bros. versus V. Ward, No. 1442.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an order of fieri facias issued out of the City Court of Bogalusa, La., in the above numbered and entitled cause, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell at public auction to the last and highest bidder, on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1922, at the hour of 11 o'clock a. m., in front of my warehouse on Columbia Street, Bogalusa, Louisiana, the following described property, to-wit:

Entire contents of store operated by defendant on Columbia Street, Bogalusa, Louisiana.

TERMS OF SALE—CASH, with benefit of appraisal. This the 19th day of December, 1922.

R. H. LAMBRIGHT, Constable.

CONSTABLE SALE

M. R. Dorsey versus R. W. Brewer, No. 1501.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of an order of fieri facias issued out of the City Court of Bogalusa, Louisiana, in the above entitled cause and to me directed, I will proceed to sell at public auction, to the last and highest bidder, on SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, 1923, at the hour of 11 o'clock a. m., in front of my warehouse, Columbia street, Bogalusa, Louisiana, the following described property, to-wit:

One pair of horses and one eight-wheel wagon.

TERMS OF SALE—CASH, with benefit of appraisal. This the 21st day of December, 1922.

R. H. LAMBRIGHT, Constable.

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING

There will be a meeting of stockholders of the First State Bank of Bogalusa, Louisiana, on Tuesday, January 9th, 1923, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year.

J. A. SPEKENHIER, Secretary.

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Chemists are looking for a universal solvent, which, after all, is harder to find these days than an insolvent. —Manila Bulletin.

NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS

Notice is hereby given that the annual stockholders' meeting of the Bogalusa Building and Loan Association will be held at the offices of the association, in the Elks' building, Bogalusa, La., on Monday, January 8, a lusa, La., on Monday, January 8, at 8 p. m., for the purpose of electing directors of 1923.

W. H. SULLIVAN, President. C. L. BLACK, Secretary.

NOTICE TO WOODMEN

The Woodmen of the World and Woodmen Circle will have a joint installation at Starns' Hall, Pleasant Hill, Saturday, January 6th, 1923. All Woodmen, their wives and sweethearts, are cordially invited to attend. Come out and have a good time.

W. E. SELDNER, Clerk.

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NEW ORLEANS GREAT NORTHERN RAILROAD COMPANY

ANNUAL STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the New Orleans Great Northern Railroad Company will be held at the company's office at Bogalusa, Washington Parish, Louisiana, at 11:00 o'clock a. m., on Monday, January 8, 1923, for the election of a Board of Directors to serve for the ensuing year, and for the consideration and transaction of such other corporate business as may properly be brought before the said meeting.

JOHN M. GIEGER, Secretary.

The "first woman senator" is able at the end of her term to point to a spotless record.—Omaha World-Herald.

Advertisement for Bogalusa Shoe Surgery. Features a cartoon character and text: 'OLD HI COST SAYS In these days five dollars in the pocket is worth more than seven dollars in new shoes. Bogalusa Shoe Surgery Number 8 Alabama Avenue'

Large advertisement for Christmas Club. Text: 'JOIN OUR NEW Christmas Club AND HAVE MONEY NEXT CHRISTMAS. 5¢ or 10¢ will start you Now in OUR CHRISTMAS CLUB. Next Christmas you will have \$63.75 or \$127.50. MONEY EARNERS. Join our Christmas Club and have money next Christmas. We offer you this systematic plan of accumulating money for any future purpose. Now, while your earnings are good, deposit some money regularly each week. Decide on the amount you wish to deposit each week and JOIN NOW! You can start with 1c, 2c, 5c, 10c and increase your deposit the same amount each week, or you can start with 25c, 50c, \$1.00, \$2.00, \$5.00, \$10.00, \$20.00, or more and put in the same amount each week. WHAT THE DIFFERENT CLUBS AMOUNT TO IN 50 WEEKS. 1c CLUB PAYS \$12.75, 2c CLUB PAYS \$25.50, 5c CLUB PAYS \$65.75, 10c CLUB PAYS \$127.50. 25c CLUB PAYS \$12.50, 50c CLUB PAYS \$25.00, \$1.00 CLUB PAYS \$50.00, \$2.00 CLUB PAYS \$100.00, \$5.00 CLUB PAYS \$250.00, \$10.00 CLUB PAYS \$500.00, \$20.00 CLUB PAYS \$1000.00. DECREASING CLUBS. You can begin with the largest deposit and decrease your deposits each week... A very popular plan. COME IN AND GET A PASS-BOOK AND JOIN THE CHRISTMAS CLUB. EVERYBODY WELCOME! WE PAY 4 PER CENT ON CHRISTMAS CLUB SAVINGS. Washington Bank & Trust Co. RESOURCES CROWDING A MILLION'