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The board of Aldermen met in regular
session Monday night at 7 o'clock with
the mayor and all members present.

The minutes of the previous meetings
were read and adopted, with one cor-
rection.

The chief of police report showed \$20
was collected for fines.

The night policeman reported \$12.50
collected in fines for the month of May.

The pound keepers report shows that
\$11.50 was collected during the month
May.

Bills amounting to \$674.71 against the
street and bridge fund were approved
and ordered paid when funds are
available.

Bills amounting to \$15.30 were ap-
proved against the general fund, and
ordered paid when funds are available.

There being a number of citizens
present, the mayor called for the order
of new business, and asked if any one
present had any matter to present for
the consideration of the council.

Mr. Immergluck presented a former
resolution of the former administration
entitled "Lights, Street Crossing," and
insisting that this ordinance be re-
enacted and that the railroad company
be compelled to maintain lights at street
intersections with their tracks.

After much discussion for and against
the proposition, it was moved and
seconded that the matter of light at
street crossings be referred back to the
committee on water and light plant for
consideration, to be thoroughly gone into
with reference to being a double tax
against a single taxpayer, therefore
discriminatory, and if found to be, in
the judgment of the committee the
proper method of street illumination for
the streets as crossed by the tracks of
the railroad company to prepare suitable
ordinances covering, reporting back to
the council as to the question involved
with their recommendations in the
premises.

Supt. J. H. Williams of the School
Board, appeared with a proposition to
have the town supplement the funds of
the school board for the purpose of in-
creasing the salary of Prof. E. A.
Skillman in order that he may be
retained as principal of the Abbeville
high school. Finally it was agreed to
pay the sum of \$180, providing particu-
larly that Prof. Skillman is retained as
principal, otherwise the agreement is
null and void.

On motion of S. Chauvin, seconded
by John T. Brooks, the following res-
olution was presented for adoption:

Whereas, it is known to the board of
aldermen, of the town of Abbeville, La.,
that there is pending before the Legis-
lature of the State of Louisiana, now in
session at Baton Rouge, La., an act as
introduced by the Hon. R. J. Montagne,
representative of the parish of Vermilion,
La., prohibiting gambling in any form
within three miles of the Abbeville
high school, and

Whereas, it is the sense of this board
of aldermen that the passage of this act
will accrue to the moral welfare of the
community in general and especially in
the needed protection to be thrown
about our young manhood, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we endorse the said act
and recommend that if possible the
same be amended so as to read five
miles instead of three miles of the Ab-
beville high school.

That we commend our representatives
in their efforts to obtain the passage of
this act, and that we memorialize the
legislature to render us this needed
protection by the passage of this act.
Be it further

Resolved, That the secretary be in-
structed to forward to our representa-
tives at Baton Rouge, copies of these
resolutions.

The vote being called and all voting
yes, the mayor declared this resolution
duly adopted.

An ordinance was passed and adopted
controlling the direction of the business
and affairs of the water and light plant,
which is vested in a standing committee,
composed of two members of the coun-
cil, with the mayor ex-officio member;
also giving rules and regulations of the
running of the plant, together with
the rates of water and light, which we
will publish in later issues for the
benefit of the consumers, giving the
rates, both for business and residence
uses.

The charge against the town of \$308
per month for service rendered shall
prevail until such time as the cost of
operation of the plant is reduced, at
which time the cost will be proportion-
ately reduced.

The health board elected consists of
the following: Dr. C. A. Schilling, pre-
sident; Dr. H. A. Eldredge, Dr. L. M.
Boudreaux, John T. Brooks and Robert
Stauffer.

Police Jury Holds Meeting

Wednesday being a legal holiday, the
police jury held its regular meeting on
Thursday, with all members present,
except Mr. Avery Thiobodeaux.

Mr. J. Clemons Broussard, as presi-
dent of the Lone Magnolia Drainage
District, appeared and protested against
the repeal of the said district, and the
creation of the Young's Conlee and Ab-
beville Drainage District, insofar as the
territory of the latter overlapped the ter-
ritory of the former district, and asked
that the minutes of the last meeting be
not approved without these amend-
ments. After discussion and by agree-
ment of all interested parties the min-
utes of May 6th were approved as read.
The matter of the legality of the repeal
of the Lone Magnolia drainage district,
and the creation of the Young's Conlee
and Abbeville drainage district, was, by
consent of all parties interested, referred
to the attorney general, through the
district attorney, for his opinion thereon,
both sides verbally agreeing to abide by
said decision.

An ordinance was adopted amending
and re-enacting Section 5 of the ordi-
nance creating the Prairie Gregg drainage
district, adopted May 6th.

It was ordained that the commissioners
of the Prairie Gregg drainage district
shall meet at its domicile in Henry, on
Saturday, June 6th.

It was moved and seconded that the
board of commissioners of the Young's
Conlee and Abbeville drainage district
shall meet at its domicile on Tuesday,
June 9th, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the
purpose of organizing.

Eradication of Cattle Tick.

The meetings to be held under
auspices of Southwest Louisiana
Development Bureau, at which the
eradication of the cattle tick,
breeding cattle for the market,
dairying, silos and kindred ques-
tions will be discussed. Cattle
breeding and shipping associations
will also be organized.

Meetings will be addressed by
Dr. A. E. Wight, of the Bureau
of Animal Industry, United States
Department of Agriculture; Dr. W.
R. Dodson, of the Agricultural
College of the Louisiana State
University; Dr. W. Dalrymple, of
the chair of Veterinary Science,
Louisiana State University; W. C.
Chevis, Manager of the Southwest
Louisiana Development Bureau;
C. H. Staples, of the Dairy De-
partment of the United States
Department of Animal Industry,
and other distinguished speakers.

The dates of the meetings are as
follows:

Opeolous, Monday, June 8th at 2:30
p. m.
Mamou, Monday, June 8th at 8:00
Abbeville, Tuesday, June 9th at 10:30
a. m.

New Iberia, Tuesday, June 9th at
8:00 p. m.
St. Martinville, Wednesday, June 10th
at 10:30 a. m.

Franklin, Wednesday, June 10th at
8:00 p. m.
Viuton, Thursday, June 11th at 10:00
a. m.

Welsh, Thursday, June 11th at 8:00
p. m.
Rayne, Friday, June 12th at 10:00 a. m.

Broussard, Friday, June 12th 3:00 p. m.
Lafayette, Friday, June 12th 8:00 p. m.
Kinder, Saturday, June 13th at 10:00
a. m.

The meeting at this place will
be held Tuesday, June 9th, at
10:30 a. m., and every farmer and
business man should make it his
business to be present and hear the
talks. It is one of the most worthy
moves and should prove of great
benefit to this section.

School League Notice.

The regular meeting of the
Ladies' School Improvement
League has been postponed until
the afternoon of Thursday, June
11. This is done in order that the
league may be addressed by Col.
J. W. Nicholson, of the Louisiana
State University. Let every
member, including the men, be
present, and by your presence,
make this the largest and best
meeting of all. There are now
about 85 members, and we wish
each member to be on hand.

MRS. M. T. GORDY, Pres.
MISS ROSA MILLS, Sec.

Some Southwest- ern Reflections

After the big Drainage
Conference comes the Cattle
Meetings. Scrub cows and
scrub heaves are frightfully
expensive to you. Do your
affections so twine about cattle
tick, that you are content to
work hard to enable them to
steal from three hundred to
seven hundred pounds, of
blood from each of your cows
every year?

Scientists like Wight, Dod-
son, Dalrymple, Staples and
others have taken a week off
from their valuable work and
are going to give it to the
Southwest Louisiana Develop-
ment Bureau for the benefit
of the people of this section.

They are going to talk to you
about cattle tick, silos, forage
crops, dairying, and beef
breeding.
No such campaign has ever
been made in Southwest
Louisiana before, and it will
pay to get early in the going.
Over in the little village of
Mamou they are coming
thirty miles in automobiles to
meet the speakers at Opelousas,
extend them a genuine
Attakapas welcome and escort
them to their town. At Lake
Charles, Demonstration Agent
Perkins objected to being left
off of the route and insisted
upon having at least some of
the speakers there.

The Bureau desires it to be
well understood that none of
these meetings must be frosts.

It has gone to pains and
expense to get the best expert
talent to be had for the benefit
of the people, and let them be
around. Southwest Louisiana
is in process of a new birth
and every man must do his
part. Come to these meetings
and bring your neighbor
along.

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Commencement Exercises.

The commencement exercises of
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held next Wednesday and Thurs-
day nights. On Wednesday night
the seniors will present a class play
entitled "A Kentucky Belle," the
cast of which will be found in
another column.

On Thursday night the regular
exercises will be held, at which
Col. J. W. Nicholson, of the
Louisiana State University, will
deliver the class address.

The faculty and senior class ex-
tends a cordial invitation to the
public to attend these exercises.
Every one who is interested in the
success of our schools should make
it a special point to be present.

The senior class of 1914, con-
sisting of six girls and three boys,
is as follows:

Misses Laura Broussard, Daisy
Steen, Helen Swain, Annie Lou
White, Fannie Ewing, Mary
Saparaito, and Messrs Crawford
Rose, Fernand Lachaussee and
Isaac Durke.

Auto Trip from Baton Rouge

The trip from Baton Rouge by
Messrs. A. A. Dubus, H. B. Sere,
R. W. Bernard and Elias Broussard,
who went there to get Mr.
Sere's automobile, proved to be an
interesting one, and while they
had much mud to contend with,
everything happened to make
things pleasant, and Mr. Bernard,
who acted as secretary of the
journey, kept tab on the distances
they traveled, as registered on the
car, and the respective distances
from Baton Rouge are as follows:
St. Clair, 5 miles; Brusley, 5.8;
Marks, 8; Plaquemine 14 1-2;
Souloque 21; Palaota 22; Bayou

Goula 27; Doreyville 29; White
Castlk 30; Belle Grove 32; German-
town 38; McCall 45; Donaldsonville
48; Poincourville 60; Napoleon-
ville 65; Labadieville 74; Thibo-
deaux 82; Houma 102; Chatahoula
119; Dormot 121; Gibson 124;
Beauf 141; Ramas 147; Morgan
City 151; Patterson 160; Calumet
166; Garden City 176; Franklin
178; Baldwin 181; Jeanerette 191;
New Iberia 202 Abbeville 226.

The party left Baton Rouge
Wednesday morning at 7:30 and
arrived here Friday morning at
11:45, allowing for liberal stop-
overs, having stopped at several
places.

It is said that recently a
preacher, after his sermon, re-
quested everyone in his con-
gregation who were paying
their debts to stand up. In-
stantly every man, woman
and child with one exception,
arose to their feet. He seated
the crowd, and then said,
"Let every man who is not
paying his debts, stand up."
The exception noted, a care-
worn, hungry-looking, clothed
in his last summer's suit in-
dividual, slowly assumed a
perpendicular position and
leaned upon the back of a
bench in front of him. "How
is it, my friend," asked the
minister, "that you are the
only man in this large con-
gregation that is not able to
meet his obligations?" "I pub-
lish a newspaper," he meekly
replied, "and my brethren
here who have just stood up
are all subscribers and-- "Let
us pray," exclaimed the min-
ister.

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