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PRODUCE RESOLUTION TO CUT FLORIDA IN TWO

Lahassac, Fla., May 24.—A resolution was introduced into the lower house of the Florida legislature today which would provide for a vote at the next general election, dividing the state into two, to be known as North Florida and South Florida. The whole day was spent in debate on the resolution, and comes up for final action Monday.

"SYRUP OF FIGS" TO CONSTIPATED CHILD

...ous "Fruit Laxative" can't harm tender little Stomach, Liver and Bowels
...k at the tongue, mother! If your little one's stomach, liver, bowels need cleansing at once, peevish, cross, listless, doesn't eat or act naturally, or is feverish, sour, breath bad; has sore, diarrhoea, full of cold, give a spoonful of "California Syrup of Figs," which contains all the foul, undigested food and bile gently moves out of its little stomach without griping, and you have a playful child again. Ask your druggist for a bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," which contains full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups.

COLEMAN COLLEGE GRADUATION EXERCISES

Carls have been mailed out from Coleman College at Gibsland, announcing their annual commencement sermon on Sunday, May 26th, and memorial exercises that afternoon. Closing exercises of the English Department will be held on Tuesday, May 27th and of the Grammar School on Wednesday, May 28th. On May 29th, the Annual Meeting of the Farmers' League will convene. Exercises of the S. S. Teachers' Training Department will be given Friday, May 30th, also the graduating exercises of the College and Annual Concert.

Coleman College is one of the best known negro colleges in Louisiana, and is doing much toward the uplift of that race. This year the graduating class is composed of 10 girls.

A CORRECTION

In justice to Hon. W. C. Boone who has just located in Arcadia, we wish to correct a statement made in the Democrat last week, in which we stated that Mr. Boone was just beginning the practice of law. Mr. Boone practiced law in Tulsa, Okla., under Hon. J. W. Kerrigan, during a part of 1918. Being within the draft age limit he made application for service before being called, but was not accepted.

Daily Thought.
There's place and means for every man alive.—Shakespeare.

LOST AVIATORS ARE PICKED UP BY TRAMP STEAMER

London, May 25.—Missing for six days and given up for lost, Harry C. Hawker and his navigator, Lieutenant Commander Mackenzie Grieve, British aviators, who essayed a flight across the Atlantic ocean without protection against disaster save what their frail airplane afforded, are safe tonight aboard a British warship off the Orkneys. Tomorrow they will reach the mainland and proceed to London where they will be acclaimed as men returned to life. Both men are in perfect health.

Some 1,100 miles out from New Foundland and 800 from the British coast on Monday, May 19, the aviators made the best of an engine which was falling to bits on the water. The light Danish steamer Mary, bound from New Orleans and Norfolk to Aarhus, Denmark, picked up the way farers and continued on her northward voyage. Lacking a wireless outfit the captain of the steamer was obliged to withhold the good tidings of the rescue until he was opposite the But of Lewis, where the information was signalled by means of flags that Hawker and Grieve were aboard his ship.

CASTOR HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT ON JUNE 6TH

The graduating class of the Castor High School have issued beautiful invitation folders, announcing their annual Commencement Exercises, which will be held in the high school auditorium on Friday evening, June 6th, at eight o'clock.

The graduating class consists of six of Castor's most popular young people, Misses Lola Walker, Jewel Emile Bogan, Beatrice Bullard, and Beatrice Locke, and Messrs. John Taylor Campbell and John Wilson Huckaby.

Prof. Lewis B. Lucky, the well liked and worthy principal and his assistants, deserve much credit for the splendid progress of the school this term under adverse conditions.

The motto chosen by the splendid young people who compose the classes forth in a few words a hope and ambition, which if followed will always lead to a place of honor and achievement—"Our aim: Success, Our Hope: To win." This is real blooded American sentiment, from Louisiana Americans.

... The land of laughter, mirth and song,
Where the women are pure and radiant
and the men valiant and strong,
Where oak, the pine and cypress make
up our forests wide,
Whilst cotton, cane, corn and rice grow
side by side,
Where the mocking birds sing so sweetly
calling to its mate,
—In Louisiana, the dearest, sweetest
State."

BRIEF NEWS ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Boddie, of Bienville, Route 1, were among Monday's business visitors to Arcadia. Mr. Boddie called at The Democrat office while here and entered his name for a year's subscription.

According to a press dispatch, the volcano of Katuk in Java, burst into eruption a few days ago, wiping out twenty villages in the district of Bantar and eleven others in the district of Biltar. Fifteen thousand are reported to have perished.

Mr. W. P. Watson, a Bienville subscriber, paid this office a welcome call Friday while here trading. He was accompanied by Mr. I. E. Sutton, secretary of the Bienville Parish Central Farm Loan Association, of Bryceland.

C. W. Turner, of Bienville, the popular and successful representative of the Singer Sewing Machine Co., was in Arcadia last Friday on business.

LAWHON NEWS

Mr. Y. Pratt, of Mt. Lebanon, spent the week-end with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Dunlap of Minden, spent Sunday in the home of Mr. T. J. Lawhon.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Bryan attended the funeral of their sister, Mrs. Sydney Burkhalter Friday.

Little Mattie Bryan returned home Sunday after spending the week with grandfather at Bienville.

Messrs. J. F. and Rolan White of Castor, spent Saturday and Sunday with homefolks.

Messrs. George White, Joe Kilgore and Winfred Spinks went to Jamestown Saturday.

Miss Dossie Mae Tingle, of Ringgold, spent Sunday afternoon with friends here.

Mr. A. J. White, Jr., of Stamps, Ark. spent last week with homefolks.

Mr. Charlie McGraw, of Mt. Olive, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives here.

CAPACITY AUDIENCE HEARS LECTURE BY DR. M. E. DODD

A capacity audience filled the spacious high school auditorium last Thursday night to hear Dr. M. E. Dodd, of Shreveport, give one of his famous "over there" lectures. Preceding the lecture a brief, but enjoyable program was rendered, consisting of a chorus by the high school girls; instrumental solo by Mrs. Henry Butler; reading by Miss Jessie Fay Sherard; song by Mt. Lebanon Male Quartette; vocal solo by Mr. Paul Madden; violin solo by Hon. Foster Taylor. Mrs. B. Capers also assisted in the musical numbers.

The lecture was given under the auspices of the Arcadia W. M. U. and admission of 25 cents was charged. The door receipts amounted to \$97.00. Dr. Dodd related some of his experiences while connected with the Y. M. C. A. in France with the American Expeditionary Forces. He paid many glowing tributes to the bravery of the doughboys, and said that every honor and every favor that could possibly be shown the returning veterans of the world war was not too much, for said he, "they deserve it all and more."

He stated his opinion of the relation of the American soldiers with those of the Allies. He said that it was found that wherever American and Allied soldiers saw hard service together, their relations were all that could be desired, but in the rest camps back of the lines, there was often more or less friction between the Americans and other Allied soldiers. This was also true between the English and French and French and Italians.

Quite a number from Mt. Lebanon and Gibsland and other nearby towns were present.

NINE TO GRADUATE AT SIMSBORO HIGH SCHOOL

The attractive commencement folders issued by the Simsboro High School of Simsboro, La., announce Friday evening, May 30th as the date of their commencement exercises. The graduating class consists of nine members, who are as follows: Misses Ed die Shull, Marie Swanner, Mary Willis Maurine Givens, Bessie Holloway Lurie Tabor, Bessie McGuire, and Bertha Madden, and Mr. Augustus Carrara.

The ambition and enthusiasm of these young people is good to see. Already they have learned the lesson that many require years to learn—the completion of a given task is only the beginning of a greater. Their motto, "Finished—yet beginning" contains a lesson, which might well be applied in every walk of life.

LOCAL NEWS FROM SAILES

Messrs. W. M. Sims, H. L. and Floyd Aubrey were business visitors to Gibsland Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Madden and little daughter, Gladys of Hefflin, visited Mrs. Madden's mother, Mrs. J. D. Cole Monday and Tuesday.

Messrs. S. L. Aubrey and J. G. Cole were visitors to Gibsland Monday.

Mrs. Harvey Guice and children, of Homer are visiting relatives here this week.

Mr. Leuman Fuller, of Athens, visited relatives here Friday.

Those attending the funeral of Mrs. Sidney Burkhalter were: Messrs. T. J. Page and Ford Cole, Mesdames Johnnie Aubrey, Jessie Cole and Emma Page.

Messrs. J. H. Long and Joe Davidson were visitors to Gibsland Sunday.

IF YOU'VE GOTTA FRIEND SOMEWHERE WHO USTA LIVE HERE, WHY DONCHA SEND 'EM 'DE PAPER FOR A YEAR? NOTHIN' YA KIN DO WILL PLEASE 'EM MORE!



WOULD BUILD 200 MILES OF MODEL ROADS IN PARISH

A proposition is under consideration for the building of 200 miles of model roads in Bienville Parish, which would be sufficient to connect every town in the parish.

At first thought one would think this a huge undertaking, and in fact it would be. But it can be done without any special hardship or sacrifice to any one. In fact a four mill special road tax to run for a period of thirty years added to the State and Federal Road Building fund to which we would be entitled would be sufficient to build 200 miles of the very best grade of model roads and to maintain them.

A careful survey of a Bienville parish map will show that 200 miles of road will cover the distances between every town in the parish, and will serve every community. Or in other words, a road could be built parallel to the V. S. & P. railroad from the Lincoln to the Webster parish line; and from Arcadia to Mt. Olive church, from Arcadia to Bryceland, thence to Bienville, thence to Liberty Hill thence to Friendship, thence to Saline thence to Alberta, thence to Castor Jamestown, Lawhon, and to Hope, thence to line of Webster; from Gibsland to Mt. Lebanon, thence to Jamestown, thence to Ringgold, thence to Lake Bisteneau or Bossler Parish line. From Red River Parish line north through Ringgold to Webster parish line. From Jamestown to Sparta, thence to Bienville, thence to Saline. This require approximately 175 miles of road.

A four mill special tax on \$10,000,000 the present assessed valuation of taxable property in Bienville Parish, for a period of thirty years would give \$1,200,000.00 for road building. Add to this an equal amount to be supplied by the State and Federal Road appropriations, and we have \$2,400,000.00 with which to build and maintain the roads. Figuring \$7,000.00 per mile for building purposes, we have left out of this amount \$1,000,000.00 maintenance and for interest. In order to obtain funds for immediate construction work it would be necessary to float serial bonds to the amount of, say \$1,000,000.00, one series to become due each year, and let the tax pay off the bonds as they became due each year, together with the interest. This with the State and Federal appropriation would make immediate construction possible.

In order to obtain the State and Federal aid, it would be necessary to place a building program in the hands of the State road engineer, who would have the roads surveyed, and who would let the contracts and supervise the construction, and see that every contractor fulfilled every specification of his contract.

Such a system of model roads throughout Bienville Parish would add millions to the value of the property owned by our citizens, and the tax would be repaid to build them would not be burdensome. In those districts which now have special road taxes these could be cancelled.

No doubt the proposition will be submitted to a vote of the property tax payers of the parish in the near future, and we feel sure that it will meet with the hearty approval which it deserves.

CHANGES ANNOUNCED IN L. S. U. DATES

Baton Rouge, La., May 25.—Slight changes in the dates of the Farmers' Short Course or Farmers' Week and of the summer short course for boys' and girls' club members at the Louisiana State University are announced today by the University authorities.

Farmers' Week will begin July 31 and extend through August 9, instead of August 6 as announced in the summer school bulletin. Between August 6 and August 9 will be held a series of livestock associations, cooperating with the Louisiana State University. The short course for boys' and girls' club members will begin Monday, August 11 and close at noon Saturday August 16.

NEWS FROM PRICE

Mr. T. P. Streeter spent the afternoon, Thursday, in Bienville.

Miss Addie Grigg, of Bear Creek, spent last week with relatives here.

We were glad to welcome home Mr. John Allison and Mr. Bob Kirkham who have been with the A. E. F. for some time. Their friends are glad to see them looking so well.

Mr. Anzsey Grigg, of Bear Creek, spent last Sunday in the home of Mr. Willie Kirkham.

Rev. W. T. Strain preached a splendid sermon at the Baptist church Sunday afternoon. Quite a crowd was present.

So Wags the World.
The class poet sometimes becomes a butcher in after life.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

THE ARCADIA FAIR

ARCADIA, LOUISIANA

Announcement!

We have War Savings and Thrift Stamps to sell.

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On the 15th day of this month the Government paid out thousands of dollars as interest on Liberty Bonds.

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BAPTIST ARE GRATEFUL TO LOUISIANA NEWSPAPERS

Special to The Democrat.
Southern Baptist scored a new victory in their gifts to Home and Foreign Missions. Notwithstanding the fact that Louisiana Baptists had just recently contributed \$125,000.00 to the Baptist Bible Institute of New Or-

leans, they made an advance of 33 1/3 per cent over their previous high record in their giving to Home and Foreign Missions during the month of April this year. It is very clear that much of this was due to the advertising carried in the various secular papers of the state.

In their recent convention in Atlanta Ga., they enrolled more than four thousand messengers, and set for themselves a goal of \$75,000,000.00 for missionary purposes within the next five years. Louisiana Baptists were prominent in all of the work of the Convention, and will do their full part in this enlarged program.

With thanks to your editor for the courtesies shown our communications, I am G. H. CRITCHER, Cor. Sec.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

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The First National Bank of Arcadia . . . L. M. Tooke

President

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