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### SALINE HIGH SCHOOL

Saline High School closed with one of the most successful years that has ever been known here. The first night of the commencement exercises was given on Friday May 26th, by the grades from the first to the seventh, the second night by the seventh and eighth grades. On Thursday night the juniors and seniors gave a program for the benefit of the school, which was enjoyed by all.

On Wednesday evening the juniors entertained the seniors in the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Frye. The rooms were beautifully decorated with the class colors, pink and green. Flowers of various kinds were used in profusion throughout the house. Many games were played, and were very much enjoyed. Mrs. Frye, assisted by the juniors served delicious sandwiches, tea ice cream and cake with fruit punch. This was one of the most enjoyed social functions with which the class has been honored.

On Friday evening the graduating exercises were attended by a large crowd. The stage was beautifully and artistically decorated with ferns and sweet peas. The sweet girl graduate were dressed in white and each carried an arm bouquet of sweet peas and fern. The boys were handsome in their new suits.

A very interesting program was rendered by the class:

Valedictorian address, Mr. Sydney Evans; Salutatorian address, Mr. Mansford Evans; Class History, Miss Lillian Woods; Class Poem, Mr. Elsie Pullin; Class Prophecy, Miss Lena Shively; Class Will, Miss Ruth Evans.

Certified Nancy Hall sweet potato slips, \$2.25 per thousand, delivered. Crossett Produce Company, Crossett, Ark.

### CROSS TIES

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### GRAVEL TO BE LAID ON DIXIE HIGHWAY.

Most of the section of the Dixie Highway which traverses Bienville parish is in readiness for placing the gravel, and it is reported that the contractors will begin this work within a few days. Certain sections of the highway between Arcadia and Gibsland will have to have additional grading before the gravel can be applied.

It is very probable that grading will be started on the north and south highway leading from Arcadia to Bienville some time during the earlier part of next week. The right of way has been cleared and several miles have been cross sectioned ready for the grading crews.

Grading is also likely to be started next week on the road north of Arcadia which makes connection with Claiborne parish north and south highway. Piles have already been driven for all the bridges and culverts are being put in.

### ARCADIA GROCERY CO. GET GOOD ADVERTISING STUNT

As a result of the demonstration of Heinz products which was given by representatives of the Heinz Co. on Friday and Saturday of last week the Arcadia Grocery Company realized a most gratifying business. The event had been well advertised through the Democrat and by circulars, and many people took advantage of the opportunity to learn the many appetizing ways in which the 57 varieties of Heinz products may be served to demonstrate the excellent quality of Heinz foods which are handled by the Arcadia Grocery Co., resulting in many immediate sales.

**FOR SALE**—Lot in Arcadia, N. W. corner of NW 1-4 of SW 1-4, Sec. 18 Tp. 18, R. 5, 170x150 feet. Communicate with F. S. Crowson, Jonesboro La.

### GIBSLAND MOTOR CAR CO. EXPECTING ARRIVAL OF CARS

A car load of Baby Overlands automobiles are expected to arrive in Gibsland most any day, consigned to the Gibsland Motor Car Co., a Gibsland firm composed Messrs. W. Langford and Steve Oden, two of Gibsland's most popular citizens. The Overland Co. is to be congratulated upon being so ably represented as both of these young men are live wires, and have proven their ability to put things over.

In addition to the popular priced Baby Overland they will sell the luxurious Willis Knight. A number of these cars have been in use in this part of the country and have proven a great success.

### PERRITT—HARMON

A wedding of interest to the many friends of the bride and groom was solemnized at the Arcadia Baptist church Sunday afternoon, when in the presence of a few friends, Miss Eva Harmon was married to Mr. J. C. Perritt, Rev. J. C. Cox officiating.

Both the bride and groom are popular young people, and members of prominent families. The Democrat joins their many friends in offering congratulations and best wishes for a long life of happiness and prosperity. This wedding was the first to take place in the new Baptist church building.

### Enjoying Other Men's Minds.

I dedicate no inconsiderable portion of my time to other people's thoughts. I dream away my life in others' speculations. I love to lose myself in other men's minds. When I am not walking I am reading; I cannot sit and think. Books think for me.—Lamb.

### Task Before America.

America, too, will have to strain its energies, crack its sinews and all but break its heart, as the rest of us have had to do, before it can become a habitation for the gods.—Thomas Carlyle.

### SMITHERMAN ET AL TO START DRILLING SOON.

The location for the first well to be drilled in Bienville parish by Smitherman and associates has been made and a crew of rig builders is expected to start to work Thursday (today) building the derrick. The first well will be drilled on the W. L. White lease about two and half miles southeast of Arcadia, in 29-18-5.

The same thoroughness of detail which has characterized all of the activities of Mr. Smitherman and his associates in the Hayneville area, is manifest in their activities here. Nothing is being done half way, and nothing which can be made sure of is left to chance. In making the first location, surveys are being made as if this were a proven field and other wells to be drilled at specified distances on each 10 acres.

It is understood that all preliminaries in the way of clearing up titles and other legal formalities have been completed and that nothing remains to be done before actual drilling will begin.

Certain interesting data on the previous tests made in this territory which has come into the possession of the Smitherman interests makes the present venture all the more interesting.

### MEMORIAL TEMPLE TO WASHINGTON IS BEGUN

Washington, June 15. (Capital News Service).—The first spadeful of earth has been turned on Shooters Hill, just outside of Alexandria, Va., where will be located the beautiful memorial to George Washington, the Mason being erected by the Masonic fraternity of the United States.

Washington, as Master of what is now known as Washington-Alexandria Lodge, F. & A. M., left many relics of the most important historic interest. These, now in the possession of the lodge in the old Virginia city, will be suitably housed in the beautiful fire proof temple to be erected on a commanding elevation between Alexandria and Washington D. C.

The building is to cost two and a half million dollars, and is to commemorate the Masonic activities of the Father of His Country, who carried Masonic teachings into his every official act, and who gave an impetus to the Masonic activities of the United States which is still a guiding force.

The turning of the first earth was done by Louis A. Watres, of Scranton Pa., who is president of the George Washington Masonic Memorial Association. The invocation was made by the Rev. Dr. Martin, chaplain of the association.

It is the plan of the association to erect a building which will be a Mecca for Masons throughout the world and one which will compare favorably in beauty with the Lincoln Memorial recently dedicated in Washington and the house of the Temple, magnificent home of the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite for the Southern Jurisdiction, which has brought to Washington, D. C., the boast of having the most beautiful fraternal temple in the entire world.

### "THE KID" ATTRACTS LARGE CROWDS.

The Victory Theatre has shown several good programs during the last week. One that was particularly enjoyed by the young folks was given on Wednesday night, when Charlie Chaplin featured in "The Kid" Differing from the usual Chaplin program, "The Kid" presented a few scenes where instead of provoking laughter, one was inclined to tears. A good crowd was attracted.

Several other good features are promised for the near future.

### Then Cupid Gets Busy.

"He talked to her about his misunderstood self—the infallible sign that a woman has found favor with a man."—From "The Ghost Girl," by Mary Marlowe.

### RAPID PROGRESS BEING MADE ON NEW BUSINESS BUILDINGS

The two brick store buildings under construction for J. R. Butler and J. S. Andrews are rapidly taking shape and within another week at the present rate of progress the walls will have been completed. Already this section is beginning to present a very business like appearance, and with the completion of these modern business homes, this will likely become one of the most popular business sections.

### EWELL ROBERSON PURCHASES RETAIL FILLING STATION

Elsewhere in this paper appears the half page announcement by Mr. Ewell Roberson of his recent purchase of the retail filling station formerly owned by the Arcadia Motor Co. Mr. Roberson states that he will continue to operate the station at the present location for the time being. He states that he has arranged to build a handsome two way drive-in filling station on the corner south of the Baptist church building and east of the Arcadia Motor Co. This would seem to be very choice location, considering its convenience to the garage, and that it is a point where the north and south highway joins the Dixie highway.

### PROF. G. A. HALL OF RINGGOLD, WEDS SIMSBORO GIRL

Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Baptist Parsonage, Dr. J. C. Robinson joined in holy bonds of wedlock Miss Carrie Fay Davidson, of Simsboro, and Prof. G. A. Hall, of Ringgold La.

The bride is a sister of Mrs. Sam May of this city, and has many friends and acquaintances here.

Immediately following the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Hall left for Austin, Texas, where Mr. Hall will be a student at the Texas university.—Ruston Leader.

### WHO'S TO BLAME?

A few weeks ago there appeared in the daily press of the state a report by State Auditor McFarland mentioning various bond issues sold by the various governing bodies of the state, in which he indicated that the tax payers were made to lose heavily by the bonds having been sold at less than par value. He cited a number of instances of this kind, so many in fact that it appears to have been a general practice throughout the state.

While we have never approved of selling bonds at less than their actual value, we do not feel disposed to criticize the various police juries and school boards and municipal bodies too harshly for these bond sales, due to the fact that in most cases the tax payers themselves have been largely responsible, due to impatience, causing them to urge their representatives on these governing bodies to sell the bonds for what they would bring and begin the improvements for which the bonds were voted. There have been times during the past three years when there was no demand for bonds, especially those bearing only 5 per cent, and the only way to sell them at all was at a heavy discount, because those who could buy would not unless they were made sufficiently attractive.

This was also borne out by the fact that the recent Constitutional Convention passed a law raising the interest rate on bonds from five per cent to six per cent, so that bonds might be more attractive to those who gave the money to invest in such securities.

We have seen no comment in the state press on Mr. McFarland's sensational revelation, and in the light we now see the matter, there is little occasion for such. It appears to be a proposition that is governed by the financial situation at large, and not by any individual or set of individuals.

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### CARD OF THANKS

We desire to express through the columns of the Democrat our sincere appreciation and heart felt thanks to our many kind friends for their many thoughtful deeds during the long illness of our beloved little son and for the many expressions of sympathy since his death, also for the many and beautiful floral offerings. We shall never forget these kindly deeds, which were rendered at a time when our hearts and our minds were benumbed with sadness, and it is our hope that when the hour of bereavement comes in your lives, you may find just such noble friends as you have been to us.

Sincerely,  
HERMON HENRY,  
LOU ANNA HENRY.

**Might Say "Human Nature."**  
When we read Thackeray's remark in his note on happiness: "And if Eve had been perfectly happy would she have listened to the tempter?" we begin to doubt his understanding of the feminine nature.—Boston Transcript.

### No Camera Friends Then.

Another thing in favor of Pharaoh's daughter was that she went down to the river to bathe rather than to pose.—Dallas News.

### Gipsies in History.

The original gipsies appeared in Europe at about the beginning of the sixteenth century. It is probably that they were of Hindu origin and were either exiled because of their religious beliefs or ran away from the persecution of Tamerlane, or Timur, the great Tartar conqueror who invaded India. As their origin was a mystery to Europe when they appeared on its Eastern plains, some German savants decreed that they were Egyptians. The popular corruption of the word "Egyptian" is the name by which they are now known the world over.

### Meter as a Measure.

The meter is the unit of length in scientific work. Almost all the countries of the world, with the exception of the British empire and the United States, have adopted this unit along with the rest of the metric system of which it is a part. The meter is 39.37 inches or 32.8 feet, an absolute unit, while the foot is arbitrary. The meter is the ten-millionth part of some quarter of a terrestrial meridian, that is of a degree of longitude. It is, accordingly, based on an invariable distance and can be checked at any time.

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