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## Good Roads an Indispensable Necessity.

The greatest economic question in this country today is that of food distribution. We have an immense population to be fed and it seems our system, or rather lack of system, of distributing products and especially perishable products, has about broken down.

Let me illustrate. Here in Naborton just after Christmas I asked a friend who kept a flock of chickens what eggs were worth. He said the merchants sold storage eggs at 50 cents, the farmers sold fresh eggs at 20 cents and up, and that he sold a lot that week for 40 cents. Eggs sold in Shreveport Christmas week as high as 90 cents, and I see in the papers today where a food speculator cleared \$300,000 on a few bushels of onions, buying at \$3 and selling at \$14. The plan works thus continuously while the government investigates and puts the soft pedal on.

While the above is going on a vast movement of equal interest is taking place. The farmer's sons and daughters, the cream of the country, are flocking to the cities. The cities are enriched while the country is robbed. The country needs these educated young men and women. There is a dearth of leaders in the country because of this, and this is the curse of the rural districts. This drain will never cease until the country is made attractive, and this can be done in these ways alone: Give us good roads, good schools, and the telephone.

Now then, with good roads first, the others will follow. With a number of good schools already in the parish their usefulness will be augmented. The problem of marketing can be solved after a net work of surfaced highways is spread throughout the land. I say surfaced highways because nothing short of a 365-day road will meet the farmers' need.

With a fair price secured to the farmer, he can support his family in decency and comfort. The parcel post, while a step in the right direction, falls short of its mission as a marketing agency. It will have to be expanded vastly before relief is felt. Personally I believe a system of automobile trucks with a proper schedule, supplemented by smaller trucks traversing say the rural routes, making every farm a receiving station for the shipment of perishable products, would be a step in the way of solving the problem. Before permanent relief can be obtained the country will have to build highways on a vast scale. A bureau of distribution, modeled perhaps after that of some of the countries of Europe, may have to come in time, and act in an advisory way over both production and distribution.

Insofar as Grant parish is concerned, it behoves us to build a large part of our roads while the non-resident taxpayer is here to help us. The time is not far when all the timber will be removed and then the burden will fall increasingly upon our own shoulders. Respectfully,

W. R. JONES.

## Headaches Start in the Liver.

Dizzy? Dull headache? Bilious? Muddy complexion? These are signs that your liver is back in its work and needs an assistant. Call in Po-Do-Lax laxative remedy, derived from the May flow of the sea, which is a most effective purgative. It will remove the impurities from the intestines and you'll soon be feeling fit. Po-Do-Lax will shorten your liver's working hours. Get it today at your druggist, Soc.—Adv.—L.

## Official Proceedings of Board of School Directors of Grant Parish.

CALL FOR BOARD MEETING.  
Pollock, La., March 2, 1917.

Dear Sir:—You are hereby notified to meet the school board of the parish of Grant, La., in special session on Wednesday, March 7, 1917, to attend to some matters pertaining to the educational affairs of the parish.

By order of the president, Hon. J. H. McNeely.

J. N. WARNER,  
Sec. Board of School Directors,  
Parish of Grant, La.

Colfax, La., March 7, 1917.

Pursuant to the above call the board of school directors of the parish of Grant, La., met in special session and was called to order by the president.

The roll was called by the secretary and the following members were present, to-wit: J. H. McNeely, A. W. Stewart, C. F. Blackwell, E. A. Wall, N. S. Roberts and B. D. Fletcher. Absent—R. W. Rambo.

The chair declared a quorum present and the board proceeded to transact the following business:

The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

Mr. Roberts moved that a committee be appointed to examine the assessment rolls, and if possible ascertain why some of the school districts had such a low assessment. His motion was duly seconded and being placed before the house it carried, whereupon the president appointed N. S. Roberts, R. W. Richardson and J. N. Warner to look into the matter.

Mr. Stewart offered the following resolution and moved its adoption, and it was duly seconded by Mr. Fletcher, and when placed before the house by the president it carried unanimously:

### RESOLUTION.

Whereas, since our last meeting the new school building known as the Jefferson school has been destroyed by fire, and on the night of February 26, 1917, practically the entire equipment of the Pollock high school was burned, and

Whereas, feeling very keenly the loss we have sustained in these fires that we believe to be of incendiary origin, and that every effort possible should be made on our part to run down the culprits, therefore be it

Resolved, That the board of school directors of the parish of Grant, La., in special session convened, go on record as condemning such acts, and be it further

Resolved, That this board offer a reward in each of the above fires of \$250.00 for the arrest and conviction of the guilty party or parties who committed these crimes.

The committee appointed to negotiate a sale of the Dry Prong school bonds made the following report, to-wit:

We your committee appointed as a bonds sales committee to negotiate a sale of the Dry Prong school building bonds beg leave to report, that after considerable advertising for a purchaser we received two bids, to-wit: C. H. Coffin & Co., who bid par and accrued interest but did not accompany his bid with a certified check, and R. J. Edwards, who bid par and accrued interest with certified check to guarantee good faith on his part as a purchaser. We consider the bid made by Mr. Edwards to be the better of the two, and we therefore recommend to your honorable body the acceptance of this bid.

Respectfully submitted,

D. V. DONALDSON,  
EARL ROBERTS,  
J. N. WARNER,  
Committee.

Mr. Wall moved that the report

made by the bond sales committee be received, and that the sale of the Dry Prong school bonds to R. J. Edwards be made and the committee be discharged. Mr. Stewart seconded the motion and it being placed before the board it carried unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Wall duly seconded by Mr. Blackwell and carried, the claim made by Misses Bazar for attending the Verda school last session, a distance of three miles and over, was rejected, for the reason that their grade was taught in the Hargis school near their home.

On motion of Mr. Roberts, duly seconded by Mr. Blackwell and carried, Joe Carver was allowed \$25.00 for services rendered.

Mr. Stewart offered the following resolution which moved its adoption, and it being duly seconded by Mr. Wall and placed before the board by the president it was carried unanimously.

### RESOLUTION.

Whereas, for various and sundry reasons the General Construction Co., represented by Jim McCammon, and known as the contractor for the Pollock school building, could not begin the work at the time agreed upon and written in the face of the contract, and

Whereas, it being obvious that the contractor cannot complete the building in the time agreed upon; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the board of school directors of the parish of Grant, La., in special session convened, grant the said contractor an extension of time, provided the contractor gets an extension of his bond for the completion of the job.

On motion of B. D. Fletcher, duly seconded by N. S. Roberts and carried, R. W. Wagoner, Henry Bowman, R. T. Tucker, J. E. Chandler and Frank Hamilton were appointed as a local school board to serve the remainder of this school season for the Pollock school.

On motion of A. W. Stewart, duly seconded by E. A. Wall and carried, it was resolved that the president and secretary of this board be and they are hereby authorized to pay the estimates as made by the supervising architect in the construction of the Pollock school building, when the said estimates are made within the bounds of the contract between this board and the General Construction Co., represented by Jim McCammon.

The action of the president of the board was approved in the selection of C. Scott Yeager as the supervising architect at the price agreed upon.

On motion of Mr. Stewart duly seconded by Mr. Blackwell and carried, the president of the board was requested and instructed to advertise in the official journal of the school board for a fiscal agent for the ensuing two years, beginning April 1, 1917.

A number of claims were carefully examined by the school board and approved for payment, and the president and secretary of the board were instructed to draw checks against the proper funds and pay the said claims.

The board adjourned to meet the 14th day of March, 1917.

J. H. McNEELY,  
J. N. WARNER, President,  
Secretary.

### How to Prevent Croup.

When the child is subject to attacks of croup, see to it that he eats a light evening meal, as an overloaded stomach may bring on an attack, also watch for the first symptom—hoarseness, and give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes hoarse. Obtainable everywhere.—Adv.

## When to Take Chamberlain's Tablets.

When you feel dull and stupid after eating.

When constipated or bilious.

When you have a sick headache.

When you have a sour stomach.

When you belch after eating.

When you have indigestion.

When nervous or despondent.

When you have no relish for your meals.

When your liver is torpid.

Obtainable everywhere.—Adv.

## Seed Potatoes for Sale.

25 bushels Key West and Dooley's at 75c per bushel.

N. S. ROBERTS,  
Aloha, La.

## For Sale or Trade.

One standard bred registered Kentucky stallion, 7 years old, easy to handle, sure foal, weight 1200 lbs. Will take cattle in trade or good property.

L. H. JOHNSTON,  
Colfax, La.

## CHARTER

—OF—

## The Grant Parish Fair Association, Incorporated.

STATE OF LOUISIANA,  
Parish of Grant

Before me, the undersigned notary public, duly commissioned, sworn and qualified in and for the parish of Grant, State of Louisiana, personally came and appeared the following residents and citizens of the said parish and State: J. M. Lang, Mrs. Zelma Bumgardner, M. E. Teddlie, D. H. Wallace, C. C. Wilson, Mrs. D. H. Wallace, G. D. Smith, J. A. Patton, Wm. Bowen, J. E. Wallace, Leon Lang, H. L. Brian, I. McMills, and the others whose names are hereunto subscribed, who declared that availing themselves of the constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, especially by Act 264 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Louisiana for the year 1914, relative to the formation of non-trading corporations, they have organized themselves into and do hereby organize and create a corporation and body politic in law under the following agreements and stipulations, to-wit:

### ARTICLE ONE.

The name of this non-trading corporation shall be THE GRANT PARISH FAIR ASSOCIATION, Incorporated, and its domicile is hereby fixed at Verda, Grant parish, Louisiana.

### ARTICLE TWO.

The purpose which this corporation is organized and for which it is created and will be carried on are hereby declared to be: To run, manage and control a parish fair for the parish of Grant, where exhibits of all farm and agricultural products may be shown each year, to educate the members and attendants in better methods of farming and agriculture, and to bring about co-operation among the members in all matters relating to their welfare, and to disseminate among the members information along agricultural lines, co-operative marketing and such like.

### ARTICLE THREE.

The following incorporators shall be the officers of this company until the December meeting of the members in 1917: J. M. Lang, President; John F. Fletcher, vice-president; Mark Womack, secretary; D. H. Wallace, treasurer; and the said officers and the following incorporators: Mrs. Zelma Bumgardner, C. C. Wilson, Mrs. D. H. Wallace, Mrs. G. D. Smith, Miss Lillie McMills, Miss H. Stoessel, M. E. Teddlie, J. A. Swor, B. D. Fletcher and J. W. Bryant shall compose the first Board of Directors to serve until the December meeting in 1917, with Mrs. Bumgardner, aforesaid, as assistant secretary.

### ARTICLE FOUR.

The corporate powers of this corporation shall be vested in and exercised by the said Board of Directors who shall have full authority in the premises, and who shall make all rules and regulations by which its corporate affairs shall be conducted and managed and shall fix the duties and the salaries of each officer of the company as their judgment directs.

The members of the corporation shall meet in the Verda high school building at Verda, Grant parish, Louisiana, or at such other place as the Board of Directors may designate on the first Saturday of December of each year and elect a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, which board, when so selected, shall immediately choose their officers from among the members of the corporation, and it shall not be necessary to choose all officers from the directors, and the officials so chosen shall enter upon the discharge of their duties.

### ARTICLE FIVE.

There shall be no certificates of stock in this corporation, and in lieu of stock each member shall pay the sum of two dollars and a half per annum as a membership fee, collectible by the treasurer, which membership fee may be decreased after the year 1917, if the directors see fit to do so. No incorporator, nor any person hereafter becoming a member of this association, shall ever be held liable for any sum in excess of his membership dues. The wife of any member in good standing shall become a member without payment of dues.

### ARTICLE SIX.

No entrance fee to see the exhibits of the association at its annual fair shall ever be charged.

### ARTICLE SEVEN.

The Board of Directors shall hold monthly meetings, on the first Saturdays of each month at the Verda high school building at Verda, Louisiana, or

at such other place as the Board of Directors may designate, at an hour to be named by the president of the association, which hour so named shall continue the same for all subsequent meetings unless changed by written notice to each director, and any five of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business of the association.

Thus done and passed at my office at Verda, Grant parish, Louisiana, on this the 20th day of January, 1917, in the presence of the undersigned competent witnesses.

J. M. Lang, W. M. Bowen, C. C. Wilson, G. D. Smith, J. E. Wallace, M. E. Teddlie, D. H. Wallace, Leon Lang, I. McMills, Zelma Bumgardner, Mrs. D. H. Wallace, J. A. Patton, H. L. Brian.

R. H. Benton, Jr., Miss Lila Collins, R. M. Dunn, J. W. Bumgardner, Miss Hulda Stoccell, Florence Swor, B. D. Fletcher, Mrs. Ella Brian, Mark Womack, Miss Lillie McMills, J. M. Straughan, Mrs. W. H. Jones, Mrs. J. W. Collins, A. A. Pool, J. W. Bryant, Mrs. M. E. Teddlie, J. A. Swor, Mrs. J. A. Patton, Clara Fletcher, Eva McMills,

Mrs. Esther Dunn, Earl Roberts, W. H. Jones, J. B. Roberts, W. Collins, Miss Eva Collins, Mrs. J. W. Bryant, D. I. Payne, Miss Edell Tucker, J. F. Fletcher, Miss J. F. Fletcher, Mrs. Mamie Smith, J. H. McNeely, Mrs. D. I. Payne, C. H. Teal.

JAS. R. MILLER,  
Notary Public.

Witnesses:

I. N. HARKINS,  
C. J. HUTCHINSON.

Filed and recorded on this 15th day of February, A. D. 1917.

C. D. LACROIX,  
Dy. Clerk and Recorder.

STATE OF LOUISIANA,  
Parish of Grant

I hereby certify that the within and foregoing to be a true and correct copy of the original charter of the Grant Parish Fair Association, Inc., as filed and recorded in this office in Book "A" of Charters at page 38 et seq.

Witness my hand and official seal of office at Colfax, Louisiana, this 15th day of February, A. D. 1917.

C. D. LACROIX,  
Dy. Clerk and Ex-Officio Dy. Recorder,  
Grant Parish, Louisiana.



The man with money hides his money in Our Bank Where the walls are thick and the locks are strong Burglars know where the hidden money is

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