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COMPLIMENTS COME FAR AND WIDE TO STAR-PROGRESS

Readers of St. Landry's Greatest Newspaper Shower Editor With Much Praise

GREATEST EDITION EVER PUBLISHED IN PARISH

November 8 Issue of this Paper Proclaimed Finest Regular Edition in City's History

The Star-Progress has received so many letters of commendation from its readers all over the country that we are constrained to say a few words on our November 8 issue.

Business men were loud in their praises of the splendid edition issued last Saturday and highly complimentary of the Star-Progress force for having accomplished a feat thought almost impossible. There is not an advertiser who did not personally speak highly of the 34-page paper gotten out and printed in one week, as practically every line of type, both reading matter and advertisements, was set during the week of publication, and that is not taking into consideration the immense amount of press work. While the press work might have been accomplished on the big Cottrell cylinder, still the labor was much lightened by the splendid work of the new Babcock "Optimus," especially the color work. However, so far as type composition was concerned, the edition would have been almost impossible in that short space of time if it had not been for the help of the Model 14 linotype which in itself is a veritable type foundry.

Summed up in brief, the edition contained approximately one hundred and eighty-one columns of advertising and fifty-one columns of reading matter, counting the proceedings of the police jury both as advertising and reading matter. This immense amount of type composition was set during the working week, though we did do some extra work at night. In addition to what we printed as news matter, there were several columns left over that could not be used because there was not space enough in the edition to accommodate it.

Men in every walk of life, in St. Landry and other parishes, upon re-

ST. CHARLES PLAYS LAFAYETTE TODAY

Interesting Game of Football to be Staged This Afternoon Between Opposing Teams

One of the most interesting football games of the season will be staged at Lafayette this afternoon when St. Charles College and Lafayette Industrial Institute eleven meet in a pickup contest for their annual game.

The supporters of both eleven feel confident of victory. St. Charles will bring its entire student body to help Coach Phagan's men on to victory. The two teams are about evenly matched and a real close game is expected.

Weather conditions permitting, a large crowd of football enthusiasts from various sections of Southwest Louisiana will be there on the Industrial campus this evening to root for their favorite team.

BALLAS BACK FROM GREECE

Well Known Local Greek Visits Fatherland After Fifteen Years' Absence

Charles Ballas, one of the proprietors of the Candy Kitchen, returned last Friday from a seven months' trip to France, Italy and Greece. Mr. Ballas had gone to Greece to see his aged mother and other relatives. He has been in America fifteen years and during that time had not seen his relatives until his recent trip. His father and two brothers have died since he came to America years ago.

Mr. Ballas, who is a naturalized American, and who served for a short while in the army, says that he never appreciated his American citizenship as much as he did on his trip. "Europe is all right, if you wish," he said; "but the United States is much better. I will never go back to Greece to live. America is good enough for me."

—Henry D. Larcade, Jr., returned Friday of last week from New Orleans and other points.

SMITH SELLING ON THE ROAD

Former Assistant Cashier of Planters Bank Salesman for Wholesale Concern

Clement Smith, who is well remembered as the accommodating and efficient assistant cashier of the Planters Bank and Trust Company, and during the Swords administration as sheriff, chief deputy tax-collector, has now developed into a real first class traveling salesman. He is the official road representative of the St. Landry Wholesale Grocery Company and reports from surrounding towns indicate that "Teeloon" is making a whirl of a success at his new venture.

Mr. Smith's failing health forced him to resign a lucrative and important position with the Planters Bank. He finds outdoor work more agreeable, hence his new job is bringing back his old pep and energy and he now feels like himself once more.

The St. Landry Wholesale Grocery Company is fortunate in securing the services of such a competent, conscientious and popular employee as Mr. Smith, who is already demonstrating to the entire satisfaction of his employers that he is "some hustler."

POLITICIANS TO MEET AT MALLET RALLY THIS AFTERNOON

First Big Gathering Where All Candidates Will Speak Comes Off Today

LARGE CROWD IS EXPECTED FOR MEET

Interest in Parochial Fight Expected to be Manifested Following Gathering

Parochial political interest centers on the Mallet meeting this afternoon, as all candidates have been invited and are expected to address the big school rally. Many of the candidates have been "trimming up" to make their first addresses of the campaign this afternoon, and as the bars will be let down and a free-for-all political scrimmage staged, it is expected that many "sweet" things will fall from the lips of opposing candidates.

Preparations for the big meeting have been under way for some time, and according to reports from Mallet, the biggest thing of its kind ever pulled off in that section of the sixth ward will be staged this (Saturday) evening. None of the candidates have declined to attend and practically all have stated that they would be prepared to address the rally.

Opelousas, of course, will be exceptionally well represented at the Mallet fair. Some fifteen or twenty cars from here will journey over to give their candidates a rousing reception. According to the program, opposing candidates will follow one another according to the prominence of the office they seek. The two candidates for sheriff will be the first to speak, and they will be followed by the candidates for clerk of court, assessor, coroner and representative.

The Mallet meeting will be the real opening of the campaign, according to political dopesters, and as the speech-making end of the contest will have been inaugurated, it is expected that politics will begin to be the chief topic of conversation, and that much interest in the approaching election will hereafter be manifested.

HIDALGOS BUY EATING PLACE

Sons of Prominent St. Landry Farmer Now Operating a Popular Restaurant

John and Sebastian Hidalgo, sons of Joseph Hidalgo, well known and prosperous farmer of near Opelousas, recently bought the Elks Restaurant, for years operated by "Didee" Lastrapes, and now have been busy attending to the hungry wants of their many customers.

The Hidalgo boys are well known in this city and enjoy a large circle of friends in the country districts near here. Their friends predict for them great success.

MORNHINEG & SON HAVE CHANGE IN THEIR AD TODAY

The progressive and always up-to-date jewelry firm of R. Mornhineg & Son have an important change in their advertisement in today's issue of the Star-Progress. They are offering a real "snap" this week and if you are wise you will turn to it and see if you can not take advantage of their offer.



GERMAN PRISONERS CAPTURED BY AMERICANS AND ENCAPED AT IS-SUR-TILLE. Clearing house for prisoners to be returned to be repatriated, amusing themselves with a kite the frame of which is fashioned after a likeness of President Wilson, with a tail of fourteen sections, one for each of the famous fourteen points.

FARMERS MEET AT BELLEVUE

Initiation Several Candidates to be Held This Afternoon at Important Session

Hon. R. Lee Mills, president of the St. Landry Farmers' Union, was in this city on Tuesday afternoon attending to business, and while here announced that there would be a meeting of the West Bellevue local at the West Bellevue schoolhouse this afternoon. Several candidates are to be initiated and an important meeting is scheduled. Among the fellows who will ride the farmers' goat will be A. A. Mendoza, popular St. Landry federal farm demonstrator who is working in co-operation with the progressive farmers of this parish.

Mr. Mills is satisfied at the growth of the Union in this parish and predicts that within a short while the business men of St. Landry will be enrolled as members so as to effect a better working co-operation among the business men and farmers of this parish. A number of prominent farmers of the Bellevue section will be initiated this afternoon at 2 o'clock, and a large gathering of the Union members is expected.

EUNICE CELEBRATED ARMISTICE DAY FITTINGLY

Western St. Landry Soldiers Honored at Big Demonstration There Last Tuesday

MANY FROM OPELOUSAS WERE IN ATTENDANCE

Parker Supporters Play "Yankee Trick" on Opponents by Speaking Early in Day

Eunice staged one of the biggest and most successful patriotic demonstrations of the year on last Tuesday when several hundred sturdy citizens of western St. Landry, Acadia, Evangeline and Allen parishes assembled in that town to do homage to the brave soldiers of St. Landry who had participated in the world war. Nearly one hundred soldiers of Eunice and surrounding country participated in the demonstration.

A free barbecue was tendered the soldiers and their friends as a fitting celebration of the Armistice Day and Eunice was a veritable holiday town, crowded with a set of happy, jovial and contented people.

E. P. Gueymard and J. J. Lewis were the orators of the day and both delivered magnificent addresses. Mr. Gueymard was sent to Eunice to represent John M. Parker, candidate for governor, and it is said that as soon as the Stubbs supporters were aware of the fact that the meeting would be converted into a Parker meeting, they immediately got busy on the wires and communicated with Opelousas Stubbs supporters and Judge B. H. Pavy, District Attorney R. Lee Garland and J. R. Pavy were rushed on the next train for Eunice. But, alas! the train was late and the Stubbs speakers got there when everything was over and the crowd was disbanding.

Quite a number of Opelousans went over for the celebration, but of the many parochial candidates Ariel Fontenot was the only one who arrived in time for the meeting, and the reports indicate "he had everything his way" when the others arrived.

MODERN SANITARIUM TO BE BUILT HERE BY DR. DALY

Work Remodeling Old School Building into Up-to-Date Hospital is Planned

THIRTY-SIX ROOMS TO BE AVAILABLE

Owner of Valuable Piece City Property to Make Vast Improvements Shortly

Among the many improvements planned for this city within the coming year is a modern, up-to-date sanitarium to take care of the growing needs of the St. Landry Sanitarium, owned and operated by Dr. O. P. Daly, Jr.

According to a statement of Dr. Daly, the property recently purchased from the school board, where the high school formerly stood, will be improved to such an extent as to give Opelousas one of the very best and most up-to-date sanitarium buildings in Southwest Louisiana.

A large section of the former high school building is still standing and it is the intention of the new owner to remodel it, inside and outside, as well as to add a completely new and more appropriate front. Sufficient floor space will be available to convert the place into a fifty-room sanitarium, but for the present, it is understood, only thirty-six rooms will be included.

A modern and thoroughly sanitary operating room will be at the disposal of the surgeons, every convenience imaginable will be installed for the accommodation and benefit of the patients, nurses and physicians.

The Opelousas sanitarium has won enviable reputation for the splendid treatment of patients and for the many successful operations of difficult character performed by Dr. Daly and those surgeons who assisted him. It is receiving the patronage of the people of this city and the surrounding country—so much so, in fact, that it is getting noticeable how few cases of operations are taken to New Orleans.

The new home of the St. Landry Sanitarium should be ready during the early part of the coming year, as the contract will shortly be awarded for the repairs and remodeling.

CITY SWAMPS EUNICE TEAM

Basketball Game Results in 22 to 10 Victory for Local High School Five

In a snappy game on the court of the home team last Saturday, the Opelousas boys defeated the Eunice high school team in basketball by a score of 22 to 10. Short, quick, criss-cross passing and accurate goal shooting featured throughout the game for the Opelousas team, while the splendid guarding of Bryan and "Boots" broke the enemy's morale. Opelousas won the game in the first three minutes of the play in the second half when the ball followed itself through Opelousas' goal three times in succession. From that time on to the end of the game the home team played like a young machine.

The basketball season proper opens December 1, and the Opelousas coach sees championship in his snappy, scrapping squad. By means of a few practice games with the differ-

CITY TO GET CHEAP FOOD

Officials Notify President Eastham of Commerce Body That Car Will be Shipped

Hon. E. K. Eastham, president of the Opelousas Chamber of Commerce, was notified by New Orleans officials of the government stores that the carload of foodstuffs recently ordered for this city by the Chamber of Commerce, would be shipped out as soon as possible.

Much publicity will be given the arrival of the car of cheap food and every opportunity given country people to take advantage of the big saving, as well as the citizens of this city.

It is believed that the car of foodstuffs will not last more than one day. Therefore, it is imperative that those wishing to take advantage of laying in a provision of bacon, pork and beans and many other useful articles of food should be at the Chamber of Commerce building at the appointed time. Ample force will be had to give prompt, efficient service and hundreds of people will be waited on in one day.

TAXPAYERS TO GET MONEY BACK FROM DRAIN BOARD

New Election Called in Mallet-Plaquemine District and Money to be Returned

NEARLY \$6,000 TO GO BACK TO TAXPAYERS

First Time in History of St. Landry That Such a Thing Takes Place

This is a story, the like of which you have probably never heard. Think of it, taxpayers to be given back some money! No, the end of the world is not at hand. The board of commissioners of the Bayou Mallet and Plaquemine Drainage District recently decided to return tax money to the property owners of the district.

Two years ago a drainage bond issue was voted in the district, but on account of difficulties and illegalities it was recently decided by the board of commissioners to annul that bond issue and vote another one. So it is that the commissioners have ordered an election on a \$95,000 bond issue for December 22, and at the same time decided to reimburse the taxpayers to the tune of nearly \$6,000 for money paid in the district's treasury in the past two years.

J. Franklin Schell has been employed by the board to straighten out the "kinks" and to supervise the work of the dredging and engineering. He reports that there will be no opposition to the measure by the voting taxpayers of the district, which constitutes one of the richest agricultural sections of the parish and state.

—Mrs. Ferris left Friday for Houston, Texas, after a several days' visit to her parents in this city, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Budd.

—Dr. and Mrs. Chas. F. Boagni were visitors to New Orleans for several days this week.

ent teams of the parish, the boys are now confident that for the first time in years Opelousas will bring out a championship team. The manager is now scheduling games for the championship series of the season.

PARISH MEETING SATURDAY, 6TH

Quarterly Session of Farmers' Union to Convene at Prairie Ronde Early Next Month

The regular quarterly meeting of the St. Landry Farmers' Union will be held at the Prairie Ronde school house on Saturday, December 6. Important matters affecting the interest of the organization will be taken up, as well as the election of delegates to the state convention to be held in Sabine parish on December 12. President R. Lee Mills of the St. Landry Union is anxious to have a large gathering of members at the Prairie Ronde meeting and therefore urgently requests all members who can to be present.

An old-fashioned basket picnic will be held in conjunction with the meeting. Everybody is invited to attend this excellent feature of the meeting, and as many non-members have already signified their intention of being present, it is believed that the Prairie Ronde meeting will be one of the largest in the history of the St. Landry Union.

PARKERITES TO MEET HERE TOMORROW AFTERNOON

Walter Burke and Donelson Caffery to Speak in Interest of Gubernatorial Candidate

MONSTER CROWD IS EXPECTED TO BE HERE

St. Landry Parker Supporters Confident of Victory in January and Working Hard

The first Parker meeting to be held in this city during the present campaign is scheduled to be pulled off on the court house square tomorrow (Sunday) afternoon, at 3:30 o'clock, when Walter Burke of New Iberia and Donelson Caffery of New Orleans will address a monster Parker crowd.

Local Parkerites feel confident that tomorrow afternoon's meeting if weather conditions are favorable, will be the biggest gathering of its kind held here this year. Hundreds of voters, representing every one of St. Landry's twenty-five precincts, are expected to be on hand.

Confidence in victory at the polls is freely expressed by the Parker supporters. They say no power, no matter how formidable, can convert this parish from Parker to Stubbs and that the farmer-candidate will receive the biggest vote in the history of turbulent St. Landry.

The Sunday meeting will be a test of the relative strength of the gubernatorial candidates, although John M. Parker himself will not be here. It is freely expressed that a larger crowd will be on hand to hear the Parker orators than that present at the Stubbs meeting last week. When Parker comes here, it is said, the number of voters will not be numbered by the hundreds but by the thousands.

Every precinct in the parish, it is stated, will send a strong Parker delegation here tomorrow and a very interesting meeting is expected.

WASHINGTON WANTS TO KEEP MENDOZA

Farm Demonstrator Helping Out Town in High School Crisis and Makes Big Hit

When Principal McKnight of the Washington high school recently resigned his position and Superintendent W. B. Prescott was unable to obtain the services of a competent professor, A. A. Mendoza, popular federal farm demonstrator, was pressed into service pending the time a principal could be secured.

Mr. Mendoza has had considerable experience as a teacher and readily consented to help Washington during the crisis. After being in Washington for a few weeks, he has demonstrated his ability and competency to such a great satisfaction that the most prominent people of Washington, the teachers and pupils are beseeching Mr. Mendoza to remain in Washington as principal. They even threaten to appear before the school board and demand that the popular young man be appointed the head of the Washington high school. Mr. Mendoza is doing the best he can to satisfy the Washingtonians, but being under contract with the government and receiving a greater salary

FARMERS WILL MEET TO ORGANIZE THE PARISH FAIR

Meeting Will be Held Here on November 29 to Effect a Permanent Organization

WORK ON CATALOG TO BEGIN AT ONCE

St. Landry Plans Biggest Parish Fair in Louisiana for 1920; Will Raise Funds

A meeting of St. Landry farmers and business men will be called for Saturday afternoon, November 29, to effect permanent organization of the St. Landry Parish Fair. Hon. R. Lee Mills, who has been selected by the Chamber of Commerce to be the first president of the organization, will shortly issue a call to all interested farmers and business men to attend this meeting.

The police jury recently budgeted \$2,500 for the 1920 parish fair; the city of Opelousas, in lieu of the lot promised, will be asked to contribute at least \$1,000; the school board will be asked for a like sum, while the business people of Opelousas are pledged to raise at least \$2,500, and it is expected that the farmers of the parish will contribute upwards of that amount. In all it is thought some ten thousand dollars will be raised for the big fair planned for next year, and if suitable buildings can be secured, St. Landry will stage the biggest individual parish fair in the entire state of Louisiana.

Work on the catalog will begin immediately after the permanent organization of the fair. It is the intention of the promoters of the fair to have the catalog in circulation on or about the first of February, so as to give St. Landry farmers ample time in which to prepare for the various prizes offered.

The fair association will be managed by the farmers of the parish. Present plans include a member of the board of directors from every ward, and if possible from nearly every community in St. Landry. A competent, efficient secretary will be employed during the rush months to attend to the fair association, and nothing will be left undone to make the 1920 St. Landry fair the most elaborate and most successful ever undertaken in this state.

MAIN MOTOR WILL ADD GLASS FRONT

Enterprising Proprietor of Concern Next Door to Star-Progress Continues Work

Osie Bordelon, the popular and enterprising proprietor of the Main Motor Company, the big Studebaker and Oldsmobile agency, next door to the Star-Progress, is determined to have one of the best and most up-to-date salesrooms in this city, and consequently has a crew of men working at the beautifying of the front of his building.

An artistic and pretty glass front is being installed. This added improvement will contribute much to the beauty of the place and will give Mr. Bordelon a modern and up to the minute show room, in which he expects to exhibit to advantage the pretty lines of automobiles he is now handling.

DEJEAN HAS BIG OPENING

Main Street Meat Market Has Splendid Day for Starting Last Wednesday

Ben Dejean, proprietor of the Dejean meat market, the new Main street enterprise to open its doors, had a very successful opening on last Wednesday. En passant, a representative of the Star-Progress dropped into the new market Tuesday night and was surprised to see the many orders Mr. Dejean had received for the next day's business.

The proprietor of the Main street market, situated next to Corell's store, is well known in this city, having been connected with the Boagni market off and on for nearly twenty years. He is being given the patronage of a large number of his friends, promising in return prompt, efficient service.

than he could expect from the school board, finds himself in a pickle, as he would like to please the people of Washington, but can not see his way clear towards so doing.