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TRADE DAY WILL GIVE MARKET TO LOCAL PRODUCERS

All in Readiness for Beginning Here Today of Series of Trade Days

BOOTHS ERECTED ON COURT SQUARE

Prize Pigs Purchased by Chamber of Commerce—Many Animals are Listed for Sale With Secretary Deyo

That people of the parish are anxious to take advantage of any offered market is shown by the amount of stock which has already been listed with the Chamber of Commerce for sale.

Among the animals listed are the following: Three year old three quarter Jersey milk cow with three weeks old bull calf; draft horse, sixteen hands high and weighing about 1200 pounds; Three year old bull, half Hereford and half Jersey, weighing about 800 pounds; Ten months old horse colt; Three beef cows weighing from 700 to 1000 pounds each.

As this is the first week in which the Chamber has offered to list this stock this may be considered a very good showing. Any one desiring to buy or exchange for any of this stock will be given full particulars by Secretary Deyo, who will also be glad to list any other stock or other articles for sale or trade.

The pair of pigs for the first Chamber of Commerce Trade Day has been secured and according to report will be a credit to the Chamber. They have been purchased from different herds so that the owner will be able to start a herd of registered stock of his own.

One of the pigs was bought from Mr. W. V. Lareads, of Church Point and the other was secured from Mr. Edmond Quirk of Opelousas. They are of the Big Boned Poland China breed and both are in good condition. Registration papers for both pigs will be furnished to the new owner of the pigs by the Chamber of Commerce, without charge.

The Chamber of Commerce will be glad to co-operate with Irish potato growers of the parish in every way possible and to this end will attend to making shipments, in car lots, and collecting if certain necessary conditions are complied with.

A minimum car of potatoes contains 24,000 pounds and the growers must assure the Chamber that this amount is available before beginning to load the car. The Chamber assumes no responsibility for securing potatoes to finish out any car which is partially loaded.

Potatoes must be sorted and graded, before being delivered at the car and must be furnished clean and sound. Any bags found to contain foreign matter, rotten or small potatoes will be rescreened and sorted and the owner will be charged with the cost.

Potatoes must be sorted into two grades: Over 1 3/4 inches in diameter and from one inch to 1 3/4 inches in diameter. Nothing under one inch will be accepted and the two grades must be sacked separately.

If these conditions are complied with the Chamber will guarantee to sell the potatoes and secure a fair market price for them. The Chamber is making no charge for this service.

DR. HAWKINS WRITES OF IMPASSABLE ROAD

Editor Star-Progress:— There is a mud hole on the Bayou Waxla public road six miles from the Village of Palmetto, in the fourth ward of this parish.

This bog hole is not a reasonable one—a hole which dries out during good weather and gets boggy in rainy weather, but it is an all-year-round hole. Any time one chances to travel this road he is certain to bog in it. There is no way to escape it. If you are traveling in a heavy car, why you just go down so deep that it takes a yoke or oxen to pull you out.

The hole is not of great length or width, but O My, how deep! It wouldn't be so bad but for the fact that on one side there is a canal and on the other side there is a dense forest. You can't navigate the canal and it is impossible to invade the jungle. So if you go down the road, you have to go through this hole.

Many have gone down in it. For the last five years I have been going into it, and believe me, it is a good one. Your truly,

DR. R. G. HAWKINS.

W. E. AYMOND NEW SUPERINTENDENT OF POWER PLANT

SELECTION MADE BY MAYOR LOEB IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING BURGESS' RESIGNATION

Captain Walter E. Aymond, now in charge of the city power plant at Arkadelphia, Arkansas, has been employed by Mayor Loeb as superintendent of the Opelousas plant. He will take charge of the work here between September 1st and 10th.

Captain Aymond is native of Avoyelles Parish and is well known here having married Miss Elise-Carriere of Washington.

Prior to the war, Mr. Aymond was superintendent of the plant in Natchitoches and continued in his line of work while in the service.

Mayor Loeb stated Friday that he was well acquainted with Captain Aymond and knew that in him he had secured the services of a valuable man. In addition to being able to manage and operate the plant, Mr. Aymond is experienced in construction work and will supervise the building of the new plant.

PRESCOTT AGAIN K. OF C. DEPUTY

HIS EFFICIENT WORK FOR ORDER RECOGNIZED BY STATE DEPUTY JOHN X. WEGMANN

John X. Wegmann, state deputy of the Knights of Columbus, has announced the appointment of officers to serve for the ensuing year.

John M. Prescott of Opelousas has been re-appointed district deputy for this district in recognition of his valuable service to the order.

Other appointments are:

District deputies—District No. 1, William J. Guste, New Orleans; district No. 2, Francis L. Knobloch, Thibodeaux; district No. 3, L. Octave Pecot, Franklin; district No. 4, John M. Prescott, Opelousas; district No. 5, Dennis J. Hyams, Natchitoches.

District Lecturers—District No. 1, Ulysee Marioni, New Orleans; district No. 2, A. J. Callouet, Houma; district No. 3, Jules P. Robin, Jeanerette; district No. 4, Griffin T. Hawkins, Lake Charles; district No. 5, Geo. H. Cambre, Alexandria.

State chaplain, the Right Rev. Jules B. Jeanmard, D. D., bishop of Lafayette.

Delegates to the national or supreme convention of the order, which will be held in New York city August 2, 3, and 4, are: John X. Wegmann, William J. Guste, New Orleans; L. Paul Amis, Thomas C. Grace, Baton Rouge; John M. Prescott, Opelousas, and Adolph Lagrange, Lake Charles. Due to increase in membership Louisiana is entitled this year to two more delegates than formerly.

COMMITTEE BEGINS INVESTIGATION OF COTTON WAREHOUSE

CONSIDERS COST, SIZE NEEDED AND LENGTH OF TIME REQUIRED TO BUILD

Dr. J. A. Haas has appointed the following committee from the Chamber of Commerce to investigate the cotton warehouse proposition in connection with the American Cotton Association: John Deblieux, chairman; L. H. Morahlavag and J. A. Deyo.

This committee will immediately begin investigating the cost of construction, size of warehouse needed and length of time necessary to construct it. It is understood that this warehouse will be built according to government specifications and that a licensed grader and warehouse man will be in charge.

Whether or not there is sufficient time to construct the warehouse this year is one of the important matters for the committee to investigate.

NOT DRY GOODS, BUT GOOD BUGGIES HE SELLS

Through error, F. L. Sandoz was listed in last week's announcement of the Chamber of Commerce Trade Day under the heading "Dry Goods and Clothing."

If Mr. Sandoz were not so well known this might have been a serious mistake but everyone knows that he sells buggies, hardware and implements and no one has ever heard him dispute the statement that he sells more buggies than any other firm in town.

Mr. Sandoz has no intention of changing his line of business or letting anyone sell more buggies than he can.

LOUISIANA BOY TO JUDGE IN ATLANTA

University Station, Baton Rouge, La., July 20.—Louisiana will be represented at the Intentional Club judging contest to be held at the Southeastern Fair, Atlanta, Georgia, October 19-22, announces W. C. Abbott, state boys and girls club agent. Four bona fide agricultural club members three representing a team, and one an alternative, will be selected from those who attend the short course for agricultural club members at the Louisiana State University, July 29 to Aug. 4.

There shall be twelve rings of livestock to be judged made up of the following: Ring of four Hereford cattle; ring of four Angus cattle; ring of four Shorthorn cattle; ring of four Jersey cattle; ring of four Holstein cattle; ring of four Guernsey cattle; ring of four Duroc-Jersey hogs; ring of four Poland-China hogs; ring of four Berkshire hogs; ring of four Hampshire hogs; ring of four South-down sheep; ring of four Shropshire sheep.

The prizes offered are as follows: Highest scoring team of three, free trip to Royal Livestock Show, London, England. Highest scoring contestant, free trip to Royal Livestock Show, London, England. Free trip to London, England, to state club leader, represented by winning team. Free trip to London, England to county agent, represented by club member making highest score. Free trip to London, England to Washington office club official whose territory is represented by winning team. There shall be a gold medal awarded to each of the three making up the winning team and to the highest scoring contestant.

In addition to these prizes, the American Jersey cattle club has offered \$100 to be given to the best judges of Jersey cattle. This money will be divided into five premiums. The state team securing the highest score in Jersey cattle judging will get \$30; second team \$25; third team \$20; fourth team \$15; and fifth team \$10.

This money added to the already sensational prize list will give much test. It will encourage a closer study of Jersey cattle and will give assurance that those contestants not counted among the four to win the prize trips to London may win substantial prizes. In fact so good is the effect of this additional money as annulled to Jersey cattle that those in charge of the contest are making effort to secure a similar sum from each of the eleven other breeds to be judged.

STANDARD OIL MEN VOTE TO WALK OUT

FOUR HUNDRED BOILERMAKERS TO LEAVE POSTS AT BATON ROUGE

Baton Rouge, La., July 20.—Four hundred boilermakers will walk out at the Standard Oil plant tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. The vote was taken at a meeting of the local Boilermakers' Union at a meeting in the City Hall.

The officials of the local union state that they are willing to arbitrate if the company will come to them with an offer of arbitration, but they say they will make no further attempt to treat with the company after having been turned down repeatedly.

Dan Weller, president of the Standard Oil Company of Louisiana, refused to make a statement until he is officially notified of the strike by the union leaders. There seems no intention on the part of the men to notify the company until the hour for the walkout, according to the statement of Hugh Farley, chairman of the committee of arbitration. The other departments have been requested not to walk out on a sympathetic strike. However, if the other departments are thoroughly in sympathy with the boilermakers, it is said the request probably will be ignored.

The grievance between the boilermakers and the officials of the Standard Oil Company is over the method of representation of the workmen. The Standard Oil Company has an industrial representation plan by which the several crafts may send men on the basis of one man for each 200 in their special craft, and in several cases two or more crafts are combined in representation. The boilermakers, according to Hugh Farley, have been unable to adjust their grievance, so they sent representatives to learn if the officials of the company would meet a committee from the boilermakers. The company refused a hearing to the committee.

The subject of the attempted hearing was on an adjustment of wages and working conditions, but so far they have been unable to put their proposition before the company. No increase was proposed for the mechanics, but an appreciable increase was to be asked for boilermakers' helpers.

SUPERINTENDENT OF POWER PLANT RESIGNS SEPT. 1ST.

BURGESS TO QUIT FOLLOWING DISAGREEMENT WITH MAYOR OVER MANAGEMENT

The resignation of W. E. Burgess as superintendent of the city power plant was handed in and accepted by the city council at a special meeting Tuesday afternoon. In a written statement to the board Mr. Burgess announced that his action was taken because he was unable to agree with Mayor Loeb on the management of the plant.

After Mr. Burgess' resignation had been accepted the members of the council authorized Mayor Loeb to fill the vacancy.

Put Burgess statement here

Opelousas, La., July 17, 1920. To the Honorable Mayor and Board of Aldermen, City.

Gentlemen:—I beg to tender this my resignation, as superintendent of the Waterworks and Electric Light Plants, my resignation to be effective September 1, 1920. However, should the city select my successor before that date I shall turn over the control of the plant to him on such date as he may report for duty, but with the understanding that I shall receive my salary as superintendent up to September 1, 1920, and continue work in a subordinate capacity up to that time.

In tendering my resignation I do so for no other reason than for the good of the service. I have been unable to work in harmony with the Mayor and it does not appear that it would be possible for me to do so in the future, hence, in order not to embarrass the administration in any manner I have decided to relinquish my position.

Yours very truly,

W. E. BURGESS
Supt. W. W. & E. L. Plants.

PERSHING WAY MEETING AT COURT HOUSE TODAY

Chief Engineer Summer of the State Highway Department will be present at the Pershing Way meeting to be held at the court house at 10 a. m. today. He will explain just why it is very necessary to change the highway in certain places.

The Pershing Way is of vital importance to the parish and everyone who is interested in the welfare of our community is urged to attend the meeting.

BATTLE PINK WORM BY DOUBLE HULLING

COTTON MEN MEET AND DECIDE TO ACCEPT THIS METHOD IN FIGHT

Double hulling, with at least one of the hulling machines of the disc type, is the system that probably will be adopted throughout Louisiana and through Texas as a means of eradicating the infection of the pink boll worm in cottonseed and cottonseed hulls. This was decided at a conference Monday afternoon between Dr. W. D. Hunter of the Federal Horticultural Board; C. F. Jenkins, Federal horticultural agent; Professor W. E. Anderson of the State Department of Agriculture; William Steele of the American Cotton Association, and J. E. Bryan (Alexandria) and Bryan Bell (New Orleans), representing cottonseed oil mills.

As a result of the conference Mr. Bell wired Monday to mills in the suspected area, asking if they were equipped with the disc hulling machine, and instructing them to provide themselves with such machines immediately, if they were not already in use. The oil mill points in Louisiana to be subject to the regulations of the Federal Horticultural Board are Shreveport, Gretna, Monroe, Bunkie and Opelousas were included originally in the list of suspected mill points, but when it was learned they had received no cottonseed from the area infected by the pink boll worm, their names were removed.

Several plans were advanced at the conference Monday to prevent the spread of the pink boll worm through cottonseed and cottonseed meal. It is believed that the infection is carried only in whole seed, hence the double hulling is supposed to remove one means of contagion. It was suggested at first that the hulls be put through a superheating process.

The handling of other mill products, such as cotton linters cottonseed cakes and cottonseed meal, will be subject to regulation along general rules to be formed later.

Meanwhile the Horticultural Board

MONUMENT TO MRS. B. F. WALLIOR UNVEILED SUNDAY

Opelousas Grove No. 241 of the Woodmen Circle unveiled a monument to the memory of Mrs. Bathilde Fontenot Wallior in the local Catholic cemetery at 5 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Wallior had long been an honored and esteemed member of the order that paid tribute to her memory by the impressive ceremonies conducted at her last resting place.

Mrs. Amelia J. Smith of Algiers, State Supreme officer, and Mrs. Mary B. Heath of Baton Rouge, Grand Adviser, were ably assisted in the conduct of the beautiful and impressive ceremonies by Mayor James L. Goings of Washington who made a short address telling of the life and lovable character of Mrs. Wallior. Vocal selections by Mr. Richard D. Lamson and a beautiful recitation, "Why Should The Spirit of Mortal Be Proud," by Miss Virgie St. Cyr added much to the impressiveness of the occasion.

Mrs. F. Garnett and Mrs. J. Lalande represented Lafayette Circle and Port Barre was represented by officers and members.

The local officers and members of the Circle are to be complimented for the marked success of the ceremony.

SLIGHT CHANGES GAME, FISH LAWS

DATES OF OPEN SEASON AMENDED ON SOME BIRDS IN THE STATE

Some changes in the act recently passed by the general assembly concerning hunting and fishing, amending the old law, will prove of interest to sportsmen.

The open season for squirrel is changed so as to start as follows: October 1 to March 1. Fur-bearing animals, November 1 to January 31. Quail and will turkeys, November 15 to February 15, the exception being that turkey gobblers may be hunted to March 31. Doves may be hunted from October 15 to January 31.

All hunting between sunset and half an hour before sunrises is prohibited except for frogs and alligators, to hunt which in these hours a permit is required.

As to fish, there were several changes made. Perhaps the most important is the allowing the use of trammel net not over 1200 feet long in ponds and lakes, under conditions approved by the department of conservation and on payment of license.

Game fish propagated and maintained in confinement may be sold under regulations of the department. The minimum size of common fish that may be sold was increased to 15 inches for buffalo and 16 inches for catfish.

NEGRO BAPTISTS IN BIG CONVENTION HERE

The B. Y. P. U. and Sunday School state conventions were opened at the Little Zion Negro Baptist Church in Opelousas Tuesday.

Rev. D. W. Harden is president of the former and Prof. R. P. Player, president of the latter.

The first session was opened at 12 m., with an introductory sermon by Rev. H. R. Flynn of Shreveport, whose subject was "The Cross." Rev. J. W. White of Bunkie on the "Defense of the Gospel." Rev. Wm. C. Underwood preached at night on "Learning to Think."

All officers were elected, committees appointed and reports made. More than \$200 had been turned in on only a partial report.

Delegates from all over the state are in attendance. The Parent body, with Rev. W. M. Taylor of Baton Rouge as president, and the Women's Convention were opened Wednesday.

676 MARRIAGES IN ST. LANDRY PARISH IN 1919

Statistics compiled in the office of the clerk of court for the state board of health show that 676 marriages were contracted in this parish from January 1, 1919 to December 31, 1919.

Of this number, 283 were whites and 393 negroes. Thirty one girls 16 and under and one girl 13 year of age were included in the list.

There were 77 divorce suits in the parish in the same time.

Miss Lorena Hidalgo returned home Friday from Baton Rouge where she spent several days as the guest of the Misses Gullbean's.

will keep inspectors in constant touch with the movements of seed and cotton products in and out of mills, cars in which hulls are shipped will be carefully cleaned before using again, and care will be taken to see that all seed passes through both hullers.

Several state departments of agriculture will accept the regulations of the Federal Horticultural Board.

STATE CONVENTION IN NEW IBERIA ON AUGUST 20, 21, 22

MORE THAN 300 DELEGATES OF AMERICAN LEGION EXPECTED TO ATTEND GATHERING

The annual convention of the Louisiana Division of American Legion will be held at New Iberia on August 20 to 22, 1920. There are 64 posts of the Legion in the state of Louisiana and they are expected to send at least 300 delegates. Opelousas Post No. 45 will send delegates to this convention which will be held for the purpose of framing policies, the election of state officers of executive committee, of national committee, and the naming of delegates to the national convention of the American Legion. The next meeting place of the state convention is also to be decided.

Alexandria and Baton Rouge have already announced that they are seeking the honor of being the next convention city. Among the chief issues of the convention will be that of financial aid for disabled men of the World War and continued activity in the fight for the bonus and other war compensation measures.

The entertainment features of the convention at New Iberia will include trips to the salt mines at Avery Island, and to the game preserves adjoining. Trips will also be made to the Mellhenny Tabasco Plantation. Reduced fares to New Iberia for the convention have been promised and hotel accommodation for the delegates are being arranged.

APPEAL FOR FLIES TO DESTROY BORER OF LOUISIANA CANE

FUNDS ARE SOUGHT FOR IMPORTATION OF CUBAN PARASITES

Cuban flies must be imported to combat the sugar cane borer, or Louisiana's sugar crop is going to suffer heavily experts say.

The cane borer is all over the fields of Louisiana. The experts calculate that it is taking toll of 10 per cent of the crop, which means an annual tax of \$5,000,000. The scientists declare that the Cuban parasite is the only sure means of fighting the borer, and an urgent appeal has been sent out to all the men engaged in the sugar business, especially the growers, for funds to hasten the importation of enough parasites to save the situation.

W. H. Chaffe secretary of the American Cane Growers' Association, coupled the call with the statement that the money must be on hand within two weeks, or it would be too late.

T. E. Holloway, government entomologist at the Sugar Experiment station, who has conducted any number tests, vouches for the efficiency of the tiny Cuban fly. The verdict is based upon its achievement in Cuba, where it has reduced borer damage to insignificance. The fly was brought here in small quantity and proved equally effective. The only point in doubt is to whether the fly can survive the Louisiana winter, but the absence of positive proof is due to the small quantity in the test.

There is a company of half a dozen sites in large number. The government in Cuba gathering these parasites is about exhausted, and the plan will fail unless the Louisiana sugar growers finance their own salvation.

This time it is proposed to import the fly in immense number, and to have a corps of three experts distribute them among all the sugar fields in the state. If enough survive for next season one \$10,000 fund will suffice. If the parasites are winter killed, it will be economy to spend ten thousand a year to save as much of the \$5,000,000 as possible. Either way, the fund being immediately sought is imperative. Secretary Chaffe is sure that it will be raised, and that it will be one of the best investments made by the Louisiana industry.

Alexander Cummings Passes Away

Alexander Cummings, aged 68 years, died at the home of his son John Cummings at Conlee Croche on Sunday, July 18th at 6 o'clock p. m.

The funeral took place at the Catholic Church on Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Interment in the Catholic cemetery at Church Point, La.

The deceased was born in Grand Coteau, La., in 1851. His father, Jerome Cummings, died when he was but a year old. He then came to Conlee Croche with his mother before the Civil War, and spent the remainder of his life here and is the last of a family of five to die.

F. A. Voorhies returned to New York on Tuesday to resume his work.

ONE DEAD AND TWO HURT FROM BOILER EXPLOSION

Big Property Damage Results From Steam Blow Out at Cary Plant

Joe Thomas, negro fireman, is dead

Valerie Cary, young white boy, and a brother of Thomas' are convalescing in Opelousas sanitarium as the result of an explosion at the pumping plant on the rice farm of Cary Brothers in Prairie Basse. The building and machinery were demolished.

The explosion occurred at 12:45 Tuesday morning, just as Thomas was about to end his watch. A half hour before Thomas had blown the whistle to call in the relief fireman but failed to arouse him. Just as the sound of the second blast died, one end of the big boiler, which was carrying a pressure of a hundred pounds, blew out. The boiler was hurled two hundred and fifty feet from its foundation, demolishing the building and most of the machinery it housed.

Thomas, who was standing in front of the boiler, caught the full charge of the steam as it escaped through a hole of six feet in diameter. Valerie Cary, 15 years old son of Z. T. Cary, Jr., who was asleep in an adjoining room, was severely burned on the back by steam and flames from his bed clothing. The younger Thomas, who was not employed at the plant but had come to accompany the fireman home at the change of shift, also was badly burned. The three men were brought immediately to the sanitarium in Opelousas, where Thomas died late Wednesday. Young Cary and negro are recovering.

The property damage is about \$6,000, Mr. Cary stated, including the destruction of the building, the boiler and a well digging outfit which the owners of the farm had recently used in putting down the well. It may be far greater, however, as there are nearly three hundred acres of young rice now in need of water on the place.

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