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PRIZES AWARDED AT THE COLOREL FARMERS' FAIR

The following prizes were awarded at the negro farmers' fair held in Opelousas several weeks ago:

Farm Products:
 Best corn—First prize, \$7.00, won by L. S. Locks, awarded by Opelousas Ice and Bottling works.
 Second prize, \$5.00, won by John Prescott, awarded by Bordejon's Garage.
 Third prize, \$3.00, won by John Stelly, awarded by R. Mornhvege.

Best Sweet Potatoes:
 First prize, \$5.00, won by Paul Carriere, awarded by Leon S. Haas.
 Second prize, \$3.00, won by Joseph Garrett, awarded by Rev. L. J. Campbell.
 Third prize, \$2.00, won by John Stelly, awarded by Ben Riseman.

Best Brooms:
 First prize, \$3.50, won by Cammie Castlan, awarded by Bennett Stores.
 Second prize, \$2.00, won by Frank Fenlon, awarded Bennett Stores.
 Third prize, \$1.50, won by John Prescott, awarded by Bennett Stores.

Best Pumpkins:
 First prize, \$3.00, won by Paul Marshall, awarded by B. L. Sanders.
 Second prize, \$2.00, won by Joseph Garrette, awarded by R. L. Jackson.

Best Sugar Cane:
 First prize, \$5.00, won by Almar Richard, awarded by Leon Wolff.
 Second prize, \$3.00, won by D. S. Locks, awarded by Dardeau & Castille.

Live Stock:
 Best bulls—First prize, \$5.00, won by Donell Castin, awarded by T. Co-friel & Co.
 Second prize, \$3.00, won by E. Hammond, awarded by J. A. Dejean.

Steers
 First prize, \$7.00, won by Jules Perrodin, awarded by Dietlein & Jacobs Grocery Co.

Best Sow
 First prize, \$5.00, Donel Castin, awarded by Thistlethwaite Lumber Co.
 Second prize, \$2.00, won by Jules Perrodin, awarded by G. L. Lassalle.

Best Cows:
 First prize, \$7.00, won by Ed. Hammonds, awarded by St. Landry Bank & Trust Co.
 Second prize, \$5.00, won by Ed. Hammonds, awarded by Peoples Gin Co.
 Third prize, \$3.00, won by R. Fisher, awarded by Lynch Bros.

Best Stallion:
 First prize, \$5.00, won by Jos. Garret, awarded by Washington State Bank.
 Second prize, \$5.00, won by Sam P. Anguste, awarded by St. Landry Lumber Co.

Best Filly:
 First prize, \$5.00, won by Felix Taylor, awarded by A. C. Skiles Lumber Co.
 Second prize, \$3.00, won by Cam-

mie Castlan awarded by Father Hyland.

Best Mule:
 First prize, \$7.00, won by Jules Perrodin, awarded by St. Landry Bank & Trust Co.

Best Individual Agricultural Exhibits:
 First prize, \$15.00, won by Napoleon Gallier, awarded by Dr. Chas. F. Boagni.
 Second prize, \$10.00, won by Jules

PUBLIC OPPOSES GOV'T OPERATION

Canvass of 5,154 Editors Shows 4,466 Communities Against Socialistic Experiment.

OPPOSITION GROWING
 Eighty-seven Per Cent in 1920 as Against 83 Per Cent in 1919
 Think Public is Opposed to Radicalism.

The American public is more intensely opposed to Government operation than it was a year ago, according to the newspaper editors of the country. Out of 5,154 editors replying to a questionnaire sent out by the Press Service Company of New York, 4,466, or 86 per cent, gave it as their judgment that the people of their communities were overwhelmingly against the Government competing in business with its own citizens.

In 1919 the Press Service Company conducted a similar canvass of editors on the government operation of railroads. That questionnaire showed that 83 per cent of the editors considered their communities against Government operation of public utilities.

Apparently, then, if editors estimate public opinion accurately, that opinion in a year, considered by communities, has swung 3 per cent farther away from socialistic experiments.

Eleven Million Circulation.
 The combined circulation of the papers whose editors replied is 11,428,817, which means, according to the usual estimated ratio between circulation and readers, a constituency of at least 44,000,000. And this constituency is pretty evenly scattered throughout the country, no considerable section of any state being unrepresented.

The estimate of opinion based on this country's population may, therefore, be considered a fair representation of the people as a whole.

Another feature of the result is its evident lack of partisan bias. The major political affiliations of the papers represented are fairly evenly divided, being 1,837 Republican and 1,850 Democratic. There are also 1,485 independent and 462 miscellaneous, including labor organs, etc.

How little the results are affected by the politics of the papers is shown in an analysis by sections. In the Southern section, for instance, where replies came from 65 Republican papers and 859 Democratic, the percentage against Government operation was 88; in the Great Lakes section, with conditions reversed, 478 Republican and 155 Democratic, the opposition was 87 per cent.

Replies from the West, Middle West and Southwest show that it is a mistake to consider those sections vastly more favorable to radical Government experiments than the East. The radicals can get little comfort out of the 89 per cent of thumbs down—2 per cent above the average—in the Southwest, including Arkansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas.

Texas, once supposed to be much given to Government regulation experiments, returned 92 per cent of unfavorable replies. Out of the 244 editors replying from that state only three edited Republican papers. The 82 per cent opposition of the Northwest, including Iowa, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wyoming, and the 83 per cent veto of the Far West group, including Arizona, California, Idaho, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Colorado, Utah and Washington, are significant of the prevailing conservative sentiment on this question even in the more radical sections.

Judgment Apparently Unbiased.
 The questionnaire closes with a request for the editor's personal opinion on certain concrete cases as follows:

"Do you personally believe that the Federal Government should own and operate competitive industries to provide: (a) Fertilizer? (b) Clothing? (c) Automobiles? (d) Farm implements? (e) Foodstuffs?"

Substantially all the editors who gave estimates of their readers' opinions also expressed their own by replying to this last question. Proof of considerable effort to avoid personal bias is found in the fact that in many cases the editor differed from the opinion he credited to his community. The percentage of "nos" ran: (a) 76; (b) 88; (c) 86; (d) 82; (e) 73.

While the questions were based on general principles involved in the Government participating in competitive business, the so-called Muscle Shoals Bill now before Congress was used as a concrete example of a Government operation scheme. Under this bill a Government-owned corporation would be given broad powers to operate and develop Government plants and properties. It would produce at Muscle Shoals various fertilizer products and sell them in competition with producers and merchants in the fertilizer business.

The strength of the opposition to Government operation is indicated by the replies from Alabama, where the Muscle Shoals war plant is and where, of course, there is intense interest and local pride in getting its expected peace-time operation under way at the earliest possible date. Fifty editors from that state replied, of whom 86 were opposed to Government operation, 8 in favor and 4 doubtful.

Perrodin, awarded by Opelousas National Bank.

Best Geese:
 First prize, \$5.00, won by Alphonse P. Anguste, awarded by Shute's Drug Store.
 Second prize, \$3.00, won by John Stelly, awarded by Mr. J. R. Pavy.

Canned Goods
 First prize, \$5.00, won by Mrs. D. S. Locks, awarded by Father Hyland.
 Second prize, \$3.00, won by Mrs. J. Prescott, awarded by Jonas Roos.
 Third prize, \$2.00, won by Mrs. A. P. Anguste, awarded by J. P. Plonski & Son.

Fancy Work:
 First prize, \$5.00, won by Leany Mornhvege, awarded by Father Hyland.
 Second prize, \$2.00, won by Miss Elmira Locks, awarded by Father Hyland.
 Third prize, \$2.00, won by Miss Camella Stelly, awarded by Rev. W. J. Hampton of St. Mark M. E. church.

Best Chicken:
 First prize, \$7.00, won by Napoleon Gallier, awarded by St. Landry Wholesale Gro. Co.
Best Public School Exhibits:
 First prize, \$10.00, won by Washington Public School, awarded by Planters Bank and Trust Co.
 Second prize, \$9.00, won by Washington Public School, awarded by Dr. J. P. Salzan, W. M. Crawford, Nicholson Bros., Max Klaus, Jacobs News Depot Co.
 Third prize, \$6.00, won by Washington Public school awarded by Est. J. B. Sandoz.

Oratory:
 First prize, \$5.00, won by Helen Long, awarded by Lardeau and Roberts and Green's Chapel.

Crocheting:
 First prize, \$2.00, won by Miss Evelyn Fontenot, awarded by Jacobs News Depot Co.

LOCAL PRIESTS UNABLE TO CONDUCT REGULAR MASS

Both the Catholic church priests, Father Collard and Father Hyland, have been ill with the so-called "fever" for several days past. This is the first time since Father Collard has been pastor of the Catholic church here that he has had to yield to sickness for any length of time. He became ill Thursday after the 6:15 mass and has been obliged to remain in bed ever since. He is improving but is so weak it is feared he will not be well for the ceremony of confirmation next Saturday.

Rev. Father Hyland became ill about the middle of last week. He is, however, much improved. As neither of the local priests were able to attend to pastoral duties it

was necessary to obtain a Jesuit from St. Charles College Sunday, Rev. Father Moore said two masses in St. Landry's church. The colored people were allowed to come to both of these services as they had no services in their own church.

During the illness of Father Collard, the October services are still being conducted in the church at 6:15. These are conducted by the Sister Marianites of the Holy Cross.

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