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"We Say Only Good of a Man; If We Cannot Say Anything Good, We Say Nothing."



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## Vote Soon to Be Announced; Contest Interest Waxes Keen

The day grows nearer when the first announcement of the count of ballots in the VERNON PARISH DEMOCRAT AND MERCHANTS POPULARITY CONTEST will be made. Young women in various parts of the parish are becoming very anxious, and friends have been working constantly in their behalf.

It is considered a signal honor to be selected from among the most popular girls of Vernon Parish, as well it might be. And when to this honor is added that of receiving as a free gift a beautiful piano—well, it is something worth working for.

Though nearly a score have been announced as candidates, this does not mean that there is no room for more. It is a matter of energy, of getting busy, of getting votes. Of course those who begin at the first have the best chance, but those who come in later and are active enough have just as good an opportunity to win.

As hitherto announced, no one even remotely connected with the VERNON PARISH DEMOCRAT or financially interested can be considered a candidate, or will be permitted to win any of the prizes which will be given. The contest is to be conducted in a fair and honest manner, and unbiased judges will do the counting of the votes.

Votes by persons outside Leesville may be sent to the DEMOCRAT to be cast for favorite candidates, or they may be sent to Hooper's Confectionery Store in Leesville. But in all cases the utmost care should be taken to see that the candidate's name is written so that there can be no mistake. Those sending in votes must do what they can to prevent errors.

### DON'T FORGET BEAUTY TREATMENTS

Arrangements have been made to have Mrs. C. M. Williams of the Marinello Shop in the West Louisiana Bank Building give beauty treatments to those who bring in three subscriptions to the DEMOCRAT. Any regular \$1 treatment will be given for fifty cents to any young lady bringing in three subscriptions. In addition, 100 votes will be given for each subscription brought in.

And by all means remember the stores where votes are given. Trade with them. Ask for votes. Don't forget to ask for them. Use them at once.

## Willard Hits Floor Six Times in Three Rounds

Toledo, Ohio, July 4th.—After the wildest first round fighting of any world's championship, Jess Willard today surrendered the heavyweight title to Jack Dempsey. Willard was actually finished in the first round. The

official end came after a half minute's rest between the third and fourth rounds, when Willard's seconds tossed a towel into the ring in token of defeat to save Willard from a knockout, which was certain.

Give your favorite a good vote at the start and put her in the lead. Remember, it is usually the candidate with the best start that keeps the lead. Get votes and use them. Get your friends to save them for you. Get them to trade where they will be given votes with purchases. That is the way to get votes. Every one counts. It may be the person with only one vote to spare who will prove to be the winner after all, so don't fail to deposit every one.

Get the votes in early. Trade with the merchants who give them. Now is the time to give your candidate a lead. Now is the time to pile up the ballots. Keep the list of places where votes are given and trade with the merchants who are taking part in the contest. Remember, with each ten cents in trade one vote is given. Ask for coupons. Vote them at once.

Every candidate should tell her friends that she is in to win. It is the help of interested friends that counts. There is only one way to win and that is to get votes.

Trade at the stores where votes are given with trade and send votes in at once. The candidate who gets the lead will create the most interest. Now is the time to do your work. Here are the names of the candidates already entered in the contest:

Miss Marie Conerly, Anacoco  
Miss Grayce Bowles, Leesville  
Miss Doris Peters, Leesville  
Miss Belva Caldwell, Leesville  
Miss Lucile Hicks, Leesville  
Miss Janese Allen, Leesville  
Miss Thelma McAlpin, Leesville  
Miss Evelyn Obanion, Leesville  
Miss Ada Jordan, Leesville  
Miss Rose Lee Bradford, Leesville  
Miss Vera Eaves, Leesville  
Miss Annie Hutt, Leesville  
Miss Lillie Richardson, Leesville  
Miss Minnie Franklin, Leesville  
Miss Elizabeth Ford, Hornbeck  
Miss Lena Craft, Hornbeck  
Miss Tina Dempsey, Hornbeck

Remember, these are the merchants who are taking part in the contest:

H. E. Werner  
Walter R. Hooper  
S. G. Culotta  
George Sliman  
A. B. Dennis  
W. E. Stephens  
Rousset Racket Store

## Leesville Celebrates; Big Crowd Enjoys July 4

With the first celebration of the Fourth of July which has been held at Leesville for a number of years, the parish seat succeeded in drawing a large holiday crowd to partake of her hospitality and enjoy her entertainment. One of the largest crowds which has been in Leesville for many a day found plenty to enjoy and went home apparently satisfied.

The drawback of impassable roads was to some extent mitigated by two days of sunshine, a weather condition almost unprecedented this year. The roads were not, however, comparable to French boulevards even at that, as it was observed that five automobiles were stuck on the main street at the same time.

The barbecue with sandwiches proved to be inadequate to serve the huge crowd, but those who were fortunate to be close enough to the lunch counter had nothing to complain of. Those who were off at some distance when the dinner call was given, or those who failed to be there right on time were disappointed.

The broncho breaking did not seem entirely satisfactory to the crowd. The consensus of opinion seemed to be that the alleged bronchos had had much of the fire of youth removed by previous exhibitions. Even the reduced rate made to riders failed to arouse enthusiasm, though it did bring the required \$2.50. However, counter attractions proved superior to the occasion, and the rider and horse did not show up. The Wild West seemed to be more west than wild.

The ball game which took place right after the broncho breaking was well worth the price of admission. The enthusiastic Leesville rooters were given all that they expected in the way of a good game, and the score—2 to 1—in favor of Leesville did their hearts good, especially after the unfortunate game of Wednesday.

The lovers of the dance had their desires satisfied at the dancing pavilion. The dance continues during the afternoon, and except for the heat and the large crowd every one enjoyed himself to the fullest.

This closed the first celebration that Leesville has had for a number of years, and every one is anxiously looking forward to the next Fourth with the hope that Leesville will be able to have even a better time.

### STATE EXAMINATIONS

The next examination for Teachers' Certificates will be held in Leesville at the Courthouse, August 4, 5, and 6 (white); and August 7, 8, and 9 (negro).

The second, and last, examination on the books of the Reading Course used during the session of 1918-1919 will be held August 11.

### SCHOOL BOARD MEETS

The Parish School Board holds its regular meeting on Saturday, July 5th. It is the regular monthly meeting and the ordinary work will be taken up.

### NINE INCHES RAIN

June totaled over nine inches and July has started with over an inch to its credit. This makes a total precipitation of over 45 inches since the first of January.

Altho there has been such a heavy rainfall, there have been very few warm days this summer, due, no doubt, to the amount of moisture in the air. A few days of sunshine will be very welcome, and if the weather begun on Wednesday will continue for some time, the farmers will be more than delighted.

The record for the week ending July 2nd is given below.

Date	Max.	Min.	Set.	Max.	Rain
June 26	85	71	85	.09	
27	88	74	86	.01	
28	88	71	87	1.13	
30	89	72	79	.58	
29	90	71	87		
July 1	90	71	83	1.24	
2	90	71	83	.09	

During the month of June there were twenty days that were cloudy or partly so and ten clear days. Of these twenty days, rain fell on sixteen, totaling 9.32 inches. The greatest precipitation was on June 10th when 1.72 inches fell. The maximum temperature was 96 degrees occurring on June 17th and 18th, and the minimum was on June 4th when the thermometer fell to 51.

## Girls' Canning Club Work

DIRECTOR—CARRIE McCALLUM

List of Exhibits Vernon Parish Fair

Each exhibitor must send

1. Daily Record Book.
2. Exhibit of Products.
1. Exhibit of Products counts 50%
2. Daily Record Book.....30%
3. Business Management.....20% (yield, profit, cost.)

### FIRST YEAR GIRLS

One qt. jar plain canned tomatoes			
Two no. 2 cans tomatoes	\$1.50	\$1.00	\$0.50
Two 8 oz. bottles ketchup	1.50	1.00	.50
One qt. jar tomatoes in thick sauce	2.00	1.50	1.00
One 12 oz. jar tomato pickles, sliced			
One 12 oz. jar chili sauce	2.00	1.50	1.00
One 12 oz. jar soup mixture			
One 12 oz. jar tomato puree	2.00	1.50	1.00
Two qt. jars canned peaches	1.50	1.00	.50

### SECOND YEAR GIRLS

Two No. 2 cans tomatoes	1.50	1.00	.50
One qt. jar tomatoes in thick sauce			
One 8 op. bottle catsup			
One 12 oz. jar tomato soup mixture	2.00	1.50	1.00
One qt. jar canned beans			
One qt. jar canned okra			
One qt. jar canned beets	1.50	1.00	.50
One qt. jar canned berries			
One qt. jar canned peaches	1.50	1.00	.50
Two 12 oz. jars Dixie relish	1.50	1.00	.50

Jellies—any three:			
One 6 oz. glass mayhaw			
One 6 oz. glass plum			
One 6 oz. glass apple			
One 6 oz. glass berry			
One 6 oz. glass crab apple	1.50	1.00	.50
One 12 oz. jar tomato preserves	1.50	1.00	.50

### THIRD YEAR GIRLS

Preserves—make any four.

One 12 oz. jar strawberry			
One 12 oz. jar watermelon			
One 12 oz. jar pear			
One 12 oz. jar peach			
One 12 oz. jar tomato			
One 12 oz. jar plum	2.50	2.00	1.50
One 12 oz. jar fig preserves			
One 12 oz. jar marmalade			
One 12 oz. jar conserves	2.00	1.50	1.00
One pint jar canned corn			
One pint jar peas	1.50	1.00	.50
One qt. jar canned tomatoes			
One qt. jar canned beets	1.50	1.00	.50
One qt. jar canned peaches			
One qt. jar canned pears	1.50	1.00	.50
One 8 oz. bottle grape juice			
One 8 oz. bottle berry juice	1.00	.75	.50

"Open to All", Regardless of the year.

One half pint canned peppers			
One 12 oz. jar Dixie relish			
One qt. jar pepper mangoes	2.00	1.50	.50
One 12 oz. jar onion pickle			
One 12 oz. jar cucumber pickle	2.00	1.50	1.00
One 12 oz. jar tomato pickle			
One qt. jar peach pickle			
One qt. jar beet pickle			
One qt. jar mustard	2.00	1.50	1.00

Collection dried vegetables—any three,

One 12 oz. jar dried beans			
One 12 oz. jar dried sweet potatoes			
One 12 oz. jar dried okra			
One 12 oz. jar dried beets			
One 12 oz. jar dried corn			
One 12 oz. jar dried peas	2.00	1.50	1.00

Three best club members as shown by exhibits of products, daily record book, and business management—trip to short course in Baton Rouge, Aug. 11-16, 1919.

Tangipahoa Parish	Mrs. p. M. Burgess, Hammond, La.
Terrebonne Parish	E. C. Wurzlau, Houma, La.
Union Parish	Prof. T. W. Shields, Bernice, La.
Vernon Parish	Mrs. W. L. Thompson, Leesville, La.
Washington Parish	M. A. Thigpen, Franklinton, La.
Webster Parish	Captain R. H. Lee, Minden, La.
West Baton Rouge Parish	Mrs. F. J. Whitehead, Port Allen, La.
Winn Parish	J. B. Fick, Winnfield, La.

### J. W. CAIN

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MANICURING SHAMPOOING FACIAL MASSAGE SCALP TREATMENTS

Special Sale of Switches Beginning next week.

MRS. C. M. WILLIAMS

## ANACOCO NOTES

(By Lon Gaskin, Correspondent)

The incessant rain has weakened the prospects of a big yield in this vicinity.

Mr. Wiley Bradshaw has just established a grocery store in Anacoco.

About all the machinery is on the site of the new sawmill. Work is going on at a fast rate.

Mr. Warren Fester arrived home from Peason, La. one day last week. He quit his job there to take up one in the Union Store of Anacoco.

Mr. Luther Huggins, laborer of Bowington mill, 3 miles west of Anacoco, was seriously if not fatally injured last week by getting tangled in the machinery. They took him to Shreveport to be treated.

## First National Bank Building Sold

The First National Bank Building of Leesville has been sold for \$20,000 to Mr. S. R. West according to reports around town. There has been no deed filed as yet but the renters in the building have been notified that rents will be raised so this is pretty conclusive evidence. The building belonged to a New Orleans firm.

The theatre in the upper story is to be repaired and put into running order. It is expected that it will then be opened to legitimate plays and movies. The theatre is one of the best in a radius of several parishes but owing to defective wiring has been condemned for some time. With the new mills that are going up in this parish and the prospect of good roads the possibilities of a good theatre to accommodate the traveling plays are numerous. There is all of the parish to draw from for audiences and the people of Vernon Parish are only waiting for some such attraction to go to. A few good plays during the season will attract people from other parishes.

With good roads to travel on, Leesville will gradually become one of the most prominent cities in Western La. for there will then be an incentive for tourists to come to West Louisiana and they cannot miss seeing Vernon Parish. Each new thing will lead to another until Leesville will be one of the best little parish seats in the state.

## MISSIONARY SOCIETY HOLDS SPECIAL MEETING

The Ladies' Missionary Society of the Baptist Church met with Mrs. Boyles on Tuesday on this week. This was their regular social meeting, and despite the rainy weather there was a good attendance.

A delightful little program was given. Miss Pearl Willis played a very pretty piano solo, Miss Theo McAlpin and Miss Fannie Cudd sang "Whispering Hope," Mrs. Bernice Lee gave a recitation, and Mrs. Pye read an article from the Ladies' Home Journal. After the social time, sherbet was served.

## PERSONALS

Don't forget to ask for Popularity votes. Begin saving votes at once for the Popularity Contest.

Mrs. Eugene Jeffries of Shreveport is visiting Mrs. H. E. Winfree.

Mrs. J. B. Roark arrived in Leesville on Sunday. She will visit old friends while here.

Dr. F. T. Lewis and wife and baby returned from a vacation of some weeks.

### WHAT DO YOU KNOW?

About what happened near you last week?

Did anyone go away on a visit? Any one die, get married, or become sick? Did anyone give a party or celebrate an anniversary or birthday?

Has anyone come back from the war or gone away to school? Is there any new industry started, or has any one bought or sold a farm near you? How about crops and politics—do you know anything about them?

Could you write it up for the paper? The Democrat wants reporters for each community. Would you write up something along this line each week for yours? If you can, write up something about your own vicinity and send it in with your name and address.

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### LEESVILLE VISITORS

Mrs. Alice Gardiner of Lake Charles, Guy E. Behnke of Beaumont; Mrs. E. W. Wise, niece and nephew, J. E. Propet of Shreveport; O. E. Stump of Shreveport; Miss M. Perkinson of Shreveport; F. U. Friend of Merryville; J. R. White, A. B. Cason, J. H. Farmer, Leo S. Cagle of Shreveport; W. H. McGregor of Conroe, Tex.; C. M. Jackson of Shreveport; F. H. Bradshaw of Mansfield; T. F. Russell, R. L. Anderson, and E. J. Coram of Shreveport; Sam H. Penny of Lake Charles; L. A. LaSalle of Shreveport; W. H. Bates of Dayton; A. L. Twachtman of Lake Charles; Murray Elson of Lake Charles; C. L. Frazier of Shreveport; Fred E. Koch of Chicago; E. E. Baugh of Shreveport; Jack Hamilton of Shreveport; E. W. Myers of Shreveport; R. C. Baggett of Leesville; E. G. Powell of Leesville; D. C. Wall of Shreveport; W. C. Boring of Zwolle.

### FULLERTON NOTES

The unusual amount of rain is causing a great deal of sickness in this vicinity. We have had two deaths this week already.

Mr. Halton, aged about 65, died yesterday of typhoid fever, and the little son of Mr. and Mrs. John Etchman was buried Tuesday. He died of appendicitis.

I think the old adage must be coming true that says it rains the 2nd of June, it will rain forty days, judging from the downpours we are having now. The crops of the farmers are badly damaged, and will be ruined if rain continues. All the farmers here are busy putting out sweet potatoes.

If you feel "blue", "No account", lazy, you need a good cleaning out. HERBINE is the right thing for that purpose. It stimulates the liver, tones up the stomach and purifies the bowels. For sale by all druggists. —Adv't

Government veterinarians in the Philippines have found that cattle can be immunized against rinderpest with a loss of less than one per cent of the animals.

Rubber boots with peculiarly shaped cleats, into which calks can be fastened, on the soles and heels have been invented by an Idaho lumberman to insure sure footing on slippery places.