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Four Fires in One Day Gives Leesville Record

With four fire alarms within as many hours. Leesville's fire department was given some real exercise, and much excitement was provided for the town. The big siren informed people of each event.

At the Watts residence a spark set fire to the roof and some damage was done. At the Rabon place a defective flue started a fire which was put out before a great deal of damage resulted. An exploding oil stove at Dreeben's residence did the interior damage, but the amount was not great.

It was at the Sibley place, owned by Dr. F. P. Jones that the only real fire occurred. This house was burned entirely. It is thought the fire originated from a defective flue.

Great Teacher Sortage Says State Sup't.

My dear Superintendent:

It is apparent that there will be a teacher shortage amounting to several hundred. With the view of relieving the situation, to some extent, I have suggested to the heads of the teacher-training schools that they release for teaching service their seniors who are within three or four months of graduation. The lists of such available teachers will be forwarded to you as soon as I have them.

I have also agreed to issue temporary certificates to former teachers who fall in the following class:

1. Age—twenty-five years or above.
2. Teaching experience—three years or more.
3. Certificate—held a valid Louisiana certificate during the period of his or her teaching service.

When you make an application for a certificate under this rule, kindly give all necessary particulars.

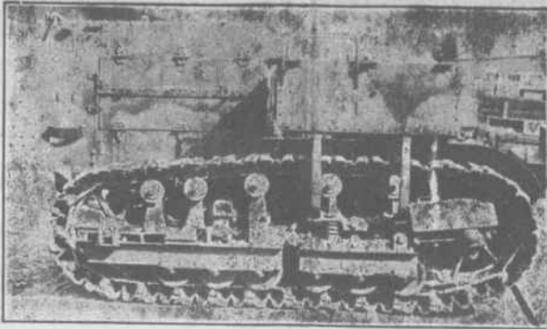
The State Board of Education will not again agree to commission high school graduates and exempt them from examinations, for the two reasons that such an easy entrance to the public school system would materially injure the teacher-training schools and reduce the supply of trained teachers, and the public schools would be filled up with immature, inexperienced, and poorly equipped teachers. This would result in great injury to the country schools; for the most of these teachers would be employed in the country schools.

Yours sincerely,
T. H. Harris,
State Superintendent.

When you have an aching, stretchy feeling and you are dull, tired out, and discouraged, it is a sign of approaching malaria or chills. You should act quickly to ward off an attack. NERBINE offers you the help you need. It destroys the malarial germ, drives out all impurities, and makes you feel bright, vigorous, and cheerful. For sale by all druggists.

FOOD EXPERT SAYS LIVING COST NOT EXCESSIVE

Dr. Alonzo E. Taylor, Chief Investigator for Herbert Hoover of food conditions in Europe, who has just arrived in this country, made the statement yesterday that the \$700,000,000 worth of American foodstuffs shipped abroad by the United States and Canada kept some of the newly-formed European states from starvation. In order to bring down the high cost of living in America, Dr. Taylor said, increased production is necessary. In reply to the question as to whether the fact that we had sent so much food abroad had kept up costs here, Dr. Taylor made an emphatic denial. Here is part of Mr. Taylor's statement: "There has been little real evidence here that the public finds the cost of living too high. We have heard a lot of talk about high prices, but the real proof that prices are too high has not become evident as yet. When the public begins to modify its diet by increasing the amounts of cheaper food, such as cereals, that is the proof that the cost of living is too high. We talk about the increase in the price of bacon but we go right on eating it. We have not yet reacted to the high cost of living or we would be eating more of the cheaper foods."



Monster Tanks and Tractor-Artillery at Dallas

U. S. WAR AND NAVY DEPARTMENTS WILL HAVE VARIED EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS AT VICTORY FAIR

The United States War Department will exhibit a comprehensive display of the modern, scientific implements of warfare at the Victory Fair at Dallas in October.

These articles have just been received in America and have not been exhibited before.

Much of this material was captured on the battlefields of France, while other things are those supplied to American troops.

Among the equipment of American soldiers will be shown: field gun and mount, trench mortar, aircraft gun, hand and rifle grenades, drop bombs, five carrier pigeons, infantry equipment, and many other things.

The Navy and Marine Corps will also exhibit many interesting articles. This exhibit in addition to the special exhibit of monster (35 ton) Tanks, Anti-aircraft Guns, and Tractor-Artillery.

WHISKEY AND THE CONSTITUTION

The Constitution is unconstitutional. This is apparently the opinion of a very successful lawyer. The fact that he is the attorney for the liquor interests might lead one to think that the statement was made while he was under the influence of his own delectable beverage. However that may be, Mr. Levy Mayer proposes to contest the constitutionality of the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution.

Our understanding of the Prohibition Amendment is that it is now a part of the constitution. Just how the Constitution itself can be unconstitutional is beyond us. However, whiskey can work wonders. It appears for one thing to have made the referendum respectable. When whiskey was king it fought the referendum, bribed Legislatures, fought common councils, and stuffed the ballot box. It fought anything that savored of self-government. It was largely because of the corrupt influence of the brewers and distillers that the Prohibition Amendment became a part of the Constitution. Now these same liquor interests who fought the initiative and referendum are about to use it in an attempt to nullify the Prohibition Amendment.

Their theory of law in this case is as childish as it was in the other. Their reasoning is as follows: Forty-five states have ratified the amendment. Thirty-six are necessary. If ten can be changed there will be only thirty-

be relieved by applying BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT. It should be well rubbed in over the part affected. Its great healing and penetrating power eases the pain, reduces swelling, and restores normal conditions. For sale by all druggists.

five left, less than three-fourths. The amendment will then be nullified. This is a very plausible theory. It overlooks just one thing. The amendment is no longer pending. It is part of the Constitution. Any change in the amendment is a change in the Constitution. If any State desired to change its vote prior to the proclamation of ratification by the said State, it could have done so. But with that proclamation the amendment ceased to be a mere motion, and became part of the basic law. Like the Constitution itself, it can be changed only by a three-fourths vote. However, as we have remarked before, whiskey can do wonders. Maybe it can convince the courts. Certainly no one will object to the conversion of liquor to the referendum, but we shall be slow to testify to its sincerity. The devil has been sick before. This is not the first time he has turned monk.

—From "The Public"

METRIC CAMPAIGN SUPPORTED IN BRITANNIA.

San Francisco, August The World Trade Club of San Francisco is receiving daily a large number of letters from English-speaking people all over the world, pledging support to the campaign for world wide adoption of the metric units, meter-liter-gram.

A Lieutenant-Colonel in the British Army who is still stationed in France, has written the World Trade Club as follows:

"You may be amused at the following story of a conversation of mine with two officers of the U. S. American Ordinance Department with whom I made dear friends. I said: 'There is one thing about the United States which, when I realized it, filled me with horror and contempt.' This made them sit up and wonder what I was

METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES HOLD BANQUET

Pupils of the Young People's Class and the two classes just below held a delightful banquet and party at the home of Mrs. G. R. Ferguson, when about 35 were present to enjoy the occasion and do justice to the good things provided. After a variety of games and contests, luncheon was served, consisting of punch; iced tea; chicken sandwiches; nut sandwiches; olives; pickles, etc.

Leesville School Starts With Large Attendance

With some rooms full to overflow, and with a better attendance than for years, the Leesville schools started on Monday with a full staff of teachers.

An institute was held by Superintendent Finly Stanly, who talked to the teachers, after which a discussion of school work was held.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

Nobody swatted the fly. Canteloupes were muskmelons. Cream was five cents a pint. Milkshake was a favorite drink. You never heard of a "tin Lizzie." Farmers came to town for their mail. Nobody cared for the price of gasoline. Nobody "listened in" on a telephone. The butcher "threw in" a chunk of liver.

Strawstacks were burned instead of baled.

Then farming was a livelihood, now it is a business.

Farmers lived from the produce of their farms, now they figure profits.

If your child is pale and sickly, picks at the nose, starts in the sleep, and grinds the teeth while sleeping, it is a sure sign of worms. A remedy for these parasites will be found in WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE. It not only clears out the worms, but it restores health and cheerfulness. For sale by all druggists.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Joel Roberts has been visiting her parents near Stables. She lives at Camp Sherwood.

Robert K. Williams of Newllano has gone to Davenport, Iowa to take a post-graduate course in chiropractic. The Palmer School at that place is the largest in the world, and "Doc" says it is wonderfully well equipped.

Mrs. N. M. Palmer has returned to getting at. However, they quite politely asked me what it was, without knocking me down. I replied: 'You use to your disgrace the same GHASTLY weights and measures as we do.'

Another typical letter comes from the pastor of a large London Church. He says of the metric system: "I am convinced that its exclusive use would create a greater unity among the nations of the world, both commercially and socially, and would therefore be a potent means of the continuation of peace. Therefore, I hope that your efforts to this end will be repaid with success."

WISCONSIN CALVES FOR SALE

W. A. Dougherty, U. S. Farms, Newllano, La.: 15/16 pure—no lice or ticks assured—U. S. Vet'n. Inspected—from heavy milkers. \$35.00 each.

Shreveport after a visit with her mother, Mrs. Lyons.

Walter Millsap, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Allen and Fred Allen left for Southern California to spend the winter. Fred Allen has just returned from the army hospital, having recently been discharged. His health was much impaired while in the army, and he is going to California to improve it.

Mrs. Louis Petty has gone to Fort Worth, where Mr. Petty has taken a position with the railroad.

Mrs. Harry Erwin, with children Robert, Maxwell, and Marion left for Houston, Texas last Thursday where they will join Mr. Erwin.

The Police Jury has been in session during the past week.

Weddings solemnized in Vernon Parish recently were: Mr. J. H. Harris and Miss Annie Briggs of Florine; Mr. J. E. Stephens and Miss Mary Cooley of Bolton; Mr. See Ashworth and Miss Ella Baggett of Bon Ami.

Captain and Mrs. R. A. Boyd of Washington, D. C. ex-superintendent of schools, who has been stationed at Philadelphia, is visiting in Leesville on a 15 days' furlough, staying with his father and brothers.

Robert Williams, son of the parish treasurer, is home on a furlough. He is stationed at Atlanta, Georgia.

Fred D. Kay, Brother of Mrs. J. P. O'Banion, is visiting in Leesville. He has just returned from Germany where he served in the Army of Occupation since December of last year. He was in Europe a total of about 18 months, and served in the Second Division.

Mrs. J. P. O'Banion, accompanied by her daughter Myrtle have just returned from a 12 days' visit with relatives at Burkville, Texas.

Can't Puncture Nor Blow Out



DAYTON AIRLESS TIRES in the past 7 years have been used by thousands of owners of light passenger and delivery cars in all parts of the civilized world, and have demonstrated conclusively:

- 1st. They can't puncture or blow out.
- 2nd. They ride as smoothly as pneumatics.
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- 4th. They absolutely will not injure the car. They have been endorsed by 100,000 or more satisfied users, including the late George Westinghouse and Edward Grey, formerly chief engineer of the Ford Motor Company.

Piers of live, elastic rubber built about one inch apart inside the casing and vulcanize or welded to it take the place of an inner tube. Nothing can happen but wear; they are made only in 30x3 and 30x3 1/2 sizes but can be used on 8 1/4 cars.

Dayton Airless Tires are now being used by several Leesville automobile owners. See them.

Wilmer Cain,

EXCLUSIVE AGENT for Vernon Parish. See Me for SUBAGENCY.

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