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Abusing Free Speech.

Before our nation enters a war it is perfectly proper to discuss the wisdom of going to war, but the discussion is closed when congress acts. After that, no one should be permitted to cloak attacks upon his government or aid to the enemy under the claim that he is exercising freedom of speech. No sympathy, therefore will be wasted upon those who have been arrested for unpatriotic utterances. They abuse free speech. And this applies to attacks on the allies as well as to attacks upon the United States. We can no more allow our allies to be crushed than we can afford to be crushed ourselves. The defeat of our allies would throw the whole burden of the war upon us. We must stand together and fight it through. There are only two sides to a war—every American must be on the side of the United States.—W. J. BRYAN.

University Session Opens September 19.

The next regular session of the Louisiana State University will open on Wednesday, September 19. It is the earnest desire of the University authorities that there be no diminution in attendance from that of previous sessions, but, on the contrary, that the registration be larger than ever before.

"There is no doubt that the world will have to look mainly to the United States to replenish its supply of highly educated men, now being so rapidly depleted on the battle fields of Europe," says President Thos. D. Boyd of the Louisiana State University. "Many European colleges and universities have closed their doors, and it would be very unfortunate to have any great falling off in the attendance of our American colleges and universities this fall.

"High school graduates and college students are worthy of all praise for their eagerness to enter the military service and their willingness, if need be, to die for their country; but this war will probably continue several years longer, and there is no doubt that these young men can render their country better service by completing their education and thus fitting themselves for greater usefulness hereafter."—L. S. U. Press Bulletin.

Resisting the Draft.

The number of those resisting the draft is fortunately very few; there should be none. Some are conscientiously opposed to war—any war—and may prefer to submit to any punishment the government sees fit to inflict rather than to take up arms, but even such can not justify resistance or the giving of encouragement to those who resist. Still less can tolerance be shown to those who, while opposing conscription, attempt to DRAFT others to join them; opposing conscription. War is a last resort—it is a resort upon civilization that it

still reddens the earth—but so long as nations go to war the citizen can not escape a citizen's duty. If his conscience forbids him to do what his government demands he must submit without complaint, to any punishment inflicted, whether the punishment be imprisonment or death.

This is the best government on earth—the one most responsive to the will of the people, but it is a government of the people—not of one or a few men. If a few are permitted to resist a law—any law—because they do not like it, government becomes a farce. The law must be enforced—resistance is anarchy.—W. J. BRYAN.

Waverley Club Reception.

In appreciation of the four active club members, Mesdames W. J. Dunn, J. D. Kerr, W. C. Storm and J. O. Bethea, who are soon giving up their residence in Franklinton, the Waverley Club held an informal reception at the home of one of its members, Mrs. D. E. Sheridan, on Tuesday evening from 8 to 11.

The reception rooms and hall were especially attractive in their decorations of handsome ferns and cut flowers, while the porches which entirely encircle the house, were festooned with vines and softly shaded lights. Lices and cakes were served.

Mt. Hermon.

The first bale of cotton for this season was sold in Mt. Hermon August 15th. It weighed 525 pounds, ginned by A. M. Schilling and bought by F. R. Miller, was raised by Mr. McCauley Bateman, one of our best and most progressive farmers. Mr. Bateman had just moved up here this year and notwithstanding his serious loss of having his house burned when he first came, he rebuilt and has made a fine crop. We want more like him to come.

The Pig Club met Saturday night in the Auditorium and went through with its regular order of business, after which the Red Cross Auxiliary met, with the following officers present: W. T. Ott, Chairman; Mrs. W. E. Baulister, Secretary. Prof. Meadows resigned as Treasurer, and Mrs. S. W. Wilkes was elected instead.

Lieutenant Percy Ott, who came home on a visit, was present and made us a very interesting talk on the spirit and training of the army, for which a rising vote of thanks was extended.

Leland.

It was announced from Washington that men who fail to appear for army service will be jailed and certified to the army without physical examination.

Notice, Tax Sale.

To T. I. GALLOWAY, Sandy Hook, Miss.

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This notice is given that you may redeem said property from said tax sale within the time and upon the terms and conditions as required by law, should you desire to do so. Bogalusa, La., August 7, 1917.

R. H. BUCK.

A Distinguished Son of Washington Here.

Lieutenant Percy Wright Ott, Engineering Corpse, Regulars, stationed now at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, was a guest of honor in the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Ott, Monday of this week. Lieutenant Ott is a graduate of the University of Illinois, and was tendered the instructorship in Electrical Engineering and Mechanics at Urbana University, but recognizing his country's need he gave up his position and went to the officers' training camp for the summer and is now on a fortnight's visit to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Weston Ott at Mt. Hermon, La.

J. J. Walker Resigns Pastorate

Rev. J. J. Walker for reasons entirely satisfactory to himself and the church at large, resigned the pastorate of the Baptist church here and preached his last sermon from this pulpit Sunday evening. No dearer people could be found than Rev. and Mrs. Walker.

As a preacher Mr. Walker is sound, scholarly and well informed and as a pastor he is ideal, thoroughly shepherding not only his own flock but keeping in touch with the needs of the whole community, relieving distress whenever found and lending council and help on all sides.

Conditions in church affairs here make it impossible to hold Mr. Walker longer and while he has been urged to accept a city pastorate and also called to do rural work, he has as yet made no definite decision, but for the present will continue to reside in Franklinton.

Two members of a New York exemption board pleaded guilty to a charge of conspiracy to obstruct the draft law and were sentenced to two years in the Atlanta penitentiary.

For Sale.

Full Blood Poland China Pigs for sale. They are about 7 weeks old and the price is low.

Dr. M. Bateman

Any Doctor

will tell you a fellow's constitution won't last forever—and in these strenuous times it needs a good overhauling occasionally.

Mineral Wells, Texas



Offere Excursion

Rates Daily.

Two or three weeks there will make you look and feel like new.

Better Go While the Going Is Good.

ASK THE TICKET AGENT.

A. D. Bell, Geo. D. Hunter, G. P. A., Pass. Traffic Mgr., Dallas, Texas.

Notice, Book Lovers—

Anybody may read Waverley Club books by paying ten cents per book. Call at the Era-Leader office and see the collection.

Partial List of the Premiums to Be Offered at the Parish Fair here Oct. 17-19.

SCHOOLS.

Rules Governing School Contests and Exhibits.

1. Contestants will be allowed to enter only two literary events, excluding chorus and quartette.
2. Each school will be allowed to enter one contestant and one alternate for each athletic event, and each athletic contestant will be allowed to enter only two athletic events, excepting the relay race and basketball.
3. There will be first and second prizes, and honorable mention for third place for both athletic and literary events.
4. All literary events will take place in the school building in the forenoon of Thursday, October 18, and the athletic events will take place at the Fair Grounds in the afternoon of the same day.
5. Spelling contests in the elementary grades will be oral, and the spelling contests in the high school grades will be written. All high school grades to use all words in spelling pamphlet. Additional words to be taken from list of 500 words.
6. All entries must be in by Tuesday preceding the Fair.
7. The literary contests will begin promptly at 9:30 o'clock Thursday morning, October 18th, 1917.
8. Winners of First places in last year's contests will not be allowed to enter the same contest this year, excluding teams.

SCHOOL EXHIBITS

One, Two, Three and Four Room Schools

(Silver and Bronze Medals awarded where Cash Premiums are not given.)

1. Best general work, one room schools
2. Best general work, two room schools.
3. Best general work, three and four room schools.
4. Best map of Parish, one and two room schools.
5. Best map of Louisiana, one and two room schools.
6. Best map of Parish, three and four room schools.
7. Best map of Louisiana, three and four room schools.

Schools With More than Four Teachers

1. Best single water color painting.
2. Best single charcoal drawing.
3. Best water color paintings, work of five pupils in group.
4. Best charcoal drawings, work of five pupils in group.
5. Best Map of Parish.
6. Best map of Louisiana.

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| 1. Best white cake..... | \$ 50 | 25 |
| 2. Best devil's food cake..... | 50 | 25 |
| 3. Best pound cake..... | 50 | 25 |
| 4. Best lemon pie..... | 50 | 25 |
| 5. Best half dozen biscuits..... | 50 | 25 |
| 6. Best pretty dress costing less than \$1..... | 2 00 | 1 00 |
| 7. Best hat rack..... | 1 00 | 50 |
| 8. Best porch swing..... | 1 00 | 50 |
| 9. Best hall tree..... | 1 00 | 50 |
| 10. Best fly trap..... | 1 00 | 50 |
| 11. Best individual drinking cup rack,..... | 1 00 | 50 |

Literary Events.

1. Spelling, 4th grade, pamphlet to 4th grade.
2. Spelling, 5th grade pamphlet to 5th grade.
3. Spelling, 6th grade, pamphlet to 6th grade.
4. Spelling 7th grade, pamphlet to 7th grade.
5. Spelling, 8th grade, pamphlet to 8th grade.
6. Spelling, 9th grade, pamphlet to 9th grade.
7. Spelling, 10th grade, pamphlet to 10th grade.
8. Spelling, 11th grade, pamphlet to 11th grade.
9. Declamation, 4th to 7th grades inclusive, boys.
10. Declamation, 4th to 7th grades, inclusive, girls.
11. Declamation, 8th 9th, 10th, 11th grades, inclusive, boys.
12. Declamation, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th grades, inclusive, girls.
13. Writing from printed copy, 4th and 5th grades.
14. Writing from memory. 6th and 7th grades, first verse of Village Blacksmith, time—two minutes.
15. Arithmetic, 4th and 5th grades, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.
16. Arithmetic, 6th and 7th grades, addition, subtraction, multiplication and division of fractions.
17. Arithmetic, 8th and 9th grades, addition, subtraction, multiplication and divisions of decimals.
18. Reading, Elementary grades.
19. Best quartette, contestants in quartette may enter two other literary events.
20. Best chorus of not less than ten pupils, contestants may enter two other literary events.

Athletic Events

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| 1. 50 yard dash, over 62 inches. | | |
| 2. 50 yard dash, under 62 inches. | | |
| 3. 100 yard dash, over 62 inches. | | |
| 4. 100 yard dash, under 62 inches. | | |
| 5. 200 yard dash, over 62 inches. | | |
| 6. 200 yard dash, under 62 inches. | | |
| 7. 440 yard dash, over 62 inches. | | |
| 8. Running high jump, over 62 inches. | | |
| 9. Running high jump, under 62 inches. | | |
| 10. Running broad jump, over 62 inches. | | |
| 11. Running broad jump, under 62 inches. | | |
| 12. Standing broad jump, over 62 inches. | | |
| 13. Standing, broad jump, under 62 inches. | | |
| 14. Relay team, over 62 inches, one mile..... | \$1 00 | 50 |
| 15. Relay team, under 62 inches, one mile..... | 1 00 | 50 |
| 16. Basketball team, first team..... | 3 00 | 2 00 |
| 17. Best basket ball team, second team..... | 2 00 | 1 00 |

Have you donated to the Red Cross?

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To MRS. W. P. BRANDON, Bogalusa, La.

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Lot 5, block 30, Rogalusa Terrace, in the city of Bogalusa, La.

Said sale was made for the taxes for the year 1916, as assessed on the tax rolls for said year, said taxes and costs being as follows:

State taxes.....	\$.11
Parish tax.....	.16
Confederate veteran tax.....	.02
Good roads tax.....	.91
Interest.....	.02
Advertisement.....	1.25
Making deed.....	2.00
Recording deed.....	2.00
Cost of recording said title in conveyance records.....	1.50
Cost of this advertisement.....	4.00
Total.....	\$11.07

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R. H. BUCK.

Notice to Creditors.

In the Matter of the Succession of Isaac Roberts, Deceased. 26th Judicial District Court of Louisiana, for Washington Parish.

Notice is hereby given to the creditors of this estate, as well as to all other parties to show cause within ten days from notification hereof (if any they have or can) why the final account presented by O. C. Tynes, administrator of this estate, should not be approved, homologated and disposition of the funds be made accordingly.

By order of the Court. August 11th, 1917.

[Seal] M. A. Thigpen, Clerk of Court.

Sheriff Sale.—No. 2936.

Geo. W. Seals, et als,

Vs.

Susanah Wheat.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a writ of fieri facias, issued out of the 26th Judicial District Court of Louisiana, in and for Washington Parish, in the above entitled cause, and to me directed. I will proceed to sell at public auction to the last and highest bidder, on

Saturday, September 8, 1917

at the principal front door of the court house at Franklinton, La., between legal sale hours for judicial sales, the following described property, being and situated in Washington Parish, La., to-wit:

Lots 278 and 279 in the Town of Varnado, La., being in the Pearson Hr. No. 42, Tp. 2, south, Range 14 east, according to the official plat of said lots in the office of Clerk of Court at Washington Parish, La.

Terms of sale: Cash with benefit of appraisement.

This the 1st day of August, 1917.

J. E. Bateman, Sheriff.