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Commissioners Call Election to Select Trustee on Sept. 2d.

At the meeting of the City Fathers last Monday evening among the things of importance transacted during the session was the calling of the general election to elect a Commissioner of Public Property due to the resignation of Mr. Lawrence F. Villermin. The election is called to take place on September 2d, 1920 and the last day in which a candidate can file nomination papers is August 15th. So far, despite the efforts made by a few interested citizens to get out candidates no one has yet offered himself for the vacant office.

who seemed willing in former years to fill public office do not consider the game now worth the candle. It is unfortunate when the Legislature was in session that amendments were not made to the charter of New Iberia, either to go back to the old form of government, or better still, giving the voters a right to elect one well paid manager who would have full authority over every department of New Iberia. In that way one official would be responsible for the conduct of his subordinates and the public would then be in position to register complaints of inefficiency, if that be the case, or to suggest plans for the City's advancement that might redound to the benefit of all. As it may, the way things look now on the political horizon it will now be easily sailing to get a successor who will give the same efficient service as Mr. Villermin.

BETTER DRAINAGE FOR OUR FARMERS.

For some time representative citizens of the Sixth, Fifth and Seventh Wards have been endeavoring to carry on a joint program to drain the lands in those sections that suffer yearly from inundations. From what we learn it is proposed to create sub-drainage boards out of the Bayou Carlin Drainage District, Coulee Rodiere, the Petite Anse, and work in conjunction with the Iberia & Southern, so as to float bonds that will give sufficient revenue to build canals that will mean real relief to the land owners. If the plans as proposed are feasible and legal, Coulee Rodiere will be cleaned out and excavated and the New Iberia & Southern, better known as the New Iberia Commercial Canal will also be deepened at a point below the F. & A. Railroad, so as to care for all of the waters of intersecting canals, the intention being to build a basin near Curtis switch. It is thought with the funds which will be available in the year 1923 there will be ample money to clean out and deepen the canal to the sea, and financial aid given the other drainage boards. Some weeks ago the Chamber of Commerce at the suggestion of Mr. Silvio Broussard appointed a committee to gather data and otherwise look into the feasibility of having Coulee Rodiere tapped with the Commercial Canal at a point below the F. & A. Railroad crossing. This committee has been diligently at work and ere the course of a few weeks some definite plan will be arrive at which might mean the savings of several hundred thousand dollars in crops annually.

JUDGE JAMES SIMON AND DISTRICT ATTORNEY VUILLEMOT NOMINATED FOR OFFICE WITHOUT OPPOSITION.

Last Thursday, as will be noticed by perusal of the minutes of the Parish Democratic Executive Committee appearing in another column of this journal, James Simon, Judge of the Nineteenth Judicial District Court which comprises Iberia and St. Martin Parishes and District Attorney Emile Vuillemot were both declared the nominees of the Democratic Party without opposition. This of course eliminates the necessity of going through a political campaign for either of the offices, and Judge Simon will again sit on the bench for another term of four years with Mr. Vuillemot as the prosecuting officer of the Court. His Honor will then begin his fourth term, a well deserved compliment to a jurist for faithful services rendered the people of the two Parishes.

His co-worker before the bar, Mr. Vuillemot has served but one term as District Attorney and we believe his constituents are perfectly satisfied with his stewardship in that capacity. Mr. Vuillemot has made an aggressive prosecuting officer and we feel certain will keep up his record as a painstaking public official.

STORY TELLING HOUR.

In connection with the community library there has been inaugurated a story telling hour for the boys and girls of New Iberia. It is an effort on the part of some public spirited women to interest the young people in books that will prove not only interesting but helpful, to direct them to the wealth of good literature that is in the new library which has been established for the good of those who will use it. The library and reading circles are open to the public and parents are asked to consult the appended schedule and to enlist their boys and girls as members of the club suitable to their ages:

Reading Circles.

- Monday—Boys from 13 to 16, Miss Louise Taylor.
Boys from 8 to 12, Miss Ava Gosling.
Tuesday—Girls 8 to 10, Miss Katherine Burke; Girls 11 to 13, Miss Ellen Suberbielle.
Wednesday—Girls 14 to 16, Mrs. Robt. Perry.
Thursday—Boys and girls from 6 to 8, Mrs. Pitman.

Friday—Girls 12 to 14, Miss Ruth Gilbert; Boys 8 to 10, Miss Theda Murray.
Saturday—Girls 12 to 14, Mrs. Henry Pharr.

METHODIST CHURCH NOTES.

Rev. F. J. McCoy of Houma will preach here next Sunday evening at 8 o'clock.

The Stewards met in regular monthly session last Tuesday evening. The Third Quarterly Conference was held in connection with the Steward's meeting.

Rain interfered with the church work last Sunday to some extent, but all services were held according to schedule.

Rev. H. W. Bowman, the Presiding Elder, has been sick all summer, and was not able to hold the Quarterly Conference this week.

The Quarterly Conference appointed a Committee to look into the matter of providing a new roof for the parsonage.

The Centenary teams are preparing to round up the second year of Centenary contributions.

LOUISIANA RAILROAD ASKS RATE INCREASE.

Baton Rouge, La., Aug. 5.—The Louisiana railroad here has made application to the railroad commission for an advance in freight and passenger rates. The case probably will be set for hearing August 17.

The railroads operating in the State want the same advance on intrastate rates as given by the Interstate Commerce Commission in the consideration of the rate advance cases and recommended that the state commission grant the increase.

The case will be submitted on the record made before the Interstate Commerce Commission in Washington.

EX-NAVY MEN WANTED FOR EUROPE.

Word has been received from Lieutenant A. M. Kahn, U. S. Navy Recruiting Officer at 730 Common Street, New Orleans, that ex-Navy men who re-enlist will be transferred directly to a new destroyer for duty in European waters. Six of these destroyers will sail for Europe the latter part of this month. The Black, Adriatic and Mediterranean seas will be visited, as well as Greece, Turkey and Egypt. On account of the short notice before sailing, the usual 30 days leave cannot be granted until after arrival in Europe.

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—Until probably the middle of next week the brick paving will again be stopped by Messrs. Ritchie Bros. This is due to the fact that the excavation from the corner of Iberia and on up Main is not yet complete. Why this necessary part of the work has been neglected by the contractors we have not been able to ascertain. It is unfortunate, considering the cessation of rains. So far the paving is within about thirty feet of Iberia Street. On Monday these same contractors were awarded the paving of Bridge Street. Just whether they will undertake that part of the work before finishing up Main to Railroad Avenue we have not been informed. The consensus of opinion is that Main should be finished first before taking up any other work and we hope our City Fathers will insist upon it. On Iberia Street the Southern Roads Company have been laying the cement gutters just as rapidly as the working force could lay the cement, and in a few weeks if they have the material at hand it is more than probable they will be ready to begin the paving. This of course will have to be held in abeyance if they decide to remove their crew back again to Daurier Avenue which is all in readiness for the paving.

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LIBRARIANS JOIN FIGHT ON UNREST

American Library Association inaugurates Nation-wide "Books for Everybody!" Movement.

WILL AID FOREIGN BORN.

Social Problems Can Be Solved by Teaching American Ideals and Traditions.

The spirit of unrest that has been sweeping the country indicates that the foreign born, who have flocked to the United States from every corner of the globe have not been given the proper help and encouragement, in the opinion of the 4,000 librarians who make up the American Library Association and who are now enlisted in a "Books for Everybody" movement. The effort is a concerted movement to carry out the Enlarged Program which the association has adopted.

There are approximately fifteen millions of foreign born in the United States and of this number six millions do not read or speak the English language. One phase of the Enlarged Program will be to bring the publisher and translator together with the view of furnishing the proper books in sufficient numbers to carry the message of American ideals and traditions to this vast army of uninformed people. They have been largely dependent upon the foreign press for their written messages. Many men who live with their fingers on the pulse of current events are firmly convinced that a sound foundation in Americanism can be easily built among the foreign born if the proper literature is placed within their reach in a language they can understand.

No Drive to Be Held.

In order to carry out the Enlarged Program two million dollars will be required. This money will not be sought through the medium of a campaign or an intensive drive, but will be obtained through the individual efforts of the librarians, library trustees and friends of libraries. The American Library Association will bend every effort to bring about the nation-wide adoption of each of the cardinal points in the Program, which includes the extension of the county library system and the establishment of more industrial and business libraries. It now has in operation book service to the United States Merchant Marine, Coast Guard, Lighthouse Service and hospitals of the United States Public Health Service. The needs of the 75,000 blind persons in the United States will be cared for. At present the number of books available is woefully inadequate. This will be remedied and the joys of good literature will be brought into lives that are darkened by a veil which will never be raised by any other method.

Not all the work of Americanization lies in the great centers of population. Great sections of the country where industry is carried on by foreign workers do not know public library service. There are important mining states where less than a score of libraries exist. One mining state has but two public libraries.

MORE BOOKS FOR BLIND.

American Library Association Behind Movement to Bring Good Literature to Those Who Walk in the Dark.

There are between 75,000 and 80,000 blind people in the United States. The supply of books in the recently adopted Braille type for their use is inadequate, there being less than 100 titles existing in that print. The American Library Association has included in the projects of its Enlarged Program the resolve to aid in printing and distributing additional volumes. It has already succeeded in inducing several well-known authors to finance the brailleing of one or more of their books. In inaugurating its "Books for Everybody!" movement a fund of \$2,000,000 will be raised to carry out the provisions of the Program. The money to be obtained not by a campaign or drive, but through the efforts of the librarians, library trustees and friends of libraries.

MODERN WEATHER PROPHECY.

New ideas in predicting storms are being adopted by weather experts. A storm on the South Atlantic coast a few days ago was predicted because of heavy swells breaking along the coast; but the predicted storm hasn't arrived yet. Long-range forecasts for next winter are now being prepared by astronomical observers who are keeping tab on the "ice caps" on Mars during the summer. By watching the polar ice formations, observers hope to estimate the amount of heat the sun is throwing off and the extent to which sunspots are affecting the main source of supply. A shortage of ice on Mars this summer may lessen our worry over our annual prospective coal famine.—Item.

Secretary-Manager Frank Noel of the Chamber of Commerce made a hurried trip to Houston this week in the interest of New Iberia.

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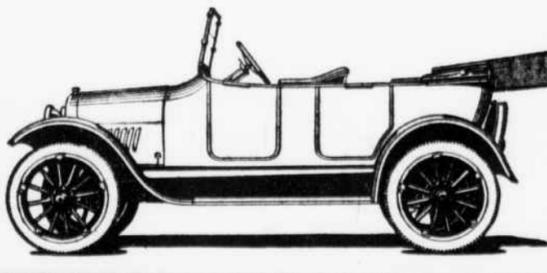
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