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## NEWS OF LOUISIANA

### Rate War Between Telephone Companies.

### APPOINTMENT A SURPRISE

### Nebraska Fugitive Arrested at Lake

### Charles-Close of the Sugar Making

### Business.

### END OF SUGAR MAKING SEASON

### Diamond, La.—Magnolia, the only

### sugar factory in operation, concluded

### its crop Friday. The yield was not

### entirely satisfactory, but the saccharine

### matter rich.

### CITY BONDS SOLD.

### Monroe.—A telegram from Mayor

### Forsythe, who is in Cincinnati

### negotiating the \$60,000 issue of

### waterworks bonds, was received here,

### stating that Seasongood and Meyer,

### of Cincinnati, had purchased the entire

### issue. The sale of the bonds means

### that Monroe will in a short while

### own her own waterworks and light

### plant.

### THE NEW SCHOOL BOARD.

### Houma, La.—The school board held

### its first meeting and elected a presi-

### dent and superintendent of public

### education. Mr. Thomas Casey, of

### Gibson, was unanimously chosen

### president and Mr. Arthur Kelly, of

### this town, was elected superintendent

### without opposition. The salary of

### the superintendent was fixed at

### \$600 a year.

### TELEPHONE RATE WAR.

### New Iberia, La.—The nineteenth

### judicial district court, which has been

### in session for the last month ad-

### judged after disposing of forty-eight

### cases. The next criminal term will

### open the first Monday in February.

### Another rate war is on in the city

### between the Cumberland and Teche

### and Vermillion Telephone companies.

### Telephones are being absolutely

### given away by the Cumberland peo-

### ple.

### SCHOOL DIRECTORS MEET.

### Acadia, La.—The Blenville board

### of school directors met at Acadia

### with W. P. Oden, president, and W.

### U. Richardson, superintendent, and

### J. L. Baker, W. B. Miller U. N.

### Page and B. G. Smitherman present.

### The superintendent's report was re-

### ceived, showing the progress of

### schools and recommending winter

### and spring school terms. The general

### appropriation bill was passed, and

### after ordinary business the board

### adjourned to the second Monday in

### April.

### CONTRACT FOR ARTESIAN WELL

### Lake Providence.—The board of al-

### dermen of this town met in special

### session and contracted with Captain

### Drinkwater, of Greenville, Miss., for

### the sinking of an artesian well in the

### courthouse square. This is the first

### step towards the construction of a

### water works and electric light sys-

### tem, for which the town voted, some

### time since, \$17,500 of 5 per cent bonds.

### The board of aldermen decided to ad-

### vertise at once for bids on the water-

### works and electric light plant, the

### plans and specifications of which

### were made by Captain Arthur Hider,

### of Greenville, Miss. The bids are to

### be opened on February 22.

### LARGE YIELD OF COTTON.

### Cheneyville, La.—A statement sworn

### to by Mr. O. F. Mixon before J. R.

### Hart, justice of the peace, shows an

### abnormal yield of cotton lint from

arrest and hold. No particulars as to

what may be the charge against him

are known.

### PRISONERS FOR PENITENTIARY

Alexandria, La.—Superintendent

Owens and Engineer Mallar, of the

Southern Pacific, arrived here by

special train. They were accompa-

nied by Contractors Willis, of New

Orleans, and Castillo, of Baton Rouge.

They came here to see about building

the front street levee, which will

soon be let out by the state.

The first load of timber for piling

for Alexandria's traffic bridge was

delivered by Contractor E. J. Hard-

ner. He will continue to deliver un-

til the contract is completed. The

material has all been ordered, and as

soon as the stage of water will per-

mit active work of construction will

be begun. One half of the steel has

already been manufactured.

Sheriff Marion Swords and Deputy

U. N. Ogden arrived here from Ope-

lousas, St. Landry parish, with three

prisoners to be taken to the penitenti-

ary. The prisoners were kept in jail

here, and the sheriff left over the

Texas and Pacific for Baton Rouge.

### HOW, WHOM, WHEN TO KISS.

No Longer Good Form to Salute a Person

on the Lips, It Is Said.

And now even kissing is being re-

duced to a science! Once upon a time,

when people wanted to kiss they just

kissed, and that was all the fuss there

was about it. Now all this is chang-

ed. The woman who wants to be ab-

solutely "correct" in kissing, as she

is in the selection of her hats or

gowns, stockings or petticoats, must

also kiss according to rule.

"It is no longer good form," we are

assured by one of these new-fledged

authorities on polite osculation, "to

kiss even your dearest friend on the

lips. That kiss is sacred to lovers and

to husbands and wives. In polite so-

ciety the kiss upon each cheek is now

the accepted form of greeting between

friends or relatives. When women

are about the same age either one may

offer the first caress, but between a

young woman and an older woman

the younger must always proffer her

lips and the older will gracefully turn

her cheek to receive the kiss. Then,

if the older woman desires to be ex-

ceedingly gracious, she may in turn

kiss the younger, but there is no dis-

courtesy if she turns the other cheek

and becomes the recipient of the second

kiss.

"Under no circumstances must the

younger woman turn her cheek for

the first kiss. This is a pretty little

act of deference on her part, but to

force her senior to give her the kiss is

distinct rudeness. The well-bred wo-

man is always cordial, but never effu-

sive in her caresses. She is also chary

of them. Promiscuous kissing is in

bad taste. Of course, to kiss even

one's nearest relative in the street is

not permissible. A woman who is the

possessor of self-respect and dignity

will take care that her kisses are not

meaningless.

"There are several reasons why the

kiss upon the lips has become obso-

lete, the principal one being that it is

unhygienic. Especially is it bad for

children to be kissed upon the lips by

their elders. Mothers who study

health never kiss their own children

in this way, and are careful that the

nurse does not thus show her love for

her little charge. Kisses may be pressed

upon a child's cheeks, brow, eyes,

chin or neck, but never on the mouth.

A hurried kiss is almost an insult.

Some women put off the good-by kiss

until the last moment, and men give it

in a peck on the cheek. The proper

way to give a kiss is to press your lips

lightly, but firmly, against the cheek

and let them rest there for an instant.

There must not be anything sugges-

tive of a "smack."—Philadelphia

Times.

### Giantess Footracer.

Miss Julia Austin, the Lake county

giantess and footracer, has just ar-

rived from the snow-capped peaks of

Alaska, where she has been in train-

ing for more than 12 months. She was

matched against a great Alaska In-

dian footracer in a dash of 200 yards

for \$40,000. She ran the distance in

0:20, racing her victim from start to

finish and winning the glittering gold

by a small distance. This beautiful

young lady stands seven feet three

inches in her stocking feet, weighs 190

pounds, was born in Colorado and raised

in Lake county. She speaks seven

different languages, and can outrun

any human being on earth for money.

—Willett Press.

### American Books in Mexico.

Mexico buys more American books