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## Workmen's Compensation Insurance

Fire, Tornado, Boiler, Life and Accident. Bonds of all kind.....

Mrs. W. T. Forrester, Agent  
St. Francisville, La.

## WOODLAWN FARM

J. B. McGEHEE  
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## ALWAYS ON HAND

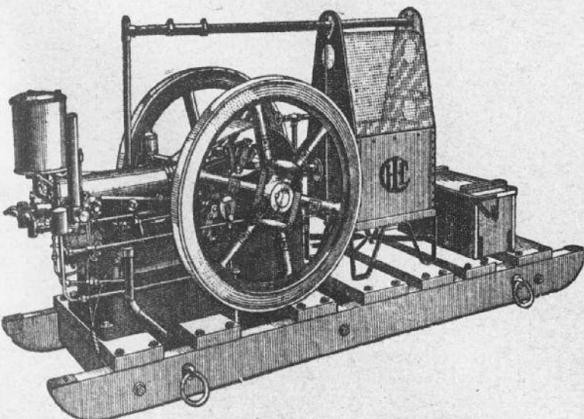
NEW MACKEREL, DILL PICKLES, SOUR PICKLES, SAUER KRAUT, HOLLAND HERRINGS, COD FISH, DRIED AND CANNED SHRIMP, TUNA FISH, CHOICE ASPARAGUS TIPS, CAMPBELL'S SOUPS AND PORK AND BEANS, CHIPPED BEEF, SLICED BACON IN GLASSES; ALSO BACON CUT IN QUANTITY TO SUIT PURCHASER. FULL LINE OF VORIE'S FANCY CAKES. CEREALS IN PUFFED RICE, PUFFED WHEAT, CREAM OF WHEAT, CORN FLAKES, OAT MEAL, FRESH STAR AND DIAMOND "C" HAMS.

GEO. RETTIG'S  
OF COURSE.

## Charbon Vaccine

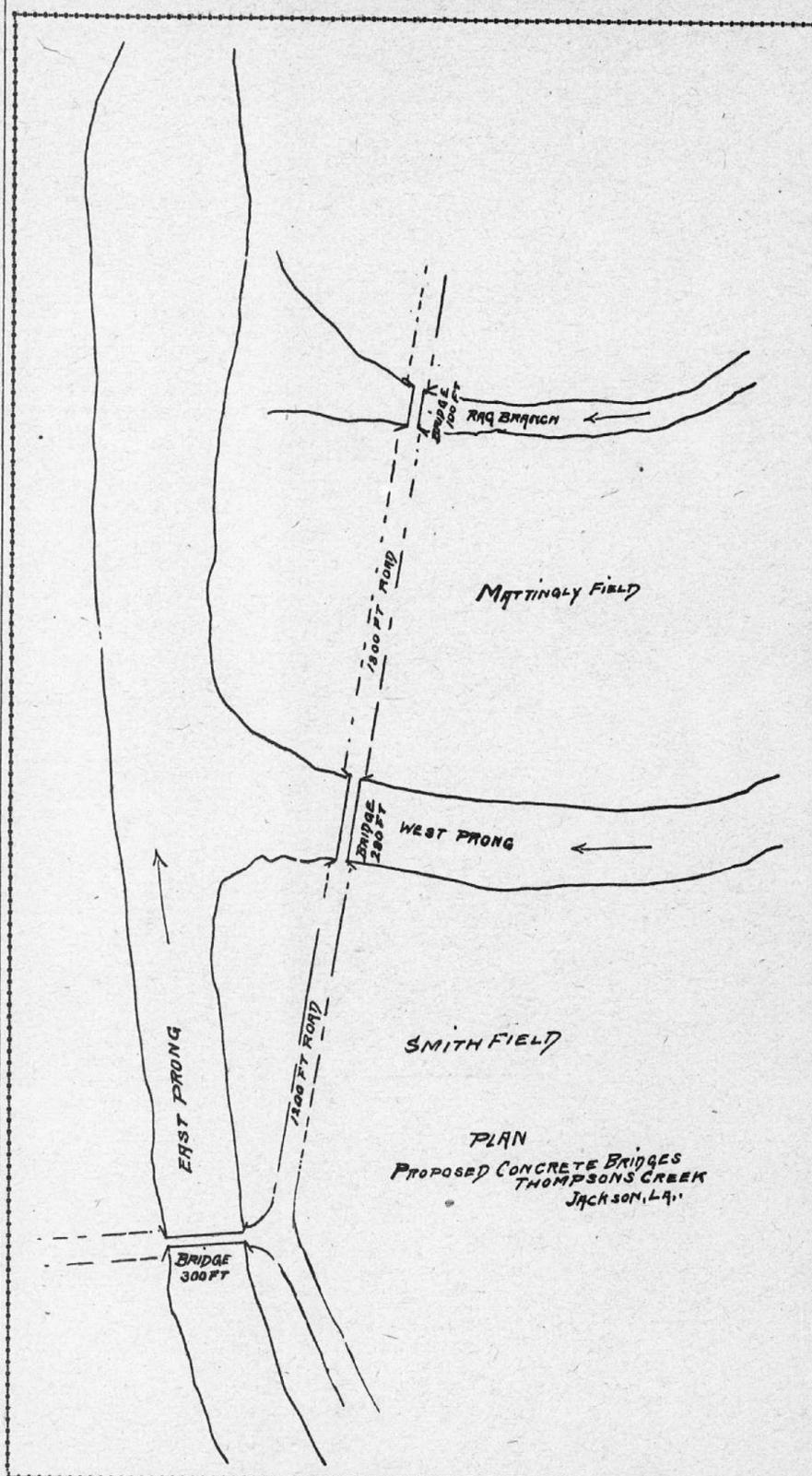
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CHAS WEYDERT.



## THREE CONCRETE SPANS CAN BE BUILT FOR \$10,000

INSURING STRUCTURES AGAINST DAMAGE BY HIGH WATER.

MUCH OF NECESSARY MATERIAL ON HAND

Water, Sand, Gravel and Fuel Found in Abundance at Proposed Sites.

The project of bridging Thompson's creek is one that is just now receiving a lot of attention in both East and West Feliciana parishes. Messrs. W. S. Yost and J. A. Rodick, employed respectively as plumber and construction superintendent at the East Louisiana Hospital for the Insane at Jackson, have given this matter much careful attention. After having gone into the situation thoroughly and after having made a number of tests as to the nature of the banks and soil at the different fords, they have come to the conclusion that this treacherous stream can be successfully bridged for a sum not to exceed \$10,000.

These gentlemen state that two propositions are offered, either of which may be carried to completion for the above-named sum. One is to build one bridge at the present ford commonly used in going to Jackson. The other is to build a series of three smaller bridges, one to be located a little north of the commonly used ford, another across the west prong of the creek, and the third to be placed across Rag branch. This latter plan commends itself for the reason that the bridges would be so placed as to obviate the necessity of traveling through the immense sand beds that are found at many places along the bed of this creek.

All of these bridges will be constructed of re-enforced concrete, which will make an everlasting structure. They are to be of the type known as the Girder Type, with flat arches, and the foundations are calculated to carry a load of six thousand pounds per square foot. The one to be erected over the east prong will be three hundred feet long and the one over the west prong will be two hundred and eighty feet, while the one over Rag branch will be one hundred feet. All will have wing walls at each end.

The situation has been gone over very thoroughly by Messrs. Rodick and Yost of Jackson and they are confident that the project can be carried out successfully, and at a very nominal cost.

The plan seems reasonable enough when one thinks of the larger quantities of material necessary for the erection of the bridges being already on the ground, and in inexhaustible abundance. The sand and gravel of Thompson's creek is recognized as a very ideal material for construction work, and there is an abundance of water and fuel at all three of the sites. All that is left to be purchased are the steel and cement.

A meeting of citizens was held in St. Francisville, recently, and a committee composed of Messrs. W. B. Smith, Albert Soule, A. H. Moses, G. M. Lester and F. O. Hamilton was appointed to confer with a committee from Jackson, at the proposed sites of the bridges. The town council of Jackson, at its last meeting, adopted a resolution inviting this committee to make its visit on May 24th, and also extended an invitation to the individual members of the police jury of East Feliciana Parish.

After making the visit the West Feliciana committee will report back to a citizens' meeting, after which the problem of financing the undertaking will be considered.

The proposition that Thompson's creek can be successfully bridged for a sum approximating \$10,000 is of such paramount importance as to make it a matter of wonder why there should be any opposition from any quarter.

The benefits to be derived from a successful culmination of this plan are so numerous and will accrue to so many different people of different sections that the people of the two par-

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## COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM OF JULIUS FREYHAN HIGH SCHOOL

Following is the program of commencement exercises of the Julius Freyhan High School to be held Friday, May 28:

Chorus—High School Girls.  
Invocation—Rev. S. L. Riggs.  
Salutatory—Anna May Connell.  
Class History—Jessie Ball.  
Essay, "Immigration in the South"—Hortense Fulton.

Class Prophecy—Thelma Graves.  
Class Song—Senior Class.  
Class Will—Lintot Williams.

Debate: "Resolved, That the several states should establish schedules of

minimum wages for unskilled labor, constitutionality conceded"—Affirmative, Hilary Forrester; negative, James Stirling.

Valedictory—Hilary Forrester.  
Duet.  
Address.  
Award of Medals—Judge S. McC. Lawason.  
Presentation of Diplomas—Supt. R. E. Crump.

Rev. A. W. Skardon will deliver the commencement sermon Sunday morning, May 23, at 11 o'clock in Grace Church.

The senior play will be given at Pythian Hall, Thursday evening, May 27.

### VICTOR AND VICTIM.

"Madam," said the man in the street car, "I know I ought to get up and give my seat, but, unfortunately, I have recently joined the Sit-Still Club."

"That's all right, sir," replied the woman. "And you must excuse me for staring at you so hard; I am a member of the Stand and Stare Club."

She proved so active and conscientious a member that the man began to feel uncomfortable under her gaze. Finally he rose and said: "Take my seat, madam; I guess I'll resign from my club and join yours."—Boston Transcript.

Good roads will decrease ignorance, poverty, discouragement, immorality, profanity, back taxes, sheriff's sales and grouches.

### ALMOST A FAUX PAS.

"I notice in the paper," gasped the Washington hostess, "that Senator Geewhiz was not re-elected to the next congress."

"What of that?"  
"And I was just about to ask him to dinner."

By wayside haunts of fancy,  
By woods and blossomed dell,  
I take my heart each morning  
To drink the springtime spell.  
At noon we feast together  
On dreams that wind away  
Through miles of sunny weather  
All in the heart of May.  
And what a plaything living  
Becomes in such a guise—  
Forgetting and forgiving,  
There all the secret lies.

### PARISH SUNDAY SCHOOLS TO MEET AT WILHELM.

On June 18 and 19 the Parish Sunday School Association holds its annual convention and preparations are being made by those in charge to make this gathering to be held in Wilhelm one of the best religious gatherings ever held in the parish. The State Sunday School Association is co-operating with the local Sunday School workers in the parish and are going to send some of its ablest workers to the convention. The president, Mr. W. S. Bliss, and the secretary, Mr. W. R. Campbell, of the parish association, are anxious to get in touch with every parish school and every Sunday School worker and pastor in the parish and should any such persons reading this article have failed to receive a notice concerning the convention, the officers would appreciate a line from you to that effect. The only reason you have not received proper notice is because the association has been unable to locate you. Just send your name and that of your school with the list of its delegates and places of entertainment will be given them during their stay at the convention.

Certainly, every Sunday School in the parish should be represented by one or more delegates, for this is an interdenominational opportunity for our Sunday School people to learn better methods of Sunday School work and to awaken us to the realization that progress is being made in the Sunday School work of the world as it is in every other field.

Much interest is being aroused and plans are being made for a convention well worth while.

W. R. CAMPBELL,  
Secretary Parish Sunday School Ass'n.