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TWO MORE ROUTES WILL BE ESTABLISHED

The two new rural routes to be established from the Welsh post office are known as Routes No. 2 and 3. They were inspected Monday of this week by Mr. C. H. Glenn, inspector for the United States Postal Department. These are both motor routes and will be supplied by one carrier. With the exception of a few short stretches of road, which will have to be repaired, the routes are reported to be above the average. It is thought they will be established about July 1. Route No. 2 runs straight north from Welsh 9 miles to D. E. McBurney's, thence east 2 miles to the Housier corner, thence north one mile, and 1 mile east to the Grand Canal, 3 miles south, 3 miles west to Jos. Ellis corner, 3 miles south to W. F. Lovett's, thence 2 miles west to Welsh.

Route No. 3 starting from Welsh runs 7½ miles north on road one mile west of Route 2, to E. H. Boling's farm, thence 3 miles west to G. M. Hammil's, thence 2 miles south to the Hawkeye ranch, 1 mile east and 1 mile south to T. B. Monk's farm, 4 miles west to Dick Miller's, 4½ miles south to the Stegall corner, thence 6 miles east to Welsh, passing just south of the Oil Field.

How Mrs. Harrod Got Rid of Her Stomach Trouble.

"I suffered with stomach trouble for years and tried everything I heard of, but the only relief I got was temporary until last spring I saw Chamberlain's Tablets advertised and procured a bottle of them at our drug store. I got immediate relief from that dreadful heaviness after eating and from pain in the stomach," writes Mrs. Linda Harrod, Fort Wayne, Ind. Obetainable everywhere.

WELSH HIGH SCHOOL PLAYS.

At Auditorium, Friday, May 19, 1916, 8 O'Clock.

SIX CUPS OF CHOCOLATE (By the Senior Class.)

Miss Adeline Von Lindau, a German girl Miss Marion Funk
Miss Marion Lee, a transplanted Southern girl Miss Lillian Carrol
Miss Dorothy Green, a New-Englander Miss Mary Yantis
Miss Hester Bevan, a Bostonian Miss Esther Wright
Miss Beatrix van Kortlandt, a New-Yorker Miss Loan Bates
Miss Jeannette Durand, a French girl Miss Mabel Shoemaker

SCENE—A college town in New England.
TIME—Early Spring.

A young college man writes a love letter to each of six girls, not thinking how intimate they were, and not suspecting that night they were to have a party among themselves. Finally, Jeanette, the animated little French girl, reads a letter she received that evening from a romantic young man, and they all discover that it is the same young man who wrote each of their letters over which they were so sentimentally stirred.

THE HAPPY FAMILY OF FATHER TIME (By the Grades.)

PART I.

Introduction, Instrumental Piano
Ever Onward, Chorus Ensemble
I Am King, Solo Father Time
Processional, Review Seconds, Minutes and Hours
Rub, Rub, Rub, Solo Monday
Happy Little Minutes, Chorus Chorus of Minutes
The Secret, Duet Tuesday and Duty
Stitch in Time, Solo and Chorus Sewing Circle
The Day We Love, Solo and Chorus Thursday and Chorus
The Shopper's March, Instrumental March of Shoppers
Sweeping Song, Solo Friday
Little Seconds, Solo and Chorus Seconds and Chorus of Minutes
The Menn, Solo Saturday
The Children of Time, Chorus Chorus of Days

PART II.

Hail Our King, Chorus Ensemble
The Voice of the Flowers, Solo Patience
Dwelling in the Sunlight, Duet and Chorus Patience, Hope and Chorus
"I Told You So," Solo "Thief of Time"
We Cannot Go Without You, Chorus Chorus of Days
The Review, Solo and Chorus Days, Minutes, Hours and Seconds
Good-Night, Chorus Ensemble

ARGUMENT.

Father Time reviews the work of his children, the seconds, minutes, hours and days. The Thief of Time, with the assistance of Hope, Patience, Love and Duty, frustrates his plans.

CHARACTERS.

Father Time Ben Goldsmith
Monday Ollie Belle Howery
Tuesday Myrtle Bottorff
Wednesday Aline Armstrong
Thursday Mabel Robin
Friday Elizabeth Stewart
Saturday Aline Greer
Patience Rachel Wright
Love Florence Hebert
Hope Frieda Scoggins
Duty Hilda Carr
Thief of Time Olive Scoggins

Chorus of Seconds.
Chorus of Minutes.
Chorus of Hours.
Sewing Circle.

ADMISSION—20 AND 35 CENTS.

Tickets on Sale at Cooper's Drug Store, May 16.

ELTON BALLOT BOX OPENED IN COURT

ed spoiled, it was found that thirty-five had been voted for Bourgeois; eleven for Fontenot; and the other twelve votes had marked on them either for both candidates for sheriff or no vote for sheriff. Seven other votes for Fontenot, that had been counted by the commissioners, will be contested by Mr. Bourgeois, it was indicated at the court.

It would appear from the count that even though the court should count in all of the spoiled ballots that had been voted for Bourgeois, and spoiled on some other part of the ticket according to the count of the commissioners at that box, Mr. Fontenot would still have a majority.

It is understood, however, that the Elton ballot box, containing the votes cast at that precinct on April 18, 1916, was opened by order of court Monday and the votes recounted.

At this box fifty-eight votes had been counted by the commissioners as spoiled. Alfred J. Bourgeois, recent candidate for sheriff on the progressive ticket, filed a petition in court last Wednesday, asking for a recount of the votes cast at Elton, stating in his petition that he intends contesting the election of Isaac Fontenot, the candidate of the Democratic ticket, and the candidate elected sheriff, according to the official count, by a majority of fifty-three votes.

The box was opened by Clerk of Court Isaac R. Price Monday morning. Sheriff Joseph Fuselier and Assessor Luke L. Richard were the official witnesses appointed by the court.

Out of the fifty-eight ballots marked box will be contested on other grounds.

The count was preliminary to the contest proper. The suit for a contest must be filed within thirty days following the election, which would give the contestant until next Wednesday to file the suit.

Much interest was taken in the count of the box by many Eltonites. J. S. Treme, who was elected member of the police jury from the Fourth Ward, by a majority of sixty-seven votes over Thos. S. Plunkett, was especially interested in the count. The count showed him to have a majority even though the spoiled ballots are counted in.—Times-Record.

CHANGE OF PROGRAM AT THE AUDITORIUM.

On account of the graduation exercises to be held at the Auditorium on the 18th. and 19th., the management of the Welsh Motion Picture Co., wishes to announce the following changes in the regular program:

Wednesday, May 17th., the offering will be "The Girl of Yesterday," a five reel Paramount feature starring Mary Pickford.

Thursday and Friday there will be no picture show, but Saturday evening there will be a big double bill composed of the regular Friday evening program combined with the Saturday program, making nine reels, including Cleo Ridgley and Margery Daw in the "Chorus Lady", a five reel Paramount; a two reel drama entitled "The River of Romance," and two single reel comedies, "Cartoons in a Seminary," and "Sonny Jim."

An effort will also be made to secure the 16th. episode of "Pauline," which, if possible, will be shown together with the 17th. episode on Tuesday, May 15th. Admission Tuesday 5 and 10c.; Wednesday and Saturday, 5 and 15c.

LOCAL RICE GROWERS HAVE OWN WEATHER BUREAU

Manager Abbott of the Southern Rice Growers Association has installed a rain gauge in the rear of the association office and will undertake the recording of the rainfall at this point, for the benefit of the patrons of his office. He offers to settle all of the disputes which arise after each of the succeeding spring showers as to the exact precipitation to show the old timers whether or not "this was the heaviest rainfall ever known in this section."

Mr. Abbott's rain gauge, although not official, is built on correct principles, accurately scaled, and for all practical purposes will furnish an accurate record, and he extends an invitation to the farmers to phone him at any time for information about the rain fall.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Hall of Council Chamber.

Welsh, La., May 2, 1916. Council met in regular session, called to order by Mayor Hon. W. B. Gahbert. Trustees present: E. H. Boling, Dr. R. R. Arceneaux, and J. W. Armstrong; absent: A. T. Jones and S. O. Scoggins.

Minutes of meeting of April 4 read and approved as read.

Moved by Dr. R. R. Arceneaux, seconded by E. H. Boling, that all bills O K'd by finance committee be allowed and ordered paid. Carried.

CURRENT

2382—Calcasieu T. & S. Bank, semi-annual interest on light bonds	\$237.50
2383—Calcasieu Nat'l Bank Int. on note	324.71
2384—La. Western R. R. for light, poles, on right of way	2.50
2385—Cooper Drug Co., Ltd. vaccine points	.55
2386—Planters Tel. Co., phone for April	1.65
2387—C. A. Mastin, M. D.	2.00
2388—A. G. Fontenot, April salary, marshal	30.00
2389—Miller Hdw. Co., Ltd., supplies	7.90
Total	\$706.81

STREETS

2390—Joe Russess, st. work	20.00
2391—A. G. Fontenot, Apr. sal. st. com.	30.00
2392—Geo. Reeves, work on ridge	11.25
2393—Welsh Carriage & Imp. Co., supplies	56.80
2394—Ike Hackworth, st. work	14.00
2395—A. Reeves, work on brdg	21.25
2396—Chas. Dautel, drayage	12.25
2398—Faight Lbr. Co., lumber and cash	750.30
Total	\$915.85

LIGHT

2401—Welsh Carriage & Imp. Co., supplies	3.55
2402—Welsh Garage, machine work	1.25
2403—O. Lane, April salary	50.00
2404—F. B. Dennett, Apr. sal.	100.00
2405—A. E. Notestine, wiring	.75
2406—Welsh Whse. Co., April fuel	40.48
2407—E. F. Doan, labor at power house	4.75
2408—C. E. Carr, prem. on ins. of power house	35.31
2409—The Franklin O. & G. Co., 1 bl. oil	19.78
2410—Chas. Dautel, drayage and ex.	4.74
2411—Standard oil Co., of La., eng. oil	10.08
2412—Southern Eng. & Pump Co., supplies	12.30
2414—A. M. Locket, supplies	1.50
Total	\$295.56

Moved by E. H. Boling, seconded by Dr. R. R. Arceneaux, that the Mayor be authorized to pay freight on six cars of gravel from Troga Gravel Co. Carried.

Moved by J. W. Armstrong, seconded by E. H. Boling, that the council adjourn until regular meeting in June. Carried.

Attest—S. E. CARROLL, Secretary.

THE WELSH CIVIC LEAGUE.

The Civic League met with Miss Dora Radeke May 5th with thirteen members present.

Reports of the several committees were accepted. The president delegated a committee to collect fancy work to take to Jennings for exhibition during the convention.

Motion prevailed that the league extend Miss Harlin and her class in Domestic Science a vote of thanks for serving the refreshments for the league.

Mrs. Daggett and Mrs. Liddle of Jennings met with the Civic League last month and asked the ladies if they would help them with the Library Extension work. The ladies of Jennings want to collect books and magazines to be circulated in the rural schools, for the children and parents. The books and magazines will be kept on file and will be sent to each school in the parish. The teachers from each school will take care of the books and magazines and send them back to Jennings when they are through with them.

The League adjourned to meet with Mrs. Reeve June 2nd.

PRESS COMMITTEE.

ALABAMA MINSTRELS COMING.

You say minstrel shows are all the same—when you see one you see them all. We beg to differ with you and after seeing this company you will say that it is a novelty, and not like anything traveling. You have spent dollars of your money and hours of your time expecting to see a really first-class Minstrel Show. You will see it if you attend the Alabama Minstrels.

The public, regardless of race, sex, age or color, religious belief or political preference, turn out to see this Minstrel Company. Wednesday, May 17th.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE PARISH POLICE JURY

Jennings, La., May 4, 1916.

The Police Jury of the Parish of Jefferson Davis, met in the Police Jury Room, Office Building, this day at nine o'clock a. m.

The meeting was called to order by John H. Cooper, President, and upon roll call the following members were present:

Name	Ward
Arthur Guidry	1
George Hathaway	2
Henry Koll	3
J. S. Treme	4
Ausam Marcantel	5
J. H. Cooper	6
F. A. Arceneaux	7
H. A. Fontenot	8
Yves Pitre	9

The minutes of April 6 were read and approved.

The President stated that the first business of the body was to elect a secretary to fill out the unexpired term of the late clerk, Mr. L. E. Robinson, and upon a motion by Mr. Hathaway, seconded by Mr. Treme, R. S. Greer, of Welsh, was duly elected to fill the position.

On motion of Mr. Arceneaux, seconded by Mr. Marcantel, Wm. Mouton was elected road overseer of district 3, Ward 7.

ROAD PETITION—WARD 4

A motion by Mr. Treme, from the citizens of ward 4, seconded by Mr. Fontenot, that they be granted a public road through Ward 4, north to south. Motion carried.

Ward 4 Petition for Public Road, Jefferson Davis Parish, Jennings, La., May 4, 1916.

To the President and Members of the Police Jury of the Parish of Jefferson Davis Parish:

Gentlemen—We the undersigned citizens of Jefferson Davis Parish, La., respectfully ask your Honorable Body to appoint six commissioners to lay out and procure right of way for a Public Road from the SW corner of the W ½ of the NW ¼ of Sec. 11, in township 7, range 4. We also recommend the appointment of Messrs. Armand Manuel, Gustin Fruge, Octave Bertrand, L. S. Treme, George Aylesworth, and Prevat Bertrand.

Petitioners—Mrs. Jassen Morehead, G. N. Aylesworth, L. S. Treme, Octave Bertrand, L. S. Treme, Columbus Trent, Alfred Duhon, Neal Manuel, Amar Bertrand, Valsan Bertrand, Prevat Bertrand, Frank Nugent, Mitchell Arbie, Armand Manuel.

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Police Jury of the Parish of Jefferson Davis:

We, the undersigned citizens of Jefferson Davis Parish, La., respectfully ask your Honorable Body to appoint six commissioners to lay out and procure right of way for a Public Road from the NE corner of Sec. 14, west, to the NW corner of Sec. 15, in Township 7, Range 4. We also recommend the appointment of Messrs. Valsan Bertrand, L. S. Treme, Prevat Bertrand, George Aylesworth, Octave Bertrand, and Mirus Langley, (petitioners), Mrs. Jassen Morehead, G. N. Aylesworth, Octave Bertrand, Augustin Fruge, L. S. Treme, Columbus Treme, Alfred Duhon, Neal Manuel, Amar Bertrand, Valsan Bertrand, Prevat Bertrand, Frank Nugent, Mitchell Arbie, and Armand Manuel. On motion of Mr. Treme, and seconded by Mr. Marcantel, that the petition be granted. The motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 100.

The Ordinance Committee reported Ordinance No. 100.

An Ordinance granting the right-of-way under and over and along the Public Roads of the Parish of Jefferson Davis, State of Louisiana, to Planters Telephone Co., Inc., for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating a telephone system, telephone poles and wires.

Sec. I. Be it ordained by the Police Jury of the Parish of Jefferson Davis, State of Louisiana, that a right-of-way be and the same is hereby granted to THE PLANTERS TELEPHONE CO., INC., a corporation duly chartered and organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana, its agents, transferees, representatives and assigns, through, above, under, and along all of the Public roads and thoroughfares of the Parish of Jefferson Davis, State of Louisiana, from and after the passage of this ordinance.

Sec. II. Be it further ordained, etc., that said Planters Telephone Co., Inc., its agents, transferees, and assigns are hereby authorized to erect, construct, maintain and operate such lines of telephones and telegraph as they may require for the purpose of conveying intelligence by electricity and carrying on the business as provided for in the charter of said corporation, within, to and from the limits of said Jefferson Davis Parish, State of Louisiana.

Sec. III. Be it further ordained, etc., that none of the poles erected under this franchise shall be less than fourteen (14) feet in length, nor shall the wires thereon be less than eleven (11) feet from the ground. All of the poles so erected be equipped with the proper brackets, pins and insulators and cross arms where necessary and shall be of sufficient size to support weight of arms and wires

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