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RICE GROWERS MEETING IN BEAUMONT AUGUST 14.

A Good Attendance of Stockholders From This District is Desired.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Southern Rice Growers Association will be held in Beaumont, Texas, on August 14th, at 3 o'clock p. m.

An urgent appeal is being made throughout the three rice growing states requesting as many as possible to be present, as this is said to be one of the most important meetings ever held by the association. Stockholders are urged not to wait with anticipation that some one else will go and represent them for matters of great importance will be discussed relative to the present crop.

This is the time for the association to let its strength along the line of co-operation be known, for it is probable the millers will this year realize that the association is truly prepared to take care of the marketing situation under any conditions.

It is particularly desirable that the Welsh District be represented at the meeting by as large a delegation as possible. Not less than fifty from here should be present.

Stockholders who will attend are requested to advise the local office at least three days before the meeting.

CHICAGO RACE RIOT REPORTED SUBSIDING.

The big Chicago race riot in progress for over a week was reported under control Thursday morning, although there were a number of clashes with mobs in different sections of the city. Barred zones had been declared with troops guarding the districts in which mob spirit was more pronounced.

Total deaths to Thursday morning were 30, of which 13 were white persons and 17 negroes. The total injured numbered more than 250, many seriously.

VAUDEVILLE SPECIALTY MONDAY AND TUESDAY.

Armstrong and Berr in Comedy, Music and Song.

A special attraction is advertised for Monday and Tuesday nights at the Auditorium—Armstrong and Berr in acts of Mirth, Music and Soliloquy.

The Armstrongs, it is remembered were one of the chief attractions with the Ed. C. Nutt show here some time ago.

ELTON CITIZENS BUY ALLEN PARISH FARM.

Messrs. Sabatier and Bradford of Elton are reported to have purchased the Kinser farm near Oberlin, paying \$45,000.00, cash.

ROANOKE ITEMS.

Mrs. Nellie Mitchell and daughters, Euryth and Alice, will leave in a few days for an extended visit to relatives and friends in Independence, Mo. From there they will go to Chillicothe, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Lievens attended the ball game at Welsh last Friday. Mr. Lievens is quite an expert player.

Miss Ruth Sutter is out after a serious attack of tonsillitis.

The streets in Roanoke and the roads leading in are being graded and graveled. Owing to so much rain it is difficult to get the work done as they would like to, but it will be a grand help when the weather does settle. There isn't anything for a community to be more proud of than good roads and they are the best boost a town can have.

Mrs. Homer Hewitt was in Jennings Thursday shopping.

Louie Moore happened to a very painful accident while cranking his Ford. The engine backfired, striking him on the wrist. Fortunately there were no bones broken.

Miss Ester Martin has returned from Bogalusa, where she spent her vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Sheumaker have returned from Shelbyville, Ill. "Chuck" says it is very dry out there. "Chuck" is all right even if he is a little dry.

David Thomas and Mrs. Thomas (generally known as grandma Thomas) left Monday for Louise, Texas, where they will visit relatives and friends.

Mr. John Thomas made a flying trip to Houston, Texas, Monday night.

Mrs. A. T. Moore will return in a few days from Mississippi, where she is visiting. Her little son, Lowell, has been very sick while away.

Miss Cora Clayton left this morning for Mascot, Arizona, where she will spend a few weeks of the hot weather. Her father is accompanying her.

Mrs. Walton is visiting in Houston this week.

Mrs. Jennie Pulliam was a visitor in Welsh and Lacassine Friday.

—A Gleaner.

"NO CREDIT" signs, 5c each at the Journal office.

RICE HARVEST BEGINS EARLY IN AUGUST.

Crop is in Fine Condition and Whole Outlook is Promising.

Despite the fact that a great deal of this year's rice crop was planted in July—less than a month ago harvesting will begin during the coming week. There are several fields of rice in the vicinity that are almost ready for the binder. Mr. C. M. Sheumaker is reported to have 100 acres of Early Prolific which he will harvest during the coming week. If weather conditions are favorable this rice will be in the mill before the 15th of August.

From the 15th of August on it is considered there will be a continuous stream of the cereal pouring into market.

A great many fields this year are providence, rain having furnished very near, and in some cases all the water required for making the crop. The saving in fuel and labor is a great thing for the farmers and will enhance the profit of the crop.

There is only one parish having a greater acreage than Jefferson Davis, that being Acadia. On the whole the crop promises a greater average yield than the record for several years.

Prospects of the market opening at \$10.00 or better per barrel makes the situation look quite bright, in spite of the increased expense of production.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

10:00—Sunday School.

11:00—Public worship. Subject "The Mount of Trial."

8:30—Evening devotion. Subject: "The Lost Son."

8:30 Wednesday evening—Mid-week Prayer Service.

3:00 Thursday evening—Ladies Prayer Band.

All are invited to attend the services.

During the next few months a series of sermons will be preached on Sunday mornings as follows:

"WITH JESUS ON THE MOUNTAINS."

August 3—"The Mount of Trial."

August 10—"The Mount of Choice."

August 17—"The Mount of Instruction."

August 24—"The Mount of Prayer."

August 31—"The Mount of Service."

September 7—"The Mount of Vision."

September 14—"The Mount of Prophecy."

September 21—"The Mount of Agony." (Part I.)

September 28—"The Mount of Agony." (Part II.)

October 5—Communion Sunday.

October 12—"The Mount of Glory."

October 19—"The Mount of Authority."

October 26—Dr. Chas. Wm. Sommerville, D. D., Ph. D. of Memphis, Tenn., will preach.

Cut this schedule out and keep in a convenient place.

F. W. A. BOSCH, Pastor.

METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday, Aug. 3, 1919.

All services at the usual hours. Let your motto be: "On Time," but if you are late, come anyway. We will turn you loose on time.

Welcome you are.

R. L. WELDON, Pastor.

Trespass Notice.

Notice is hereby given to all parties that any person trespassing on any of my property in Wards 5 or 6 of Jefferson Davis parish will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

C. M. SHEUMAKER.

July 5-5c

Lord McMauley said that "nine tenths of the calamities which have befallen the human race had no other origin than the union of high intelligence with low desire" which would make it seem that even compulsory education of the wrong sort means no reduction of ills.

If you happened to invest in the loan made to Kerensky you probably know that the interest has defaulted, but state officials are confident that the permanent Russian government will recognize and honor these debts. The U. S. government has \$178,000,000 in the pot.

The war department has decided to sell 21,000,000 pounds of sugar now held in stock, which will probably ease the present scarcity.

Before the war the average person in the United States consumed 150 pounds of meat in a year. It takes a millionaire to maintain this average now.

NEW HOUMA GAS WELL BIGGEST IN THE WORLD.

A new natural gas well was brought in near Houma Monday with an estimated flow of between seventy and ninety million cubic feet per day.

The well, which now ranks among the biggest natural gas wells in the world, was under complete control every minute of the time. Considerable excitement was created in the business circles of Houma over the strike.

The promise of natural gas is evident in the vicinity of Welsh and will some day set the community aflutter. The possibilities from this natural resource have never been fully considered here. From an industrial standpoint natural gas is even more desirable than oil and yet its presence goes unnoticed. This has no reference to the hot air that flows ever and anon freely within the corporate limits of the town.

About Labor.

Some people talk really foolish about the labor situation. There really is no labor situation. Some farmers would like to hire harvest hands at \$1.50 per day as they did several years ago. They contend that the year not make any money and pay \$2.50 and \$3.00 per day for labor. The great trouble with most of this class is that the enormity of the business they have grown into startles them.

As an illustration we will take the man who last year paid a good wage, demanding an honest day's work in return, and devoted more of his spare time to study of methods and less to discussion. He saved his crop and made a bag of money. That proves that good wages can be paid and still a profit shown.

For another illustration take the laboring man himself. What does he labor for? Enough to eat and wear for himself and family. If by working six days in the week he is unable to supply necessities, where is the incentive to work? There is none. Give the working man—the average—pay enough to insure him the needs of life for himself and family and there will be no labor difficulties.

If we ever enter the prize ring and get knocked down seven times in three minutes, we will have no alibi. You noticed the same thing about Willard, didn't you?

\$125,000.00 BOND ISSUE FOR MODERN SCHOOL.

New School District Created and Election Called for September 2nd.

The Jefferson Davis Parish School Board upon the petition of citizens of Welsh has adopted resolutions creating Welsh School District No. 10, defining its boundaries and calling a special election therein on September 2nd, 1919, on a proposition to issue bonds in the sum of \$125,000.00 for the constructing and equipping of a brick or other equally fire proof public school building.

The carrying of this issue assures that this community will be supplied with one of the best equipped schools in the State, the beginning of a concerted movement for higher education.

Proper interest in school work was aroused the past season by the organization of the parent-teacher association, which early discovered that one of the chief needs of the school was proper housing and equipment. On account of the fact that the country was in war the subject of building was deferred. Conditions are different now and the committee has gone ahead with the plans. All of the preliminary details have been worked out, designs studied and estimates secured. Compilation of the assessment values of the district show that a reasonable millage will care for bond issue.

Public sentiment favors the project so strongly that there is not a shadow of doubt as to the issue carrying. The only regrets are the time required by the necessary formalities which must be gone through with in compliance with the law.

The resolution of the School Board creating the district, and also the resolution and proclamation calling the election are published in full in this issue of the Journal.

Scientists have been reported as trying to weigh light, and see what a sun-beam, for example, would tip the scales. When it comes to weighing light, however, a London paper mentions the grocers, and some one else says the ice man.

The London Opinion says the war is over—the last issue of Sloppy Stories has the picture of a civilian kissing the girl!

SMITH WOULD SHAKE THE "HARDBOILED" TITLE

Says the Ones Higher Up are "HARDBOILED."

In the investigation of alleged cruelty practiced upon American soldiers in the prison camp near Paris, before a house sub-committee, Lieut. "Hardboiled" Smith places the blame on the officers higher up. Smith would thus create the impression that he is only "parboiled." His story is fine in so far as it incriminates the higher ups, but it only shows a yellow streak, because Smith did not complain in time to correct the evil practice.

There never was excuse for cruel treatment of soldiers, prisoners in army camps on misdemeanor charges. Brutality has done not a thing toward maintaining the morale of the American army. Discipline and bigotry are entirely different elements. One could have been maintained without the use of the other by the officers.

Leavenworth is filling with men who misappropriated petty sums of the public's money, yet how small an offense is misappropriation when compared to inhumanity. The public contributed to the war fund knowing full well that a percentage would be pilfered, but it did not send its sons into the conflict to be brutalized by ignorant, inhuman commanders. Army rules are alright, but they give entirely too much authority to unproven officers, especially as to the court martial.

Have a Heart!

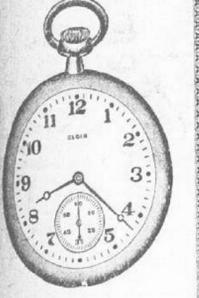
With an idea of testing her pupils' knowledge of their mother tongue a school-teacher wrote on the black-board the well known proverb, "A wink is as good as a nod to a blind horse."

Then she told the class to re-write this saying, using their own words, but retaining the original meaning of the sentence.

Some of the results were good and others bad; but the teacher nearly fainted when she attempted to read what one bright little lassie wrote:

"A spasmodic movement of the optic is as adequate as a slight inclination of the cranium to an equine quadruped devoid of its visionary capacities."

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PLAN TO MAKE TWO PARISHES OUT OF THREE

Plans are being considered for making two parishes out of the present parishes of Jefferson, St. Charles and St. John, a part of which is on the east and part on the west bank of the Mississippi river. The plan proposes making one parish of the parts on the east bank and another of the parts of the three parishes on the west bank of the river.

WARD SIX IS FREE FROM TICKS.

Ward six of Jefferson Davis parish has finished cattle dipping according to the statement of Inspector S. E. Carroll, is tick free. A number of other wards in the parish are finished or are dipping their herds. It is assured that this season will see the end of dipping in this parish.

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