

ELTON DEPARTMENT

Conducted by Mrs. Lionel Bertrand.

Elton, La., August 11, 1920.

Mrs. Ray Thomas, of Jennings, has been spending some time with her home folks. Mr. and Mrs. Perry Johnson, near Elton.

Miss Maude Anderson, of the bank force, spent the week end with friends in Kinder.

Uncle Ben Buller, had the misfortune to lose his pumping plant by fire one day last week. The old well had gone to the bad, and a new well had just been put down and preparations being made to test it out. The fire started at noon and was well under way before being discovered.

The Misses Irma and Arlo Anderson, Vida and Agnes Garbarino, Locade and Melina Bertrand have returned from Lafayette where they have been attending summer normal. They are all rejoicing over having passed satisfactory examinations. Irma and Arlo will teach the Pleasant Summit school and Vida the Liberty school. The other girls will re-enter school in Elton.

H. V. Kennedy is a New Orleans business visitor this week.

Thos. A. Plunkett, has been in Eastern Texas the past week, returning home last week.

The center of attraction seems to be the new Catholic school now under process of construction in the north end. The foundation, almost completed seems to be for a commodious building, about 50 x 70, two stories high, containing eight rooms.

G. A. Courtney of Lake Charles, president of Elton First National Bank came over to-day to hold a directors

meeting and spend a couple of days in town in the interest of the bank.

Emma Mae Stokes is here from Jennings enjoying a visit with home folks.

Joe Landry, living just below town, threshed 400 sacks of fine rice last week, the first in this section and probably the first in the parish.

Miss Minnie Ethridge, a valued employe of The First Nat'l Bank is enjoying a vacation and spent some time in Lake Charles last week, in company with her niece, Miss Aline Wardlow. She went to Montgomery to-day for a visit with relatives.

J. W. Stokes has just completed and equipped a fine bath room in his home on the south side.

J. G. Hebert of Eunice, has purchased the Cary property and is having it remodeled, preparatory to putting in an up-to-date machine shop.

Matt Hoag of Jennings, was a business visitor here one day last week. We are glad to note the improvement in Mr. Hoag's health.

Lionel Bertrand made a flying trip to Lake Charles Thursday to consult Dr. Iles about having his eyes refitted with glasses.

Thursday of last week the people of the Liberty district united their effort in cleaning up the cemetery. A large crowd gathered and soon had the grounds in fine shape. Some other localities could well follow their example, as grounds are in a deplorable condition.

Though Charbon seems to have almost run its course in north Jeff. Da-

vis parish. P. J. Johnson lost several head of fine mules only last week.

Lionel Bertrand and family are temporarily occupying the Joe Landry residence, recently purchased of Mr. Duncan, while their house is being moved back on the lot and repaired. Their interior will be papered and refinished throughout. J. W. Stokes is doing the work.

We are sorry to learn that Mrs. E. L. Bolles had to go to Lake Charles to have an operation. Her many friends here hope for a speedy recovery. We learn later that Mrs. Acy Buller is in Lake Charles on the same mission.

Miss Olive Vaughn is absent from her place in the Hart store because of serious illness. Her physician fears appendicitis, with an operation the only relief.

Mr. and Mrs. Weaver P. Williams the latter's mother Mrs. Ethridge, Mr. Bernie and Miss Aline Wardow of Montgomery have been spending some time here visiting relatives at the homes of H. V. Kennedy and Dr. Ethridge. All of the party except Miss Aline returning Friday.

Mrs. James Heard and little daughter, of Texas is here visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. Dr. Ethridge. They came here from Kinder where she had spent some time with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Barnhill.

Mrs. Heard, formerly Miss Berye Barnhill, grew to womanhood here, and her many friends will be glad to see her again.

Mrs. Will Blanton of Carliss, formerly Miss Martha Hebert who is here with her three children visiting her parents, spent Saturday in the country with Mrs. B. F. Garbarino.

Mrs. Minnie Liscomb returned to her home in Oil City Tuesday, after having spent some time with her

daughter, Mrs. J. A. Monger.

Miss Rena Hewitt one of the bookkeepers at the Putnam Bros. store is having her vacation.

The heavy rain here Tuesday has retarded early harvest for a few days. The early rice is nearly all ready to cut.

Sunday August 15, is the regular preaching day in the Methodist church. Rev. Winn preaching both morning and evening. Some plans have been made for holding some special meetings, but have been postponed owing to rush of harvest work.

Mrs. J. D. Davis entertains the Baptist Missionary Society this afternoon at the home of her father Rev. N. B. Wallace. A Missionary program is followed by refreshments.

SWINE MEETING AND SALE, OCTOBER 7.

A hog sale and a meeting of the Louisiana Swine Breeders Association will be held on the Long Bell Farm at De Ridder, October 7, announces J. B. Francioni, in charge of swine work, Extension Division Louisiana State University. This will be the first time that a sale and a swine breeders' meeting have ever been held together in that part of Louisiana.

There will be 48 Duroc-Jersey hogs from the Long Bell Farm offered for sale. Mr. Francioni has personally selected each individual and gives assurance that they are animals of the highest type.

Born, to Mrs. Tanqueneau, Thursday August 10th, a son, Mrs. Tanqueneau is a sister of Mrs. Jos Villien and is at present at the Villien home.

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FENTON TOPICS.

Fenton, La., Aug. 10, 1920.

Rice harvest opened up in our section Monday in several fields. The rice is looking very good and farmers are looking forward to a good yield and good prices. With good weather we expect to see the smoke and straw pile of the thresher within a few days.

Mr. J. C. Singleton made a flying trip to Sulphur last week to get his teams which his father, Mr. R. Singleton, had been using since he finished seeding. Mr. Singleton has purchased a new rice binder and will be seen in the harvest field in a few days.

Messrs. Collin Ledger, Edward Augustine, Paul Chaisson and Judge A. V. Pelouquin motored to Jennings Tuesday on business. Mr. Augustine making his final proof to homestead entry in Ward nine of Jefferson Davis Parish.

Mr. Yves Pitre made a flying trip to Lake Charles one day last week and purchased a fine mule to mate one of his mules that was left odd by the charbon.

Mr. Ralph Vidrine has moved from Woodlawn to the old Bel Camp where he has accepted a position with Mr. C. McLaughlin at the oil well.

The new home of Mr. W. M. Fenton near Fenton is nearly completed. We hope to see Mr. Fenton and family soon located in their new home near our little town.

Mr. Madison Marcantel of Elton spent Saturday and Sunday the guest of his aunt, Mrs. A. V. Pelouquin. We expect to see Madison back again soon as when he left he said, "the girls here look good to me."

Mr. Editor, it seems there is no "sunshine" at Bel, La. Mr. J. G. Myers, after spending a few days here and reading the Rice Belt Journal, expressed himself, saying, "the sunshine looks good to me, so forward the Rice Belt Journal to J. G. Myers at Bel, La."

Mrs. M. Stanley and family of three sons, Harry, Alvin and Andrew Stanley, were visitors at the Grey Bluff on the Calcasieu river two days last week, with her brother, Mr. Daniel Hebert.

Mr. M. Stanley, after spending the week at Leesville, with his father, brothers and sisters, returned Sunday. Mr. Stanley said the old stamping ground looked very familiar but that the many changes and improvements can only be expressed by the eye. He enjoyed the trip very much.

SUNSHINE.

LOUISIANA RICE REPORT.

Mr. Lionel L. Janes, agricultural Statistician at New Orleans, of the Bureau of crop estimates, U. S. Department of Agriculture, issues the following report concerning the Louisiana rice crop as of August 1, 1920.

According to the average of the reports of a large number of well informed rice growers in all parts of the rice district the conditions of the rice crop on August 1 was 91 per cent of a normal. This compares with 94 per cent on June 1, 1920; 92 per cent on July 1 1920; 90 per cent on August 1, 1919; 83 per cent August 1, 1918; 80 per cent August 1, 1917; with 87.4 per

cent the 10 year average of condition on August 1, (1910-1919).

A condition of 91 per cent on August 1, forecasts a probable average yield per acre of approximately 36.4 bushels, and a total probable production for the State of approximately 25,480,000 bushels. Last year, the average yield per acre was 35.2 bushels and the production 19,712,000 bushels. Two years ago the production was 16,704,000 bushels. Three years ago, 15,500,000 bushels; with 17,204,400 bushels the 5-year average. (1915-1919). The average yield per acre for the past 5 years (1915-1919) is 35 bushels.

The final cut turn will probably be larger of smaller than 25, 480,000 bu., according as growing conditions hereafter are better of worse than average conditions.

Damage to the crops from rice root-maggots is reported from Acadia, Calcasieu, St. Martin, St. Mary and Vermilion Parishes, the general character of which seems to be the killing out of rice roots in spots, thinning of the stand, and irregular ripening. Indigo weeds are reported as plentiful in the fields in some localities and barnyards grass or barnyard millet is said to have "smothered" out rice in spots in some sections.

As a general thing previous to Aug. 1, rice has been doing very well in Louisiana, the abundance of rain has interested considerably with the harvesting of the early rices, and rice growers would welcome a period of comparatively less precipitation during the subsequent harvesting season.

The percentage condition of rice in Louisiana by parishes on August 1, 1920 is as follows, comparison being by 100 per cent.

Acadia 88, Allen 100, Calcasieu 89, Cameron 85, Evangeline 92, Jefferson Davis 89, Lafayette 85, St. Landry 91, Vermilion 89, Ascension 97, Assumption 95, East Baton Rouge 85, East Carroll 83, Iberville 95, Lafourche 91, Madison 75, Plaquemines 90, Pointe Coupee 93, St. Charles 83, St. James 87, St. John 87, St. Tammany 91, West Baton Rouge 92, Iberia 91, St. Martin 89, and St. Mary 86.

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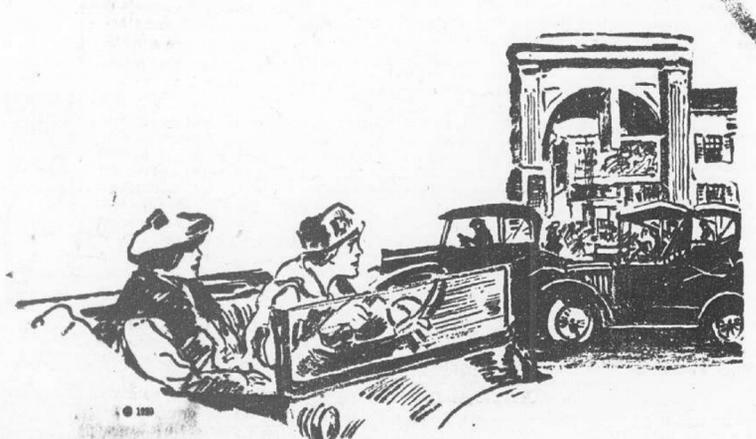
The conditions of rice on August 1, was 88.7 per cent of a normal. This compares with 90 per cent on July 1, 1920; 90.4 per cent August 1, 1919; and with 88.7 per cent the 5 year average of condition on August 1, (1915-1919).

A condition of 88.7 per cent on Aug. 1, forecasts a probable production of 41, 059, 000 bushels. The 5 year average of production (1915-1919) is 36,842, 400 bushels.

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Among those who renewed their subscription to the Journal last week was, Albert E. Parent of Bell City. Mr. Parent is one of the Journal's oldest continuous subscribers. He began taking the paper during the time when Geo. Baily was its proprietor, about twenty years ago and has since been a constant reader.

There are a number of these old timers who have stood by the ship through storm and calm, to whom the Journal owes a debt of deepest gratitude, and it does not fail in appreciation of their worth.



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