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What are We Going to Do to Aid The Starving Children of Europe?

Collection is Now Being Made in Jefferson Davis Parish for the Relief of the Suffering Children in Europe.

HE GIVES TWICE WHO GIVES QUICKLY

The first and second weeks in February will see the culmination of the intensive effort in Louisiana toward saving the children in Eastern and Central Europe, through the efforts of the European Relief Council, directed by Herbert Hoover.

Organization of the parishes in the State into Relief Units is just being perfected, though some sections have already raised large sums. "These children are no more mine than yours," is the touching appeal which Mr. Hoover makes to the Nation. He adds that they will die, 3,500,000 of them, unless America comes to their aid of \$10.00 per child.

Mr. D. C. Ritchie of Jennings has been appointed Chairman of the Committee for Jefferson Davis parish, and he in turn has honored the editor of the Rice Belt Journal with selection as Chairman of the Committee to solicit aid in the Welsh territory. To work with us on that committee we want a number of persons who have a real heart-interest in the work, men and women with determination. Call the Journal office and signify your willingness to interest yourself in this cause.

Mr. Ritchie's Letter.
Jennings, La., January 29, 1921.

Mr. R. W. Howard,
Welsh, La.

I have just been appointed Chairman of the Committee that will conduct the "collection" in Jefferson Davis Parish for the immediate relief of the starving children in Central and Eastern Europe. The campaign was supposed to open Jan. 23rd, and close Feb. 5th, but there is no rule, however, that will prevent our parish doing what it can after being organized. I am therefore privileged to name you as Chairman of the Welsh territory and to ask you to appoint such assistants as you may need to collect in cash, rough or clean rice, such amounts as you can.

Would suggest that February 13th you enlist all of the Sunday Schools, and the Churches, to do what they can on that day, and I will ask that generally throughout the Parish this day be so observed.

All of the Rice Mill employees have been instructed to lend every assistance they can, and you should call on them, also all of the Red Cross Workers, and all local organizations and lodges should be asked to help and contribute their mite.

Thanking you for whatever co-operation and help you can render and posters as I get them.

Faithfully yours,
D. C. RITCHIE,
Parish Chairman.

We realize fully that giving, even for so meritorious a cause, under present depressed conditions, is not going to be easy, but the cry of hungry children can not be ignored. In this case it is food they need and we have a plenty for everybody and some to throw away.

It is also true that many who would like to give quantities of rice find that they can not do so for the reason that it is tied up in such a manner that they can not dispose of it as they would. This makes an awkward situation. Before going into the campaign for subscriptions we took this matter up with Mr. E. C. Willard, manager of the Calcasieu National Bank, to see if arrangements could not be made for the release of such rice as might be donated to this cause. He stated that where rice was tied up on a Bonded Receipt it would not be worth while to attempt to secure the release of small portions, but where the Bank held crop liens in their files as security they would not hesitate to arrange for the release of a sack or two for each individual who wished to contribute.

A good many farmers have a few sacks or more of rice saved at home or in public warehouses for the family use or for their own account, from which they will be glad to donate a sack or more.

It is understood that the money collected in this section will be used to buy rice locally, so that no money will go out of the country. Furthermore a part of the National fund being collected by Mr. Hoover is pledged for the purchase of rice.

You do not need to bring your contributions of rough or clean rice to any given point. Simply give the committee an order on the warehouse or mill where it is stored. The committee will see to having it centralized for shipment. The main thing is to give quickly, and as generously as you can.

Several contributions have already been recorded; the management of the Gulf Coast Mill has offered its services wherever they can be used; Mr. C. L. Davis has agreed to haul the rice donated to a designated central shipping point; there is no doubt about the willingness of the local pastors, Sunday School teachers, and the faculty and teachers of the schools to lend their support to this noble cause, so we can correctly state that the campaign for the Relief of the Starving Children of Europe is well under way here and the

SEE BROTHERS BAND NEXT THURSDAY NIGHT

See Brothers' Concert Band will appear in concert at the Auditorium next Thursday night, February 10th, under the auspices of the Welsh High School. This band is without question one of the best in this part of the country. Wm. Sec. its director, was the

first man to appear before an audience in the Auditorium after it was completed about twelve years ago. The present organization numbers only first class musicians and their programs are always enjoyable. Their present program includes classical, popular and patriotic numbers, solos and in concert.

The band gave a very successful concert at Gueydan for the Gueydan High school last week. The management has been asked for a return engagement.

FARM LOANS

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Southwest Louisiana Farm Mortgage Co.

Lake Charles, La.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS \$500,000.00

A strong home company, with ample capital and the desire to properly care for real estate loan requirements.

Robert, President R. L. Hale, Secretary
Vice President E. C. Willard, Manager
Welsh, La.

Heart-Breaking Smiles



There are thousands of kinds of smiles, but it would be mighty hard to picture even in the mind's eye smiles more poignantly tragic than those here seen. Two years of life have held little save misery for these Vienna youngsters, yet, even though the result is painful, they smile. They are victims of rickets, the offspring of near-starvation, and that countless others in stricken Europe may not have to share their fate eight American relief organizations, under the name of the European Relief Council, are making a joint appeal for the conscience of America to complete relief work which this winter faces its crisis. These agencies are the American Relief Administration, the American Red Cross, the American Friends' Service Committee (Quakers), the Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, the Knights of Columbus, the Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A.

Welsh territory will give a good account of itself in spite of adverse conditions.

Clip the attached order, fill it in and bring or send to the Relief Committee, care of Journal office:

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EUROPEAN RELIEF COMMITTEE, WELSH, LA.
I hereby contribute _____ bags of _____ rough rice
_____ pockets of _____ clean rice of good quality
now stored in _____ (Warehouse) (Mill)
for the cause of European Relief. Said (Warehouse) (Mill) is
hereby authorized to deliver the above rice on surrender of this
order.
(Signed) _____
This order shall not be binding if the rice contributed can not
be delivered by the warehouse named.

OBITUARY

J. C. Kiplinger.

The wise man said, "A good name is better than precious oil." The life of Father Kiplinger was a living illustration of the truthfulness of this fact. The good name he had among the members of his family was better, not only than precious oil, but was more precious than any earthly treasure. His name among his neighbors was prized more than many things men value very highly, and the little children looked upon him as the friend of youth. There is nothing more precious than the influence and name of a good man.

Father Kiplinger was a consistent Christian for sixty-one years, much longer than many of us have lived. When but a young man he decided the kind of a life that he was going to live and nothing led him from that decision.

Joseph Conroy Kiplinger, son of Philip and Mahala (Shockey) Kiplinger was born February 11, 1842 in German Township, Clark County, Ohio, on a farm three and one half miles north of Springfield, where he resided until 1891, with the exception of three years spent in Moorfield Township. At the age of twenty-six years he was married to Emily Jane Ernest, of New Moorfield, Ohio, who was his faithful companion for nearly fifty-three years and to whom were born three children, Mrs. Clyde E. Blose, of Springfield, O.; P. W. and J. A. Kiplinger both of Lake Charles all of whom were present at the funeral service.

At the age of forty-nine years he came to Louisiana, settling at Lake Arthur on the 14th day of March 1891, in which vicinity he was engaged in rice culture until the year 1899, when he and his family moved to Welsh, La., and there resided for seventeen years, moving from Welsh to Lake Charles in 1918. He passed away very peacefully in Lake Charles at the home of his son, P. W. Kiplinger, at 641 Cleveland St., on Saturday morning January 22, at 10:50.

A few doses 666 break a cold.

REPORT OF SECOND OLDER BOYS' CONFERENCE

Held in Lake Charles January 28, 29, and 30. Large Attendance From Welsh.

The second state older boy's conference was held in Lake Charles, La., January 28, 29, and 30, 1921. This conference was acclaimed by Mayor Trotti of Lake Charles who gave an opening speech Friday night as one of the greatest gatherings that he had ever witnessed—certainly the greatest gathering of Christian Boys. Genuine optimism and enthusiasm that filled the atmosphere as the boys and leaders of that great conference opened up their hearts in song and speech. High ideals of a Christ-like nature were inspired into the boys there and everyone went away determined to live a better life and be more useful to the world as a true Christian citizen. It is one of the things that Welsh might be proud of that it had the largest delegation of any town outside of Lake Charles. Those attending from here were: Donald Grosh, Raymond Kimball, Raymond Abell, Alton Prentice, Henry Wright, Elmer Harris, Frank Harris, Charlie Doan, Erzell Fuller, L. V. Boucher, Keith Hawley, Marvin Van Ness, Robert Grauke, Harry Narans, Webster Arceaneux, Prof. Jougemma, Charlesberry Greer, Lloyd Robin, A. E. Boucher, Mike Perrodin, L. A. Gigger, J. P. Campbell, and Truman Fear. Over two hundred and fifty boys attended from all over the state.

Friday afternoon was spent in registering the boys and assigning them to homes. Boy Scouts ushered them in automobiles to their respective places to abide. At 4:30 p. m. there was a great mass play on the lawn of the Christian church. At six o'clock every one went home to supper. In about an hour everyone again was assembled in the great court room of the Court House and Prof. H. W. Strother, Dean of the Department of Music, L. S. U., led in such a warbling of throats as was never heard by man before. Clean wholesome songs echoed through the building and all felt ready for a great speech of welcome by Mayor Trotti. Following this, Rev. Marvin O. Sansbury, of Jennings led in a devotional service. At 8:40 p. m., C. E. Buchner of Tulsa, Okla., delivered an address on "Christian Service as a Life Opportunity". Mr. Buchner is general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. His address was enthusiastic and to the point. Following a short prayer, the conference then disbanded and went to their homes for a good night's sleep.

Saturday morning saw every one wide awake and ready for more. After having breakfast all went to the court house. Again, Prof. Strother with his rare ability showed the boys how to give expression to their stored up energies in the form of music. He says that's his life work and he surely didn't miss his calling, either. At 9:50 the conference was organized properly. The most notable thing occurring in connection with this was the assignment of each boy at the conference to a certain room of the court house at a specified time to have a private talk with some of the great leaders of the conference from all over the country. Messrs. Van Carter, La. Sunday School Association of New Orleans; C. B. Loomis, Southern Boy's Work Secretary of Atlanta, Georgia; Mr. Terrell Woosley, Scout Executive of Calcasieu; Dr. Geo. D. Booth, of New Orleans; O. R. Magill, Foreign Missionary Worker; and others gladly gave their time and talent to have these private talks with the boys on their life work.

At 10:05 the boys that had previously attended conferences of a similar nature to this one were given the opportunity to tell of the time that they had. Elmer Harris of Welsh very gladly related of the camp that was held at Lake Arthur last summer. At 10:45 an address on "The Challenge of A New World" was delivered by Mr. Magill of Atlanta. Mr. Magill is of the foreign department of the Y. M. C. A., of that city. Following his talk there was a short intermission and then Prof. Strother again re-invigorated us with more music. At 11:35 Mr. Carter

HERBERT HOOVER SAYS 3,500,000 Little Children will die before next harvest in Eastern and Central Europe unless we Americans feed them.

When you and your family sit down at your table Sunday, February 13th, place an extra chair at the table and count one of these Babies your "INVISIBLE GUEST."

TEN DOLLARS will save one little life. How many can you let die?

Send your contribution to the local European Relief Committee, care Rice Belt Journal Welsh, or to the parish Committee, Mr. D. C. Ritchie, Chairman, Jennings, La.

of New Orleans gave an address on "Where shall a man die?" This message pertained to the judgement meted by God to the man called to the foreign mission fields, but refuses to go, preferring to die in better climes.

Following this inspiring talk everybody rushed to the mirrors to have one more look at themselves before going out doors, for they were going to have their pictures taken. This proved quite successful (The camera didn't break) and in less than two hours the man who took the picture had it on exhibition waiting for orders. He was given a cheer by the boys for his quick work.

At 1:45 Prof. Strother held another song service and immediately following this talk, Rev. G. B. Hines led in one of the liveliest discussions of the conference. Certain persons from each town represented were allowed to tell why his town was the best town on the map, and then after all quitted, some person from each town was allowed to tell why the other town was the worst town. These topics led to lively discussions and heated arguments of such a nature that Prof. Strother the song bird, had to call in to make them forget their petty troubles, which worked out fine. At three o'clock, C. B. Loomis of Atlanta, gave a talk on "The Underprivileged Boy". In this talk he graphically brought out who they were and our relation as Christians to them. At three forty-five C. E. Ives, State Supervisor of High Schools in Louisiana gave an address on "Why Should A Boy Go To College?" This address very clearly set forth the advantages of having a college education even if for no other purpose than to earn more money. Then after (Continued on page two)

HEARTY WELCOME TO BISHOP WALDORF.

Through the courtesy of Mr. J. P. Campbell, Bishop and Mrs. Waldorf were tendered a drive over the fine gravel road from Lake Charles to Welsh in Mr. Campbell Buick-six. Mrs. Campbell, R. A. Estes, and Rev. R. L. Weldon accompanied Mr. Campbell on this trip, and Rev. F. W. Loy, District Superintendent, was in the crowd coming to Welsh, making altogether a full "car load," and a happy company.

The good Bishop and his wife were taken to the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Miller and Dr. Loy to the parsonage, where they were soon, all made to feel at home.

Mr. Campbell went at once to the church grounds and started a game of volley ball. Mr. Miller taking the Bishop in charge pretty soon drove him up to the church to look over the property and meet some of the folks. It was interesting to see how soon the Bishop was attracted to the game of volley ball. In just a few moments he was seen taking off his over-coat and gloves and heard saying, "Look here, this thing is getting interesting to me," and right away he became an expert at "serving and hitting that ball." He said to the pastor, "Why have I not been seeing that fine game put on at more of our churches? Why, we should have this everywhere."

But, wait a moment! Don't get the idea that everybody was playing ball. Just inside the church a fine committee of the "faithful, tried and true" ladies were just enthusiastically preparing something even merrier and far more satisfying than any kind of ball games. A large crowd had gathered. This crowd consisted of the members and constituency of the church. They were soon called inside. About one hundred adults stood around the tables, and perhaps half that in number of children just within the church auditorium—all in one company—while one verse of "Come, Thou Fount of every Blessing" was sung. The Bishop offered thanks to God, the Source of our every blessing.

The tables were well filled with good things to eat, and they were prepared in a most palatable manner. Every one seemed to be prepared for this event. All were satisfied. The Bishop himself proved to be well trained in this fact as well as other things.

After dinner, the pastor, in a very brief address, introduced the Bishop to "One of the most loyal, unassuming, but absolutely trust-

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THE MOVIE PROGRAM AUDITORIUM

Friday, February 4th.
ELEIN HAMMERSTEIN
—in—
"THE DAUGHTER'S PAY"
Rolins Comedy

Saturday, February 5th.
LOUISE LOVELY
—in—
"THE LITTLE GREY MOUSE"
Sunshine Comedy

Friday, February 11th.
EUGENE O'BRIEN
—in—
"THE WONDERFUL CHANCE"
Rolins Comedy

Saturday, February 12th.
SHIRLEY MASON
—in—
"FLAME OF YOUTH"
Century Comedy

SEE'S CONCERT BAND

Will G. See, Conductor will appear in

CONCERT

one night only, for benefit of WELSH HIGH SCHOOL

Welsh Auditorium
Thursday Night, Feb. 10

AT 8:00 P. M.

Adults 50 cents

Children 25 cents