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Russia and Japan Accept President Roosevelt's Peace Suggestions.

The appended telegram from the Washington correspondent of The Chief was received at 12:30 p. m. today:

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 10, 1905.

THE CHIEF, Donaldsonville, La.
Announcement has been made by Associated Press that it has definite knowledge that both Russian and Japanese governments have accepted President Roosevelt's suggestion, and that meeting of representatives of two contending powers is assured.

Mrs. Lucille J. Shallowhorne, principal of Hartzell Industrial Academy for colored children, sent The Chief an invitation to the commencement exercises of the English department of the Academy, which were held Monday, May 31, at 7 o'clock p. m.

E. A. Thibodaux, the capable young superintendent of the municipal powerhouse, spent Monday and Tuesday in New Orleans arranging to have Messrs. Pierce and Lewin, of the Louisiana Five Cent Savings Bank, visit Donaldsonville for the purpose of addressing the special meeting of the town council Wednesday night.

A meeting of Lee Lodge No. 6, A. O. U. W., will be held in the general lodge room of the Masonic Temple at 8 o'clock next Tuesday night, and as business of great importance is to be transacted the attendance of every member of the lodge is earnestly requested. Grand Recorder George J. Martin will be present and is slated for an address, and the meeting will conclude with an elaborate supper served in the anteroom.

Women find quick relief in Dr. Thacher's Liver and Blood Syrup.

Mrs. A. J. Harding and her daughter, Mrs. P. E. Clements, together with little Miss Verdine Harding, left Wednesday morning for New Orleans, from where Mrs. Harding and Miss Harding proceeded to Waveland, Miss., for a stay of several weeks, while Mrs. Clements went to Ponchartraine, La., to visit relatives. Mr. Harding left here Thursday morning to attend to his father's affairs at Waveland, and will spend several days at the noted Mississippi resort.

C. Pons, the well-known Donaldsonville blacksmith who recently embarked on business as a dealer in iron, this week bought from the McCall Bros. Planting and Manufacturing Co. a quantity of old scrap iron and copper that had been stored on Evan Hall plantation and the plantation of Octave Landry, which was sold to the Mills Company. For the 500 Hall junk Mr. Pons paid \$1500 and for that on the Landry place \$250.

Frank Hoffman, the genial manager of the Thibodaux opera house, was in Donaldsonville Thursday advertising an excursion to be run from Thibodaux to New Orleans on Corpus Christi day, Thursday, June 22, under the auspices of the Pelican Club. The excursion train will leave Thibodaux at 8:20 a. m. and on the return trip will pull out of New Orleans at 9 o'clock p. m. During his brief stay in Donaldsonville Mr. Hoffman favored The Chief with an appreciated visit.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. McCulloch returned yesterday afternoon from Auburn, Ala., where they went last week to present at the commencement exercises of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute. They were accompanied by their stalwart and intelligent young son, Richard McCulloch, who graduated in the electrical engineering course at the Institute. Mr. McCulloch expects to remain in Donaldsonville for a while and then to locate elsewhere for the practice of his chosen profession.

Death of Clayton Bronson Ayraud.

The following item taken from the Beaumont Enterprise of Tuesday, May 24, will be read with much interest by the bereaved father's legion of friends in this community: "Clayton Bronson Ayraud, aged eleven months, the twin son of Jules Ayraud of the Opera House bar, died Sunday night of summer complaint. The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock this morning, interment being in the Catholic cemetery. The many friends of Mr. Ayraud extend to him their deepest sympathy in his bereavement."

The Chief acknowledges with thanks the receipt of invitations to the forty-fourth annual commencement exercises of the Louisiana State University at Baton Rouge, sent with the compliments of Edmund McCollam Connelly, of the parish of Terrebonne, and Henry Cerf Dreyfus, of Iberville. Messrs. Connelly and Dreyfus were among the class of thirty-eight talented young men who received diplomas at the University's commencement exercises Wednesday forenoon, the former having taken the degree B. A. and Mr. Dreyfus the degree of B. S.

The Chief is indebted to its esteemed young friend, Clarence O. Goette, for an invitation to attend the forty-fourth annual commencement exercises of the Philadelphia Dental College, which were held in the Academy of Music Friday night, June 2. Mr. Goette was a member of this year's graduating class and is now entitled to the degree D. S. after his name. We take pleasure in congratulating him on the successful completion of his college course, and trust that in the bigger school of life he will meet with the same good fortune and be awarded a diploma at the final exercises.

A free bottle of Dr. Thacher's Liver and Blood Syrup will be sent to any reader of this paper who will write to the Thacher Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

Pearl Wight Appointed National Committeeman.

The announcement came from Washington on Monday that Postmaster General Geo. B. Cortelyou had performed his last official act as chairman of the Republican national committee by appointing Pearl Wight, of New Orleans, as a member of the national committee to fill the vacancy that has existed since the meeting of the national convention that nominated Roosevelt and Fairbanks at Chicago last July.

The Chief notes the selection of Mr. Wight with sincere gratification and begs to assure Mr. Cortelyou that no better man for the place could have been found within the boundaries of Louisiana. There is nothing in this declaration inconsistent with the Chief's recent cordial endorsement of Mr. Godchaux, who had been recommended by the Republican state executive committee for the post to which Mr. Wight has been assigned, inasmuch as the committee and Mr. Godchaux himself had urged Mr. Wight to permit the use of his name before that of Mr. Godchaux was considered. Owing to the demands of his extensive business interests upon his time and attention Mr. Wight was indisposed to incur the responsibilities and annoyances attaching to the place of national committeeman, and it required no little persuasion on the part of Chairman Cortelyou and other Republicans of national and state prominence to induce the appointee to sacrifice his personal inclinations and interests for the benefit of his party by accepting the unsought distinction thrust upon him.

Mr. Cortelyou is quoted as having said: "Mr. Wight is a leading business man of New Orleans, is prominent in Republican circles in the state, and is universally respected by members of both parties and all classes of citizens. He was appointed not as the representative of any faction, but in the belief that he would represent the Republican party of the entire state. To all of which The Chief fully subscribes."

The New Orleans papers without exception speak in the most complimentary terms of the new committeeman, thus affirming the declaration that he is one of the most eminent and honorable men of Louisiana.

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The regular monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Bank of Donaldsonville was held Wednesday forenoon, with Vice President Charles Maurin presiding in the absence of Dr. Wm. M. McCallister, who is summing in North Carolina, and all of the directors present except Hon. Henry McCall and L. J. Brun. The meeting was held on the thirteenth anniversary of the bank's establishment, the institution having begun business June 7, 1892.

The record of the first six months shows deposits of \$2815 and total transactions of \$7145. The report furnished to the state bank examiner before opening for business May 30, 1905, shows a volume of business aggregating \$557,413, including \$428,228.50 of loans and discounts, \$46,011 cash on hand, \$436,395.59 deposits, \$50,000 capital stock, \$40,000 surplus and \$31,017 undivided profits. The report cannot fail to afford a high degree of gratification to the bank's friends and patrons, and reflects the utmost credit on the capable corps of officers having in charge the management of the affairs of the sterling institution. This corps is composed of Dr. Wm. M. McCallister, president; T. J. Clay, vice president; W. D. Park, cashier; L. J. Brun, assistant cashier; P. Rodriguez, Jr., auditor, and Ulysses Rodriguez, collector. Mr. Park became cashier of the bank on January 15, 1895, having been promoted from assistant cashier when T. J. Clay, the bank's first cashier, resigned his position and went to Whitecastle to organize a bank there. Since his incumbency of the office of cashier, Mr. Park has acquitted himself with marked ability and success, and it is due in small measure to his zeal and efficiency, as well as to that of his associates on the office staff, that the bank has made such remarkable progress in the thirteen years of its existence.

Weather and Crops.

Advices from the plantations show that the work of grassing the crops has progressed satisfactorily and that the prospects are much improved in comparison with what they were two weeks ago. Corn is generally backward and unpromising, and continued dry weather for any considerable length of time will parch this crop out of existence. Cane is also backward and small, but the stand is good and the crop is generally well along with good growing conditions from now on an excellent crop of this staple may be realized.

The total rainfall for May, according to the record kept by Local Observer W. D. Park, was 7.22 inches, the last installment of which came along on the 25th and 31st days of the month. The highest temperature recorded in May was 98 degrees above zero and the lowest 61 degrees.

Baseball Bulletin.

The Pelicans lost to the Reddys, of Baton Rouge, in a hotly contested seven-inning game at Cleveland Park last Sunday afternoon, the score being 5 to 0. Up to the final inning neither team had succeeded in scoring, but in the eleventh the locals went up in the air and allowed the Catholics to pile up five runs. Features of the game were a running catch by Miller, centerfielder of the Reddys, and the errorless playing of First Baseman Schomburg and Short Stop Harry Weber, of the Pelicans.

Tomorrow the locals are slated to go up against the team from Jefferson College, and the contest is certain to be a battle royal. The collegians took the birds into camp a couple of weeks ago after thirteen-inning struggle, and the locals are swearing by all that is holy that the tables will be turned tomorrow.

Bank of Ascension in Excellent Condition.
Elsewhere in today's Chief will be found the report furnished to the state bank examiner by the Bank of Ascension before opening for business on May 30, 1905. The statement shows a total business volume of \$317,389.53, deposits aggregating \$256,397.11, loans of \$187,736.56, cash on hand amounting to \$20,999.70, and the sum of \$7,080.31 due from other banks. The capital stock of the bank is \$30,000, the surplus \$20,000, and the undivided profits \$10,991.82. The Bank of Ascension is looked upon as one of the strongest and most reliable banking institutions in this section of the state, and enjoys the confidence and patronage of many of the leading men in this and adjoining parishes. It is efficiently officered by J. LeBerthout, president; Dr. J. S. Thibaut, vice president and cashier; Paul Bach and E. L. Tardieu, cashiers, and Bertrand Braud, collector.

Bank of Donaldsonville,

Of Donaldsonville, La.

Report furnished to the STATE EXAMINER OF STATE BANKS by the above Bank for the quarter ending in May, 1905, before opening for business on May 30, 1905.

RESOURCES.

Demand loans	\$12,299 83
Loans secured by mortgage	145,049 64
Other loans and discounts	281,278 86
Overdrafts secured	5,414 19
Overdrafts unsecured	594 72
Other bonds, stocks, securities, etc.	2,685 00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures	9,413 31
Due from banks and bankers	64,231 44
Checks and other cash items	3,924 85
Gold coin	1,445 00
Silver, nickel and copper coin	10,131 16
National bank notes and all issues U. S. Government	20,945 00
Total	\$557,413 00

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	50,000 00
Surplus	40,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	31,017 21
Individual deposits bearing interest	76,553 59
Individual deposits not bearing interest	353,142 20
Certificates of deposit bearing interest	6,700 00
Total	\$557,413 00

I, CHAS. MAURIN, Vice President, and I, W. D. PARK, Cashier of above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of June, 1905.

R. J. CHAUVIN, Notary Public.

Comstock-Keating.

The marriage of Albert Comstock to Miss Carrie Keating was solemnized at the Catholic church at high noon Thursday in the presence of a large gathering of the relatives and friends of the contracting parties, Rev. Father Crozier officiating, assisted by Fathers Carrière and Castel. The bride party entered the church to the accompaniment of Mendelssohn's wedding march, superbly rendered by an orchestra composed of Miss Ida Cook and Father Crozier, organist; Albert Pons, flutist; and George Pons, violinist. The party, preceded by little Mattie Comstock as flower-girl and Master Alton Poche as ring-bearer, moved up the main aisle in the following order: Lem McIlhenny and Miss Father Crozier; Charles Israel and Miss Eldridge Garrett; Theodore Weber and Miss Adeline Netzer; Dr. Geo. d'Aury and Miss Mathilda Wilbert; Miss Rena Terrio, maid of honor; the bride, Miss Carrie Keating, escorted by her father, Joe. M. Keating. Miss Keating wore a handsome dress of grandmother's swiss, trimmed with Valenciennes lace, over silk chiffon. Her bridal veil of diaphanous tulle was caught with a beautiful diamond brooch, the gift of her parents. At the altar the bride met by the groom and his best man, Ned Comstock. As Father Crozier performed the impressive marriage ceremony George Pons rendered "Hearts and Flowers" on the violin in a masterly and during the signing of the register Pierre Blachard sang "O, Promise Me" with much feeling and ability. After the ceremony the bride party, together with the relatives and a few intimate friends of the contracting parties, proceeded to the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Keating in Opelousas street, where a reception was held until the time for the arrival of the 9:05 west-bound T. and P. train, on which the newly-married couple took passage for New Orleans, with Pass Christian, Miss., as their final objective point. After spending several days at the Pass, Mr. and Mrs. Comstock will return to Donaldsonville and take up their residence with the bride's parents. The groom holds an important clerical position with the Lafourche Mercantile Co., and is a young man of sterling worth and much promise, deservedly popular with an exceptionally large circle of friends. The bride is a charming and accomplished young lady, and possesses many graces of mind and person that have endeared her to all who have had the pleasure of knowing her. The Chief takes pleasure in wishing for the happy young couple a long and joyous life, filled with the sunshine of happiness and prosperity and crowned with the blessing of sweet content.

Forty-Fourth Anniversary Celebrated.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Park entertained the members of their family and a few intimate friends at a delightful luncheon Thursday afternoon, the occasion being the forty-fourth anniversary of the wedding of the estimable couple. Mrs. Park, who was formerly Miss Catherine Fitzgerald, was married to Mr. Park on June 8, 1861, the ceremony having been performed at the Jesuits' church in New Orleans. Four years later the Parks moved to Donaldsonville, where they have resided ever since, and where they are looked upon as being among the most worthy and valued citizens of the community. They have reared four children, who are W. D. Park, cashier of the Bank of Donaldsonville and member of the town council from the third ward; Jos. Park, chief engineer of the Evan Hall sugar factory; Rev. Edward Park, a Catholic priest and educator, and Sister Clara Park, a Catholic nun. The Chief felicitates Mr. and Mrs. Park upon having reached the forty-fourth milestone on the road of their married life, and trusts that they will continue to enjoy many more years of conjugal bliss.

Dying of Famine.

Is, in its torments, like dying of consumption. The progress of consumption, from the beginning to the end, is a long and tortuous life, and friends. "When I had consumption in its first stage," writes Wm. Myers, of Coarross, Md., "after using different medicines and a good doctor, in vain, I at last took Dr. King's New Discovery, which I used just and perfectly cured. Found relief and cure for my cough, cold, sore throat, bronchitis, etc. Price, 50 cents and \$1 a bottle. Trial bottle free."

Jewish Ceremony of Confirmation.

Solemn and beautiful ceremonies were held in the synagogue of Bikur Cholim congregation at 9:30 o'clock yesterday morning, with Rabbi M. Klein presiding, assisted by the officers of the congregation and a splendid choir. The festival thus celebrated is one of the most ancient and hallowed in the Hebrew calendar, and is known as Shebuth, or the Feast of Weeks. It commemorates the reception on Mt. Sinai of the ten commandments, the basis of the moral code of modern civilization, and also the command to "count seven weeks from the time the sickle is put to the corn and keep the feast of weeks unto the Eternal God of Israel." Services were held at the synagogue Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock, and the confirmation exercises took place yesterday forenoon. The confirmands were Nathan Kern, Freda Singer, Rosie Kern, Fred P. Joseph, Rebecca Newman and Rosebud Kern, and the order of service was as follows:

Entrance of Confirmands—Organ Prelude.
Hymn—Bukocheloh—Choir.
Welcome Address—Rabbi M. Klein.
Opening Prayer—Nathan Kern.
Hymn—Our Confirmands and Choir.
Anthem—Confirmands and Choir.
Ark—Confirmands.
First Benediction—Confirmands.
Second Benediction—Confirmands.
Hymn—Joshua XXIV—Fred P. Joseph.
The confirmands—Nathan Kern, Freda Singer, Rosie Kern, Fred P. Joseph, Rebecca Newman and Rosebud Kern.
Organ and Violin Obligato—Confirmands.
Prayer—Father's Love—Rebecca Newman.
Prayer—Mother's Love—Freda Singer.
Prayer—Reverence—Rosebud Kern.
Prayer—Dedication—Fred P. Joseph.
Hymn—Almighty King—Confirmands and Choir.
Declaration of Faith—Confirmands.
Hymn—Praising Torah in the Holy Ark—Choir.
Closing Prayer—Fred Singer.
Solo—Paul LeBlanc.
Address and Prayer—Rabbi M. Klein.
Presentation of Confirmation Certificates—Confirmands.
Conclusion Service, Prayer Book, Page CXXIV.
Hymn—Hallelujah—Benediction.

Steady Growth of the Peoples Bank.

Donaldsonville's youngest bank, the Peoples, furnished a report to the state bank examiner before opening for business on May 30, 1905, and The Chief wishes to direct the attention of its readers to the statement, which appears in another column of this issue. The total volume of business is shown to be \$202,124. Loans and discounts aggregating \$133,624, cash on hand \$14,502.82, due by other banks \$35,890.94, deposits bearing interest \$54,621.33, deposits not bearing interest \$107,988.55, and undivided profits \$3519.02. The statement of the Peoples Bank for the quarter ending in March, 1905, showed undivided profits of \$1878.53, and interest-bearing deposits of \$41,725.11, and these figures in comparison with those contained in the report published today indicates the steady and gratifying growth which the bank is making. The Peoples, although the youngest of the three local banks, has established a reputation for reliability that will well stand comparison with its older rivals, and under the guidance of the capable officers and board of directors who are entrusted with the management of its affairs, it may be taken for granted that the future will see no diminution in the growth or upbuilding of the progressive young institution. The present officers of the bank are as follows: J. A. Daiferes, president; R. N. Sims, vice president; F. K. Sims, cashier; W. J. LeBlanc, assistant cashier; J. C. Bouchereau, second assistant cashier.

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Death of John Martinez.

John Martinez, for many years a resident of Donaldsonville, died at 10 o'clock Wednesday forenoon in New Orleans, where for the past two years he had been making his home with his granddaughter, Mrs. S. M. Fauch. Mr. Martinez had been sick for quite a while and his death was therefore not totally unexpected, his advanced age of 87 years having militated against his recovery by rendering him powerless to withstand the ravages of the illness with which he was afflicted. He was one of the organizers of the famous battery of artillery known as the Cannoniers of Donaldson, which performed such gallant service in the war between the states, and years ago figured prominently in public affairs in this section. The remains were brought to Donaldsonville on the 11:35 T. and P. train Thursday forenoon and were laid to rest in the Catholic cemetery, the large number of people who gathered to witness the last rites having attested the high degree of esteem in which Mr. Martinez was held by his former fellow-citizens. The surviving relatives are a grandson, Frank Martinez, of Donaldsonville, and Mrs. Fauch, to whom the Chief tenders assurances of sincere sympathy in the hour of their affliction.

Books Elected Officers.

A rousing meeting of Ascension Hook and Ladder Company No. 1 was held Monday night at which the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year: C. Kline, president; R. N. Sims, vice president; Henry Schaff, foreman; Chas. Cook, first assistant; Edward Collins, second assistant; David Israel, recording and financial secretary; J. E. Blum, treasurer; A. V. Temple, warden; C. Kline, grand marshal; Dr. E. K. Sims, Capt. H. C. Whiteman, Geo. B. Rous and Wm. A. Dill, aids to grand marshal. President Kline announced the appointment of the following standing committees: Investigating committee—H. Schaff, J. E. Blum, Charles Cook, R. N. Sims, Edward Schaff; Finance committee—H. Cook, Jr., R. N. Slaton, R. N. Sims. Relief committee—John Forcha, H. Schaff, H. Cook, Sr., Alceé Rodrigue, Wm. Redington. Hall committee—C. Kline, H. Schaff, David Israel. It was decided to give a fair and fete champagne on Louisiana Square July 2, 3 and 4, for the purpose of raising funds to pay the debt on the company's hall, and arrangements for the entertainment were entrusted to a committee composed of Henry Schaff, J. E. Blum, Chas. Cook, R. N. Sims and Edward Schaff.

Mrs. Georgina Richard, of New Orleans, has issued invitations to the marriage of her daughter, Fannie Richard, to Dr. Euclid J. Richard, which will occur at St. Theresa's Catholic church, at the corner of Camp and Erato streets, New Orleans, at 5:30 o'clock p. m. on Wednesday, the 28th inst. Miss Richard is a pretty and accomplished young lady and has a number of friends in this town who take pleasure in wishing her every happiness that married life can possibly afford. Dr. Richard is the eldest son of the late lamented Dr. J. L. Richard, and is a young man of great talent and promise. He has located in New Orleans for the practice of his profession and will make his home in that city with his fair young bride.

New Goods at Cheap Tony's.

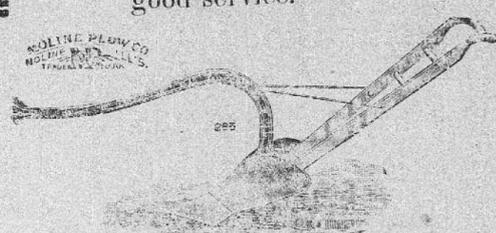
Cheap Tony has just received a new and complete stock of the celebrated LaFrance low quarter shoes in tan, black and other late colors; a nice summer line of white and colored lawn, organdies, voiles, etc., and a complete assortment of the famous R. & J. corsets for summer wear. These goods are being sold cheaper than ever and if you have not yet paid a visit to the "big store" you should do so at once.

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