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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR SHERIFF

Having been urged and solicited by a number of friends to become a candidate for the office of sheriff, I hereby announce my candidacy for said office, subject to Democratic primaries.

JOHN C. KLOS.

EDWARD C. HANSON
is hereby announced as a candidate for sheriff of the parish of Ascension, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR CORNER

DR. E. E. SIMS
is hereby announced as a candidate for reelection to the office of corner of the parish of Ascension, subject to the Democratic primary to be held Jan. 21, 1908.

DR. PAUL T. THIBODEAU
is hereby announced as a candidate for corner of the parish of Ascension, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

DR. L. E. DUFFEL
is hereby announced as a candidate for corner of the parish of Ascension, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR ASSESSOR

A. A. KLING
is hereby announced as a candidate for assessor of the parish of Ascension, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

LOUIS A. LANDRY, JR.
is hereby announced as a candidate for reelection to the office of assessor of the parish of Ascension, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

JAMES E. AYRAUD
is hereby announced as a candidate for assessor of the parish of Ascension, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR CLERK OF COURT

GUS P. MELANCON
is hereby announced as a candidate for clerk of court of the parish of Ascension, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR STATE SENATOR

To the Electors of the Ninth Senatorial District of Louisiana:
Submitting to the pronounced wishes of many friends, both in St. James and Ascension, I beg to announce my aspirations for nomination, at the coming primary election, as the candidate of the Democratic party for the office of senator from the ninth senatorial district of Louisiana.
Promising, should I be nominated and elected, to bend all effort to the proper and honest fulfillment of every duty of the office, I ask the votes of the electors of this district.

R. McCULLOH.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE

JOSEPH GONZALES
is hereby announced as a candidate for the legislature from this parish, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

W. A. SIBLEY
is hereby announced as a candidate for the legislature from this parish, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

J. M. LUSK
is hereby announced as a candidate for justice of the peace from the ninth ward of Ascension parish, subject to the Democratic primary to be held Jan. 21, 1908.

The first issue of the New Orleans Morning World will be published on Monday, Dec. 9.

If there is one time in the year when you need good things for the table it is during the festive Christmas season. Winter is prepared to cater to your wants in this direction and solicits a share of your patronage.

The report of the condition of the Bank of Ascension at the close of business on Tuesday, Dec. 3, which appears elsewhere in today's Chief, shows that reliable institution to be as prosperous and progressive as ever, and reflects a high degree of credit on President Jacob Lebermuth, Cashier John S. Thibaut and the other officials entrusted with the management of the bank's extensive business affairs.

Donaldsonville's wide-awake and progressive merchants are carrying unusually complete and attractive stocks of holiday goods, and tempting bargains may be secured in appropriate Christmas presents of every character and description. Country buyers who doubt the truth of these assertions are invited to come to town and find out for themselves just how well the local dealers are prepared to serve them.

Weather and Crop Notes.

Local Observer Park's summary of meteorological conditions for the month of November shows that the maximum temperature was 82 degrees above zero, registered on the 9th, and the minimum 30 degrees, recorded on the 13th. Rain fell on eight days, the total precipitation aggregating 4.96 inches. Of the thirty days comprising the month, sixteen were clear, six partly cloudy and eight entirely devoid of sunshine. This too was observed to the morning of the 13th.

The beautiful weather which has prevailed for the past several days is perfectly suited to the immediate needs of the sugar and cotton planters, who are taking full advantage of the opportunity offered them to get in a good, steady week's work. Satisfactory progress is being made in the task of harvesting the cane crop, and with a continuance of favorable atmospheric conditions the grinding campaign will within the next few weeks.

Thursday was one of the coldest days experienced so far this season, the temperature during the early morning hours, according to Observer Park's government thermometer, having been in the neighborhood of 30.5 degrees. A heavy frost was observed by early risers.

End of the Extra Session.

The special session of the general assembly of Louisiana convened by Governor Blanchard on the 11th of November came to a close last Thursday morning, both houses having met a little after midnight of Wednesday in order to fulfill the constitutional requirement that appropriation bills should be in the hands of the governor at least five days before final adjournment. Entire harmony marked the proceedings of both houses during the latter part of the session, and most of the measures passed received virtually unanimous concurrence.

Twenty-seven acts and joint resolutions were adopted altogether, embracing all the objects specified in the governor's proclamation and the supplemental proclamation issued by Lieut. Gov. Sanders during the temporary absence of Gov. Blanchard from the state. Among these measures are the following: Providing for deposit of state funds in the banks paying the highest rates of interest and furnishing solvent security; consolidating the seven tax collectorships of Orleans parish into one office; reducing the fees of assessors and tax collectors throughout the state; abolishing fees for handling public school funds; giving the secretary of state a fixed salary and requiring the payment of his fees into the state treasury; providing for an investigation of port conditions at New Orleans by a commission; increasing the powers of the railroad commission; preventing the annulment of judgments by injunction; prohibiting public service corporations from seeking to avoid judgments of state courts by proceedings in federal tribunals; memorializing congress to provide for the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people; authorizing the transfer of Quarantine Station near the mouth of the Mississippi to the federal government; appropriating money to pay the salaries of judges of the circuit courts of appeal and members of the state board of equalization, and to defray the expenses of the extra session.

It is estimated that the aggregate saving effected by the fiscal reform bills will approximate \$300,000 a year, one-half of which will inure to the state treasury and the other half to the parishes, levee and school boards. Perhaps not all was done that should have been, but much good was accomplished and Gov. Blanchard's action in calling the extra session has been fully vindicated.

Gen. Leon Jastremski's Career.

The mortal remains of Leon Jastremski were laid to rest at Baton Rouge on Saturday last, November 30, and the funeral was one of the largest and most impressive that has ever taken place in that city, attesting the great popularity of the deceased and the great esteem and admiration in which he was held among all classes of people, not only in the immediate community where he had lived for a third of a century, but throughout the entire state.

Gen. Jastremski's distinguished career may be briefly sketched as follows: He was born in France in 1843, his parents having removed to that country from their native Poland because of the participation of the father, a practicing physician, in an unsuccessful revolutionary movement to free his country from the Russian yoke. The family came to Louisiana when young Leon was a boy, and he obtained his primary education in the schools of Lafayette, then known by its original name of Vermilionville. When still a lad he went to Abbeville and became an apprentice—a "printer's devil"—in the office of the Meridional, a paper that is still published in the old town. When the civil war broke out young Jastremski assisted in organizing company B of the Tenth Louisiana Regiment, C. S. A., and began a term of service that ended only at Appomattox and was replete with deeds of courage and daring that marked him as the peer of the bravest among the gallant hosts that fought for the cause of the Confederacy. He was promoted to sergeant-major in 1862, and subsequently to the captaincy of Company H of his regiment; was twice wounded, once during the Shenandoah campaign and again at Chancellorville, receiving at the latter place the bullet in the thorax that made his voice husky for the remainder of his life. He was twice taken prisoner, at Malvern Hill and Spottsylvania, but escaped, making his way from Charleston to New York by boat the last time, and from the latter city back to the south, where he again entered the service a short while before the close of the conflict.

Returning then to Louisiana, he settled in Baton Rouge, serving as mayor of that city three terms, from 1876 to 1882, and declining renomination three times. He established the Capitoline in conjunction with Col. T. Sambola Jones, purchasing from the Chief the hand-press upon which the Baton Rouge paper was first printed. The Advocate was subsequently consolidated with the Capitoline under the hyphenated title of the Capitoline-Avocate, which became official journal of Louisiana during the six years that Gen. Jastremski occupied the position of state printer, from 1882 to 1888. In 1888 he removed to New Orleans and established the Louisiana Weekly Review. He was president of the Louisiana Press Association ten successive years, declining further re-election, and for several years prior to his death was editor and proprietor of the People, a Baton Rouge weekly. Among the other positions of honor and trust held by the general at various times were the following: Chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee;

United States consul to Caïlo, Peru, under President Cleveland; member of the constitutional convention of 1879; state commissioner of agriculture; private secretary to Gov. Heard; grand chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, and major general of the Louisiana division, United Confederate Veterans.

His candidacy for the Democratic nomination for governor four years ago, when he was defeated by Gov. Blanchard, marked the beginning of the wave of political reform that has culminated in the accomplishment or inauguration of nearly all the measures of public interest and benefit that he so strenuously advocated. The close race he made in opposition to the associated politicians and ward bosses, by whose machinations alone he was defeated, demonstrated the strong hold he had upon the confidence of the people.

Gen. Jastremski was twice married, his first wife being Miss Rosa Laguerre of Baton Rouge, who died many years ago, leaving two sons, Eugene and Henry, both still surviving and doing business in Baton Rouge. The second wife was Mrs. Sallie Land Ashton, daughter of the late Judge T. T. Land of Shreveport and sister of present Associate Justice A. D. Land of the Louisiana supreme court. This lady survives her gallant husband and shares with his sons and other relatives a bereavement that commands the profound sympathy and regret of the entire population of Louisiana and a host of people beyond the state's boundaries.

The editor of the Chief was long and intimately associated with Gen. Jastremski in newspaper and fraternal circles and mourns his loss as that of a cherished friend, whose high standards of individual and public action united with a genial temperament and courtly demeanor to make him universally respected, esteemed and beloved.

Sixtieth Congress Assembles.

The first session of the sixtieth congress opened at Washington last Monday amid the usual brilliant and exciting surroundings incidental to such an occasion. Nearly 100 new members of the house and senate were sworn in, and many notable faces were absent from both the Republican and Democratic contingents. There were no officers to elect in the senate, hence the initial proceedings of that body were mostly of a routine character.

In the house Hon. Jos. G. Cannon of Illinois was re-elected speaker by a vote of 207 against 154 for Hon. John Sharp Williams, of Mississippi, the nominee of the Democratic caucus and again the chosen floor leader of the minority party. Senator Culberson of Texas was chosen Democratic leader in the other chamber. Speaker Cannon was greeted with an enthusiastic demonstration when he appeared on the rostrum escorted by a committee headed by his unsuccessful opponent, and the popular presiding officer's opening remarks were received with great applause by the entire house.

Mr. Williams precipitated a spicy partisan debate by opposing a motion to adopt the rules of the former house, but the motion prevailed by a party vote. Hon. Wm. J. Bryan was among the visitors whose presence elicited particular attention and applause.

President Roosevelt's annual message was presented and read in both branches of congress on Tuesday, and a flood of bills has since been introduced covering some of the various subjects discussed by the president and many not referred to by him. It is expected that currency reforms and waterways improvement will be among the most important topics of discussion and legislation during the pending session of congress.

Birthdays Notes.

A very interesting Thanksgiving program was carried out at the Dutch town high school on Wednesday evening of last week.

Misses Idie O. Barman and Lula Kaufman visited Miss Barman's parents at Gonzales on Friday, Saturday and Sunday last.

Miss Carrie Wall was the guest of Mrs. L. M. Phillips last Saturday and Sunday.

Misses Oma Hedge and Lea Blouin spent Sunday at Geismar.

G. E. Phillips visited friends in Gonzales last Sunday.

Clifton Jones was pleasantly entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Kaufman Sunday evening.

J. W. Phillips attended services at the Catholic church in Cornerview Sunday morning.

The pupils and friends of Miss Dixie Hite are glad to know that she is recovering from her illness.

Miss Miriam Picard has returned from a delightful visit to relatives and friends in New Orleans.

Not Necessary to Delay.

Tyler Commercial College Will Continue Work Right Through the Christmas Holidays.

Owing to the large number of students in attendance, many coming from so great a distance that they could not afford to go home for the holidays, the Tyler Commercial College of Tyler, Texas, will continue school right through the holidays, with the exception of Christmas day, for those who do not care to be absent during Christmas week. This arrangement also enables new students to enroll at any day during December, take up the work to the very best advantage, and continue without interruption during the holidays.

Any student who wishes to enter at once, but is hindered from getting the ready cash, owing to the temporary financial straits, may come right on to school, bringing such money as he has at his command, in the form of money order or currency, and make satisfactory arrangements for the balance.



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Masons Elect Officers.

Ascension Lodge No. 251, F. and A. M., held an interesting meeting last night and elected the following officers to serve for the ensuing year: R. N. Slaton, W. M.; L. Meyer, S. W.; D. B. Showalter, J. W.; Jacob Blum, treasurer; John S. Thibaut, P. M., secretary; M. Klein, P. M., chaplain; Jules Leumas, Tyler. R. N. Slaton, W. M., announced the following appointments: Fred. Landry, P. M., senior deacon; W. A. Tertio, junior deacon; R. Henderson, P. M., master of ceremonies; D. Ohlmeyer and E. A. Thibodeaux, stewards; L. Meyer, D. B. Showalter, Jacob Blum, J. E. Blum, P. M., R. N. Sims, Fred. Landry, P. M., and R. Henderson, P. M., Temple board. The installation ceremonies will take place at the next regular communication of the lodge on the 20th inst., and will be followed by a banquet at the Nichols Hotel.

The attention of our readers is directed to the report of the condition of the Bank of Donaldsonville at the close of business on Tuesday, Dec. 3, which appears in another column of this issue. The showing made is encouraging in the extreme, and cannot fail to afford a considerable degree of gratification to the stockholders, friends and patrons of the sterling institution.

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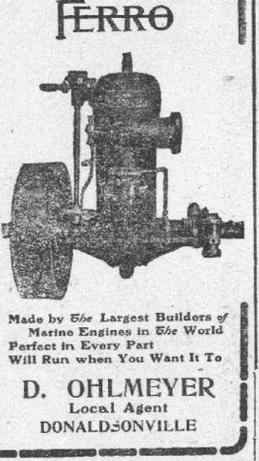
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Teachers' Examination.

THE NEXT regular examination of applicants for certificates of qualification to teach in the public schools of Ascension parish will be held on Dec. 19, 20 and 21, 1907. Graduates of certain institutions who are exempt from the examination in academic subjects should report on the second day (Dec. 20) for examination in the theory and art of teaching. Provisional certificates now in force will not be valid after December 1907. Many of the questions on the theory and art of teaching will bear upon the reading course and the work outlined this year in the plans for the Parish Teachers' Association meetings and institutes. The examination of white and colored teachers will be held on the same dates in separate rooms of the new high school building in Donaldsonville, and will begin promptly at 9 o'clock a. m. each day.

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Homestead Notices.

LAND OFFICE AT NEW ORLEANS, LA., Nov. 13, 1907.
NOTICE is hereby given that Joseph E. Gonzalez, of Gonzales, La., has filed notice of his intention to make final commutation proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead entry No. 27,468, made June 1, 1906, for lots 7, 8, 9 and 10, sec. 22, tp. 9, s. 23, e. 1, of r. 1, and that said proof will be made before register and receiver at New Orleans, La., on December 23, 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of the land, viz: U. M. Gonzales, B. A. Gonzales, Joseph Gonzalez, of Gonzales, La.; Edward Adler, of New Orleans, La.

WALTER L. COHEN, Register.

LAND OFFICE AT NEW ORLEANS, LA., Oct. 5, 1907.
NOTICE is hereby given that Urie Rogers, of Acy, La., has filed notice of his intention to make final five-year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead entry No. 24,773, made July 25, 1902, for the n. e. 1/4, s. e. 1/4 of r. 1, sec. 24, tp. 9, s. 23, e. 1, of r. 1, and that said proof will be made before clerk of court, at Donaldsonville, La., on Dec. 23, 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of the land, viz: Robert Acy, Ancel Cannon, Joseph Diaz, Milton Cannon, all of Acy, La.

WALTER L. COHEN, Register.

LAND OFFICE AT NEW ORLEANS, LA., Oct. 23, 1907.
NOTICE is hereby given that John Barthelemy, of St. Amant, La., has filed notice of his intention to make final five-year proof in support of his claim, viz: Homestead entry No. 25,091, made Oct. 14, 1902, for the w. 1/2 of n. 1/4, sec. 12, tp. 9, s. 23, e. 1, of r. 1, and that said proof will be made before clerk of court, at Donaldsonville, La., on Dec. 23, 1907.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of the land, viz: John Temple, Pierre Sanchez, Victoria Lebon, all of St. Amant, La.

WALTER L. COHEN, Register.

NOTICE

To Stockholders of the Bank of Donaldsonville.

Donaldsonville, La., Dec. 7, 1907.
NOTICE is hereby given to the stockholders of the Bank of Donaldsonville that the annual election of a board of directors, composed of eleven members, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the bank on

TUESDAY, JAN. 7, 1908
at 11 o'clock a. m. in accordance with Article IV of the charter.

W. D. PARK, Cashier.

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Lost.

MORTGAGE NOTE NO. 2, given by Paul Inghitto, payable to himself, in favor of from L. B. Spear to Paul Inghitto. Dated at Gonzales, La., Nov. 2, 1905, and due Nov. 2, 1907, with interest at 8 per cent.

Notice to Hunters.

HUNTING on our properties and on lands leased by us is strictly prohibited. All permits previously granted to hunters are hereby revoked and we will prosecute all trespassers.

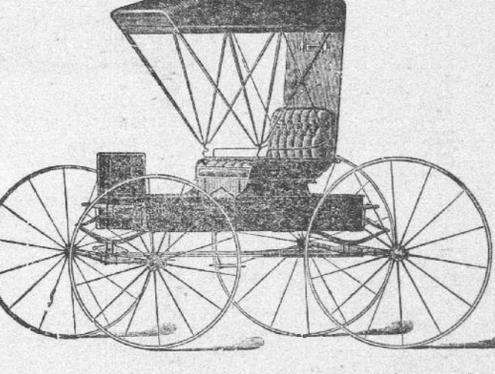
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