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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### FOR ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT.

**EDWARD NICHOLLS PUGH** hereby announces himself as a candidate for the office of associate justice of the supreme court of Louisiana, from the fourth supreme court district, subject to the action of the Democratic primary election to be held for the nomination of a candidate for that office in August or September next.

### To the Voters of Ascension Parish:

I hereby announce that I am a candidate for the office of associate justice of the Supreme Court of the state, from the fourth supreme court district, of which the parish of Ascension forms a part, at the Democratic primary election to be held for the nomination of a candidate for that office, in the latter part of August or the early part of September next. I can only say that, if nominated and elected to that office, I will endeavor to discharge the responsible duties of it to the best of my ability.

WALTER GUION.

### FOR CIRCUIT JUDGE

**JUDGE PAUL LECHE** of Ascension hereby announces his candidacy for judge of the Court of Appeals, Second District of the First Circuit, and solicits the kind support of the Democratic voters of said district in the Democratic primary election to be held the latter part of August or the beginning of September next.

### FOR DISTRICT JUDGE.

**R. J. CHAUVIN** hereby announces his candidacy for the office of judge of the Twenty-Seventh Judicial District Court, comprising the parishes of Ascension, Assumption and St. James, and solicits the support of the Democratic voters of the district in the Democratic primary election.

### CHARLES T. WORTHAM.

To the Democrats of Ascension, Assumption and St. James:

At the personal solicitation of numerous friends, and to gratify what I hope will be deemed a pardonable ambition, I announce myself a candidate for judge of this judicial district to succeed Hon. Paul Leche. My candidacy is subject to the action of the Democratic primary. I realize the responsibility of this important position, and if you honor me with election, I will endeavor to discharge, diligently, faithfully and conscientiously, all the duties of the office.

CHAS. T. WORTHAM.  
Napoleonville, La., Mar. 20, 1912.

### FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

**PHILIP H. GILBERT** hereby announces himself as a candidate for re-election to the office of district attorney of the Twenty-Seventh Judicial District, comprising the parishes of Ascension, Assumption and St. James, and solicits the support of the Democratic voters of the district in the Democratic primary election.

Plans are being prepared for the building of a million-dollar hotel in St. Charles street near Lee Circle, New Orleans.

Northeast Louisiana has gone overflyingly wet. Most of the hitherto dry territory has been swamped by an opposition majority ranging from two to twenty feet deep.

"Theodoro Africanus, the Mad Mullah of South African fame," is the picturesque name a Democratic member of congress applied to a certain Republican candidate for president in the course of a recent debate.

Congressman Underwood says the Democratic party is going to win the national election. Hip, hip, hurrah! fellow Louisiana Democrats! Let's yell ourselves hoarse over the glad news. That means sugar on the free list.

A statue of John Paul Jones, the first great American naval commander, was unveiled at Washington, April 17. Admiral Dewey pulled the cords that released the flag draped about the heroic figure, and brief addresses were made by President Taft and Gen. Horace Porter.

Gruesome reports are being heard of insults, abuse and barbarities to which American residents are subjected in Mexico, and the United States government has issued a note of warning that the lives and property of foreign residents must be protected down there. A warship is likely to be sent to the Mexican west coast to bring away Americans who wish to leave the disturbed country.

Thos. D. Flynn, a New Orleans attorney and notary who took a prominent part in the recent campaign as a speaker and an organizer for the Democratic Good Government League, disappeared about six weeks ago, with his wife and child, and no trace of him has yet been obtained. An investigation of Flynn's affairs reveals embezzlements, forgeries and breaches of trust aggregating a sum variously estimated from \$20,000 to \$50,000. He was generally regarded as an able young man with particularly fine prospects, and his friends were dumbfounded by the discovery of his misdeeds.

## THE TAFT AND TEDDY TUSSELE.

The struggle between President Taft and ex-President Roosevelt for control of the Republican national convention continues to be the most interesting and spectacular feature of the pending presidential campaign, and it is becoming more interesting and spectacular every day.

Mr. Roosevelt has had the best of recent primaries in Nebraska, Oregon and West Virginia, while Mr. Taft has won out in New Hampshire and seems about to score over his competitor in Iowa and Missouri. The Massachusetts primary is to be held next Tuesday, and its outcome may have an important bearing on the final result to be recorded at the Chicago convention, which is to assemble June 18.

Mr. Roosevelt has taken occasion lately to mention and criticize President Taft by name in the course of political speeches, and the president signalled the opening of his Massachusetts campaign on Thursday by considering these criticisms so intemperate and replying to them in a straightforward and emphatic manner that will no doubt prove very satisfying to his friends and supporters and put his erstwhile "guide, philosopher and friend" on his mettle to meet and counter. President Taft shows that in several instances where his actions have been most severely condemned, they were taken with the full knowledge and approval of his then supporter and present opponent, and that the positions now assumed by the latter on the leading issues of his campaign are in direct opposition to his former attitude and utterances on the same subjects.

As a crowning illustration of Mr. Roosevelt's instability and disregard of pledges, the president quotes the following deliberate and voluntary announcement made by President Roosevelt in November, 1904:

"The wise custom which limits the president to two terms regards the substance and not the form, and under no circumstances will I be a candidate for or accept another nomination."

President Taft's declaration that he is not receiving a square deal from his former friend and patron seems well founded.

## FAILURE OF THE TEUTONIA BANK.

The Teutonia Bank, of New Orleans, has been placed in the hands of a receiver, an investigation by the state bank examiner and the district attorney of Orleans parish having disclosed gross mismanagement and crookedness on the part of several of the institution's officers and employees, resulting in an impairment of the capital and resources to the extent of approximately \$800,000. Criminal charges are pending against President Eugene Buhler, Vice President Adam Wagatha, Director Jos. H. Gomila, and former Assistant Cashier Frank J. Braud, while Cashier W. E. Dunn and Assistant Cashier A. E. Mazurette and two or three others have been placed under bond as material witnesses. Dunn and Mazurette have acknowledged falsifying books and securities for the purpose of deceiving the examiners, at the instance and with the knowledge of Buhler and Gomila, who were in complete control of the bank's affairs.

T. Walter Danziger is receiver for the broken bank and is making such good progress in the work of calling in loans and utilizing resources that he feels confident the depositors will receive fully fifty per cent of their claims. It was at first feared that the failure was such a bad one the creditors could scarcely look for more than a ten per cent dividend. The collapse of the Teutonia naturally made many depositors in the other New Orleans banks uneasy, and some of the more timid began drawing out their deposits, but a rigid inquiry by the clearing house showed all the city's banks in sound condition, and public confidence is being rapidly restored.

## Death of Albert Baldwin, Sr.

Albert Baldwin, Sr., the well-known New Orleans hardware merchant, banker and philanthropist, died of apoplexy at Baldwin Lodge, on the north shore of Lake Pontchartrain, last Sunday morning, and his remains were laid to rest in beautiful Metairie Cemetery the following afternoon. Mr. Baldwin was a native of Watertown, Mass., where he was born April 7, 1834. He came to New Orleans in 1858, and entered the employ of John Burnside & Co., advancing steadily until he reached the position of one of the city's foremost figures in business and social life. He leaves four sons and one daughter, all residents of New Orleans except one of the sons, who lives at El Paso, Texas.

Justin McCarthy, the celebrated English novelist and historian, died at Folkstone, April 24, aged 82 years. He began his literary career as a newspaper writer and was for many years a member of parliament and an ardent supporter of the policy of home rule for Ireland.

## THE HIGH WATER FIGHT.

The levees of the lower Mississippi valley are being subjected to a tremendous test by a record-breaking flood that is pouring down the great river on its way to the gulf. Several disastrous crevasses have already occurred—two in Arkansas, at Panther Forest and Dog Tail levees; one in East Carroll parish, La., at Salem levee, and one on the west bank of the river at the Hughes levee, near Beulah, Miss, in the wondrously fertile Yazoo delta. Many thousands of square miles of land in the southeastern counties of Arkansas and the northeastern parishes of Louisiana are being inundated by the waters dashing through the west bank breaks, and a considerable area of Mississippi land will be submerged by the Hughes crevasse. Upwards of 30,000 people will be rendered temporarily homeless by these overflows, but the prompt action of the federal and state authorities, aided by private benevolence and enterprise, will insure all possible alleviation of the sufferings of the flood victims.

There has been much unavoidable loss of animal life as a result of the crevasses, and the destruction of farm stock and crops will be great, but fortunately very few human lives have been sacrificed, most of the residents of the submerged territory having received sufficient warning of the disasters to enable them to escape to higher localities.

Two crevasses occurred early in the season on the Atchafalaya river, but the damage from these will be comparatively small.

The Mississippi is falling at all points from Cairo down to Natchez, but the crest of the flood has not yet reached the stretch from Red river to the gulf, and it is in this region that the brunt of the fight to hold the vast volume of water within the levees is to be felt. The water from the Arkansas and East Carroll crevasses is flowing into Red river and from thence down the Mississippi and the Atchafalaya. A gigantic struggle must be waged by the people of lower Louisiana for the protection of their homes and property from this threatening flood, and it behooves every citizen to bear a part in the fray.

## Episcopal Rector Resigns.

Rev. Quincy Ewing, of Napoleonville, rector of the Church of the Ascension (Episcopal), in this city, announced to his congregation last Sunday forenoon that he had tendered his resignation and would no longer officiate as spiritual director of the local church. For some time past Dr. Ewing has been in charge of both the Donaldsonville and Napoleonville Episcopal churches, holding services here on the first and third Sundays of every month, and at Napoleonville on the second and fourth Sundays. The Napoleonville congregation were not satisfied with this arrangement, and at a meeting of the vestry recently an agreement was entered into with Dr. Ewing whereby he will devote all of his time to the Assumption church. Dr. Ewing is one of the most able and eloquent ministers who have ever served as rector of the local Episcopal church, and the members of the congregation are sincerely grieved over his decision to relinquish his pastoral duties here.

One reason for Dr. Ewing's resignation is that the Donaldsonville church is not self-supporting.

## The River Situation.

The river has been practically stationary at this point for the past week, the daily gauge readings showing a stage of from 32.1 to 32.2 feet. When the flood water from the crevasses above the Red River finds its way back into the Mississippi there will be a further rise in the latter stream, and the government engineers predict a level at Donaldsonville in excess of 32.35 feet, which was the record established in 1903. The crest of the flood will probably pass this city within the next week or ten days, after which the water will in all probability begin to recede.

Nothing but good reports are heard concerning the levees in this section, on both sides of the river, and barring accidents or other unforeseen contingencies there is every reason to believe that the embankments will prove adequate to hold in check what is now expected to be the greatest flood in the history of the mighty Father of Waters.

## Holy Name Society to be Organized.

At a meeting held in the Catholic presbytery after high mass last Sunday forenoon, with upwards of forty-two men present, steps were taken to organize a branch of the Holy Name Society in this city, and a committee was named to make application for a charter and attend to all other details incidental to the carrying out of this purpose. As soon as the charter is received a meeting will be held to effect permanent organization. The Holy Name Society is one of the largest and most successful of the organizations fostered by the Catholic church, and has branches in hundreds of cities, towns and hamlets throughout the United States. Members are required, among other things, to receive holy communion at least four times a year, and to refrain from using obscene language or desecrating the name of the Lord in any way whatsoever.

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## ASCENSION TRIUMPHANT.

Dutchtown High School Carries Off Highest Honors in Field and Track Meet of Sugar Belt Association, and Donaldsonville Stars in Literary Features—Rally a Splendid Success.

The annual meet of the Sugar Belt Athletic and Literary Association, which was held in this city last Saturday, was attended by several hundred students and teachers of various high schools in Ascension, Assumption, Lafourche, Terrebonne and St. John parishes, and proved an entire success in every particular. A special train from Thibodaux over the T. and P. Railroad brought a large crowd from Assumption, Lafourche and Terrebonne, and other delegates and spectators arrived by vehicle from Dutchtown and Gonzales, in Ascension; Labadieville, in Assumption; Thibodaux and Lockport, in Lafourche; and Houma and Bourg, in Terrebonne.

The visitors were cordially received and entertained, and every citizen of the town co-operated to the fullest extent with the local school authorities and the Woman's Civic League in looking after the comfort and convenience of the community's guests and seeing to it that Donaldsonville's well-earned reputation for hospitality was maintained. The entertainment program arranged for the occasion was carried out with out a hitch, and the committees entrusted with the management of the meet left nothing undone that could in any way have added to the success of the rally or promoted the enjoyment of those who attended.

Dinner and supper were served to the visiting school children and teachers by the Civic League, the bountifully-laden tables being spread in Ascension Hall, which had been attractively decorated for the occasion. The menu comprised chicken fricassee, baked chicken, boiled ham, salads, ham and chicken sandwiches, ice cream and cakes, lemonade, and numerous other delectable dishes and beverages, practically all of which had been contributed by the business men and citizens of the town.

The weather was somewhat cloudy and threatening throughout the day and rain seemed imminent, but fortunately the unwelcome visitation was averted until after the outdoor features of the program had been concluded. Light showers fell at night, but the precipitations were not sufficient in volume to materially affect the attendance at the entertainment in the high school auditorium, where the literary features were presented.

The field and track meet took place at Cleveland Park at 2 o'clock p. m., and all the events were closely contested and proved very interesting. A large crowd was in attendance, and much school spirit and enthusiasm was manifested. The entries were as follows:

Labadieville—Harry Achee, Imac Naquin.

Lockport—Louis Legendre, Maxime Rigan, Maurice Hargis, Sylvère Bourg, Lionel Scott, Charles Bourg.

Oak Grove—Murphy Webb, Ira Stansbury, Janssens Daigle, Eugene Webb, Lencie Dixon, Charles Brown.

Thibodaux—Norman Williams, Ferdinand Gouaux, Russel Prigent, Alby Stevens, Willie LaGarde, Robert Stevens, Vandon Boudreaux, Norman Kent, Henry LeBlanc.

Bourg—Claude Ellender, Jesse Boudreaux.

Evergreen—Lamie Songy, Lezin Rome, Ferdinand Abadie, Lucien Duhs, Henry Borne, Sidney Songy.

Gonzales—Emory Walker, Harrison Young, Albert LeBlanc.

Donaldsonville—Leroy Stockwell, Eddie Cox, Chandler Oubre, Joe Termini, Julius Folse, John Prister, William Hanson, Wilbert Reiger.

Houma—Albert Lecointe, Louis Boudreaux, Jim Haygood, Alex. Connelly, Lawrence Porche, Sam. Peritt, Harris Berger.

Dutchtown—Severin Braud, Bertrand Landry, Walton Braud, Leslie LeBlanc, Noah Landry, Clarence Marcand, Alexis Hebert, Leon Gresman, Leyton Kling, Andrew Babin.

John L. Ory—Lester Montegut.

Following is the order in which the events were run off, and the place winners in the various contests:

100-yard dash—Vapdon Boudreaux, Thibodaux, first; Bertrand Landry, Dutchtown, second; Severin Babin, Dutchtown, third. Time, 11 seconds.

High jump—Walton Braud, Dutchtown, first; Jesse Boudreaux, Bourg, second; Murphy Webb, Oak Grove, third. Height, 5 feet 1 inch.

220-yard dash—Walton Braud, Dutchtown, first; Severin Babin, Dutchtown, second; Alby Stevens, Thibodaux, third. Time, 25 2/5 seconds.

Shot put—Jesse Boudreaux, Bourg, 39 feet, first; Leroy Stockwell, Donaldsonville, 36 5/10 feet, second; Murphy Webb, Oak Grove, 35 5/10 feet, third.

Quarter-mile race—Jim Haygood, Houma, first; Walton Braud, Dutchtown, second; Eddie Cox, Donaldsonville, third. Time, 61 2/5 seconds.

Pole vault—Julius Folse, Donaldsonville, 9 3/4 feet, first; Jesse Boudreaux, Bourg, 9 1/2 feet, second; Norman Lawless, Donaldsonville, 8 feet, third.

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## Local School a Prize Winner at State Rally.

Donaldsonville captured two prizes at the annual state high school rally held in Baton Rouge yesterday. Miss Bessie Dixon was awarded second place in the declamation contest, and the glee club quartette, composed of Misses Nancy Proffitt, Ola Poche, Rosa Lee Allen and Ethel Werper, captured third honors in this event. Fifteen schools were represented in the girls' declamation contest, and five in the contest in quartette singing.

Among the teachers and students of the local high school who went to Baton Rouge to participate in the rally were: Principal H. B. Messick, Miss Sophia Mielko, Miss Clothilda Reed, Misses Dixon, Proffitt, Poche, Allen, Werper, Ruth Miller, Pauline Blomestiel, Rosina Singer and Eunice McCallard, and Messrs. Leroy Stockwell, Julius Folse and Alfred Schmalzried. Others who went from this city were Supt. J. L. Rusca, Misses Lise and Mattie McCallard, and Norma Gisclard.

THING FOR NOTHING. J. A. play, Sr.

Mrs. Thomassin Parant died yesterday, March 17, 1912, at St. Ann and her remains were laid to rest in the St. Ann Catholic cemetery. She was an aunt of Alcega and ment Savio, leading citizens of Amant, and a grand-aunt of many of them being Mrs. Edmond Bourgeois. Mrs. Parant was ninety years old and had always been in the best of health up to a very short time before her death. She was truly angel on earth, and nothing could be said about her. We miss her greatly, and know that her loss will be Heaven's gain. May her beautiful soul rest in peace!

Ladies, when you get an Annual certificate, KEEP IT. It means what it says. Let me show you the line of utensils; costs you nothing to look at them, and you get a THING FOR NOTHING. J. A. play, Sr.