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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.

Mr. Schroeder Invents Street Car Fender.

Alderman A. J. Schroeder, of this city, has invented a street car fender and went to New Orleans Thursday to demonstrate his device to officials of the street railway company and members of the streets and landings committee of the New Orleans council. Concerning the result of the test of Mr. Schroeder's fender, the Picayune of Friday says:

"When the fender offered by A. J. Schroeder, mayor pro tem of Donaldsonville, was tested it made a success of catching the figure struck while standing, but the fender broke, and it was discovered that a piece of pipe used in its construction was defective. Mr. Schroeder stated that he did not have time to test out his machine after getting here and having it put up, and asked for another opportunity to show it, which was left to the committee to take under advisement."

Colored Citizens Contribute to Relief Fund.

(Communicated.)

Editor Chief:

Please publish the following list of societies and persons who have contributed, through our committee, to the fund for the relief of the distressed refugees driven from their homes by the flood:

Ladies of Prompt Succor Benevolent Association, $5; Lancelot Lodge No. 38, K. of P., $7; St. Peter M. E. Church, $1.50; Ladies of Progress Benevolent Association, $5; St. Joseph Benevolent Association, $10; Dr. J. H. Lowery, $5; E. D. Wright and wife, $2; Youths of Darrow Lodge No. 2528, Odd Fellows, $10; P. W. Porter, $1; P. L. Landry, $2.50; Miss E. H. Lowery, $2; Mrs. J. H. Lowery, $2; Miss Jennie Harris, 5 cents; Ladies of Victory, $5; public collection, 40 cents. Total, $58.45.

This amount has been turned over to Mayor Charles Maurin, of Donaldsonville, to be forwarded to the proper authorities. We hope to be able to publish another list of contributors next week.

Submitted by the committee: Dr. J. H. Lowery, president; P. L. Landry, vice president; E. D. Wright, secretary and treasurer.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ORGANIZED

The general assembly of Louisiana convened at Baton Rouge last Monday in regular biennial session with almost a full attendance of the members of both houses.

The senate, which will be presided over by Lieut. Gov. Lambremont until after the inauguration of Governor Hall and Lieut. Gov. Barret on the 20th instant, elected Senator Joseph Voegtle of Orleans president pro tempore, the vote standing 26 for Voegtle to 10 for Senator A. Kent Amacker of East Carroll. Senator Himel of this district voted with the minority for Amacker. O. H. Simpson was re-elected secretary of the senate without opposition. G. A. Staples was re-elected sergeant-at-arms over Dr. C. L. Collins, and William Johnson was re-elected doorkeeper over Geo. W. Horton and H. B. Thompson.

In the house of representatives Hon. L. E. Thomas of Caddo was chosen speaker by acclamation and made a forceful speech on taking the chair, dwelling pointedly on the obligation of the general assembly to carry out the promises of reform in the Good Government League's platform. Robert S. Landry of Orleans was re-elected clerk of the house, defeating E. O. Fournet of St. Martin by a vote of 71 to 34. Representative Marchand of Ascension voted for Mr. Landry, while Representative Picard cast his ballot for Mr. Fournet. Thomas J. Ryan of Orleans was re-elected sergeant-at-arms by acclamation. Dudley Selph of Orleans was elected doorkeeper, defeating Andre Francois and M. B. Childers of Orleans and J. H. Allen of Livingston. C. J. Bolen of Claiborne was chosen postmaster without opposition.

The farewell message of Gov. Sanders was read in both houses on Tuesday, the process consuming two hours. It deals exhaustively with state conditions and defends the course of the administration for the past four years.

Hardly had the reading of the message been concluded when notices were given of bills to abolish the Game and Fish Commission, to repeal the Marks' educational bill and to abolish the Fire Prevention Bureau and the State Fire Rating Board.

Both houses adjourned from Thursday until next Monday. The business of the session will begin in earnest after the message of Gov. Hall has been received and the standing committees are announced.

Objectionable Practice.

A crowd of boys, all of good family and presumably excellent rearing, have of late formed the habit of congregating in front of the postoffice during the afternoon and early evening hours, where they indulge in all sorts of rough and boisterous play, to say nothing of making suggestive comments on passers-by, particularly ladies. Postmaster Lafargue has complained of the presence and actions of these idlers, and has frequently requested them to move away or to modify their conduct and language, but to no avail. It seems astonishing that young men of seemingly good parentage and breeding should act in this obnoxious manner, and it would perhaps be well for the parents or guardians of these boys to say a word to them as to their conduct in this respect.

If this is not done, or there should be no improvement in the condition complained of, drastic action will be taken by the postoffice officials, and public opinion will surely sustain them in their efforts to abrogate this nuisance.

Should be Protected.

It is reported that a number of deer, fleeing before the flood water from the Torras crevasse, are being driven out of the swamps in this parish on the west bank of Bayou Lafourche, and that the frightened animals are being ruthlessly slaughtered. In some instances efforts are made to capture the deer and provide them with a haven of refuge, but in a majority of cases they are shot down by unscrupulous hunters. This violation of the law of the land and the ethics of true sportsmanship is eliciting severe condemnation from the real sportsmen and all lovers of fair play, and it is likely that the parochial authorities will be petitioned to take some action that will put a stop to the brutal killing of the defenseless deer.

Repair the Park Fountain.

The fountain in the center of Louisiana Square has been out of commission for more than two months, since the iron geese from which the water spouted were twisted off by unknown vandals during the night, and the basin is filled with stagnant water, offering a fine breeding place for mosquitoes.

Some effort should be made to repair the damage to the fountain and place it in operation again, and the attention of the mayor and council is respectfully directed to the matter.

Charles T. Wortham, of Napleonville, was in town Thursday in the interest of his candidacy for district judge. Mr. Wortham is making a personal canvass of the voters of the three parishes comprising the district—Ascension, Assumption and St. James—and says he is entirely satisfied with the political outlook from his point of view at this period of the campaign.

RIVER RECEDING.

Government Gauge Here Shows a Decline of .8 of a Foot in Past Week—Crevasse Occurs at Hymelia—Mail and Train Service Disrupted.

The river has been falling slowly at this point for the past week, the gauge reading this morning being 34 feet, which is a decline of .8 of a foot from the record stage established last Saturday. During the severe storm of the preceding night the gauge at one time registered 35.1 feet, but this seeming rise was due to the backing up of the water by the wind and was not real, the gauge Saturday morning showing a stage of 34.8 feet, which will go down in the records as the highest point reached by the present freshet.

The weather during the greater part of the past week has been clear and dry, and this fact, coupled with the steady decline in the river, has had the effect of rendering the flood situation a great deal more hopeful and encouraging in this locality, and there is a marked absence of the gloom and apprehension that was so noticeable while the crest of the rise was being awaited. All the levees hereabout are in good condition and holding well, and the opinion is general that the critical period of the flood has been safely passed. There has been no relaxing of vigilance, however, and the levees are still being carefully guarded to prevent a break.

The Hymelia levee in St. Charles parish gave way at about 6:30 o'clock Tuesday evening, the break occurring within a couple of hundred yards of the spot where the same embankment collapsed in 1903. The crevasse has widened to approximately 800 feet and there seems to be no prospect of closing it. A large area of fertile lands will be inundated, principally in St. Charles, St. John and Jefferson parishes. The effects of the crevasse will also be felt in portions of St. James, Assumption and Lafourche, and it is possible, though not probable, that the flood water will even encroach upon the rear fields of some of the plantations in this parish on the east bank of Bayou Lafourche.

Capt. V. Maurin, president of the Lafourche Basin Levee Board, repaired to the scene of the break on a special train from Addis over the T. and P. road Tuesday night, and has remained at the crevasse. The ends of the levees have been safely tied and no further widening of the gap is apprehended.

Owing to the flooding of the tracks of the T. and P. road by the water from the crevasse, train service over that line from New Orleans to points on this side of the break has been discontinued, and the only trains now operated are one each way daily from Addis to Edgard. Due to this condition of affairs no mail from New Orleans arrived here until Thursday afternoon, when a number of pouches were received, having been routed over the Southern Pacific to Shriever and Napoleonville, and from the latter place to this city via the T. and P. road. The mail is now being received daily by way of the Mississippi Valley route and steamer Virgie.

The regular passenger trains on the Thibodaux and Napoleonville branches of the T. and P. have also been discontinued, and beginning today a mixed freight and passenger train will be operated on each branch. That on the Thibodaux side will arrive here at 8 a. m., and, leaving its baggage and passenger coaches here, will be run as a local freight, carrying passengers, from this point to Edgard. It will return in time to pull out for Thibodaux at 5 p. m. The train on the Napoleonville branch will arrive here at 7:35 a. m., and will be operated as a freight train, carrying passengers, from here to New Roads, also returning in time to depart for Napoleonville at 5 p. m.

On the Valley road, a local train is run from New Orleans to Baton Rouge in the morning, returning in the afternoon. To connect with this train at Burnside, the steamer Virgie leaves Donaldsonville at 8:45 a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m.

A thorough inspection of the levees from Port Allen to Donaldsonville, on the west bank of the river, was made last Monday by President V. M. LeFebvre of the Atchafalaya Basin Levee Board. He stated that he found the levees in good condition all along the line, and that wherever damage had been caused by the big storm of May 10 it had been repaired in such a manner as to make the embankments stronger and safer than ever. The New Hope and Philadelphia joint levees in Ascension parish and the Evergreen levee in Iberville, concerning which there had been much uneasiness, are now in splendid shape, considerable work having been done on them after the storm by large forces of convicts and other laborers. In making his inspection trip, Mr. LeFebvre was transported from point to point in a motor boat belonging to Kenner LeBlanc, of this parish, one of the five launches shipped from Donaldsonville last week to be operated by the government authorities in rescue and relief work in the district inundated by the Torras crevasse. Mr. LeBlanc returned to Plaquemine in his launch, and Mr. LeFebvre went back on the night train over the T. and P.

Death of Mrs. Arthur Gauthreaux.

Mrs. Arthur Gauthreaux, nee Emily Michel, a native and life-long resident of Ascension parish, died at her home in the fifth ward at 4 o'clock a. m. Tuesday, after an illness of several months, aged fifty-nine years, five months and seven days. The funeral took place Wednesday morning, the remains of the lamented lady being brought to Donaldsonville on the 7:30 o'clock trip of the ferry and interred in the local Catholic cemetery, after impressive services at Ascension Church.

Mrs. Gauthreaux is survived by five sons, Messrs. Seale, Lawrence, Henry and John Gauthreaux, of Darrow, and Oscar Gauthreaux, of Westwego; three daughters, Mrs. A. E. Legendre of Iberville parish, and Mrs. Robert Lanoux and Miss Azalea Gauthreaux, of Darrow; three brothers, Joseph Michel of Donaldsonville, Omer Michel of Darrow, and Ozeme Michel of New Orleans, and three sisters, Misses Alice, Carmelite and Elise Michel, of New Orleans.

Sympathy is tendered the bereaved family by a wide circle of friends and acquaintances.

Sweetheart, meet me at Duffel's soda fountain tomorrow. His ice cream and soda is simply delicious.

Pelicans Trounce Jefferson.

In a game which up to the fifth inning was as spicy and interesting an exhibition of the national sport as has been seen on the local diamond in some years, the Pelicans handed a trouncing to the fast Jefferson College team last Sunday by the close count of 5 to 2. For the first four rounds the defense put up by both teams was impregnable, but in the fifth period the Pelicans slipped one over, coming right back with two more in the sixth and a like number in the seventh. Three of the five tallies were earned, resulting from the bombardment to which Pitcher Swartz of the collegians was subjected in the sixth and seventh rounds. The locals eased up near the close of the pastime and permitted the visitors to put two runs across the pan.

Dugas hurled for the home heroes and held the hard-hitting Jeffersonians to four safeties, two of which were of a very scratchy variety. He lacked control at times, pinking two batters and sending three to first base on dead-head transportation, but was steady in the pinches and on more than one occasion pulled out of a hole by classy twirling. Nice support was accorded him in the infield, several pretty plays being pulled off by Stockwell, H. LeBlanc and Prejean. The outfield did not appear to advantage. Vegas, as usual, caught a careful game, and was a bear at the bat, smashing out three bingles, one a two-bagger, out of four times up.

Swartz performed in the pitcher's box for the collegians and handled himself well for the first five innings, but during the ensuing periods the locals tumbled to his delivery and pounded it all over the lot. He fielded his position nicely, and was particularly strong at backing up third, cutting off more than one run through his interception of wild throws to that sack from the demoralized gardeners.

The attendance, while not as large as the quality of the sport deserved, was quite good, and the rooting was lively on the part of the supporters of both teams.

The Pelicans left this morning in automobiles for Houma, where they are billed to hook up with the strong team of that city today and tomorrow.

Donations to Flood Relief Fund.

The Woman's Civic League of Donaldsonville has forwarded to the chairman of the flood relief committee at Baton Rouge four large crates and two barrels of clothing, together with $11.50 in cash, the whole comprising donations for the relief of the flood sufferers made by the citizens of Donaldsonville at the solicitation of the Civic League. The organization is still receiving contributions of clothing and cash, and will forward further shipments to the Baton Rouge committee from time to time.

In addition to the subscriptions to the flood relief fund made through the Civic League, Olive Camp No. 18, Woodmen of the World, has sent a check for $10 to the Baton Rouge committee, and the True Friends Mutual Benevolent Association, a colored organization of this city, has forwarded a like donation to a New Orleans newspaper. A large box of wearing apparel and clothing was also shipped to Mayor Jules Roux of Baton Rouge some days ago by the well-known Riverside Club.

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CUISINE AND SERVICE OF THE HIGHEST ORDER

PROCEEDINGS OF POLICE JURY.

Parish of Ascension.

REGULAR MEETING.

Donaldsonville, La., May 8, 1912.

The police jury of the parish of Ascension met this day in regular session, at the courthouse, and was called to order at 12 o'clock m. Present: Geo. B. Reuss, president, first ward; K. A. Aucoin, second ward; Henry L. Weil, fourth ward; L. W. Armitage, fifth ward; J. C. Klos, sixth ward; Oreal Gonzales, seventh ward. Absent—Adolphe Netter, third ward; H. A. Webb, eighth ward.

The minutes of the last preceding meeting were read, approved and signed.

With reference to the claim of the Southern Bitulithic Co., for paving of street in front of the Donaldsonville high school building, which matter had been referred to District Attorney P. H. Gilbert for examination and report to the jury, the district attorney reported that he had examined the title to the school property situated in Railroad avenue, and found from the original donation of the land to the town of Donaldson by the late John Donaldson, as shown by the original map, which he produced, that the property whereon is situated the school building was dedicated by the donor for the erection of public edifices; that the said property having been used by the school board for the purpose of erecting a school building, in his opinion it is now the property of the school board, and the school board is liable for the debt for paving. On motion, duly seconded and carried, the report was ordered received.

On motion of Mr. Armitage, seconded by Mr. Aucoin and carried, the finance committee was directed to prepare and publish, as required by law, the budget of expenditures of the parish of Ascension, for the fiscal year 1912-1913.

Mr. Weil offered the following resolution:

Be it resolved, That the sum of ten dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated to pay for the map of the plan of the town of Donaldson, showing the original donation of land by the lte John Donaldson.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Klos, and on roll-call adopted by the following vote: Yeas—Reuss, Aucoin, Weil, Armitage, Klos, Gonzales; nays—none; absent—Netter, Webb.

The following ordinance was read:

AN ORDINANCE.

An ordinance organizing and creating a drainage district composed of lands situated in the fifth, sixth and seventh wards of the parish of Ascension, state of Louisiana, to be known as the Bayou Conway Drainage District of the parish of Ascension; constituting said board of commissioners of said drainage district a body corporate with all the powers of a corporation, and carrying into effect the provisions of Act No. 317, of the general assembly of the year 1910, and the provisions of Article No. 281 of the constitution of the state of Louisiana of 1898.

Section 1. Be it ordained by the police jury of the parish of Ascension, La., That whereas in the opinion of this body it is necessary and will be of immense benefit and conducive to the interest and welfare of the property owners of the fifth, sixth and seventh wards of the parish of Ascension, La., that a drainage district be organized and created, comprising lands situated in the fifth, sixth and seventh wards of the parish of Ascension, for the purpose of more readily draining said lands in said portions of said parish.

It is, therefore, ordained by said police jury that by virtue of and pursuant to the power vested in this body by Act No. 317 of the general assembly of the year 1910, all that part of the fifth, sixth and seventh wards of the parish of Ascension, Louisiana, embraced within the boundaries following, to-wit, shall constitute and form and be embraced in the limits of a drainage district to be known and styled: "Bayou Conway Drainage District of the Parish of Ascension":

Beginning at the upper line of Ashland plantation on the Mississippi river; then running along said river down to the upper line of Riverton plantation; then along the said upper line of said Riverton plantation to the back capital of said plantation near the forty arpent corner; then following the back canal and levee of the Riverton and Donaldson plantations to the lower line of Donaldson plantation; then along said lower line of said Donaldson plantation to its intersection with the eighty arpent line; then along the eighty arpent line to its intersection with section line between sections 36 and 41, in township 10, s r 3 east; then following said section line to the common corner of sections 36, 41, 2, and 42; then continue one-half mile in same direction; then north one-half mile; then east one-half mile to the east boundary line of township 10, s r 3 east; then north along township line two miles; then west one-half mile; then north one-half mile; then west one-half mile to common corner secs. 16, 17, 33 and 34; then north one-half mile; then west one-half mile; then north one-half mile; then west two miles; then north one-half mile; then west two and one-half miles, to the western boundary line of township 10, s r 3 east; then south one and one-half miles; then west along the north boundary line of section eighty to the rear line of Ashland plantation; then following the west boundary line of section eight; about three-eighths of a mile; then in a southwesterly direction across the Ashland field to the first headland from the river; then northwesterly along said headland to the upper line of Ashland plantation; then southwesterly along said upper line to the point of beginning on Mississippi river.

(It is understood that when the district shall have been organized the work of dredging shall begin and be carried on from both ends of Bayou Conway simultaneously, or at some point at the upper end of the district that will include one or both of the canals known as Point and Wyatt or Company Canals).

Section 2. Be it further ordained, etc., That there shall be five commissioners for said district, who, or whose wives, shall be a land owner in said district to the assessed value of five hundred dollars, whether he be a resident or a non-resident of the district, provided he be a citizen of the state. Three of said commissioners to be appointed by this body, two for a term of two years and one for a term of four years, and all selections by this police jury thereafter shall be for a period of four years; the remaining two commissioners shall be appointed by the governor of the state of Louisiana for a period of [illegible] years. The appointment of said commissioners shall be made upon the recommendation of not less than [illegible] five property owners of said district, and the petition of recommendation shall state the amount of property owned by each of the petitioners, the same shall be attested by the parish assessor.

Section 3. Be it further ordained, etc., That said board of commissioners of said drainage district is hereby constituted a body corporate or body politic with all the powers of a corporation; it shall have the power and right to incur debts and contract obligations, issue negotiable bonds therefor; to sue and be sued, to make and use a corporate seal, and to do and perform all and all acts in its corporate capacity and in its corporate name necessary and proper for the carrying out the objects and purposes of this ordinance. The domicile of the said district is hereby fixed at Darrow, in the parish of Ascension, Louisiana, which domicile it shall be sued and service of citation shall be made on the president, either in person or by some person in charge of the office.

Section 4. Be it further ordained, etc., That the said commissioners, after having been duly appointed and qualified, shall convene at its domicile at Darrow, in the parish of Ascension, Louisiana, within fifteen days after the appointment of said commissioners, and shall proceed to organize by electing officers as follows: They shall elect from their number a president and a vice president. It shall be the duty of the president to preside over the meetings of the board and to perform such duties as are usually required of presidents of corporate bodies. It shall be the duty of the vice president to act in the absence of the president in case of absence or disability. They shall elect a secretary-treasurer and fix his salary. He shall perform all the duties required of him by the board of commissioners and furnish bond in such sum fixed by the board, and whose salary shall not exceed the sum of fifty dollars per month. Said drainage commissioners shall select one of the state chartered banks of the state where moneys shall be deposited, which bank shall pay interest at not less than three per cent per annum on all deposits of said drainage district.

Section 5. Be it further ordained, etc., That the said board of drainage commissioners herein created shall have the power and it shall be their duty to open all drains which they may deem necessary in said district, and to perform all work connected therewith which they may deem necessary to make the openings of said drains effective. They shall have the power to make contracts for the purpose and to approve and accept the same from the parties with whom contracts are made, and shall have further power of cutting and opening new drains and canals wherever and whenever deemed necessary. They have the further power to secure rights of way necessary for the cutting of canals or other works for the drainage of their district, and to do this they have the power to bring expropriation suits and expropriate lands that may be necessary for the purpose of securing rights of way.

Section 6. Be it further ordained, etc., That the said board of drainage commissioners herein created may meet as often as they may deem necessary, provided that at least two meetings shall be held each year. All expenses of the administration of the said board, salaries of officers, etc., shall be paid out of the funds in the hands of the treasurer belonging to said drainage district, provided that the commissioners themselves shall not be allowed any compensation for their wages as members of said drainage board, but shall be reimbursed for any expenses incurred in performing duties imposed upon them by virtue of their employment.

Section 7. Be it further ordained, etc., That all elections held and all bonds levied, all debts incurred and all bonds issued, shall be levied, held, incurred and issued in accordance with Article 281 of the constitution of the state of Louisiana, and the acts of the general assembly of Louisiana carrying into effect said article of the constitution.

Section 8. Be it further ordained, etc., That whenever any vacancy on the board of commissioners of said drainage district herein created, caused by death, resignation, or otherwise, of members of said board shall occur, the same shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointments were made and for the unexpired term.

Section 9. Be it further ordained, etc., That this ordinance shall take effect from and after its promulgation.

On motion of Mr. Armitage, seconded by Mr. Weil, the ordinance was adopted by the following vote: Yeas—Reuss, Aucoin, Weil, Armitage, Klos, Gonzales; nays—none; absent—Netter, Webb.

Mason Snowden, in charge of the United States demonstration farm in this section, addressed the jury in the interest of an appropriation to continue the farm demonstration work which has been carried on in the seventh and eighth wards of this parish during the past two years. He pointed out the value of these demonstration farms to the small farmers living in that section. After some discussion of the subject by the members of the jury, Mr. Weil offered the following resolution:

Be it resolved, That the sum of [illegible] hundred and seventy ($270) dollars be payable in nine monthly installments of thirty ($30) dollars each, be and the same is hereby appropriated to assist in carrying on the farm demonstration work in the seventh and eighth wards of this parish, under the supervision of the United States Department of Agriculture.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Aucoin, and on roll-call was adopted by the following vote: Yeas—Reuss, Aucoin, Weil, Klos; nays—Armitage, Gonzales; absent—Netter, Webb.

Mr. Weil offered the following resolution:

Be it resolved, That the sum of [illegible] hundred ($600) dollars, be and the same is hereby appropriated to the school board of the parish of Ascension to enable that body to pay a deficit for that amount that exists in its funds, in order to complete the present school session.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Aucoin, and adopted by the following vote: Yeas—Reuss, Aucoin, Weil, Armitage, Klos, Gonzales; nays—none; absent—Netter, Webb.

President Reuss announced the appointment of the following delegates to the Good Roads Congress to be held in the city of New Orleans May 16: Dr. W. P. Miles, Richard McCall, Leon Picard.

The jury adjourned. C. C. WEIL, Clk.