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## THE BANK OF ST. JOHN

RESERVE. LOUISIANA  
 BEGAN BUSINESS DECEMBER 5 1904

PAID UP CAPITAL - - - \$15,000  
 SURPLUS - - - - - \$15,000

**OFFICERS:** Aug. Lasseigne, President; E. J. Caire, Vice-President; James Clément, Cashier; James J. Montegut, Assistant Cashier.  
**DIRECTORS:** Augustin Lasseigne, Clément Maurin, Dr. Sidney Montegut, Lucien Montégut Jr., Paul Berthelot, Etienne J. Caire, Dr. L. T. Donaldson, Emygde Ory, Thos. F. Ory, Charles E. Thibodaux, George Bourgeois, James Clément, J. V. Chenet.  
 3½ PER CENT. INTEREST PAID ON TIME DEPOSITS.

### GARY STATE BANK

GARYVILLE, LA.

PAID UP CAPITAL	\$10,000.00
SURPLUS	\$2,000.00

**OFFICERS** - F. REYNAUD, President; DR. O. J. ORY, Vice-President; J. J. GEBELIN, Cashier.  
**DIRECTORS** - Emile Graugnard, J. J. Gebelin, Léon Keller, Z. Montz, Dr. O. J. Ory, E. J. Poché, F. Reynaud.  
 3½ PER CENT. INTEREST ON TIME DEPOSITS.

### ST. JAMES BANK

LUTCHER, LA.  
 BEGAN BUSINESS NOVEMBER 15 1904.

PAID UP CAPITAL	\$30,000 00
SURPLUS	\$40,000.00

**OFFICERS:** F. Reynaud, President; Leonard Waguespack, Vice-president; L. Keller, Second Vice-president; A. H. Meurs, Cashier; Eugene J. Poché, Assistant Cashier.  
**DIRECTORS:** A. G. Gearbeard, F. Chauvin, L. Waguespack, L. Keller, Louis Hymel, F. J. Waguespack, A. H. Meurs, Joseph Gebelin, F. Reynaud, H. P. Woods, Jean Bassat.  
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GRADUATES IN DEMAND  
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### Big Fair For The Benefit Of St. John The Baptist Church.

There will be "big doings" at Edgard on Sept. 25th, and 26th, the dates fixed for the BIG FAIR to raise funds to build a new belfry to house the beautiful and sonorous bells of our beloved old Church as well as to attend to other needed repairs to the building.

The project is in the hands of the young men of the parish, and while their plans are not fully matured at this early date, the program of amusements which they are preparing is the most enticing. There will be some interesting high grade acting, some exceedingly comical vaudeville, plenty of delightful music, games of all sorts, etc., etc. My word, better save up the dimes (and the dollars too, for that matter) and be prepared to enjoy a royal time for the occasion.

This week committees will be formed, plans completed and more news will follow in next week's issue of this paper.

One interesting feature for young ladies will be the prizes offered for those who will take charge of placing the tickets for the raffle of a beautiful and expensive 400 day or anniversary Clock: this is a rare novelty and a valuable one. The prizes for the most successful contestants are all of solid gold and worth working for. The Committee would like to hear from young ladies at LaPlace, at Reserve and at Garyville who would like to enter the contest for the placing of tickets. Address Mr. Sidney L. Hymel, Edgard, La.

Remember this fair will be for the benefit of our dear old St. John the Baptist Church, in which almost every family, if not every individual in the parish has some interest. Then be generous and help the good cause to the utmost of your ability. It will be thankfully received by those who have the project in charge as well as the entire congregation.

More next week.

C. J. Tassin, Chairman,  
 Com. on Publicity.

### Judge and Mrs. Edrington On Pleasure Trip.

Judge Prentice E. Edrington accompanied by his charming, and estimable wife left last Sunday evening on the 8:05 Chicago Limited for an extended and enjoyable trip in the West.

Mr. and Mrs. Edrington will visit St. Louis, Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis.

They will take the Canadian Pacific and will visit Lake Louise, Bauff, the Canadian National Park, the Glaciers, Vancouver, Victoria, Seattle, Olympia, Portland, San Francisco, and on their return trip will visit Los Angeles, San Diego, Universal City, Salt Lake City, Denver, Colorado Springs, Pike's Peak, homeward to Memphis, Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. Edrington will be at their home at Reserve, La., on or about September 12 next. We join Mr. and Mrs. Edrington's many friends throughout the parish, and elsewhere in wishing them a delightful trip, and a safe return to our dear parish.

### Enjoyable Surprise Party At Editor's Home.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Reynaud, at Lucy, this parish, was the scene of a most delightful Surprised Party on Thursday, the 12th, the occasion being the celebration of the editor's birthday.

A large and jolly crowd reached the editor's domain at about 9 o'clock p. m., and when the serenade began the editor was already in the land of dreams, according to his own statement. Mr. Reynaud was more delighted than surprised, and he and his estimable wife greeted each and every one present with a most royal welcome, and soon turned over their hospitable residence, and spacious lawn to the happy crowd.

Delicious refreshments and cakes of all kinds which had been presented to Mr. Reynaud by his friends were served, and dancing was enjoyed until a late hour.

Splendid music was discoursed by the famous "Three Friends" Orchestra, of Lucy.

The following honored the editor and graced the happy occasion by their presence:

Mrs. Horace D'Arensbourg, Mrs. Daria Desroches, Mrs. Gustave Sacher, Mrs. Edward Savoie, Mrs. Alcée Bossier, Miss Marie Picot.

Misses Media Bourgoyne, of Plaquemine, La., Victorine Casano, of New Orleans, La., Odette Bossier, Evela Roussel, Candida Turcotte, Emily Schexnaydre, of Lutcher, La., Denise, Lise, and Daria D'Arensbourg, Annette, Beatrice, and Antonia Haydel, Rosa St. Pierre, Carmen Bienvenu, of Gramercy, La., Elvecia Lemoine, Alba Dufresne, of St. Amelia, La., Mathilde Martin, Una and Gertrude Ory.

Messrs. Alcée Fabre, and Louis Chauvin of Edgard, La., Alfred Haydel, Noé Gendron, Léonard Bossier, Joseph Lemoine, Louis M. Reynaud, Richard D'Arensbourg, Lesley Borne, Prof. M. Charpentier, Ludger Ory, Honoré Charpentier, Léonard Dufresne, and John D. Ory.

### Garyville Defeats Eclipse.

The Garyville Baseball team defeated the famous Eclipse team of Edgard last Sunday afternoon at the Dutreix Park. The score being 5 to 7 in favor of Garyville.

To-morrow the Eclipse team will meet the Kansas City team at Reserve and a hotly contested game is anticipated. Batteries will be: Fabre and Chauvin, for the Eclipse, and Edrington and Maurin for the Kansas team.

### LOST.

East Monday, between Killona, La., and Wallace, La., a purse containing about \$20.

Finder return to undersigned and receive reward.

M. G. Becnel,  
 Taft, P. O., La.

### Requiem High Mass For The Repose Of The Soul Of Emile Laurent.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Holy Name Society of St. John the Baptist, it was decided to have a solemn Requiem High Mass offered at St. John the Baptist Church on Saturday morning, August 21st, at 7 o'clock for the repose of the soul of their regretted departed brother, Emile Laurent.

The family, relatives, friends and acquaintances of the deceased are respectfully invited to attend. There will be no cards.

C. J. Tassin  
 Secretary.

### Personnel Of Convention.

#### Lawyers in Majority Among Framers of New Constitution.

Lawyers will dominate the constitutional convention. They now have 51 out of 118 delegates barely lacking nine of a clear majority. Seven parishes in which there will be second primaries are not taken into this count, and more lawyers will be elected from them.

The following analysis of the personnel of the membership of the convention at this time gives a fair idea of the trend:

- Lawyers, 51.
- Farmers and planters, 16.
- Merchants and business men, 21.
- Members of legislature, 22.
- State and city office holders, 5.
- District judges, 7.
- District attorneys, 1.
- Clerks of court, 2.
- Sheriffs, 2.
- Physicians, 2.
- Editors and publishers, 4.
- Baukers, 6.
- School teachers, 1.
- General contractors, 2.
- Sawmill owners, 2.
- Former congressmen, 1.

In many instances, members have more than one vocation. For instance, several are both planters and merchants. Others are lawyers and planters, John Marks, for example, Bull Moose nominee in Assumption, is one of the largest sugar planters in that parish and at the same time has a large law practice, both criminal and civil.

In this analysis there are twenty-two members of the present house and senate. In addition there are nine public office holders, seven district judges, district attorneys, sheriffs, etc., who are not included under the caption "office holders."

With the first nominating primary over, greatest interest now centers in whether the convention will be ordered by a vote of the people in the general election, August 31.

Delegates will be elected on that date and the state's electorate will be asked to vote "yes" or "no" on calling the convention.

In this election the Democrats and Bull Moose will meet in the contested parishes in the third district. The Chief.

### Schools Re-Open On Monday Sept. 13.

The Board of School Directors, at its regular sitting held on Thursday July 29th., decided to order the reopening of the public Schools throughout the parish for Monday, September 13.

Names of new teachers, their location and salaries will be published in the near future.

It is estimated that an increase in enrollment will obtain from the opening day.

### LOCAL PERSONALS.

Those We Meet, Hear of and See During the Week.

#### Visitors in and out of the Parish.

Mr. Edward Guenard and family motored from New Orleans to St. John last Saturday and were the honored guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Pancaire.

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Hon. Antoine J. Burch, and Editor John D. Reynaud were business visitors to New Orleans on Tuesday.

Mrs. J. L. Pancaire, and winsome young daughter Amélie visited relative and friends at Lutcher during the week.

#### Hons. Alfred Songy, Prudent G. Songy, and Jeff. Merriq prominent figures of Wallace, La., were mingling with their many friends in the First Ward last Friday, and paid the editor a much appreciated visit.

Messrs. Adrian St. Pierre and Nemour Fourroux are among those who visited the progressive little town of Gramercy this week.

Hon. Charley Lasseigne, one of ward five's most substantial citizens, was transacting business at Edgard last Monday.

Mr. C. F. Coffee, the well-known, and popular representative of the Western Newspaper Union, of Memphis, Tenn. was transacting business in St. John last Monday, and complimented The Meschacébé with a pleasant call.

Miss Daria D'Arensbourg, charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Horace D'Arensbourg, of Lucy returned to her home last week after a most pleasant trip to Thibodaux, La.

No one has yet been appointed to fill the vacancy created by the sad, and untimely death of our popular Chief Deputy Hon. Emile Laurent.

Hon. George U. Gendron is merely supervising the office at present, until a new Deputy is named.

Hon. Eugene Dumez, the able and zealous assistant Secretary of the State Board of Equalization is replaced in Baton Rouge during the rice harvesting season by Hon. P. R. Jacob, an ambitious and energetic figure of ward two.

#### Support Your Home Newspaper.

A good local newspaper is one of the surest signs of a progressive community and it is to every planter's interest to do what he can to make his parish paper a good paper. It tells him things which he should know and which no other paper can tell him. Often it will be the best advertising medium he can use and if the editor realizes that the planters in his territory are trying to help him make a good paper, he is more than likely to be willing on his part to do all he can to advance the interests of the rural sections. We realize that too many local papers give practically all their attention to the town and neglect the country districts, but we wonder sometimes if this is not almost as much the planters' fault as it is the paper's. Get in touch with your local paper. Send in to it any item of news you may have. Let the editor know about any good farming that is being done in your neighborhood. Help him to see that the prosperity of a town is founded upon the prosperity of the farming country about it. In this way you can help him make a better paper and enable him to be of more service to you and to the community. -The Progressive Farmer.