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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.
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3 1/2 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.
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PAID UP CAPITAL \$30,000 00
SURPLUS \$40,000.00

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CHURCH FAIR NEWS.

LISTEN!
 When the pitchy darkness of night is changed to a glory of riotously gay colors, when an illumination of great brilliancy like the scintillating of a thousand bright shooting stars lights up the horizon, when a multi-colored fire, like a gorgeously hued aurora-borealis, appears to the astonished as well as delighted beholder, then may all know that the festivities of the BIG CHURCH FAIR are open at Edgard. Then, if you are not yet on the way, get you going—and continue until you do reach the Mecca of fun and frolic.
 Only a few more days remain before the opening of the fair, and while much has been accomplished, still a great deal remains to be done, and no assistance of any kind will be rejected by any and all of those who have the project in hand, so any one having help to offer is welcome.

The chairman in charge of Fancy work Table, Grab Bag, Fish Pond, etc., advises that he would appreciate if all donations be turned over to Miss Imelda Jones as soon as possible, in order to gauge the quantity available for each.

This information is of interest to all.
 General admission tickets, costing 25c for adults and 10c for children, as well as the Reserved Seat tickets, costing 10c for all, will be on sale at E. J. Cairn's Store of the People beginning Friday the 24th. The general admission tickets will be good for either night; that is you need a ticket for each night, but any ticket not used Saturday, is good for Sunday. The reserved Seat tickets are of course good only for the night as per date stamped on each; any unused Saturday 25th tickets, will not be good for Sunday 26th. Secure your tickets early, and assure yourself and family good front seats.
 Here is a chance to buy some cheap lumber. All the lumber to be used for the erection of sheds, booths, etc., etc., for the Fair will be on sale at reduced prices immediately after the Fair. This will consist approximately of 415 pcs 3X4X10 and 12-ft long, 300 pcs 1 1/2 X 4 X 12-ft long and a few pcs of 1X3 random lengths, all \$2 Barn grade. Applications and bids should be addressed to C. J. Tassin, Edgard, La.

Advertising matter of all sorts is being distributed this week, especially among the general merchandise stores, bakers and butchers in this and neighboring parishes, and the publicity committee respectfully request all to be so kind as to display prominently this advertising matter and see that it is not molested. This will be of much value to the success of the Fair.
 Let everybody pull together for the Fair on these few remaining days "and it must follow, as the night the day" that our Fair will be a big success, financially as well as means of much innocent diversion.

MARRIAGE.

Gaudin-Esneault.
 A l'Eglise St. Joseph, a Paulina, paroisse St. Jacques a eu lieu le Mardi, 14 Septembre a 5 heures de l'après midi le mariage de mademoiselle Lea Esneault, charmante fille de M. et de Mme Jules Esneault de Lutcher, Luc., avec M. Bernard Gaudin, fils de M. et de Mme Bernard Gaudin ausi de Lutcher, paroisse St. Jacques.
 A ces deux jeunes couples, Le Meschacébé envoie ses meilleurs souhaits de bon-heurs et de prospérité.

Reason Why Mr. Bodin Was Ruled Out As Candidate For Assessor.

Last week while riding on the Yazoo & Mississippi Valley train, a representative of this office overheard an interesting conversation between two voters of St. John Parish.
 After discussing in a good-natured way, the merits and demerits of the various Candidates the following rather pointed question was asked:
 "Why is it that your friend, Mr. Bodin, was dropped by his faction, as candidate for Assessor?"
 "Because" was the startling reply, Mr. Bodin was too hasty and announced that one of his first acts would be to Revise and Equalize the Assessment of each and every Tax-Payer of the parish."

"IS NOT THIS CORRECT AND PROPER?" ask the listener.
 "Well, the LARGE TAX-PAYERS did not care to have it that way, and Mr. Bodin's faction was induced to drop him," replied the other.

"What does the LARGE TAX-PAYERS expect from the supported Candidate?" inquired the man.
 "Well, Mr. Millet, will naturally be obliged to those assisting him in his campaign, and if elected, would be duty-bound to befriend the LARGE TAX-PAYERS, by decreasing their assessment, and increasing the assessment of the small tax payers," said the other.

The man answering these questions was apparently friendly to Mr. Bodin, according to our informant, but was willing to abide by the ruling of Mr. Bodin, and vote for Mr. Millet. This, we were further advised, was because the party in question was from one of the families distinguished by its large and heavy assessment.

This simplifies matters greatly when the question is raised as to the reason so many of the large tax-payers insinuate that Sheriff Berthelot has been in office long enough. They admit that he has made an excellent Sheriff; that he is an honest, reliable and faithful officer; that he has always been conservative, but not prejudiced on public questions. In other words, Mr. Berthelot, as a man, is all right, but really he does not HELP OUT the BIG LAND OWNERS enough.

This Country, generally speaking, is supposed to represent a land where the Caste system does not exist; where a man is entitled to the protection of the law, no matter if he be a PAUPER or a MILLIONAIRE; where the Government is supported by taxes collected from the tax payers by an Officer, sworn, before God and men, to perform his duty as the law prescribes; and not to "hedge," as is the disgusting discovery sometimes.

For these good reasons, a man should consult his reason before allowing his name to be connected in any manner with such officers. Sheriff Berthelot's official record is undoubtedly GOOD and a FAITHFUL and CON-SCIENCIOUS OFFICER!

Criminal Term Of Court Began On Monday.

Judge Edrington Delivers Lengthy Charge To New Grand Jury.

The regular September term of the District Court convened on Monday, Judge Prentice E. Edrington presiding, assistant District Attorney Conrad Buchler, Sheriff Paul Berthelot, Deputy Clerks Hart and Brou and other officers at their respective posts. The attorneys present were: Messrs. L. Robert Rivarde Louis M. Reynaud, Judge James V. Chenet, Prentice E. Edrington, and also our popular Judge Hon. John E. Fleury.

Judge Edrington selected Mr. L. R. Webre, of Wallace as foreman of the Grand Jury and the following names were drawn to complete the same:
 L. Maurice Reynaud, Lucy, La., Séverin Haydel Edgard, La. René Jacob, Edgard, La., Olivier Weber, Edgard, La., John Waguespack, Wallace, La., M. O. Edrington, Reserve, La., J. M. Vicknair, Reserve, La., Octave Montz, La Place, La., Léon A. Picou, Garyville, La., Ernest Millet, Reserve, La., Jules Haydel, Reserve, La.

The Grand Jury was sworn and received their usual intelligent, strong and lengthy charge from Judge P. E. Edrington. The Grand Jury then retired to its room to deliberate. The District Attorney filed many important informations.

The Grand Jury and also the Court adjourned until Thursday, on which day many minor cases were tried.
 The usual large crowd was present on the opening day of Court.

New Levee At Lucy.

Powerful Dredge-Boat Arrives and Levee Construction Will Be Started At Once.

The huge dredge-boat owned and operated by the Louisiana Construction and Dredging Company arrived in Lucy last Wednesday morning at 5 o'clock and is now getting in readiness to start the new levee at Lucy, this parish. This new levee will be over one mile in length and will be completed in about five or six months. The dredge-boat will work day and night and it is rumored will handle about 3000 cubic yards of earth in 12 hours. In certain localities it is estimated that the new levee will be 19 feet high.

About 40 or 50 residences which were in the way have already been moved, and now the trees are being cut down. Many fine pecan trees representing several hundred dollars of pecans will be cut down.

The new levee will be built about 90 feet from the old levee. The dredge will be forced to handle the earth twice, using the old levee dirt to build the new one.

Mr. O. O. Ogden, a popular and well-known levee contractor is in charge of the work.
 The work is started at Lucy Ferry in the lower end of the First Ward and will run up to the Goldmine Warehouse.
 The Dredge-boat was towed to Lucy from Baton Rouge by the powerful tow-boat L. E. Patton, of the Bisso Towing Company last Wednesday morning.

LOCAL PERSONALS.

Those We Meet, Hear of and See During the Week.
Visitors in and out of the Parish.

Dr. J. P. Elmore, of Edgard motored to New Orleans on Monday.

Mr. David P. Maitreme arrived last Tuesday from Gramercy.

Mrs. Anicet Dufresne and dainty little daughter Eula of St. Amélie, La., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Reynaud

Attorney Louis M. Reynaud was a business visitor to New Orleans Monday.

Miss Annette Millet, charming young daughter of Mrs. Zenon Millet was in our midst Tuesday, Miss Millet was selling tickets for the Grand Church Fair, and as usual demonstrated that she is taking great interest in the cause.

Miss Juliette Bourg, of Bourg, La., left on Wednesday for her home after a pleasant visit at the home of her sister Mrs. Walton D'Arensbourg.

Judge J. L. Pancaire, and Mr. Alcée Bossier were in the Crescent City Wednesday.

Mr. O. O. Ogden, a well-known levee contractor arrived in Lucy Monday and will soon start work on the new Lucy levee.

Don't fail to attend the Grand Church Fair at Edgard on Sept. 25 and 26, 1915.

Death of Evariste Bossier Jr.

Evariste Bossier, Jr., a native and lifelong resident of the First Ward, of St. John Parish died at 8:45 A. M. last Wednesday at the Hospital in New Orleans after an illness of short duration.

Mr. Bossier left his home Thursday of last week to be operated on for appendicitis. He was operated on Monday and died Wednesday morning.

The funeral took place Thursday afternoon at 3:30 at the St. John the Baptist Catholic Church at Edgard, La. and interment in the St. John Cemetery.

The esteem in which the deceased was held throughout this parish, and elsewhere was fully attested by the large concourse attending the funeral.
 Mr. Bossier was 38 years old, and was a young man of unblemished character and exemplary habits, the type of citizen whose splendid example can well be emulated by those about him, and whose taking away inflicts a grievous loss upon the entire community.

Up to the time of his sad and untimely demise he was employed by his brother-in-law Mr. William Turcotte as manager of the Ferry at Bonnet Carré Point. In that capacity he was always polite, brave, loyal, and faithful to his duty; as a citizen upright, enterprising and true to those things which make for the public welfare; as a friend, staunch, unselfish and always sincere and to those dearest to him devoted, considerate and always kind. His death will be deeply mourned, and his memory enshrined in the hearts of all who knew him.

Mr. Bossier had never married and besides a grief-stricken mother, and a bereaved father he leaves two sisters, who are: Mrs. Joseph St. Pierre, of New Orleans La., and Mrs. William Turcotte of Lucy, La., and two brothers Alcée and André Bossier to mourn his sad loss:

To these afflicted ones Le Meschacébé proffers its sincere sympathy.