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**LUCY P. O., LA**

**Colonel Pleasant Denies Statement By Barret About His Position.**

(Shreveport, La., Times Oct 8, 1915.)

Col. R. G. Pleasant last night made the following statement relative to charges brought by Mr. Barret in his speech at the Grand opera house:

"I understand that at the Barret meeting last night the chairman stated that I had said in my telegram to Dr. Munday, secretary of the Anti-Saloon League, that, if elected governor, I would veto any bill to submit to the voters of the state the question of statewide prohibition. My telegram contained no such statement. What I said on this question was as follows:

"Should I be elected governor and the legislature pass a statewide prohibition bill I would veto it. My reasons will be given fully and frankly in my platform and public speeches."

"This refers simply to a statutory law that would attempt directly, in itself, to make the whole state dry and does not refer to a constitutional amendment submitting the proposition to a vote of the people, which latter is the only method by which the people could vote on the question.

"The gentleman tried to make me appear as an autocrat who would override the will of the majority of the people of the state. I am a Democrat and believe in democratic government, which means the rule of the people, and, if I did not subscribe to such a theory of government, I would not to-day be asking your support in the coming election.

"The legislature passes many laws which the governor must either approve or veto as that is his only prerogative. These laws do not always represent the view of a majority of the people. Suppose the next general assembly should be against prohibition, as the present legislature is, and should enact a law destroying local option in every parish in the state, and provide for the licensing of saloons everywhere in the state, as it has the power to do under the present constitution, then would any one think that I, as governor, should sign such a bill simply because a majority of the legislature passed it? No, I would veto it as soon as presented.

"I hold that it would be just as wrong in principle to sign an arbitrary dry bill forcing prohibition upon a large portion of the wet territory of the state as it would be to sign an arbitrary wet bill licensing saloons in the dry territory.

"By common consent, we have in the past accepted the Democratic doctrine of local option, leaving the people of the parishes to settle this question for themselves on the vote of the people in the parish to be affected thereby, without one portion of the state dictating to another against its will.

Such a statewide prohibition bill would not only be purely autocratic and arbitrary, but it would also be unconstitutional, because the licensing of saloons can be regulated, but not prohibited by legislative enactment. Every lawyer in this state knows this to be correct, and that it would be the duty of the governor to veto any such unconstitutional enactment.

"There can be no referendum vote on statewide prohibition by any act of the legislature. The only possible way it could be done would be by a constitutional amendment to be submitted to the people, which requires a two-thirds vote of the general assembly and does not have to be signed by the governor, nor can he veto any such proposed amendment.

"That is my position and I stand by it unqualifiedly."

**OFFICIAL**

STATE OF LOUISIANA.  
 PARISH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST.

**COURT-HOUSE**

Edgard, La., Oct. 14, 1915.

The Parish Democratic Executive Committee of the Parish of St. John the Baptist, met this day at the Court-House at 12:00 o'clock Noon for the purpose of ordering a Primary Election, to be held through-out this Parish in 1916, for the Parish Officers, Members of the General Assembly, for two Members from each Ward as Members of the Parish Democratic Executive Committee; to fix the fees of the different Candidates and the date of the closing of nomination.

January 25th, 1916 for the first Primary and February 29th, 1916 for the Second Primary, in the event one is necessary, were the dates fixed by the Committee for the Primaries Noon, October 24th, 1915, is the time limit set for Candidates to file their notification of Candidates with the Committee.

The rate of fees for Candidates are as follows, viz:  
 For Sheriff \$ 50.00  
 For Clerk of Court \$ 20.00  
 For Assessor \$ 30.00  
 For Coroner \$ 20.00  
 For Member of the General Assembly \$ 15.00  
 For Member of Police Jury \$ 5.00  
 For Justice of the Peace \$ 5.00  
 For Constables \$ 5.00

The fees as set forth for the different Candidates must accompany every application or same will be considered Null and Void.

All application to be filed with the Chairman of this Committee within the time limit.

The Committee adjourned to meet again at the Court-House on Monday October 25th, 1915, to pass over all applications received.

(Sg'd) Geo. H. Tassin  
 Secretary.  
 (Sg'd) Paul Berthelot,  
 Chairman.

**Parish Committee Meet.**

The Parish Democratic Executive Committee of the Parish of St. John the Baptist at a meeting held at the Courthouse last Thursday set January 25, 1916 as the date for the parish primary, and February 29th, 1916 for the second primary should one become necessary.

The Committee fixed the following fees for candidates for parish offices:

Sheriff \$50; Clerk of Court \$20; Assessor \$30; Coroner \$20; Justice of the Peace \$5; Police Jurors \$5; and Member of the General Assembly \$15.

October 24th, 1915, is the time limit set for Candidates to file their notification of Candidates with the Committee.

The Committee adjourned to meet again at the St. John Courthouse on Monday, October 25th, 1915, to pass over all applications received.

**Col. R. G. Pleasant,**

Le candidat à la place de gouverneur fait sa profession de foi.

Il se declare formellement en faveur de l'option locale.

Dans un discours à l'ouverture de la Foire du Sud de la Louisiane, le Colonel R. G. Pleasant, candidat à la place de gouverneur de l'Etat a catégoriquement défini sa profession de foi politique, particulièrement en ce qui à trait à la question de la prohibition.

Il a dit, imprimis, que MM. Barret et Blanchard, leaders du mouvement actuel prohibitionniste font de la politique opportuniste. Ces deux chefs de parti avaient toujours été opposés à la prohibition. M. Blanchard, qui avait été élu gouverneur sur une "plateforme" d'option locale, avait invariablement voté en faveur de la question des liqueurs dans la paroisse Caddo et dans la ville de Shreveport. Quant à M. Barret ses idées à ce sujet sont nébuleuses.

"Je ne crois pas," a dit M. Pleasant, "que les localités aient le droit d'imposer leurs prétentions aux localités anti-prohibitionnistes. Cette question de prohibition doit être résolue par les votes individuels de chaque communauté. Si j'étais gouverneur de l'Etat et la Législature adoptait un bill déclarant la prohibition pour tout l'Etat, je n'hésiterai pas à opposer mon veto à cette loi. Et de même si une loi était adoptée, déclarant l'anti-prohibition dans tout l'Etat j'y mettrai mon veto. Chaque communauté je le répète doit déterminer, elle-même de cette mesure."

**Send Us The News.**

The following from the Pascagoula (Miss.) Chronicle is so expressive of our own thoughts on the subject, that we reproduce it in full:

This newspaper belongs to you, Mr. and Mrs. Subscriber, just as well as to the publisher. You want it to be a newsy one, of course. You can help make it so.

"Every reader should be a reporter at least to the extent of reporting the news he knows concerning his own family and friends. You perhaps have wondered how we gather so much news for every issue. If every reader would give us the items he knows, we could make the paper twice as newsy as it now is.

"Merely paying for the paper and taking what we give you is not enough. Other readers would be interested in learning the news you know. You'll enjoy seeing it in print, yourself. If you do not acquaint us with the items you know of, you cannot find fault with the paper

for not containing them.

"If you think for one minute, right now, several items will come to your mind. What if they are but 'personals.' We want personals. We want anything that is news. Take a livelier interest in your paper. You'll appreciate it more, as will all of your friends."

**LOCAL PERSONALS.**

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

Don't fail to attend the Big Fair at Donaldsonville to-day and to-morrow.

Mr. O. G. Ogden in charge of the huge dredge-boat now stationed in the First Ward visited New Orleans during the week.

Our popular and genial young Superintendent of Public Education Hon. Lionel J. Bourgeois was mingling with his many friends in the First Ward this week. Superintendent Bourgeois investigated the damage to the Berthelot School by the recent hurricane.

Mr. L. D. Perret of Edgard was in our midst at the beginning of the week.

A dance was given at the Berthelot School last Friday by the younger set of Lucy, and all whose happy privilege it was to attend report that it was a grand affair in every respect. A large crowd from St. Charles parish and from upper St. John attended.

Mr. David P. Maitreume returned from the Crescent City last Thursday evening.

Mrs. Eugene Laudumiez, of Gramerey La., is visiting relatives in this parish.

Mr. and Mrs. Anicet Dufresne and little daughter Eula, of St. Amélia, La., accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. P. Loup, and two charming little daughters were visitors last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John D. Reynaud.

Mr. Séverin Fauchaux, Jr. the genial and ever obliging automobile king of Wallace, La., was in our midst last Sunday, and reported business as rushing.

Now that our parish Executive Committee has set the date on which all notifications of Candidacy should be filed we hope to see Candidates coming out from every direction for different parish offices.

Several have already announced themselves.

Le vapeur Natchez, à quitter la Nouvelle-Orléans Vendredi matin, avec la plus forte cargaison de marchandises qui a été expédiée de cette ville depuis plusieurs années. Plus de 800 barils de sucre sont inclus dans la cargaison.

The huge steam shovel Bucyrus is kept continuously at work on the new levee now in course of construction in the First Ward, and with fair weather prevailing no break-downs a mile of new levee will soon be built. The dredge works night and day.