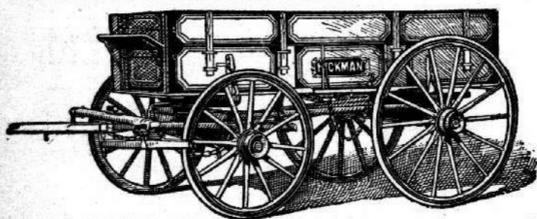


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### Succession Notice.

No. 15,530—First District Court, Parish of Caddo, State of Louisiana: Succession of Nelse Chew.

Notice is hereby given that Gus Hall, administrator, has this day filed final account in said succession, and unless opposition be made thereto within the time specified by law the same will be duly homologated as prayed for.

Witness the Hon. E. W. Sutherland, Judge of said court, this 20th day of April 1912.

W. M. LEVY,  
Deputy Clerk.

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### FIRE INSURANCE LAWS.

Remedial Legislation Will Be Demanded from General Assembly.

It is State Senator Charles Louque who voiced the startling declaration that the people of New Orleans had been fleeced to the extent of \$600,000 in extra premiums to which the insurance interests had no right.

As reported in the New Orleans States a meeting was called for Friday to hear the result of the committee's investigation. There was a large and representative attendance. Not one, but three, reports were presented. The majority report, in which Mr. Tom Cunningham, who was largely responsible for rating board legislation, joined, recommended amendments which they held would give the people relief.

The minority report of Mr. Peter Lawton embraced a sweeping demand not only for the repeal of the fire rating board legislation, but the abolition as well of the Fire Prevention Bureau.

The majority report was overwhelmingly defeated. The minority report was overwhelmingly carried, and thus this property-holders meeting goes on record in favor of the wiping out of both bodies.

The action taken is radical. In the interest both of the public and the companies a fairer solution is perhaps to be looked for between the two extremes represented in the controversy; but that a large and representative body of citizens should go the lengths represented by the action of the Real Estate Exchange must be accepted as an indication of a deep-rooted conviction in the public mind that the Rating Board, as it has been operated, is a distinct failure.

The Fire Prevention Bureau was created a number of years ago. It was the sequel of the drastic legislation which wiped out the Southeastern Tariff Association, a trust with headquarters at Atlanta, that dictated local insurance rates. The bureau was not vested with rate-making power. It was intended to be a clearing house of information concerning insurance risks for the benefit of all companies doing business in the State.

It has been a disputed question whether the bureau aided the letter and spirit of the law. The weight of public opinion was that it did not, or that at least some check was needed upon its activities, and so it came to pass that the General Assembly two years ago passed the bill creating the Rating Board, over the protest of the insurance companies and with the clear understanding that the board was to have the same control over insurance rates as the Railroad Commission has over transportation rates.

The board may or may not have the rate-making power which the people felt they were vesting in it. But it is absolutely certain it has never exercised the power, or we should not have almost universal complaint against the excessive cost of insurance, regardless of the vast sums publicly and privately expended to reduce the fire risk.

The board has been absolutely indifferent to public opinion. It has ignored every appeal for relief; and the result is a widespread demand from all parts of the State for legislation that will either wipe the board from the map or make it what it was intended to be—an instrument to compel reasonable rates of insurance.

The demand can not be ignored by the Legislature. On the attitude of the insurance interests is likely to depend the question whether the remedial legislation will be radical or conservative.

### Butt's Body Probably Lost.

Halifax, April 29.—A wireless message received here yesterday from the cable ship Mina, which is supplementing the work of the Mackay-Bennett in searching for bodies of the Titanic victims, indicates there is little hope of adding to the 180 odd now on the Mackay-Bennett, due here some time today. The weather has been bad, the sea rough and the bodies are widely scattered. Captain Decarteret of the Mina believes the Mackay-Bennett has picked up nearly all obtainable. If his prediction is correct the bodies of Major Archibald Butt, Mrs. Isidore Straus and other prominent persons not reported as among the identified dead never will be brought to port for burial.

A revised list of the identified dead compiled yesterday from wireless messages received here and in New York places the total number of the identified on the Mackay-Bennett at 184 and those on the Mina at eight.

### HELP THE NEEDY.

Give Relief and Heaven Will Bless Your Store.

It is not possible to describe in words the helplessness of thousands of the unfortunates who have been driven from their homes by the flood of the Mississippi. Having lost all their possessions and being at the mercy of the charitable, these victims at best are in a plight deplorable. Among the refugees there is much sickness which is inevitable under the conditions prevailing, and all these must and are receiving care and attention.

It is true that the government is issuing rations to thousands of the flood sufferers, but the actual necessities of the needy are not limited to rations.

The floods by the Mississippi exceed in disaster all the records of such misfortunes of past years, and the thousands impoverished and reduced to want must be relieved.

How fortunate are we, one and all, in this section of the State who have escaped the floods. Indeed, in the fullest appreciation of our present welfare we should be moved by the most generous of impulse to aid with money the needy.

As a medium for the tender of substantial relief the Times is receiving contributions of money, and of the amount subscribed there has been sent a check for \$250 to aid the sick refugees at Delhi, La., numbering 1,500 and more, the receipt of which the mayor of that town has acknowledged. The contributions from Shreveport should reach at least \$1,000 if not more.

Every citizen may contribute some amount, even a mite, and these together will contribute to the alleviation of the needy.

The receipt of all subscriptions sent to or left at the Times office will be acknowledged.

### WEATHER AND CROPS.

Farmers All Over the Cotton Belt Progressed Last Week with Their Field Work.

New Orleans Picayune April 29: The past week has been on the whole favorable to the agricultural interests throughout the South. It is true that towards the end of the week there was some rain, but it was neither as general nor as heavy as it might have been. Farmers all over the cotton belt took full advantage of the week to push field work and the planting of the crop, and it is generally reported that excellent progress has been made, particularly in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. In Texas there has recently been rather too much rain, but the preparations for the crop, as well as its planting, have been well forward in that State from the first and conditions generally are highly satisfactory, although there is not lacking a note of complaint here and there.

Although the cotton crop has been rather late in making a start, the ground has been in fine shape for prompt germination and rapid growth, and not only is a liberal percent of the crop planted, but a very large portion of that planted is already up and growing vigorously. With a spell of good weather the planting would soon be completed and all the ground lost readily regained. As to acreage, there does not appear to be any particular reduction except in a few localities, and this reduction is apt to be offset by increases in other portion of the cotton belt.

The corn crop has not made the progress it should have made owing to the excessive rains and late spring. Rice is now doing well, and it is believed that a fair acreage has been planted, although possibly not quite as much as last year.

In the sugar district the past week has developed a decided improvement in the weather and there has been less rain and higher temperature. Field work has been actively prosecuted and stubble cane, which was beginning to cause anxiety, is marking the rows satisfactorily. There is still some anxiety as to the spring plant cane, but it is too early yet to assume that it has been injured.

### Shot to Kill.

A negro, Monroe Markham, a section hand of the Kansas City Southern, is in the hospital seriously wounded, his right arm being almost severed by shots fired by Arthur McGlosin, a negro and section hand of the same company. The dispute arose over the possession of a hand-car. The shooting occurred at Sheehan, near Mooringsport. McGlosin escaped.

### ELKS HOME.

A Dedication Programed Is Being Considered—Magnificent Edifice.

The Shreveport Elks are considering a program for election when their magnificent home, corner of Milan and Edwards streets, is dedicated.

The dedication ceremonial is to be conducted elaborately in which John P. Sullivan of New Orleans, Grand Exalted Ruler, and other officials of the order will participate actively.

The committees have been named as follows:

Invitation—E. Laenger, chairman; J. C. Trichel Jr., H. M. Severance, A. Querbes, F. G. Snyder.  
Publicity—S. B. Simon, chairman; W. A. Mabry, C. A. Shehee.

Refreshments, Decorations and Music: Ed Seaman, chairman; A. S. Hardin, T. Leslie Pennington, O. C. Cardin.

Dedication—L. C. Butler, chairman; A. M. Wilder, R. A. Crain, A. F. Haynes.

Dance—A. M. Wilder, chairman; A. S. Hardin, A. Querbes.

Reception—First floor: T. C. Barrett, A. J. Manheim, C. O'Brien, G. F. Neild; second floor, L. C. Butler, M. C. Elsiner, W. L. Young, E. Laenger, C. A. Shehee, W. A. Mabry, A. Querbes, F. G. Snyder, Ben A. Phelps; third floor, A. M. Wilder, F. M. Kelly, H. M. Severance, Chas. F. Gordon.

Past Exalted Ruler J. C. Abel is chairman of the general arrangements committee.

A meeting of all committees has been called for Sunday morning at 10 o'clock to perfect details of the dedication.

### Louisiana's Centennial.

In New Orleans today is being celebrated with appropriate ceremonial the admission of Louisiana as a State of the Union, April 30, 1812.

In the lapse of this hundred years how great have been the development of the territory purchased from France by President Jefferson which embraced the vast expanse from which a number of States have been created.

At the time of the purchase of the vast territory, then undeveloped, was deemed of little value, and as Napoleon, then the Emperor of the French, was being congratulated on this sale, President Jefferson was criticised for the acquiescence of this territory. Fortunately President Jefferson was a statesman and possessed a greater and clearer vision into the future than his critics.

In this celebration President Jefferson, although long since called to his reward, will loom up, at least in the spirit, and memory glorious as the central figure over the great Louisianians of today.

### Ho! for Macon!

All Confederate Veterans who have signified their intention of attending the Reunion at Macon, Ga., from Caddo Parish, are notified to attend a meeting at General LeRoy Stafford Camp headquarters on Friday, May 3, 1912, promptly at 12 o'clock, for the distribution of the fund donated by the Police Jury for transportation. By order of the camp.

WILL H. TUNNARD,  
Adjutant.

### Political Cronies Part.

The split in the Republican party is widening until it now looks like a creek after a month's rain. The spite shown by Taft and Roosevelt is becoming more bitter each day, and the vituperative vindictiveness of the old "cronies" is encouraging to the national Democracy and is shedding new light on the Republican insides. Taft is looking at Mexico with longing eyes, and he would not let a moment lapse before he would dump American troops across the border of the Rio Grande and cut a wide swath with the galleries, but he knows just as well that the very second he does it the colonel would enlist as a private, visit Mexico and very likely get a strangle hold on the American army and turn the trick in a twinkling. Now is the accepted time for the national Democracy to take up its field glasses and scan the horizon with clear eye and unbefuddled brain, pushing away back its disciples of vagaries and venom and putting up a standard bearer of big, broad measurement and not a rainbow chaser or the vanguard of territorial tricks.—New Orleans Picayune.

And the man who is "looming up" on the political horizon and who is to lead the Democracy to a grand triumphant success over "the political cronies" is Woodrow Wilson of New Jersey.

## Mistakes? Yes, We Make Them!

Do you? If not, you are too high up to do business with us, but if you do, you are only human like the balance of us. It has been said that there is one excuse for every mistake that is made, but only one, and if we make the same mistake twice we must own up to carelessness or cussedness. We want to assure you that we are doing the very best that we can, and with your help we expect to do better. When we make mistakes, write us—good naturedly if you can, but if you can not, write us anyway; and we will come right out and "fess up," or we may turn the joke and show you that the mistake is all your own. No matter whose mistake it is, if both of us try to do right we will get closer together and we will soon find ourselves making excuses for each other. The world is growing rapidly better and we can not afford to fall behind.

THE WATCHWORD IS ONWARD AND UPWARD.

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### Meeting Tonight.

There will be held tonight at 8 o'clock in the Civil District Court room of the court house, a meeting at which there will be presented a subject of great interest.

### Even Old Uncle Dick Will Not Go.

Monroe Independent: Owing to the water conditions, Ouachita Parish will not likely have a single Veteran at the Confederate Reunion at Macon. Even Uncle Dick Boutz, who has never missed the opportunity of meeting his old comrades at the annual reunions, will not attend.

### British Seamen Enter Demands.

Liverpool, April 27.—The Liverpool branch of the Seamen's and Firemen's Union adopted a resolution Saturday that on and after April 29 the men will refuse to sail on any steamer unless representatives of the union are allowed to inspect the lifeboats. The union also demands that the seamen's wages shall be increased to 4 pounds, 10 shillings, and the firemen's wages to 5 pounds per month.

### Titanic Disaster Arouses Belgium.

Brussels, April 27.—The executive bureau of the international maritime committee Saturday voted to study anew the international regulations for the protection of life at sea. The bureau, which took this action because of the Titanic disaster, pointed out in its resolution that the desired reforms were not possible unless all countries with shipping interests co-operated.

### Nominations Closed.

The nominations for candidates aspiring to become a Commissioner of Streets and Parks is closed today by limitation. The candidates announced against Commissioner Atkins on a recall petition are George Epple, John F. Wise and Mr. Noonan. It has been intimated that the contest on the day of the election, Tuesday, May 8, will be limited to two candidates against Mr. Atkins.

### Concubinage Law.

Joseph Schenkenberger, a man of 41 years, and Celestine Green were arrested in their home at 2126 St. Louis street yesterday by Captain Mullen and Policemen Scott and are charged with violating the concubinage law. They have been together for eighteen years and have several children.—New Orleans Picayune.

And there are others, not only in New Orleans but throughout the State.

### Meningitis Report Tuesday, April 30.

One new case, Miss Josie Dyland, 1743 Maple street, removed to municipal hospital yesterday; student of high school.

Summary: Total cases 120; recoveries 68; deaths 43; remaining under treatment 8. A. A. HEROLD, Health Officer.

### Two Counterfeits Found in the South.

Washington, April 27.—Two extremely deceptive counterfeit \$10 and \$20 gold certificates have been discovered by the secret service. They are being circulated in the Southern States. The number of all the \$10 notes so far seen is B12178494 and the \$20 certificate D486327.

### The Rainfall.

Reported by the Weather Bureau, J. W. Cronk local forecaster: Scattered light to moderately heavy rainfalls have been reported here and there in several eastern and southern sections of the cotton belt. Moderately low temperatures were generally recorded in the morning over the middle and western districts.

### Weather Forecast.

Local forecast for Shreveport and vicinity: Fair to unsettled tonight and Wednesday; warmer tonight.

### Titanic Moving Pictures Barred.

Philadelphia, April 27.—The exhibition in this city of moving pictures depicting the sinking of the Titanic has been forbidden by Mayor Blankenburg. In his letter ordering the police to stop the exhibitions, the mayor said: "These pictures are all fakes. I think it is about the limit for the proprietors of moving picture houses to commercialize on such a terrible disaster."

### The River Gauge.

The gauge of Red river as reported today by the Weather Bureau, J. W. Cronk local forecaster, is at Denison, Texas, 3.7; Arthur City 10; White Cliffs, Ark., 20.3, being 3-10 over the flood stage; Fulton, Ark., 17.3; Finley, Texas, 1.6; Spring Bank, Ark., 1.6; Shreveport 41.9 feet.

### River Forecast.

Red River: A further rise of several feet will occur at Fulton during the next four days. The change will be unimportant at Shreveport. Sulphur River: An unimportant change is indicated at Finley during the next 48 hours.

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