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WOODROW WILSON

Nominated for President by Democratic Convention.

Gov. Marshall, of Indiana, Chosen for Vice President, Making Strongest Possible Ticket.

On the 46th ballot Governor Woodrow Wilson was nominated for President of the United States by the Democratic convention at Baltimore on Tuesday afternoon. Twelve hours later Governor Thos. R. Marshall, of Indiana, was selected for Vice President on the third ballot.

The final vote for president stood 990 for Wilson and 84 for Clark. Previous to taking this ballot, Clark's manager had released the obligation on all Clark delegates and Kentucky voted for Wilson.

The convention was in session a week and was made very turbulent by the fights precipitated by Wm. J. Bryan.

The nominations are being enthusiastically received all over the country and the ticket is pronounced a winner.

Gov. Wilson is a brilliant man, honest and capable. As Governor of New Jersey he has put into effect all the reforms promised in his platform, and he accomplished this with one branch of the Legislature having a Republican majority.

Gov. Marshall is the favorite son of Indiana. He is a safe, aggressive and able statesman. His name adds strength to the ticket.

Wilson is 56 years old, a native of Virginia, but the greater part of his life has been spent in New Jersey as president of Princeton College.

Marshall is 58 years old, a native of Indiana. He is a very successful lawyer, and his record as Governor is one of which he may well be proud.

PASTOR IS COMPLIMENTED.

Under this caption a recent Memphis, Tenn., newspaper has this to say of a former Louisian:

Rev. C. H. Williamson, Ph. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, will leave tonight for New York City and from there will sail on July 4 on the steamship Cincinnati for Europe, to be gone all summer. The trip is extended Dr. Williamson by his friends in Memphis, and includes the appreciation of members and nonmembers of his church.

Dr. Williamson will land at Cherbourg, France, going to Paris for a ten days' stay. From there he will go to Rome, visiting Geneva and other Switzerland cities enroute. His route from Rome will take him northward to Florence, Venice, the country of the Italian lakes, in Switzerland, Lucerne, to Heidelberg down the river Rhine to Cologne, through Belgium and Holland. From the land of the dykes he will cross to England, making a long tour of the rural district and including Scotland. He will leave Southampton about Sept. 4 on his return to Memphis.

The trip was projected by Dr. Williamson's friends last year, but he refused to accept as he held that church affairs demanded his presence here. The tribute is one which shows the high regard in which Dr. Williamson is held here and the best wishes of hundreds will accompany him.

WE DID CELEBRATE.

The NEWS announced last week that there would not be any celebration of the 4th of July. A day or so afterwards a celebration was agreed upon, and the people came out in large numbers, considering the circumstances. As the NEWS went to press the band was playing, and the orderly crowd seemed to be having a good time.

Miss Harriet Thornbury, of Catletburg, is the guest of Miss Ufa Crites.

In Honor of Miss Eva Wellman.

Mrs. Lon Wellman entertained last night at her handsome new home in Hubbard's Addition in honor of Miss Eva Wellman, of Louisa, who is spending a few days the guest of Mrs. Wellman here. Music, games and charades made the evening a most enjoyable one. Delicious refreshments were served. There were a large number of the young society people in attendance as well as several of the older ones. Mr. and Mrs. Wellman have a beautiful and convenient modern home, and have just recently gone to house-keeping in same.—Pikeville cor. Ashland Independent.

Here From New York.

The Rev. Frederick F. Shannon and son are visiting Louisa relatives, having arrived here on Monday morning last. Her Louisa friends will not have the pleasure of seeing Mrs. Shannon this season as she will visit her parents in York, Pa. It will be gratifying to Louisians to know that Mr. Shannon will preach while here, his first sermon being delivered in the M. E. Church South next Sunday morning. His fame as a preacher is now nation wide and large crowds hear him wherever he goes.

S. S. CONVENTION.

Next Wednesday and Thursday the County Meeting at Louisa.

It should require but little to be said in order to arouse and maintain interest in the fact that the Lawrence County Sunday School Convention will be held in Louisa next week, Wednesday and Thursday, July 19th and 11th, are the days, and the new and beautiful Baptist church is the place where the convention will be held, and our people are to be the hosts for the multitude. Louisa hospitality is proverbial, and next week will be another time when there will be no lack of attention to those who are our guests.

More and more as time passes the Sunday school is being recognized as one of the greatest of the many forces which are working for God and the uplift of humanity. While known as an auxiliary of the church it is also known that the Sunday school reaches into avenues through which the church does not or cannot go, and its powerful influence is daily increasing and felt more and more. And one of the mighty arms of the Sunday school is the convention. The schools of the district, the county, the State and the nation have their district organizations, their separate work, yet the work is in fact the same, and is for the good of humanity. Send your delegates and come yourselves, and make next week's gathering a great one in the history of county conventions.

A PROCLAMATION.

The heated term is now upon us, with its attendant possibilities for disease, and it is incumbent upon the people to use every effort to mitigate its ill and to prevent as far as we can the maladies usually prevalent at this season. To this end it is essential to our physical well being as a community that our streets, alleys and premises be thoroughly cleaned. This is the first step towards the prevention of disease. With back yards, vacant lots and public highways reeking with dirt of every imaginable character, wet by rains and fermented by heat, sickness is the inevitable result. You as citizens are, therefore, urged to thoroughly clean and disinfect your premises, and to clean one-half of the street in front of you, and in your labors to clean the streets you will receive the aid of the city. July 12th and 13th have been designated as Clean Up Days, and it is urged that all our people enter heartily into the work of making and keeping a clean Louisa.

JOHN G. BURNS, Mayor.

Miss Hannah O'Brien will teach the public school at Lockwood, Boyd county, this year.

Ashland Gas Well A Gusher.

The big gas well down near Bellefonte which was recently brought in by the Means, Russell Iron Co., is proving to be a almost pure gusher. This well was brought in at a depth of 1725 feet and this with the steady pressure that the well has shown for the past four weeks, would indicate that it is going to be a good well. Before the cap was put on, the men experimented with it by placing a blacksmith's anvil over the opening in the pipe, and it was tossed off as if it was a feather. A gentleman from Lexington, who is well versed in oil and gas matters, viewed this well yesterday, and after seeing what it showed in the way of pressure, said that in his opinion, this one well would produce enough gas to supply the city of Ashland. This would indicate that the Means, Russell Iron Co., have struck something that will prove a bonanza to them.

Manager Wheatley, of the Bellefonte Brick Yards, has just completed piping gas from this well to the numerous brick kilns about the yard, and they now have twenty fires going from this well. It is said that the Bellefonte company by using all the gas they need in their brick yard will not be able to use one-fifth of the supply they have.—Ashland Independent.

Accident to Brakeman Osborne.

While C. and O. Brakeman Geo. Osborne was running to throw a switch at Potter Wednesday morning his foot struck a "fish plate," which caused him to fall. He fell with such force that the palm of his left hand was torn open, making a very painful wound. He came to Louisa where the company surgeon, Dr. Wroten, attended to the injury.

Business Education.

C. L. Miller will have charge of the commercial department of Kentucky Normal College, beginning with the next term, and it will be made larger and better than ever before. A lot of printed matter setting forth the plans of this department has just been issued. You can get complete training in shorthand and typewriting, bookkeeping, telegraphy, commercial law, etc.

TWO PAINFUL ACCIDENTS.

Man Loses Two Fingers and a Boy Shoots Himself.

Misfortune fell upon Jone Thompson, of this city, last Saturday afternoon when an accident occurred which cost him the loss of two fingers of his right hand. Mr. Thompson is a carpenter and was working in the mill of the Snyder Hardware Co., just below town when he received the injury which will disable him for a long time. In an attempt to throw a belt upon a pulley, in some way hardly explainable his hand came in contact with a running saw, and in a twinkling the injury was inflicted. Mr. Thompson is an industrious, hard working man and his enforced idleness means serious loss to him. Dr. T. D. Burgess rendered the necessary surgical aid.

A lad, the son of a man named Pack, who lives near the Tabor creek Baptist church, some two or three miles below Ft. Gay, was very badly hurt a few days ago by the accidental discharge of a shot gun. Holding the weapon by the muzzle he was shooting it under a bed, when it was discharged, inflicting very serious injuries. The fleshy part of the boy's right hand, between the little finger and the wrist, was torn away, and a large portion of the right leg, between the knee and the ankle was blown off, making a horrible looking wound. The left leg also received part of the load but is not badly hurt. Dr. L. H. York went down and attended to the lad's injuries. Subsequently young Pack was removed to Riverview hospital where he is resting comfortably. The boy is about 12 years old.

CLEAN UP.

Next Friday and Saturday the Appointed Time.

Louisa Citizens to Take Concerted Action in Cleaning up Streets, Alleys and Private Premises.

On last Tuesday evening the City Council received a committee of women from the Nora S. Kennison Literary Club, of this city. The delegation comprised the following members: Mrs. Kennison, J. W. Wroten, Augustus Snyder, R. L. Vinson, Mary Horton, J. W. Crites, A. L. Burton, Guy Atkinson, F. T. D. Wallace, Sr., Hannah Lackey and H. C. Sullivan. The occasion was the regular monthly meeting of the council and when the presence of the ladies was announced they were accorded the right of way. Mrs. Lackey, as "spokesman" for the committee, presented, in well-chosen phrase, the cause of the Club which the committee represented, and, and was for a cleaner, consequently, better, Louisa, and this vital subject could not have had a clearer or more eloquent exposition. Mrs. Lackey was followed by Mrs. Kennison, the President of the Club, who told, in effective words, what she had done for her own premises in the way of cleanliness and sanitation. Surely, what she has done and what she has been doing for years should be an object lesson to all housekeepers.

Mrs. Guy Atkinson was not backward in her advocacy of the city clean as well as the city beautiful. The dominant note in the splendid talks of these ladies rang out clear and strong. It was an appeal to our people to make Louisa in its yards its streets, its alleys and its vacant lots clean and sanitary, and the note was persuasive, not compelling. The committee suggested that next Friday and Saturday be noted as "Clean Up" days, and that council take official cognizance of the fact and assist to the extent of hauling away the rubbish as it should be piled up in front of the various lots and premises.

This the council cheerfully agreed to do, and even further. It is known that the city marshal has about twenty-five unexecuted capases for fines, and he was ordered by the council to serve these papers, and in the event of the defendants failing to pay to put them to work on the streets. Mr. Crites, of the M. E. Church South, and Dr. Hanford, of the M. E. Church, spoke in favor of the movement which had been so auspiciously inaugurated, and of the labors of the Big Sandy News along the lines of good morals, good streets and good citizenship. Mr. Summers, of the Christian Church, and Mr. Cree, of the Baptist Church, are out of town, otherwise they would have been present and added their favoring words to what the ladies and their brethren had said.

The Health Officer of Louisa Dr. A. W. Bromley, was present and made a few appropriate remarks concerning his duties and the duty of the people in the matter of cleaning up the town. He was heartily in favor of the good work and would do all he could to help the movement along.

Upon the retirement of the committee the council resumed its "deliberations," concerning which the least said the better.

HOME ON FURLOUGH.

Major W. O. Johnson arrived here on Wednesday for a visit to his mother, Mrs. Zara Johnson. He has been ordered to the Philippines for another tour of duty and will sail for that post September 5. The Major is looking well, and feels good over the loss of several pounds of superfluous flesh.

PAROLE DAY JULY 17th.

The Kentucky Prison Commission has appointed July 17th for hearing applications for parole of State convicts.

The Sewerage Proposition.

It is understood that the City Council proposes to accept bids for the building of sewerage and curbing without any arrangement for the money to carry on this work with. It has been said that the parties who bid on the work will be expected to take the city's bonds for same. The council seems to have information that there are such contractors. This would practically give such bidders a monopoly of the work and the prices would be exorbitant. It certainly would be better for the council to first find out whether they have a right to issue bonds without a vote of the citizens, and then if they have the right, find out if they can sell the bonds and at what price. It seems they are going at it blindly, piling up a lot of expense without knowing what the results will be.

CITIZEN.

Last of the Season.

This being the "close" season for game of all sorts the Finch Club has suspended its meetings until the first Thursday in October. The last meeting was held Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Robert Burchett, of Madison street, hostess.

SCHOOL ELECTIONS.

Information for Those Interested in School Trustee.

In answer to numerous inquiries and requests for nominating petitions by persons interested in the election of school trustees, I desire to call attention to some facts relating to school elections.

1. Elections will be held in all the sub-districts in the county on the 1st Saturday in August from 1 to 5 o'clock p. m.
2. Elections will be Viva Voce, no ballots, ballot boxes or petitions will be used, but the candidates name will be called by the clerk and the vote will be taken by open ballot, as it was prior to 1908.
3. All women over 21 years of age are allowed to vote, also to hold the office of trustee providing they possess sufficient educational qualifications.
4. All candidates for trustee must file a certificate signed by 5 reputable citizens that he or she is able to read and write. This should be filed with the clerk, of the election and sent to the County Supt. with the candidate's certificate of election.
5. One half the trustees elected will hold 1 year, and half for 2 years to be determined by lot at the organization of the Division Boards after the election.
6. The officers of the election are two Judges and a Clerk who must certify the returns of the election to the county Supt. within 5 days of the election.
7. The trustee elect need not be qualified until the Division Boards are organized and if he is not present at this meeting or sends a written lawful excuse he will forfeit his office.
8. The candidate need not file with the county Supt. any previous notice of his candidacy.

Not even the election of a President is so important to the people of a district as these elections and every good citizen who is interested in the welfare of his children and his county should see to it that the very best men are elected to fill these offices, for no efficient system of schools will ever be had until more interest is manifested in putting capable men in office whose only object is the welfare of the schools.

I have not as yet recd. any reports from the different Division Boards relative to the election of teachers. The results of these elections, with all the contracts should be mailed to me immediately as no schedule of salaries can be made until they are recd.

Please remember that the officers for the election of school trustees are to be chosen on the day of the election and by the voters present when the polls are opened. JAY O'DANIEL, Supt.

A Statement to the People of Louisa.

An ordinance has been enacted by the Council of the City of Louisa directing the improvement of parts of Franklin, Madison, Main, Perry, Water, Main Cross, and Lady Washington Streets by the construction of a street drainage or sewer system and of a concrete curb and gutter.

At the regular meeting of the City Council held on July 2nd, 1912, attack has been made upon the wisdom of the council in taking this action, and suggestion has been made that such action has been taken without the knowledge or approval of the citizens of Louisa.

It has not been the purpose of the Council to proceed with undue haste in this matter, but our intended action has been known for some months and no serious objection has been made. However, owing to the suggestion of unwarranted action contrary to public sentiment, we desire now that all interested shall confer with the members of the Council in order that a full understanding may be had of what is proposed to be done so that the sentiment of the public may be properly expressed in our action.

The purpose of this work is to drain the water from the streets into a concrete curb and gutter from which it will pass at intervals into the drainage sewer, thereby affording the streets a reasonable chance to keep dry, which will be increased by proper grading and crowning in the middle.

We believe and are advised that such improvement will obviate the necessity for streets paved with brick, which we have felt too expensive for Louisa to incur at this time.

The cost of this improvement estimated at less than \$2.00 per foot front is to be borne one-half by the property owners on each side of the streets improved, except street intersections which are to be paid for by the City out of the general funds. Payment may be made in full at the completion of the work or 10 per cent. each year for 10 years.

Any councilman will furnish any information that may be desired. Recognizing that we are servants, not masters of the people by tax, or of whose franchise we are entrusted with public office, we ask that you confer with us.

CITY COUNCIL.

NEW TOWN UP SANDY.

Location at Junction of New Railroads Above Pikeville.

A land deal was consummated Thursday which involves one of the most valuable town sites in the Big Sandy Valley, and one which by reason of its strategic location in the new coal field will have an unusually bright future. Interested in the deal were a number of local capitalists as well as several influential men from Eastern cities. The price paid for the town site, which contains thirty-two acres, all of which is available as building there was disagreements over officials sites, was not made public, but it is said to have been a large sum. The new town will be located on the C. & O. several miles south of Pikeville, and at the proposed junction of the Clinchfield, Carolina & Eastern and the Baltimore & Ohio, each of which has shown active indications of placing rails through the district within the next two years. The connecting link between the Clinchfield and the C. & O. is now being constructed as rapidly as men and material can do the work. The new town will be in the midst of the great Eastern Kentucky coal field and in the very center of the railway extension activities which will be in evidence in that part of the country during the next ten years.—Ashland Independent.

THE WHEAT HARVEST.

The Lawrence county, wheat harvest is said to be one of the best ever known in this section. It is said that the average State crop will be short largely due to late sowing last fall.