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BUTCHERS WILL BUILD ABATTOIR; WANT ORDINANCE

Conference at City Hall Last Night Accomplishes Desired Result.

Meat Inspection After Animal is Killed.

DESERVED BY HEALTH BOARD.

A representative number of Paducah butchers assembled at the city hall last night and talked over the proposed central abattoir with R. M. Allen, head of the division of state food and dairy inspection, before whom they appeared on the carpet yesterday. Lucien E. Durrett, a former member of the general council and secretary of the old butchers' organization, which was dropped some time ago, was selected to arrange a conference between committees from both the general council and butchers and draft an ordinance, which will fully provide for a compulsory meat inspection through a central slaughterhouse, probably to be erected by the butchers.

Mr. Allen at first explained the advantages of an abattoir and the profits that will go into the pockets of the butchers instead of the present expense. He cited other cities where abattoirs have proved a paying proposition and explained fully the method of operation. Paducah butchers can get together and build an abattoir and cold storage plant combined at a cost of between \$12,000 and \$20,000, said Mr. Allen. It costs more to operate a large number of independent slaughterhouses than a central cooperative plant. He showed where there would be a saving in every way, and pointed out where the offal could be converted into fertilizer and stock foods, after being properly prepared.

Local butchers last night said that an attempt had been made about two years ago to have the council pass an ordinance providing for meat inspection. They are in favor of it, but there is one obstacle to overcome. The butchers must forestall any rebellion on the part of the farmers, who they say slaughter a large per cent of the meat sold here. They say that farmers will not stand for an inspection, but Mr. Allen is of the opinion that an proper ordinance can be drawn, covering every detail.

Mr. Allen will send Mr. Durrett copies of ordinances from several cities of this and other states. The butchers can get together and agree upon certain conditions and Mayor James P. Smith has promised his support of the measure. Mr. Allen said butchers will reap the benefit of meat inspection at a central slaughtering house, as the city hall, no doubt, provide the inspector. Then the public will have confidence in the butchers and they will not be held up before the public as violators of the pure food laws.

Much meat now comes to Paducah from adjoining counties and also from Illinois. Mr. Allen said the post mortem inspection is what he considers the most important. He has been studying meat inspection for two years and is well posted upon all questions which may arise.

City Health Officer Dr. S. Z. Holland was present last night and appealed to the butchers for some action at once in establishing a central slaughterhouse and also for the ordinance, providing for a regular inspection of meat. The butchers expressed themselves in favor of the plan and it is thought that the matter will be given prompt attention. The butchers were organized over two years ago but the organization disbanded. Mr. Allen says it is better to have an organization.

Mr. Allen promised to return here after the butchers and members of the council have agreed upon an ordinance. An effort will be made to explain the inspection to the farmers of western Kentucky so as they may understand the benefits to be derived.

SUIT IS FILED BECAUSE OF FIGHT ON ROBERTSON.

As a sequel to the trouble on the ferryboat G. W. Robertson on the night of September 9, George Morthland filed suit today in the McCracken circuit court against the Paducah and Illinois Ferry company and Charles L. Robertson and N. Utterback, of the crew, for \$2,000 damages. Morthland was a passenger on the boat on an excursion, and while dancing alleges that he was assaulted by Robertson. At his trial in police court Morthland was acquitted.

Plan to Give Paducah Fast Class 'D' Baseball Team by Taking Over McLeansboro's Best Next Season

Cairo Probably Will Get McLeansboro's Franchise on Account of Inaccessibility of Latter Place.

If a scheme of the Paducah Baseball association matures the city will have one of the fastest Class D league teams in the country next season to battle its opponents for the pennant.

According to present plans Ollie Gfrorer, manager and owner of the McLeansboro team, is to be offered inducements to bring his team to Paducah, and in conjunction with Manager John Ray, of the Hopkinsville team, assume the Paducah franchise. Gfrorer could manage the team, while Ray could look after the financial end. Both are competent Class D managers and know numerous fast players.

Next season McLeansboro will not be a member of the Kitty league, owing to its geographical location, being difficult of access. The McLeansboro franchise is in Gfrorer's name and by depositing the required amount, which is small, he could reserve all his players, sell his McLeansboro franchise to Cairo and bring his team to Paducah. The local association also will reserve all its players and the best material in the two clubs would make a formidable aggregation. Manager Sewell, of the Paducah Traction company, at present is out of the city, but it is known that he favors the scheme.

Speaking of the proposition a local baseball official this morning said: "I believe that Gfrorer and Ray will take charge of a team here under the conditions expressed. Of course, they would have to be supplied with some cash, but there is no reason why these two men could not raise \$1,000 by popular subscription. If Toledo trains here, which I think the team will do, the exhibition games with Paducah ought to bring in several hundred dollars. The players would all be signed and compelled to pay their expenses to Paducah, so the owners would not be to this expense this year."

The street car company will make extensive repairs on the park before next season opens. A new fence is to be erected and a new roof is to be built on the grand stand. The grounds will be placed in first-class condition. It will be a park of which the fans may feel proud.

This Season's Close.

Financially the present season of the Kitty has been a surprise to the officials. The season was opened late and expenses have been heavy, especially on the road. The league is not compact enough. Paducah started with only \$900, yet it will pull out of the season about even, probably a few dollars to the good. A loan of \$225 had to be negotiated the first of the month, but the games to be played here are expected to pay it back. There are but six more games, including today's, four of which will be played at league park. The final league meeting to settle all matters for the season ending September 20 will be held September 25, at a city yet to be named. All teams that have traveled on the circuit in excess of other teams will be refunded the sums due them under agreement. Paducah will come in for a share of the refund. At this meeting plans for next season will be discussed, but no action is expected to be taken until later.

Fitzgerald Charged With Big Robbery

Chicago, Sept. 15.—George W. Fitzgerald, arrested on the charge of stealing \$173,000 from the Chicago sub-treasury, was released today on a \$50,000 bond furnished by friends and business associates. Judge Landis refused to reduce the amount of bail. James Ralph, his former bondsman; John Gordon and W. H. Joyce, president of the Hammond Car Repair company, in which Fitzgerald held stock, signed this bond. Fitzgerald today said he has been persecuted by government detectives since the hour he reported the loss.

THE WEATHER

The predictions and temperature for the past twenty-four hours will be found at the top of the seventh column on page four.

RE-ORGANIZATION IS EFFECTED BY TENN. DEMOCRATS

Convention Names New Executive Committee And Adopts Its Platform.

Patterson Committee Calls For Convention.

WHICH IS THE REAL PARTY?

Nashville, Sept. 15.—After the Independent Democrats in convention yesterday endorsed B. W. Hooper for governor the Patterson executive committee issued a call for a convention at Nashville October 6, for delegates elected at county mass conventions, October 3.

At the convention yesterday a complete reorganization of the Democratic party was effected.

Roll of congressional districts was called and the new executive committee was named, with two members from each district.

First District—John H. Caldwell, of Sullivan, W. J. McShane, Newport.

Second District—J. H. Bundren, of Jefferson, W. A. Owen, of Campbell.

Third District—J. B. French, of Hamilton, H. H. Horton, Franklin.

Fourth District—M. J. Swafford, of Rhea, N. Fisher, of Smith.

Fifth District—J. E. Vanden, of Rutherford, W. W. Ogilvie, of Marshall.

Sixth District—A. M. Leach, of Montgomery, James B. Newman, of Davidson.

Seventh District—T. B. Johnson, of Williamson, Jonas Amos, of Maury.

Eighth District—W. H. Bridges, of Madison, O. C. Barton, of Henry.

Ninth District—E. R. Rice, of Dyer, Wallace Wade, of Gibson.

Tenth District—Charles Miller, of Hardeman, John T. Walsh, of Shelby.

The Platform.

Following is in full the platform adopted by the insurgent convention today:

"We, the representatives of the Democratic party of Tennessee, acting by authority derived directly from the people, do declare our allegiance to the time-honored principles of a national Democracy. We believe in a government of the people, for the people and by the people; and, in order to perpetuate that kind of government, through the usual political agencies, we declare that party committees, party nominations and party platforms should only be made by direct and express authority of the people, through primary elections, or delegated conventions.

"We denounce the usurpation of party authority in the name of Democracy by the Patterson machine and we condemn its efforts to disfranchise Democratic voters of this state, and thereby to establish an autocracy under the name and in the guise of Democracy.

"We condemn the course of Gov. Patterson in appointing, by himself or his agents, members of the state Democratic executive committee from the state at large. We favor the selection of the state Democratic executive committee, two from each congressional district, by the delegates thereof, respectively, to this convention, and oppose the appointment or selection of any members thereof from the state at large.

"The independence and the integrity of the three co-ordinate departments of our state government should be preserved in all their constitutional limitations, and we denounce the action of the governor in attempting by the use of his political machine to control the action of the legislature and to coerce the supreme court in the matter of a case pending before it.

"We demand the enforcement of the laws by executive officers charged with the duty of law enforcement, and we condemn as false to their trust all such officials as attempt to nullify the laws and defeat the legislative will by their non-enforcement.

Endorse Prohibition.

"We endorse and declare for the retention and maintenance of the four-mile law and its various amendments, prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors in this state and we condemn the efforts of Gov. Patterson to discredit these laws and all other officers charged with the duties of enforcing them. We contend that these laws have

been a blessing to our people where they have been enforced and we solemnly declare that no governor should attempt to set up his will against the judgment of the people as expressed in their legislative enactments by refusing to enforce the laws.

"We also condemn all officials charged with the enforcement of the law who have failed to perform their duty in the enforcement of the law. In violation of his oath of office, refusal to uphold and enforce the law, he becomes a teacher of anarchy, an enemy to our republican institutions and a menace to the security of human life and proper rights.

"Believing that the perpetuity of our republican institutions depends on popular intelligence, we favor a liberal policy in dealing with our public school system, to the end that the advantages of education may be brought within reach of the humblest citizen.

"We endorse the amendment to the election laws passed by the last legislature.

"We approve the existing method of selecting the state pension board and favor liberal appropriations for pensions of ex-Confederate soldiers of Tennessee and their widows.

"We unqualifiedly condemn the abuse of the pardoning power by Gov. Patterson and his efforts to convert the penitentiary and workhouse into political recruiting offices and to make the pardon and the punishment of crime an asset of his political machine.

Probe Penitentiary.

"We demand that the next legislature investigate the management of the penitentiary in all of its departments and that the management of said institution be re-established on a business basis rather than on a political basis.

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McCreary Denies Any Political Deal For Governorship--Whallen Was Personal Friend of Al Young

Shaker Colony Disposes of All Property For Care During Life of Survivors--Night Riders.

Louisville, Sept. 15. (Special.)—Senator McCreary issued a denial this morning that he is in any combination in the governor's race. This story originated from the fact that John Whallen supported Allie Young, a McCreary man, for state chairman. The fact is stated that Whallen was under obligation to Young for past favors and he could not afford to vote against him. It is still clearly understood that McCreary is Beckham's choice for governor.

Harrodsburg, Ky., Sept. 14.—The Shaker colony in this county transferred 1,800 acres of land and all its personality to George Bohn for \$5,000 cash and the provision that he support and care for the individual members, fourteen in all, the remainder of their lives. The youngest Shaker is 70 years old. The land alone is worth \$150,000. The improvements originally cost \$200,000.

Night Riders at Work.

Brookville, Ky., Sept. 15. (Special.)—Night riders burned the barn of W. O. Bradford, an Equity man, and George B. Kenney, a non-equity man, last night. No other violence was offered.

BROWNE MAY WIN RENOMINATION

ILLINOIS STATE PRIMARY BEING HELD FOR LEGISLATIVE OFFICERS.

Chicago, Sept. 15.—After the legislative fight the chief issue which has been based upon the alleged corruption involved in the election of United States Senator William J. Lorimer the first primary election under the Illinois Third district primary law is being held today. Nominations will be made for state treasurer, state superintendent of public instruction, twenty-six senators, 153 representatives, 25 congressmen and county and judicial officers.

In nearly every legislative district there has been made an "anti-jackpot" contest. In addition to Browne State Senator John Boderick, Representative E. Wilson, Representative Joseph Clark and Representative Henry A. Sheppard, all Democrats, are seeking re-nomination. All are under indictment. Browne represents a mining district and it is believed he will be nominated by the Democrats.

A fight also has been waged in the state to defeat Edward A. Shurtleff, Republican, speaker of the Illinois house.

Three Chicago Republican congressmen are opposed by candidates running on the insurgent platform.

In the Eleventh district Ira C. Copley, of Aurora, on an insurgent platform, is running against George C. Conn, for the office from which Congressman Snapp withdrew.

Connecticut G. O. P.

Hartford, Conn., Sept. 15.—The Republican convention today names the following ticket:

For governor, Charles A. Goodwin.

For lieutenant governor, Denna A. Blakstee.

For secretary of state, Matthew H. Rogers.

For state treasurer, Constello Lippitt.

A platform was adopted which endorsed the national administration.

The plank for primaries was tabled.

Suit for Damages.

The old wooden sewer through the property of Lee Bell, colored, who resides on South Ninth street near husbands, has resulted in a suit for damages being filed against the city. Bell seeks to recover \$400 damages from the city. During the heavy rains last spring it was discovered that the old wooden sewer had decayed and dirt fell in blocking the drainage of water. The back water stood several feet deep and reached some of the houses. A tiling has been placed where the old sewer was. Bell alleges by threats that he was forced to pay part of the cost and for the damages seeks to recover \$400.

Singers Meet Tonight

Preliminary organization and first practice of the big chorus choir for the Torrey meetings will be held at the First Christian church tonight at 7:30 o'clock. All the churches will be represented. These are not particularly trained singers, but volunteers for the big chorus.

Chicago Market.

Sept.— High. Low. Close.

St. Louis, M., Sept. 15.—No grain markets today on account of the primary.

SCOTT FERGUSON SINNED AGAINST BUT NOT SINNING

Friends Believe He is Being Made Victim By Somebody in Robbery.

Was Bartender in Saloon at Cairo.

HAS EXCELLENT REPUTATION.

Circumstances connected with a charge preferred in Cairo against Scott Ferguson, of this city look as if an innocent man was being made the victim of persecution. Mr. Ferguson was barkeeper in Ford's saloon, 601 Ohio street, Cairo, when F. O. Hibbsman, of Kankakee, Ill., alleges he was robbed of \$130 by Frank Atherton, who had been sitting at the same table with him in the barroom. Hibbsman said he first was aware he had been robbed when he noticed that some one had been digging at his diamond ring with a knife and the blade had cut him.

Ferguson was writing a letter at the time and when Hibbsman called his attention to the wound he showed Hibbsman where to wash.

After that Hibbsman located Atherton and had him arrested. Atherton, so Mr. Ferguson said today, begged him to secure \$40, with which he said he could settle with Hibbsman. Ferguson didn't have the money and Atherton said Ferguson would be sorry if he (Atherton) went to jail.

Later Hibbsman told Ferguson that he needed some money to wire home and Ferguson loaned him \$5. Hibbsman then informed Ferguson that if Atherton had paid him \$20 he would not have prosecuted him. Ferguson states that he then suggested he might advance \$15 more, if they could arrange some basis of compromise. He informed the police and all arrangements were made and the \$15 paid over to Hibbsman. Mr. Ferguson explaining that he was interested only in keeping the name of the saloon out of the robbery case.

The next morning Ferguson was informed that Hibbsman demanded \$30 more, and that he and Joe Gaskins were charged with being accomplices. Ferguson protested in the presence of the police that he felt as if his generosity was being imposed on; but Gaskins said rather than suffer the notoriety he would put up \$20. Atherton already having put up \$10.

That settled it for that day; but Ferguson met Hibbsman again and remarked, "you certainly have been doing us wrong."

Hibbsman inquired if Ferguson thought he was demanding more than he had lost, and Ferguson replied it looked that way; that he was innocent, and had been willing to take a chance on Atherton with \$20 merely to save the name of the place.

Later he was informed that Hibbsman demanded \$81 more, and when neither Ferguson nor Gaskins could produce it they were charged with being accomplices to a robbery.

Ferguson and Gaskins were both released on \$500 bond. Atherton waived examination, and it is said his conduct in jail indicates that he is not responsible.

Scott Ferguson is popular in Paducah and bears a good reputation. He has many relatives in McCracken and Ballard counties. He led the ticket at the Democratic city primary last year and was a candidate for councilman in the First ward.

Holiday For Fair

On account of the number of shows exhibiting in Paducah this fall, the public school officials have decided not to dismiss the schools for the parades. However on September 29, Sept. J. A. Carnagey has declared a holiday during the day, and the pupils will be given an opportunity to see the fair. On the same date the Ringling Brothers' circus will exhibit, and the children can see the parade too. Superintendent Carnagey is holding teachers' meetings this week, and giving instructions regarding the inauguration of the work. Every afternoon the teachers of one grade of all the schools meet with him. This afternoon the fifth grade teachers will meet.

LARGE CONGREGATIONS AT THIRD STREET CHURCH.

Increasingly large congregations are attending the revival meetings at the Third Street Methodist church last night Dr. Sullivan spoke, and tonight he will preach on "Having the Spirit of Christ."