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THE FOURTH.

The Fourth has come and gone, and with it go the well wishes of ten thousand people who took part in the celebration at Hickman.

The day dawned bright and clear, and ere the sun had got fairly started on its journey across the heavens, people on all the roads leading to Hickman were wending their way to see the greatest natal day demonstration that has ever occurred in Western Kentucky. They came from all points of the compass, in all sorts of conveyances, bedecked in holiday finery, with money in their pockets, smiles on their faces and all bent upon the one object of having a good time. The fun began with their arrival, the spirit of joviality was contagious and each individual seemed to become afflicted with a desire for fun and pleasure the minute he struck the town. Everybody was happy, the welkin pealed forth its merry chimes and joy in all its many forms was unconfined. They frolicked with one another, joked among themselves, watched the sports with a definite interest, and crowded upon the race course and sporting grounds with the freedom and saug froid of merry-makers who knew not the thought of ill, and brooked not the rise of passions. The special police used all their persuasive powers to keep the track clear, and succeeded very well; but what did their orders avail against the smiles of the pretty girls and the caprices of the young bent on having a good time?

Not a complaint of any description was heard. All had plenty to eat and drink, the different events were pulled off promptly as per schedule, each one being hotly contested, the decisions fairly rendered and the prizes awarded and given at once to the winners.

The parade, which took place at 1 o'clock, was perhaps the prettiest thing that has ever been seen in Hickman. The Union City band, comprising 25 pieces, headed it, and was followed by many beautifully decorated carriages. The prize for the most beautiful turnout was awarded to the Misses Irene and Lite Faris, and everyone seemed satisfied that the prize had been properly awarded. The turnout of Dr. Davidson's was a novel and pretty affair. It represented Japanese royalty. The carriage was occupied by several young ladies, dressed as Japanese, and was drawn by four light colored negroes dressed as jurikisha men. It elicited many complimentary remarks and was in the opinion of many the most inter-

esting feature of the parade. The W. O. W. float was symbolical of the order and was greeted with much applause, while the float driven by W. F. Blake-more, upon which was seated some twenty five of the pretty young ladies of our town, was loudly cheered as it passed through the crowded streets. There were many other attractive features and beautifully decorated carriages that received much applause and praise, but space forbids a minute description of them all. Several carriages which had been profusely decorated were prevented from entering the parade owing to the fact that they were overtaken by a shower of rain and the decorations so impaired that they were withdrawn.

Promptly at 9 o'clock the fat men's race was called. It was a funny event and there were five entries. Than Rogers was the winner. At 9:10 M. W. Cox won the wheelbarrow race from four competitors.

The egg race was won by Herman Marshal, of Crystal Springs, the sack race by Jim Oliver, and the running on all fours race by Coop Bradshaw.

The 100 yard dash was won by Jim Holcombe from five competitors, and was a hot race. Jim winning by a few inches. The sports then shifted from Clinton street to the river front, where the interest for the morning seemed to center, showing conclusively that these sports were a drawing factor in the day's events.

In the large boat race from the Bayou de Chien to the Lee Line wharf, the Rabbit's Foot, owned by the Mengel company, won easily from the Shiloh which had been handicapped with a large load of people.

The Ida Belle and Golda Lee, two gasoline launches, in a race from the Lee Line wharf to the Ringo light and return, was next on the program. They made an exciting race, but the Ida Belle is a faster craft than its opponent and won easily.

Jim Holcombe won the tube race. Dave Pearson the barrel race, and Peter Heppner took both the prizes in the swimming on the back and speed races. The skiff race was won by Jim Overton and George Fleitz.

After dinner and the parade, the crowd wended its way to Athletic Park, to witness the ball game between Hickman and Dresden. Fully 1500 people were in the grounds when game was called by Umpire S. L. Dodds. It was hotly contested throughout, and it was anybody's game right up to the last

half of the ninth inning when the score stood 8 to 9 in favor of the visitors. In this inning the Hickman boys buckled down to hard work and ran in two scores, giving them a lead of one and making the score 10 to 9 in their favor. A good crowd of rooters accompanied the Dresden boys, and these taken with the ability of our own well known rooters, kept interest from lagging. It was perhaps the best game that has been played here this season, and has thoroughly demonstrated the ability of the Hickman team to hold its own with the best of 'em. This makes eight games it has played this season, and it has won seven of them, losing one to Union City. The Dresden boys play good ball, but seemed to lack acquaintance with one another. They were good individual players but were deficient in team playing ability, showing that they had neglected practice. One of the pleasant features of the game was that no decision of Umpire Dodds was disputed and there was consequently no wrangling.

After the ball game about a dozen boys were given an opportunity to climb a greased pole. None of them reached the top and the prize was given to Frank Collins, he having climbed the highest.

A greasy pig was then turned loose on the diamond and about half a dozen young negroes were started after him. The pig did not run much and was quickly captured by Sam Ferrell.

The fox chase was next on the program, but as it was getting late, and the people evidently becoming hungry, many left the grounds to go to supper. It was an interesting race and the hounds made a good run. The fox was finally run down in the hills back of town, but few people were in at the finish, as the gait was too speedy, the day too warm to run and the hills too hard to climb.

Between 7:30 and 8:30 occurred the band concert on the depot plaza, the Hickman and Union City bands taking part. For an hour or more they discoursed some excellent music which was highly appreciated by all. After the concert, when it had become dark enough for the fireworks, they were started under the direction of an expert from St. Louis. It was a fine display, but the best part of it was destroyed by the rain which fell in torrents just after 9 o'clock. Instead of an hour and a half or two hours' display as was intended, only about half an hour was had, but it was fine and would have been one of the most entertaining

features of the celebration had not the rain interfered. While the rain, which continued falling, put an end to the celebration, no one was greatly disappointed as all had seen far more than had been anticipated and were well satisfied with themselves, the town and our people.

It was a grand celebration and will long live in the memory of those who participated as the one bright day in lexicon of their youth, and a fond remembrance to the elderly boys and girls, who for a time were made to forget the encroachments of age and the infirmities of mature years.

Notes.

Hickman can truthfully say that her celebration of the Fourth was "as advertised."

The excursion train, which arrived at 10:30 brought something over 2000 people to Hickman. Pretty good load for one train.

Ten thousand people, all told, in Hickman Monday and not one drunken man to be seen. How is that for prohibition prohibiting?

The decision as to the best turnout in the parade was arrived at by casting lots. The judges were evenly divided between the rigs of Dr. Faris and Dr. Davidson. Each was a beauty.

A bootlegger, from Mayfield, of course, came in on the early morning train with a huge jug; but—and that's an important part when you've got the nerve behind you—he didn't stop here. After the committee waited on him he decided that he didn't want to celebrate here, nohow.

Order of Reference

Fulton Circuit Court, June 13, 1904.
W. H. Roper's administrator etc., plaintiff, vs., his heirs and creditors, defendants.

Notice is hereby given to the creditors of W. H. Roper, deceased, that the undersigned, Commissioner of Fulton Circuit Court, under an order in the above styled cause, will attend at his office in the city of Fulton, Ky., from the date hereof until the 5th day of September, 1904, to receive and hear proof of claims against said Decedent; and that all claims not presented to him and proven as required by law, within the time specified above, will be forever barred.

JAMES R. MILNER
Master Com. Fulton Circuit Court.

The Courier's curio windows came in for their share of attention on the Fourth and were gazed at by the thousands with much interest.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Rosedale, the old reliable, for pictures of all sizes and kinds.

Miss Shumate, of Newbern, Tenn., is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. M. Tyler.

Miss Nell Lovrig, of Yazoo City, Miss., is visiting her old friend, Miss Maud Lunsford.

The Misses Hayes, of Jackson, Tenn., arrived yesterday on a visit to Mrs. Maggie Randle.

Miss Belle Mercer, of Kokomo, Ind., is the charming guest of Mrs. Alice Amberg this week.

Kenneth Anderson, after spending the Fourth with us, returned Wednesday to Charleston, Mo.

Lost—On the night of July 4, a small embroidered black cashmere shawl, fringed. Finder will please return to this office for reward.

Mrs. Luetta McGehee Hawkins and little daughter, Rose Dixon, are visiting the family of W. B. McGehee in the Rush Creek neighborhood.

A fishing party composed of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Spradlin, and their guest, Miss Nellie McGehee, of Memphis, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Frost and Charley Frost, spent Wednesday at Reelfoot Lake.

Misses Johnson and Murchison, of Cayce, two of Kentucky's fairest flowers, were visiting friends and relatives at Rush Creek Sunday. The beaux of Cayce were quite forlorn until the return of the two belles.

Miss Angy Morgan, who was with the Ellison Mercantile Company several seasons as milliner, is reported to have been recently married in St. Louis to a man named Geo. Lane. Miss Angy is well known here, and has numerous friends who will be pleased to hear of her marriage and to extend their congratulations.

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STATE LINE NOTES.

Miss Dora Deuberry has returned to the home of Mrs. L. C. Maddox.

Miss Carrie Naylor, of Union City, visited Miss Lillie Maddox Sunday and Monday.

We regret to report that our esteemed mail carrier, Jim Townsend, is no better.

Miss Bessie Threlkeld returned Tuesday after several visits to friends since her school closed.

C. W. Saunders returned to Madrid Bend district Saturday to spend the fall session of school there.

Miss Bessie McRee, of Malden, Mo., arrived Wednesday to spend several weeks with Miss Lillie Maddox.

Miss Nina Maddox is expecting the three Misses Brown from Obion, Tenn., and Miss Lucile Burrus is expecting visitors.

Miss Lena Threlkeld spent several days in Hickman at the home of her brother, the popular cash groceryman, Cue Threlkeld.

We shall have several visitors with us in the near future. Miss Nannie Jones will have the two Misses Nowlin, of Martin, and Miss Latimer, of Texas.

Uncle Billie Hutchinson, an old and revered citizen of our community died Thursday night and his remains were interred at Poplar Grove cemetery, Rev. Stigler conducting the funeral services.

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