

THE HICKMAN COURIER.

Western Kentucky's Oldest and Biggest Newspaper. Largest Paid Circulation—Covers Entire County—All Home Print—Stops When Subscription Expires; Watch for "Blue Mark," it Means Your Time is Out

Volume 56

HICKMAN, KENTUCKY, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1915

Number 11

HICKMAN GETS FREE CITY MAIL DELIVERY, SAYS DEPT.

Postmaster Goaldér Johnson has received word from the Postoffice Department that Hickman can get city or "experimental village delivery," by complying with the requirements of the department, viz: putting up street signs, numbering the houses, and putting up the necessary mail boxes.

The notice received, in part, reads as follows:

The department has under consideration the question of establishing experimental village delivery service at Hickman, Ky., with two carriers. Before orders authorizing this service can be issued, it will be necessary that all the requirements of the department as to civic improvements and the erection of town through-out be met. On receipt of a certificate from you to the effect that in the district to be supplied by village delivery there have been provided sidewalks, crosswalks, house numbers, street signs, and street lights, and that all families proposing to patronize the service have erected proper mail receptacles at their gates or at their house fronts, or have provided mail slots in their front doors, instructions will be furnished you as to the inauguration of the service.

In addition to this service, the department has under consideration the establishment of one or two more sub-stations in Hickman. This means that West Hickman would get a complete little postoffice all to herself—one issuing and paying money orders and giving the regular mail service.

In order to get this service, we should get busy with house numbering and street signs. The sooner we do this, the sooner we get the free delivery.

OFFICIAL REPORT OF SATURDAY'S CONVENTION.

A mass meeting of the Democrats of Fulton county was held at the Court House in Hickman Saturday afternoon. The meeting was called to order at one o'clock by W. C. Johnson, chairman Democratic Committee of Fulton county.

The name of W. C. Johnson was placed in nomination for chairman of the convention and he was elected by acclamation. Sam Elliott, of Fulton, by agreement was appointed secretary of the convention.

The motion was made and carried that the chairman appoint 16 delegates, and himself be one, to represent Fulton county at the State Convention at Louisville.

Chairman W. C. Johnson in obedience to this motion appointed the following delegates: Herbert Carr, L. T. Callahan, Guy Howard, Jim Gardner, Mack Roach, E. M. Taylor, Dr. J. W. Naylor, T. A. Prather, Jr., M. B. Shaw, F. S. Moore, C. L. Walker, B. T. Davis, Sam Elliott, Bailey Huddleston, Goaldér Johnson, who together with himself, W. C. Johnson, will be the 16 delegates from Fulton county.

A motion was made and carried that the delegates in attendance from Fulton county be instructed to cast their votes from Fulton county as a unit upon all questions going before the State Convention at Louisville.

A motion was made and carried that the chairman, W. C. Johnson, have authority, in case any of the above named delegates should not attend that there are other Democrats in Fulton county desiring to attend, to fill out the list of 16 delegates from those in attendance from Fulton county.

By leaving a word out of our copy last week, The Courier had the September term of court advanced two weeks. The September term convenes on the 20th, at Hickman, and at Fulton the following week.

Now let the Louisville Courier-Journal and Louisville Times quit gussin' Haly and "the machine." McChesney's friends might happen to be badly needed in November.

BUSINESS LEAGUE LOSES; COAL RATE TO BE \$1.50.

After a hard fight on the part of Hickman's Business League against an advance in coal rates in to Hickman, we finally lose, according to the Interstate Commerce Commission's verdict. The railroads will be privileged to advance the price from \$1.20 to \$1.50 per ton, which will mean several thousand dollars per year more to come out of the pocket of the "ultimate consumer." This advance was to have taken effect last fall, but the Business League succeeded in holding it off for about one year by appearing before the commission at New Orleans and again at Washington. However, Hickman, is not the only city affected by this rate—it was a sweeping one, and hit scores of towns throughout the South.

There is only one alternative left—that is to get busy with unloading facilities on the river and get our coal by boat. Several local plants, large users of coal, are already taking steps to this end. A few years ago Hickman was prepared for unloading river coal, but a reduction in rail rates led to neglecting the river business.

(Continued on last page.)

Administration Building and Infirmary, Hazelwood Sanatorium, Louisville



This building, with adjacent cottages, is the only place in Kentucky for the reception of any case of tuberculosis except for the Jefferson county institute, Waverly Hill Sanatorium and the little Jackson Hill Sanatorium, at Paducah. White patients in all stages of the disease may here receive the essentials of treatment—namely, medical supervision, fresh air, rest and correct diet. The rates are \$12.50 a week. Any person in Fulton county interested in obtaining treatment should see or address Dr. H. E. Prather, Hickman, Ky., who is the local member of the advisory board.

As the school at Hickman has been built up to rank with the best in the State, it will be to the best interest of all parents to patronize this school.

Mrs. Lou Harper left Monday for St. Louis to purchase her fall millinery stock. She was accompanied by Miss Leora Holland. Coming "A Fool—"

BIG LEAGUE BASEBALL FOR THIS SECTION NEXT YEAR.

Baseball fans of Hickman are endeavoring to make arrangements to give Western Kentucky some big league baseball next season.

They want to get four teams of the American Association to train at four places, Hickman, Fulton, Paducah and Cairo and on each Sunday and at times during the week games would take place. The Sunday games would be in Paducah and Cairo. The Minneapolis club has been training at Hickman for several years, where Joe Cantillon, owner of the club, has a winter home. Baseball fans will be glad to hear that such a plan is on foot. Three teams have already promised to train in this section.

PENALTY NOW ON.

City taxes remaining unpaid are now subject to a 6 per cent penalty, becoming effective yesterday—or September 1st. So far, collections have been poor and the bulk of the taxes are yet to be collected, including quite a sum from last year.

It was a harmonious convention.

SUNFLOWERS FOR MARKET. HOW THE CROP IS HANDLED.

Fulton county seems to have gone in for sunflower raising on a pretty extensive scale, and the crop bids fair to become one of importance to this section. Most every farmer has some idea of the plant, its uses, and knows it is a crop that grows well here, but many are stumped about its cultivation, harvesting and marketing. For that reason The Courier gives the following, as a result of careful investigation and inquiry, which may be of value to the man who wants to get in the sunflower game:

Planting Season.

Taking Fulton county as an example, planting may be done any time between March 20 and July 10. The plants are hardy and will withstand heavy frosts in the early spring.

Mode of Planting.

Plant in drill rows from 3 to 3½ feet apart and thin to one plant every 18 to 22 inches in drill. Use one horse corn drill or two row corn planter run as a drill. Cover very lightly, not over 2 to 2½ inches; less is better. This is the most important part of all the cultivation and should be looked after with care if a stand is to be expected. 3 pounds of seed will plant an acre.

Cultivation.

Plow with cultivator or whatever plow is handy, about same as corn is plowed. Two or three plowings will do. Don't plow close or deep after plants are two feet high, as they throw out a mass of surface, feeding roots, and deep plowing will injure the plants.

Time To Harvest.

The time to harvest is when the leaves have turned dry and brown, and seed will easily separate from the seed base; this can be determined by examination.

Method of Harvesting.

If stalks are very tall the cutter can stand in wagon and reach the heads best; use an ordinary pocket knife to cut the heads, as a heavy stroke with corn knife will shatter many seeds from the heads. For small acreages seeds can be as easily threshed by beating them out of the heads with a light stick as to employ a machine. Larger acreages is best handled by running heads through a pea thresher or wheat separator. If beaten out by hand, seeds will have to be run through a grain fan to clean them. Any soil that will produce ordinary crops of corn will do for sunflowers.

The Yield.

A yield of one thousand pounds per acre is considered a fair crop, but much larger yields are had in rich soil with good cultivation.

Kind of Seed.

The Mammoth Russian broad stripe is best and care should be taken to get seed from a section not infested by the weevil (pea weevil) so injurious to the seed of the sunflower in some sections of the North.

Markets and Prices.

The market is limited at present to the manufacture of mixed poultry foods, but is broadening each year. Buyers visit sections where any considerable acreage is planted to this crop each season a little before and during harvest time to buy from the farmer. Prices range from 3 cents to 4 cents per pound.

Other Uses.

Sunflowers makes one of the best and cheapest food for hogs that can be raised; it is also valuable for horses and cattle. Hogs can best be allowed to do the harvesting, as there is but little waste thereby, as the grain does not rot for several months after falling on the ground. The seed-head has good food value in connection with the grain when fed to cattle and horses. When the sunflower is better known the farmers will give it a place with

(Continued on last page.)

Fall Stocks Are Filling Our Store



A COMPLETE STOCK OF FALL Dress Materials, Trimmings

This display contains the newest and most popular fabrics and trimmings, and enables early buyers to select the materials for Fall apparel and obtain just as good values and styles as those who wait until later.

New Fall Shoes

FOR EVERY MEMBER OF THE FAMILY

We have every facility for selling you shoes, and see to it that you get a comfortable, serviceable, stylish pair of shoes, no matter what the price is. You cannot get better values anywhere than we offer.

No store in Hickman will show more complete stocks of Fall goods than we. From the lines of the country's foremost wholesalers we carefully selected the largest stocks we have yet shown. We are looking forward to a big and busy season, and we have made preparations for it.

If you want the newest ideas in Fall goods of any sort, come to Smith & Amberg's. We always show the new styles, and we always have the best values.

The New Fall Millinery

IS EXTREMELY ATTRACTIVE

The styles have an artistic simplicity that is wonderfully fetching. Our display contains the newest and best fashions. Many ready-to-wear hats for early fall wear at very attractive prices.

WE HAVE ALL THE NEWEST

Fall Suit Styles

By purchasing your Fall suit now you not only choose from the freshest, largest assortments, but you have the advantage of being among the first to appear in Fall apparel.



..Smith & Amberg..

Incorporated

