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## PLANNING FOR THREE BIG DAYS

Premium List for Community Fair in  
This Week's Courier.

Plans have been laid for the big Community Fair in Hickman on October 6, 7, and 8, and the committees appointed at the meeting last week of the Commercial Club has begun to get busy in doing their share of the work which attaches to putting it over in a big way.

The premium list, which includes about \$1,500 in premiums is being published, and will be found on another page of The Courier.

Each day of the fair has been designated as a special day, the first being Home Products and Live Stock Day, Friday will be School Day and on Saturday comes Athletic Day, when the athletic contests between individuals and schools will be held.

Lunch stands will be under the control of the Parent-Teachers' Association and concessions from them will enable others to conduct these stands.

## YOUNG COUPLE IN SURPRISE WEDDING

Rob Copeland and Miss Dorothy Moore  
Married in Union City.

A wedding of much interest and which came as a distinct surprise to their host of friends in the city was that of Miss Dorothy Moore to Rob Copeland Saturday evening. The ceremony was performed and telephoned the news back to their parents before returning to the city.

The young bride, who is eighteen years of age, is the only daughter of Judge and Mrs. F. S. Moore, of this city. She is a bright, charming and accomplished young lady, and had begun her senior year in the Hickman High School this year, where she had gained the reputation of one of the most brilliant students in the school by her natural ability and attention to her studies. She returned to school Monday morning where she will continue to pursue her studies.

The groom, a young man of 20 years, is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Will Copeland, and is a young man of excellent prospects, being at present employed with the local express office, which position he has held for some time. Both young people are exceedingly popular with every one who has been associated with them, and The Courier joins with their many friends in wishing them a most joyous married life.

## LAST EXCURSION OF THE SEASON

Large Crowd of Pleasure Seekers on  
Capitol Monday Night.

The Streckfus Steamboat Line's big excursion boat, the "Capitol" carried over 500 passengers on the last excursion of the season Monday night. The big boat was secured, as on the other occasions when she has been here, by the Hickman Ice and Cold Storage Co. and the excursion was given under their auspices.

This is the largest excursion boat among those appearing at Hickman, and its coming is always awaited with eager anticipation by pleasure seekers of Hickman and the surrounding towns. Excellent weather on the evening of the excursion with the natural attractions which the boat offers combined to render this the most enjoyable affair of the kind this season.

Large crowds from Fulton, Union City, Martin, Tiptonville, and other neighboring towns, swelled the attendance, which was recorded at 512.

The Capitol has the largest dancing pavilion of any of the boats on this part of the river. Its lighting system is beautifully arranged, and the music, furnished by the Capitol Harmony Synchropters, and some of the best dance music enjoyed by the devotees of that diversion here this year, added to the pleasure of the excursionists.

The Capitol has been touring the upper Mississippi all summer and carried large crowds out of every city as far north as St. Paul. The big boat is now en route to New Orleans for the winter season again.

## FREE CLINIC FOR TRACHOMA

Government Expert Comes to Hickman  
in October.

The biggest and certainly one of the most needed pieces of work ever undertaken by our local Public Health Service is the big free trachoma clinic which will be held in Hickman in October. Through the endeavor and interest of Dr. Hubbard and the two nurses here the services of a government expert, Dr. McMullen, perhaps the country's foremost authority on trachoma, have been secured. He will be in Hickman October 11 and 12, and plans are under way to open a big hall fitted with the necessary cots where he can treat with ease and dispatch all of the many children of the

county who are afflicted with this terrible and very infectious eye disease. Positively no charge will be made of any kind, and one treatment will be all that is necessary. Dr. McMullen may wish to keep the patients twenty-four hours and in that case the parents will be asked to feed their own children, but that will be all that is required of them, unless such as have cots of their own wish to bring them.

A most amazing amount of trachoma has been found during the recent examinations of the county schools, a dozen or more cases in each school, and so infectious, or "catching" is the disease that one case can easily give it to a whole roomful or schoolful. By far the worst situation was discovered this week at Bondurant, where in a crowded room of about seventy, only four or five were found who did not have trachoma. Several of the children were in evident, constant discomfort, rubbing their eyes, peeping through swollen,

red lids, barely able to read, and one little girl was almost blind with it.

If nothing is done for these children they will, ultimately be blind for, while trachoma is a disease of the lids, it does in the end through the inflammation, affect the eyeball of course. Glasses do not help trachoma. Being a disease of the eyelids, it has to be treated: the little "seeds" which develop on the lid removed. It is the greatest blessing that it can be treated and cured for it is fast growing to be one of the greatest scourges to our land and especially to our state. Kentucky is full of it, particularly in the mountain districts, and there is even talk in other bordering states of quarantining against Kentucky on account of it.

No steamer is allowed to land in any American port without a medical inspection for trachoma and if a person is found with it, he or she is turned back and not allowed to come into the United States for two years after be-

ing cured. Such precautions prove its seriousness and danger, though the people of Hickman and the vicinity have not waked up to it yet. They must, however, if the eyesight of their children is to be saved. The percentage in this county is so great that we will all have it soon unless something is done.

All praise then to our County Health Officials who have gotten Dr. McMullen to come to Hickman and made this free clinic possible. It means no more money for our doctors and nurses, but it does mean much extra hard work. They are glad to do it but they want cooperation and help. Surely every person in the vicinity should be grateful for the opportunity and not only bring gladly any members of their own family who have it, but urge all others to come whom they believe to be affected. The clinic is not for children only. Any grown person still be treated too. It is for old and young, rich and poor alike. Grown people who

suspect that they have it are asked to come and find out. It won't do any good to clean up the disease among the children if they are to go right back to their own homes and get reinfected from parents and older brothers and sisters. It won't cost anything to come so whether Dr. Hubbard has seen and examined you or not, do see Dr. McMullen on the 11th or 12th of October. If he says you haven't it, you are just that much better off; if you have it you can be cured; if you have it and don't come you risk a future of pain, helplessness and unhappiness. Loss of eyesight is next to loss of life.

The United Charities are planning a big street carnival to be held here probably next week. Plans have not been completed and it may be that arrangements will be made in time to hold it next week, but it will be held some time before the Community Fair.

## SANTA MARIA HERE MONDAY

Big Passenger Hydroplane Has Capacity  
of Eleven Besides Crew.

The big passenger hydroplane, Santa Maria, have into view Monday afternoon, and after circling over the city, landed on the river in front of Hickman, with several hundred spectators assembled on the bank to watch the maneuvers. After cruising about on the river for a few minutes the anchor was cast, and motor boats from the bank went out to meet the big craft. The passengers and crew were brought ashore, and efforts were made to secure passengers here for short flights, but a sufficiently large number could not be secured. After about two hours in Hickman, the passengers and crew again boarded the plane and the journey was resumed, a fresh supply of gasoline having been purchased here. Memphis was the destination for the day.

The Santa Maria is a privately owned vessel, being the property of the Aeromarine Company of New York City. She is one of the largest air vessels which has ever made the trip down the river, with a wing spread of 105 feet, and a capacity of eleven passengers besides the crew. She is driven by two Liberty motors, can attain a speed of 80 miles an hour, and burns a gallon of gasoline a minute. A gasoline tank of 300 gallons capacity is carried, giving sufficient fuel for a five-hour cruise. She was formerly a United States Navy seaplane, and was later in the United States mail service from Key West to Havana, Cuba.

On the present trip the plane has flown from Havana as a starting point to Key West and thence to New York City, with a stop at Washington. From New York the flight was resumed to Montreal, thence by way of the Thousand Islands and following the course of the St. Lawrence River and the Great Lakes to Detroit; thence up Lake Huron and down to Chicago, and down the Illinois and Mississippi Rivers to St. Louis. From St. Louis, the plane went to Cairo and on to Hickman. From Hickman the itinerary as planned, included Memphis and New Orleans and intermediate points and from New Orleans the last lap of the flight will be made to Vera Cruz, Mexico, where the return journey will be begun. This trip is undertaken by the Aeromarine Company at its own expense to demonstrate the practicality of flying.

The crew of the Santa Maria consisted of Edwin Musick, the pilot, and E. Nugard and Wm. Richards, mechanics. Besides the crew, the following passengers were aboard: E. D. Osborn, W. W. Wyman, an official of the Aeromarine Company, E. J. Riley and the Hon. F. C. Hicks, congressman from New York, and chairman of the congressional committee on Naval Aviation. He has flown over Paris and London and many places abroad as well as in the United States in all types of planes, and his interest and experience in the air service induced his appointment. His strong belief in aviation as a factor in transportation in the immediate future has prompted him in making the trip. When interviewed by a representative of the Courier he said: "Other countries have established air routes and are maintaining regular schedules for passenger traffic. The United States is backward in this respect, but as we give to the world the air craft, so America should give to the world the best example of aviation in its fullest development. The purpose of this trip, undertaken entirely at the expense of the Aeromarine Company of New York, is to prove the feasibility of aircraft by a practical demonstration of its usefulness. We appreciate the cordial welcome extended to us by the mayor of Hickman and the other prominent gentlemen who joined in making us feel at home in the city."

## FOOTBALL PRACTISE ON.

For the first time since Hickman has had a high school, work has started towards the development of a varsity football team. Practise started Monday and has continued every afternoon of this week. The work-outs have consisted of passing, tackling, line charging, simple formations, line bucking and punting. The team will be unusually light, not averaging 135 pounds, but what is lacked in weight, it is hoped to make up in speed, for the team has prospects of being an unusually fast one. The privilege of using the Mengel park has been secured, and this field will be used for practise now.

As yet Coach Boone has been unable to pick his first team from the number who are candidates for positions on the eleven. His backfield will be light but fast, and will average about 130 pounds. Scrimmaging and practise between the first and second teams will begin Friday. It is planned to have a game here during the Community Fair, if it can be arranged. The schedule has not been arranged but communications are being had with Union City and Fulton to secure games with their high schools. It is hardly probable that the Hickman High team can show up to the same advantage with schools which have had teams for years past, since this is the first attempt to develop a team at the local high school, but the local enthusiasts of the pig skin game can get out and pull for the team, and give them all the encouragement possible.



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