

PRESBYTERIAN STATE SYNOD IS TO MEET HERE TUESDAY

One Hundred and Fifty of the Leaders of Denomination to Be Here.

The 119th annual meeting of the State Synod of the Presbyterian church, which embraces all the Presbyterian churches in the State will convene in this city, Tuesday evening and will continue in session through Wednesday and Thursday.

The first session will be called at 8 o'clock Tuesday evening. The opening sermon will be delivered by the Rev. T. M. Hawes, of Louisville, who is the retiring Moderator. The only business that will come before Tuesday's session will be the election of a new Moderator to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of the term of Rev. Dr. Hawes.

Matters of special interest for Wednesday's session will be the Synodical Communion services in the afternoon at four o'clock and the lectures of the Secretary of the Synod and Rev. J. M. Seig, a noted missionary worker of Africa, in the interest of foreign missionary work. Several other matters of importance will come up at this meeting. Among them will be a stereopticon lecture in the interest

of work among the colored race; and the consideration of the home missionary work and the work done by Dr. Guerrant and the Soul Winners' Society. The work of Dr. Guerrant and the Soul Winners' Society has made it a problem requiring careful attention to look after the opportunities among the mountains.

Central University. The matter that will probably occasion the warmest interest during the entire meeting will be the control of Central University, at Danville. The Synod has controlled the College since its organization up to the last meeting, when the management was turned over to the Board of Trustees. The General Assembly, the highest Court of the church, on appeal, has sent the matter back for reconsideration at this meeting. As the leaders of the Synod are divided in their opinions, it will probably consume some time before they will arrive at a decision.

All Kentucky Churches. The Synod comprises all the churches in Kentucky in the Southern Presbyterian church. The full quota membership is about three hundred and it is expected that there will be about one hundred and fifty in attendance here. The last meeting of the Synod held here was about fifteen years ago after the erection of the new Presbyterian church building.



NEW AMERICAN FLEET OFF FOR THE PACIFIC.

The six vessels comprising the new fleet of tenders and lightships are now well on their way on their 14,000 mile voyage to the Pacific coast via the strait of Magellan. Captain Albert T. Hertz is in command of the flotilla. San Juan, Porto Rico, will be the first port of call, and it is expected that the little fleet will arrive in San Francisco in about four months from the date of sailing from New York.

BALLOON ACCIDENT TO AMERICAN AERONAUTS

Drop Four Thousand Feet and Are Not Seriously Injured.

Berlin, Oct. 12.—The international balloon race which started from the suburb of Schmargendorf was the occasion of a thrilling accident, two American aeronauts having a miraculous escape from death. The American balloon Conqueror, the only American-built craft in the contest, having on board A. Holland Forbes and Augustus Post, less than two minutes after the start burst at an altitude of 4,000 feet.

For 2,000 feet it shot down like a bullet, and then the torn silken bag assumed the shape of a parachute, thus checking the rapidity of the descent. Coming close to the earth, however, the basket smashed into the roof of a house, but the two men escaped with slight injuries.

The race, in which 23 balloons participated, representing Great Britain, France, Germany, the United States, Switzerland, Italy, Belgium and Spain, started in the presence of at least 80,000 spectators. The sunshine was brilliant and the heat was that of summer. Amid the strains of "America" and volleys of cheers, the first balloon was sent away. It was the America II, under command of James C. McCoy, who was accompanied by Lieutenant Vogtmann. The balloon was decorated with stars and stripes and it sailed away to the southeast at a rapid pace, the aeronauts waving their hats.

A representative of each of the other nations followed the American balloon in succession at intervals of two minutes, the national hymn of the respective countries ringing forth as the ropes were cut loose.

The second batch of eight balloons was led by Forbes in the Conqueror, which was started with some difficulty owing to a gusty wind and too much ballast. But eventually it shot up and reached a high altitude in an incredibly short period, the basket swaying violently. Then almost instantly a cry of horror arose from the crowd, "he saw the silk collapse, and shouted, "The balloon is ripping up."

Thousands who had gathered there stood for a moment petrified. Some turned away fainting as they saw the balloon falling with lightning-like rapidity. At the same time showers of sand and appurtenances of the balloon shot downward with equal rapidity and then daylight was seen through the envelope, great ragged edges of the silk showing on either side.

"They are killed," went in a hushed whisper through the crowd, but shortly the remainder of the envelope appeared to take first a triangular shape and then was transformed into a sort of parachute at the top of the net, and the progress of the wrecked balloon was considerably arrested.

It came down slower and slower, meantime being swept by the wind far to the southeast, and finally disappeared from view behind a block of houses. The suspense among the crowd was terrible. But a few minutes later a telephone message was received from Friedeau which announced that the men had landed and had not been seriously injured. A great sigh of relief went up among the people, who threw their hats in the air for joy. The other balloons were sent up after a brief delay, without further accident.

SERVIANS ARE LESS WARLIKE IN TONE

Foreign Minister's Speech Cools Their Ardor—Short of Ammunition.

Belgrade, Serbia, Oct. 12.—After a secret session, lasting for more than 24 hours, the narodna-skupstina, or national assembly, adjourned without having arrived at any definite decision with regard to its action against Austria-Hungary.

According to the most reliable information no vote was taken on the question at issue. The meeting was a very stormy one and was interrupted by various recesses. War was demanded with Austria-Hungary, but the leaders of the opposition cooled down after Foreign Minister Milovanovic had made a lengthy statement in which he explained that one reason why hostilities were impossible was the scarcity of ammunition for the new batteries, which are now being transported here, but have been detained on the Austrian lines.

The leaders of all the parties complained earnestly that the government's protest to the powers against the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina was not couched in sufficiently strong terms, but the foreign minister eventually succeeded in convincing the house of the correctness of the cabinet's attitude, and it is anticipated that today the assembly will adopt a vote of confidence in the government. Thus for the moment the danger point in the Balkan crisis is passed, and Serbia is expected to content herself temporarily by instituting a boycott against Austro-Hungarian commerce in the way of revenge. It was stated that M. Milovanovic will shortly proceed to London, Paris and Rome to lay Serbia's claims before the powers.

Despite the warlike language of the crown prince on Saturday, when he declared before the angered thousands who had gathered at the palace that he believed that they all soon would be able to offer their lives in defense of the king and the fatherland, demonstrations in the streets are becoming less numerous and less serious, and apparently the people are beginning to realize that war would mean the annihilation of Serbia. Report published abroad that a general mobilization of the Serbian army has been ordered are incorrect. Only the first reserves have been called out, and it is not intended to summon the other classes at the present time. With the first reserves there will be only 400,000 men under arms altogether.

FARMER MURDERED

In Cold Blood by Negro as Result of Quarrel at Dance.

Marietta, O., Oct. 12.—Earl S. Waderker, a farmer, was shot and killed by Edward Brock, a negro, as the result of a quarrel and fight at a dance. Waderker and Herman Williams started a fight at a dance at Barnett Ridge, and the former got the better of it. Brock took up the argument later and, securing a shotgun, followed Waderker to his home, called him to the door and shot him without warning. Brock waded the Ohio river and escaped into Kentucky.

Goes Aground in Ohio.

Chiro, Ill., Oct. 12.—The steamer Peters Lee, with a large number of passengers on board, went aground at the mouth of the Ohio river while turning into this port.

STRONG FOOT-BALL TEAM AT OPENING OF SEASON

League Met On Sunday

Have Applied for Membership in the National Baseball Association.

LEXINGTON, Oct. 12.—The managers of the Blue Grass League met Sunday about noon in the office of President G. I. Hammond. Four of the managers were present and the proxy of one was held by President Hammond. The managers at Shelbyville wrote that they would be present but did not arrive.

Managers Ballard and Hoffman of Lawrenceburg, Kennedy of Frankfort, Stewart, of Winchester, and Sheets of Lexington, were present when the meeting was called to order, and the proxy of Richmond was in the hands of Mr. Hammond.

All the business of this season was settled and the plans for next season were discussed. The league has applied for admission to the National Association and expects to receive news in a short time that it has been made a member.

Another meeting will be held Friday when it is expected that all the managers will be present. It will be known by this time whether they have gained admission to the Association and if they have plans will be laid for the following year. One important rule that is expected to be considered is the fixing of a salary limit for players so as to give each club an equal show for a good team.

Old Building Torn Down

Mr. McEldowney to Begin Work Soon on New Office Building.

Work was started this morning on tearing down the walls of the old Christian Church building that was destroyed by fire last March. Mr. M. T. McEldowney has purchased the old brick and will use them in rebuilding his office building that was also destroyed by fire last March.

As soon as the old brick and dirt is cleared away, Mr. McEldowney will start to work at once on the foundation of another new office building, on the same site that the one was that was burned down. The new building will be six stories high and will be more modern and up-to-date in every way than the old one. The Christian Church has not disposed of their lot yet and cannot for some time as the government holds an option on it. It was offered to the government as a site for the new government building that will be erected here some time in the near future. There are a number of other locations offered but the government has not decided yet what one they will accept.

Death Of Minister

Rumor of Assassination of Count Fergast at Serbian Capitol.

VIENNA, Oct. 12.—It is now rumored in the streets of Vienna that Count Fergast, Austrian Minister to Serbia, has been assassinated. It has been impossible to verify the report as the Foreign office refuses absolutely to give out information. The unsettled state of affairs in Serbia and the well-known attitude of Austria toward the troubles is believed to be the cause of the trouble.

A SMALL FIRE.

The fire department was called out by an alarm of fire at 8:15 Sunday morning. It responded and found that a few sheds at the old brick plant had burned. Damage to the amount of \$200 is reported fully covered by insurance.

Testing the Gas Meter.

Another way to test your gas meter is to look steadily at the dial for five minutes. If it gets black in the face it's doing its best to hold on.—Times to Star

K. W. C.'s Eleven in Good Shape and Hopes For the State Championship.

The football season at K. W. C. while still young is extremely encouraging. Two games have been played. The first was with Mt. Sterling, which resulted in a 0-0 tie; the home boys showed the results of an almost entirely new line-up but also showed promise of an unusually strong development.

The second game was with the Lexington Athletic Club and resulted in an easy win for the local men. The score of 17-0 did not show the relative strength of the two teams. The scoring was all done in the first half. In the second, Prof. Moore worked out the second team with results that were satisfactory.

Team is Fortunate.

The team is very fortunate in one respect, that is that there is a substitute for every position that pushes the first team man hard for his place.

Tuesday on the College Athletic field, the team will meet the team representing the Paris Athletic Club. The men will show the result of some careful work during the past week. Better tackling and handling of forward passes will be noticeable.

Central University.

Central University, at Danville, Oct. 19, in the next opponent and one that the men are especially anxious to win from. The chances are about even.

Lexington High School follows on the local field, Oct. 26, and Georgetown at Georgetown, November 2.

Transylvania will appear here the week before Thanksgiving and for the final game, Thanksgiving day, either Louisville University or St. Mary's College will furnish the entertainment. Manager H. H. Fokett is still working to fill in the open dates.

Of Unusual Interest.

One game that will arouse unusual interest will be between the College team and a team composed of Alumnae. The Alumnae team will be composed mainly of Winchester men who have starred in former contests.

The team is in good condition and playing well together. Barring accident, the men have an even chance of cleaning up the entire schedule and if they do, they will make a strong bid for the Kentucky State championship. This is what the men are working for.

Tuesday's game will be well contested and should see a large crowd at the field. The line up will be:

- Ends, Stone, Atkin, Williams. Tackles, Bowles, Caudle. Guards, Thos. Hunt, Scobee, Souley. Center, John Hunt. Quarter, Taylor. Halves, Godberg, Captain; Craps. Fullback, Norris, Cockrell.

Three Killed In Riot

Fatal Affray Culminates in Serious Trouble in West Virginia.

FAIRMONT, W. Va., Oct. 12.—Thirteen men were wounded today and three fatally hurt in a riot between miners at Enterprise, in this State. Trouble has been brewing for some time and finally culminated in today's affray. Full particulars have not yet been ascertained.

STOCKHOLDER'S MEETING

Subscribers to the Winchester News Company are requested to meet at the company at 4 p. m. October the 13th for electing officers.

NEW HOSE WAGON FOR DEPARTMENT

Fire Ladders to Try to Secure Latest Automobile Machine For City.

For some months past the matter of purchasing a new Hose Wagon for the Fire Department has been brought up before the City Council, but owing to the deficit in the City Treasury, the Council has never taken any action on the matter other than to refer it to a committee.

At the meeting of the Department held Friday night, the matter of purchasing a automobile Hose Wagon, was discussed and the following committee was appointed to get prices and literature on a machine of this kind and present the matter to the Council, W. P. Winn, J. A. McCourt, and John Harding.

The Department will ask the Council to make an appropriation and the remainder will be made up by the Department in popular subscription and entertainments that will be arranged for later.

The old wagon that has been in the service for a number of years is said to be worn out and is dangerous to ride on. This, if done, will enable the ladder to give far better service.

JUDGE WILLIAM H. TAFT TO SPEAK IN THIS CITY

Republican Presidential Candidate To Be Here on Next Thursday.

Judge William H. Taft, Republican candidate for President, will deliver an address at the depot in this city, Thursday afternoon as he passes through here making his whirlwind campaign tour of Kentucky.

The exact hour of his arrival can not be determined yet as the railroad officials do not know at just what time his special train will leave Ashland, but it is understood that he will arrive shortly after the noon hour.

There was an informal meeting of the Republican county campaign committee held Saturday afternoon and the following committee was appointed: George Tomlinson, M. T. McEldowney, F. F. Goodpaster, and

W. H. Strossman.

It was first announced that he would speak from the rear end of his car on account of only being here for thirty minutes, but the committee later decided to erect a platform in some convenient place near the depot for him to speak from so that all may be able to see and hear.

No reception committee has been appointed. He will just be received by the county committee and his enthusiastic admirers here.

Judge Taft will be introduced by Congressman John W. Langley, Hon. Leslie M. Shaw, former Secretary of the Treasury, and other prominent Republicans, will accompany him on his tour through Kentucky.

Overleaping Ambitions.

By San Geronimo a great gun lies useless, too heavy to be mounted on the walls. Some ambitions are like that.—From Porto Rico.