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COMMITTEE FOR NEW FIRE WAGON

Department Will Urge on Council Immediate Action.

The regular monthly meeting of the Winchester Fire Department was held at their rooms Friday night. Chief A. R. Baldwin presided and a good number of firemen were present.

After the routine business was transacted, the matter of purchasing a new hose wagon was discussed. It was reported that the one now in use is in a bad condition and unsafe for the firemen to ride on. The committee appointed to investigate the matter of purchasing an automobile hose wagon had little to report. Mr. Baldwin stated that he had been endeavoring for several months past to get the Councilmen to purchase a new wagon but that so far he had been unable to accomplish anything.

It is the intention of the department to get first a new wagon for the central station and then through the aid of the Council have the old one repaired and placed in the North end of the city where, owing to the growth of that end of the town, it is very necessary.

To obtain something definite from the Council and especially the fire committee, the committee, composed of W. P. Winn, James A. McCoun and John Harding, appointed at the October meeting to investigate the matter of purchasing an automobile hose wagon were directed to arrange for a meeting with the fire committee of the Council, at the earliest possible moment at the engine house, show them the old wagon and the condition it is in, see if they are willing to get a new wagon or not and report back at a called meeting next Friday night.

Of late quite a number of young men and boys who are not members of the department have been jumping on the wagons as they go out of the house to a fire, keeping firemen off and the chief ordered the drivers to stop whenever anyone not a member jumped on and put him off and stated that he would prosecute them hereafter.

There are now fifty-one members on the active list of membership.

SUPT. E. R. JONES TO SPEAK IN WINCHESTER

Date Set is Sunday, November 29, For This City and Same Evening at Ford.

Superintendent E. R. Jones, of Franklin, will speak in the interest of the Educational Campaign at the court house, Sunday, November 29, at 3 o'clock. He will speak that evening at Ford at 7 o'clock.

The committees for the meetings have not yet been appointed. But the program will probably be submitted for publication Monday.

Transylvania and Central Universities are playing football at Lexington Saturday afternoon.

PRIMARY IS CALLED IN THIS DISTRICT

Judge Benton and Attorney Crutcher Are Only Announced Candidates.

RICHMOND, Ky., Nov. 14.—The Twenty-fifth Judicial District Committee met at the courthouse here yesterday afternoon and fixed December 31 as the date for holding the Democratic primary to nominate candidates for Circuit Judge and Commonwealth's Attorney for this district. All committeemen were present, with Chairman Hon. J. A. Sullivan, of this city, presiding, and Leslie Saunders, of Stanton, clerk.

The Twenty-fifth Judicial District is composed of Madison, Clark, Jessamine and Powell counties. Judge James M. Benton and Attorney B. R. Crutcher, of Winchester, present incumbents, have announced for reelection, and so far have no opposition.

MEETING OF COUNTRY LIFE COMMISSION

Members in Lexington Saturday at the State University.

The Country Life Commission appointed by President Roosevelt, met in Lexington, Saturday.

Governor Willson, accompanied by State Commissioner M. C. Rankin and other State officials from Frankfort attended.

R. R. Perry, of Winchester, was also in attendance.

OLD CLARK COUNTY MAN HERE VISITING

Mr. L. G. Burris Who Left Here Fifty Years Ago, is at Home Again.

Mr. L. G. Burris, of Buffalo, New York, formerly of this city, is spending a few days with friends and relatives here. Mr. Burris was born and raised in this county and is related to some of the oldest and most prominent families in the county.

Mr. Burris left this county fifty years ago this month going to New York and engaging in the live stock business which he is still interested in. Mr. Burris says he is very fond of the business having been engaged in it ever since he was 17 years old.

He left this county when he was 28 years old and he is now 79 and is a man of remarkable vigor and health, considering his advanced age, which he says is due to the way that he has taken care of himself.

FIRST SNOW.

After enjoying the warm days much longer than we were entitled to, winter is at last here. The first snow of the season fell early this morning almost covering the ground.

LOT'S ESCAPE FROM SODOM

Dr. J. W. Porter to Speak Saturday Night and at Both Sermons Sunday.

Dr. J. W. Porter, of Lexington, spoke again to a crowded house at the revival services at the First Baptist Church Friday night. His subject was, "Lot's Escape from Sodom." He will speak again Saturday night and at both services Sunday.

Rev. J. J. Porter, pastor of the First Baptist Church, will occupy Dr. J. W. Porter's pulpit in Lexington Sunday.

Dr. Porter's text was from Gen. 19:17—"Escape for thy life, look not behind thee, neither stay thou in all the plain, escape to the mountain, lest thou be consumed."

The Ancient Cities.

The ancient cities of Sodom and Gomorrah, were probably situated in the northern shore of the Dead sea. It is said that Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the cities of the plain, which he could not have done, had these cities been at the southern end of the sea, as is claimed by some. The wickedness of these cities had become so great, that even God had lost patience with them. There is a boundary line to God's patience and mercy. The statute books of our State still attest the memory of the unspeakable sin of these cities.

The people of these cities had been given frequent warning and ample opportunity to repent. Warning is often multiplied before destruction comes. Every man and woman has had a chance. Alexander had his chance to have lived and died an honored man, but he crucified his chance and died a hopeless drunkard. Caesar had his chance, and might have lived and died loved and honored by his countrymen, but he missed his chance, and was murdered by those whose fortunes he had made. Charles Stewart Parnell had his chance to have forever lived, as the idol of Erin. He despised virtue, missed his chance and died broken-hearted and despised.

God's Voice Will Be Heard.

God's voice will be heard, even in the death-rattle, of those who hate him. The English laughed at Patrick Henry, but they heard him in the thundering of American cannon and in the groans of their dying. Loehiel, the proud Scottish warrior, refused to listen to the voice of warning, but ere the nightfall the blood of his best soldiers had stained the wild flower of the battlefields.

We may live without religion, but we cannot die without it. We may act the part of the brave in life, but without Christ we play the coward in death. No braver man than Napoleon, probably ever lived, but he shrank in abject fear in the presence of death. Turning from the tomb of this proud child of Corsica, with the memories of his life and death still upon me, I turned my steps far across the sea. As the sun was setting I stood upon a little mound at the northern gate of Jerusalem. As I gazed, with tear-filled eyes, I thought of the Man of Galilee, who had lived for others, and then died, that others might live. I see him, his hands nailed to the cross; and hear him as he sweetly murmurs in dying, "Father into thy hands I commend my spirit." Napoleon's death, is that of the man without Christ; the death of Christ, is the dying of the Christian.

As Sodom was destroyed, so shall every soul, that trusts not in the living God. There is no use to say, "I do not believe in hell." It would be better to say, "I do not believe in the Bible." We ridicule the idea of the world being burned up. As a matter of fact the world is already on fire. I have gazed upon the fires of Vesuvius, that have been steadily burning for more than two thousand years. Everlasting fire is an easy thought to one who has looked upon Vesuvius.

They were commanded not to look back. Mrs. Judge Lot, who was one of Sodom's society's leaders, looked back and was turned to a pillar of salt. It takes a good deal of salt to save the average society woman. Many look back at their habits. I would not offer you a Christ that is not greater than any habit.

Stay not in the plain of indecision. Some are halting tonight. Launch out tonight, it may be the highest tide you will ever know.

MANAGERS OF SKATING RINKS ARE ORGANIZED

Mr. D. B. Scobee, of Winchester, is Made Treasurer of New Organization.

The managers and owners of the leading skating rinks in Central Kentucky met at the Mammoth skating rink in Lexington Friday and organized "The Kentucky Polo, Broom Ball and Skate Racing association" and Mr. D. B. Scobee, of this city, manager of the Auditorium skating rink, was elected Treasurer of the association. The suits for the Polo and Broom ball players have been ordered and every thing has been done except arrange the schedule and picking the team. The schedule will be arranged as soon as possible but will not be put into effect until the first week in December. This is being done so as to allow each of the rinks to pick their very best material and give them a trial before organizing their teams.

Mr. Scobee at the Auditorium will pick two teams for the Broom ball and Polo and they will practice with one another and the best of the two will be chosen to represent the Winchester rink. Mr. Scobee will be in picking his teams at once and as soon as the teams are chosen they will begin practice.

There will also be a ladies' Broom ball team organized here; the Broom ball game is very fascinating and is not dangerous to play and is said to be very fine exercise.

When the teams are organized and every thing completed there will be something doing at each of the skating rinks twice a week. In addition to the rinks, Broom ball and Polo the association has arranged to secure the very best skating rink attractions that are on the road to exhibit at the rinks in the association.

HANDSOME RESIDENCE NEARING COMPLETION

But One House in the Blue Grass Erected From Similar Material.

The splendid expanded steel lath, concrete stucco, house with asbestos roofing which Dr. M. S. Browne is having erected on Highland street, is nearing completion. There are three floors, with bath and lavatory on each floor. The house contains seventeen rooms, with gas and electricity in each room.

The structure has the spattered ash gravel finish. The only similar building in the Blue Grass was erected in Lexington this summer, and the workmen were imported from Chicago.

Dr. Browne's structure was erected by Winchester men and is as good as the best house that is built, though the cost was considerably less than if stone had been used.

TURKEY TALK

Mr. J. D. Reese delivered to S. Renaker and Son Friday 600 turkeys at 13 cents per pound.

Mr. E. C. Crogan, of Lexington, is at W. C. Taylor's Stock Yards receiving turkeys for Messrs. Gilman & Company.

Mr. D. B. Hampton bought for Mr. Jake Graves, of Chilesburg, 650 turkeys, delivered Friday, at 14 cents per pound.

Two carloads of turkeys were shipped from W. C. Taylor's Stock Yards Friday to Messrs. Gilman and Company at Lexington.

Messrs. S. Renaker & Son's shipped one carload dressed turkeys Friday to Boston, Mass.

Messrs. Brookshire & Fox delivered to E. Renaker Saturday 600 turkeys.

Robert Owen delivered to E. Renaker 1300 turkeys this week.

Jas. Osborne brought 350 turkeys from mouth of Red river and sold to S. Renaker at 13 per pound.

Messrs. Toohy Bros. shipped two carloads of turkeys Saturday. One load went to Providence, R. I., and one to Boston, Mass.

GRAND DUKE DIES

Special to The News.
PARIS, Nov. 14.—Grand Duke Alexis, of Russia, uncle of the Czar, died here today of pneumonia.

ELECTION IN CUBA TODAY

Pearl of the Antilles Will Vote For President—No Trouble is Expected.

Havana, Nov. 14.—Cuba will today follow the recent example of her big sister republic to the north in electing a president. Unlike the United States, however, Cuba has only two candidates for the office of chief executive of the island republic. The two aspirants for the presidency of Cuba are General Mario Menocal, candidate of the Conservative party, and General Jose Miguel Gomez, head of the Liberals. Their running mates are respectively Dr. Rafael Montoro and Alfred Zayas. The nomination of Senor Zayas for the vice presidency is the result of a coalition of the Miguelista and Zayasta factions of the Liberal party, the two men having formerly been bitter political foes. They have buried the hatchet, at least temporarily, in a united attempt to down the common enemy, the Conservatives.

There is no doubt that absolute fairness will characterize the election, about which every safeguard has been cast by the provisional government, in accordance with an elaborate election law framed by the advisory commission, of which Colonel Crowder is chairman. The balloting



GOVERNOR MAGOON,
Who Threw Every Possible Safeguard Round the Election.

will be conducted with all the regard for law and order which marked the provincial elections last August. Both of the political leaders have given assurances that they will accept loyally the result of the popular verdict.

There is practically no difference in the platform of the two parties, both having as their chief planks the preservation of the republic, equal rights for all citizens, the encouragement of agriculture and commerce and the maintenance of friendly relations with the United States. The struggle is frankly for the possession of the government and the control of public patronage.

Both General Gomez and General Menocal are veterans of the revolution and have a large following in virtue of their distinguished services in the field. Dr. Montoro is the foremost orator in Cuba and was nominated in the expectation of his being able to control the large Spanish vote, but he is unpopular with many Cubans on account of his attitude during the revolution when he held office in the autonomous government in the last days of Spanish rule.

Senor Zayas is the idol of a large section of the Liberals. He was the leader of the last uprising against President Thomas Estrada Palma.

The result of the election will perhaps not be known for several days, despite the elaborate arrangements for the prompt forwarding of the returns from 1,498 polling places.

Ohioan's Fatal "Leap For Life."

Monroe, La., Nov. 14.—At the Oat-chita parish fair here, a performer, whose feat is known as "the leap for life," and consists of swinging on a rope through a sheet of flame, fell from a 55-foot derrick and was fatally injured. His home is in Marion, O., but only his last name, Bell, is known to the officials of the fair. He was brought to the city and placed in a hospital.

Auto Plant Scorched.

Stoneham, Mass., Nov. 14.—Much valuable machinery, together with nearly a dozen newly-assembled automobiles and a like number of partially completed machinery, owned by the Shawmut Motor company, was destroyed in a fire which burned the large factory plant of the company. Three tenement houses nearby were also burned. The total loss is estimated at nearly \$100,000.

ATTEMPTS GRAFT PROBER'S LIFE

Francis J. Henry Shot Down By Saloon Keeper in Crowded Court Room.

San Francisco, Nov. 14.—Francis J. Henry, who is prominent in the prosecution of the graft cases in this city, was shot and probably mortally wounded during the progress of the trial of Abraham Ruef on the charge of bribery, by Morris Haas, who was a ventriloquist in a former trial of the graft cases.

The court had taken a recess for ten minutes and the jury had left the room. Henry and Ruef's attorneys, Ash and Dozier, had just returned from Judge Lawton's chambers where they had been summoned by the judge for a conference. After the conference Ash and Dozier entered the court room and Henry returned to his customary seat. He was talking with former Supervisor Gallagher, who had just previously undergone a severe cross examination by Ruef's attorneys, when Haas rushed up out of the audience. Haas approached Henry, placed a revolver against his right temple and fired. Henry fell over on the desk, the blood streaming from his wounds. Haas was immediately seized by bystanders and thrown into the empty jury box, where he was held on his back.

Haas was a ventriloquist in a former bribery trial and was submitted to a severe examination by Henry while he was being examined for jury duty. He asserts that the information brought out by Henry in his questions has resulted in the ruin of his business, that of a saloonkeeper.

Henry was taken to the central emergency hospital in an ambulance. Physicians say his wound is not necessarily fatal. Haas is a Jewish saloonkeeper and an ex-convict who was exposed by Henry in the second Ruef trial after he had been passed as a jurymen.

MAIL CLERK STORY

Reputed by Denver Police in Case of Mrs. Read.

Denver, Colo., Nov. 14.—When shown a printed story to the effect that Mrs. Allen F. Read, who attempted to extort money from Mrs. Genevieve Chanler Phipps, by threatening her life with dynamite, was escorted to the American hotel on the day of her arrival in this city by a railway mail clerk named E. J. Sawyer, the police authorities denied that they were looking for such a man. The hotel people declare that Mrs. Read was unaccompanied when she appeared at the clerk's desk and wrote the name of "Mrs. H. C. Cones" upon the register.

The condition of Mrs. Read is still critical. Her intimate friends fear that she cannot recover from the shock of her arrest and the effect of the drug previously taken, upon her system, already weakened by disease.

Sawyer Denies Story.

Omaha, Neb., Nov. 14.—R. C. Sawyer, of this city, the railway mail clerk who is reported to have accompanied to a hotel in Denver, Mrs. Allen F. Read, the woman who on last Monday attempted to extort \$20,000 from Mrs. Phipps, a wealthy Denver woman, by threatening to use dynamite, denied the story. He says he has not been in Denver for a week.

PRIEST FOUND GUILTY

Of Complicity in Plot That Resulted in Sicilian's Death.

Rutland, Vt., Nov. 14.—A verdict of guilty of complicity to commit an assault was returned by a jury against Rev. Father Francis Crociata, the Sicilian priest, who has been on trial in the superior court here this week. Father Crociata was accused of having been connected in a plot which resulted in the death of Accorito Santoro, a Sicilian, who was beaten to death by fellow countrymen because of his alleged attentions to a young Sicilian woman. Two men directly involved are serving prison sentences for their part in the affair. Sentence in Father Crociata's case was deferred.

Holds Short Session.

Denver, Colo., Nov. 14.—After a session of only an hour and a half, the convention of the American Federation of Labor adjourned. Very little has been accomplished by the convention yet and as today is a half holiday, the important matters will go over until next week.

Explosion Kills Four.

Sergeant, Ky., Nov. 14.—In a boiler explosion of the Miller Lumber Company's plant at Pound, near Pound Gap, four men were killed and four more severely injured.

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