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## SATURDAY'S SPEAKING.

### All Three of the Democratic Candidates for Congress Make Addresses.

#### AUDIENCE LARGE AND VERY ATTENTIVE

Notwithstanding Saturday was an ideal day for farm work, about two hundred and fifty voters quit the plow and laid down the hoe long enough to hear the three Democratic candidates present their claims for a seat in Congress.

Mr. Gordon Montgomery, who was the Chairman of the meeting, made a splendid short address, giving the present Governor of Kentucky a keen rap for failing to keep the promises he made the people before the November election; that he promised to lower the taxes; that they were higher than ever before known in Kentucky, and that instead of doing away with useless offices he had created more, thereby increasing the burden already upon the people. In closing his remarks he introduced Col. Frank L. Ripy, of Anderson county.

The Colonel took the stand and said that it afforded him much pleasure to speak to an Adair county audience, many before him he met several weeks ago, upon a former visit. He did not think that the prohibition question should have been brought into the canvass; that it was a dead issue, having been settled by State and Federal amendment; that if we are to be a law abiding people, the manufacture and sale of ardent spirits was at an end. He did not think the question should be discussed until after the platform of the National convention has been written and adopted. He stated that he was perfectly willing to stand upon the principles enunciated at San Francisco. The Colonel also spoke of national issues, praised Woodrow Wilson and his magnificent administration, and denounced the tactics used by Senator Lodge and his followers in the present Congress. Altogether he made a good, clean speech, and added more name to his string of voters in this county.

Mr. Montgomery then introduced Judge Ralph Gilbert, of Shelby county, who took occasion to pay a high compliment to Columbia and Adair county for the splendid public men she had produced, men who were prominent in the affairs of the State. He said that he had been a farmer for twelve years, growing corn and tobacco, and that he was familiar with the farming interest; that he favored legislation tending to promote closer co-operation between the government and the producer, and less assistance from the government to the manufacturer; that he was opposed to class legislation, yet that which helped the farmer helped all classes; that on account of the strained conditions; that he was opposed to an additional tax for any purpose. He did not believe that the temperance question had been settled and he explained why it is not settled by the national prohibition amendment. He declared that if a wet Congress was elected that a saloon for the sale of wine and beer could be opened in Columbia or any of the smaller towns in Adair county, and so on throughout the nation. He said that there was an organized movement with Joseph W. Harriman, President of the Harriman National Park, of New York, at the head, to elect a wet Congress. He announced that he was strictly dry, and stated that his two opponents were prominent "wets." In closing he endorsed the League of Nations. The speech was well received and made the Judge some votes.

Private Geo. T. Davis, of Casey county, followed Judge Gilbert, he, too, being introduced by Mr. Montgomery. He never before appeared before an Adair county audience, and

he proved to be quite an orator and a very fluent speaker. He denied that he was a candidate for Congress on his record as a private soldier in the World War, but stated that he would not exchange the experience that he received from a private's standpoint for any officer; that he enlisted to obey orders that while in the service he would have blacked the shoes of Col. Ripy or Capt. Swope had he been ordered to do so. Now he was in a position to give some orders himself, and that when the primary was over Judge Gilbert and Col. Ripy would take back seats, and when the November election was over he would have the scalp of Capt. Swope dangling at his side. He referred to Capt. Swope as the "post card edition." The speech was oratorical, forceful, and in our judgment made the speaker a great many votes.

In justice to Col. Ripy we will state that the only reference he made to his army record was a compliment he paid the men who were under him.

## Flower Garden.

There is nothing more attractive to ladies and also to men of delicate and refined taste, than a beautiful flower garden. Last week the roses at the home of Mrs. John D. Lowe were in full bloom, the varieties being numerous, and the odor arising from them sweet and fragrant. Many living in different parts of town made it a point to see the attractive display. These flowers were cultivated by Mrs. Lowe and her two daughters, Misses Mary Lucy and Leonora, who have proven themselves ladies of exquisite taste. At this season of the year a home minus flowers, indicates that the delicate hand of a woman has been too busy in other affairs, and that the most beautiful plants, the ones that make the residence attractive to the eye, have been neglected.

## Sudden Death

Mrs. Katie Bennett (Tupman, who lived with her father, Mr. S. L. Bennett, died last Friday evening about 8 o'clock. She was complaining early in the morning, but her father thought that she would soon feel better, and went to his work. When he returned he found her in a serious condition and he called a doctor, but death came before he reached the home. The deceased was twenty-four years old, strictly religious, and had been a splendid good girl from childhood. The funeral and burial took place last Sunday, many relatives and friends being present.

The District meeting of Christian Churches, held at Jamestown was very largely attended. On Sunday the crowd was immense, and through out the meeting there were a number of splendid addresses, ministers from all the counties in the boundary being present. Dinner on the lawn Sunday and it was immense, consisting of everything good and plenty for everybody. The Churches had good reports and altogether it was a very successful and enjoyable gathering. The people of Jamestown and Russell County did themselves proud in entertaining.

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## Col.

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A. B. Corbin, Columbia, Ky.

Last Sunday was Memorial Day, and decoration services were held in all national cemeteries. People of Columbia met in the city cemetery Sunday afternoon and decorated the graves of loved ones.

## OIL NEWS.

Mr. W. F. Coast, representing Olean, New York people, and also personal interests, was here during the past week looking over territory preparatory to drilling at an early date. Mr. Coast is one of the well-known, reliable operators, a man who knows the business from every angle, and the fact that he is willing and ready to invest money in this field is very encouraging to the oil fraternity in this section.

With the exception of a short shut down, awaiting the arrival of casing, the Carnahan people are progressing nicely on well No. 1 at Zion's Church. The progress of this drilling is being watched very closely and with more than passing interest by oil men generally, as the result of the undertaking will mean much to the further development of that immediate territory.

Dr. R. M. Armstrong, of Augusta, Ga., who has been spending several days at his old home in Russell county, was here Thursday on his way home, and reported that he was so favorably impressed with the general outlook for oil in this territory that he was willing to spend some of his money in development work, and that he and his brother, Mr. W. A. Armstrong, of Creelsboro, had contracted for the immediate drilling of four wells to be located on their own properties.

The McMead Company has been unable to complete well No. 2 on the Campbell Bros. farm, Creelsboro, on account of the absence of their head operator, Mr. Sweet, who was unexpectedly called to Michigan on account of the critical illness of his father. They are now fully supplied with casing, etc., and tank, pump, power and other equipment necessary for pumping is on the ground ready for installation, and the work will be pushed as fast as possible.

Reliable information is at hand to the effect that not less than four additional drilling rigs will be rushed to Creelsboro at the earliest possible date, and as the water stage is good in the Cumberland at present there should be no unnecessary delay in the matter. This is a move in the right direction, and it is hoped there will be no interruption in the increased development work now being planned in this field.

Dr. J. W. Goggin, of Chicago, Vice President of the Beacon Oil Syndicate, now operating in the Creelsboro, was a visitor here Sunday and left for the field to spend a few days.

Mr. M. E. Weldy, of Bowling Green, organizer and General Manager of the McMead Oil Company, was here Sunday and Monday looking over the territory in general, going from here to Jamestown. Mr. Weldy talks very enthusiastically regarding local oil conditions and he feels confident some big things are in store for this territory. He also stated while here that he was considering that "considering locating with his family in Columbia, and I trust he may decide to do so at an early date.

Mr. Bee Whitits, field manager of the J. E. Carnahan Oil Company, accompanied by Mrs. Whitits, was here the first of this week and left for a trip through Russell, Casey and Pulaski, returning to London where the company is engaged in deep drilling. Mr. Whitits gave out the information that they would drill to the second sand at Zion's Church, for the purpose of giving this immediate section a thorough test.

## A Well Known Colored Man Passes.

Last Friday afternoon, about 6 o'clock, Ambrose Williams, of color, died, after a long illness. The end came at his home in the suburbs of Columbia. He was brought to this place when a small boy, the property of Mr. Timoleon Cravers, and with the exception of his childhood there,

his entire life was spent in this place. He was trusty and was very much liked by the white settlement, there being but few families in the community he had not worked for during his career. We do not know his exact age, but we reckon from events, he having come to this place before the civil war, that he was about 71 years old. He leaves a wife and daughter. The remains were interred in the colored cemetery Saturday, a number of whites attending and a large circle of his race.

## Entertained.

On the afternoon of May 20th, Miss Elra Willis entertained some of her friends in honor of her 15th birthday. The guests present were Misses Eller Samuels, Ina D. Wilkinson, Lena Bolin and Dollie Strange. All present had an enjoyable time, as they had excellent music, both vocal and instrumental, and were served with the best of cakes and the finest of strawberries as refreshments.

## Fell Dead.

Mr. Felix B. Simmons, who lived at Ozark, this county, fell dead early in the night last Sunday. He was the father of Dr. S. Simmons, of Greensburg. He was a good, quiet citizen and had many friends. His remains were carried to Russell county for interment.

My bills are due and I must have what you owe me. So please come and settle.  
Julia Eubank.

It will be gratifying to Judge W. W. Jones' friends in Adair and adjoining counties to learn that after having been confined for nearly two months, he was able to walk down to his office last Wednesday. It will be perhaps a couple of weeks before he will have fully regained his strength. He moves slowly and is taking the best of care of himself. We feel sure that in a very short time we will be able to announce that he has fully recovered, and again active in the affairs of the town.

The Glasgow Times speaks of peepers, going about the city after night, peeping through windows. Keep your gun close at hand and when you see a face at the window, fire. A man white or black, who would be guilty of this act, should no longer live, and the sooner such low down scoundrels are gotten rid of the better off will be the community. It is reported that there have been some night prowling here, and our citizens are ready for them.

Several gardens in town were not plowed until last week. The owners have not lost by being late, as seed put in the ground last week will make more truck than if planted earlier. It takes warm weather to make vegetation come early. It is said that Mr. John Stewart, who was the father of Miss Sallie Stewart, and who lived and died here, never had his garden plowed until the 20th of May, each year. On that date all garden seed were planted, and that he raised more vegetables than any other person about town.

Mr. Nick Ray, who was well-known in Columbia many years ago, died in Waukegan, Ill., about ten days ago. He was a native of Metcalfe county, and was well connected. He was the father of Mrs. A. R. Kasey, and a brother-in-law of Mr. J. H. Ritchey, Burkesville. After the Fair started at Columbia, Mr. Ray spent a great deal of time in this locality, he and W. W. Cozart, deceased, being in partnership in handling and showing fine stock over the State. He was about 74 years old.

The Kentucky Creamery has established a branch plant at the bakery of Wilson & Bennett, this place, and that firm is now ready to buy cream. Will receive it on Tuesday and Friday each week.

## A Letter From Bro. Watson.

A private letter from Rev. B. T. Watson will be of interest, especially to the people of Columbia and in the boundary of Union Church.

Since reaching Providence, Ky., his mind underwent a change. The manse at Providence is yet to be erected and it would take all summer to build it. He says:

"I received a very flattering call from Lewisburg, Tenn., and on account of the many conveniences I think the change should have been made. At Lewisburg they have a newly fitted manse, with all modern accommodations, the finest of water, nice peach orchard, good garden grapes, shade trees and blue grass yard. The proposition I accepted increases my salary and I am given four weeks vacation each year. Lewisburg has a population of 3,500 and pikes leading from the town in every direction.

"The Church is made of pressed brick, trimmed in stone, with basement and Sunday-School room. "Mrs. Watson has returned from the sanitarium greatly improved. She gained ten pounds and sleeps much better. Since her return we have been to Princeton, Ky., spending several days with Mrs. Watson's sister, Mrs. Young."

Both Mr. and Mrs. Watson send their best wishes to their Columbia friends.

## Paid List.

The following are new paid subscribers and renewals since our issue of last Tuesday.

C. G. Jeffries, Wallace Beard, Maud C. Crawford, T. E. Jeffries, Horace Jeffries, Curt Bell, Geo. M. Maddox, D. B. White, Dr. B. J. Bolin, L. C. Morgan, Morton E. Welby, J. W. Patterson, Mrs. B. F. Taylor.

## Kubber tires.

Baby carriages and go-carts retired.  
T. G. Rasner & Son.

All accounts due Julia Eubank must be settled by the 15th of this month. This means you.

## Farmers.

Hon. E. J. Hooy will speak in the interest of the farmers in the Court House Columbia, Ky., June 5th, at 1 o'clock P. M. every body invited to attend.

A. O. Young, County Secretary of Farmers Union.

The Baptist Church at Holmes was dedicated by Rev. Leslie J. B. Smith, this place last Sunday. An immense crowd was present. A beautiful dinner was spread, plenty for everybody. Rev. Smith was accompanied by Mrs. Mark Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Albia Eubank and Miss Miss Mamie Smith. Mr. and Mrs. Jo Kniffey were also present.

We visited the cemetery last Thursday and found it in a very filthy condition. In fact, it was noticeable, that it could not be worked in good shape for decoration day, which was last Sunday. The city board should at once employ a lot of hands, have the yard mowed, and all rubbish removed from the plot. We owe it to departed loved ones to keep their last resting place clean.

## Very Critical

We are sorry to report the critical condition of Mr. Horace Alexander, of Burkesville, who is well-known here and who has many friends in Columbia and in Adair county. For several years he has been traveling for the Louisville Grocery Company, visiting the merchants of this county about twice a month. He has been intimately known to the editor of the News since his early manhood, and we have been friends from boyhood. A Chesterfield in manners, immaculate in his linen, ever ready to greet his friends with a warm

shake and a happy smile. He never had a dollar but he was more than willing to divide it with the needy. He believes in the good Book, and his religion has been to revere his maker and to do all he could for the unfortunate. If it is the will of God to take him, we believe that when he reaches the Golden Gate, he will be met by Saint Peter, who will say, "enter, the good you did in yonder world over-balances your imperfections."

In this connection we are called upon to record an accident which happened to Mr. Alexander's wife a week ago. She was wearing her glasses and stooped to pick something from the floor when her face struck a chair round, breaking her glasses, badly injuring her eyes. She had to be placed in a dark room, and she was a great sufferer for some days. She is now better, we are glad to state.

## For Sale.

Organ and nice selection of Talking machine Plate Records.  
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There was a very pretty wedding on Casey Creek, on Sunday, the 23rd of May. Mr. E. B. Chalf and Miss Linnie Stavton, who have been lovers for some time were happily united in marriage. Rev. Luther Young, of the Christian Church, was the officiating minister. The young couple have many friends in the community, and the best wishes of all their former associates is extended.

Automobile drivers would confer a great favor upon families whose residences are on the street, by slowing down, especially when the streets are dusty, in passing. The dust the machines create is unhealthy and it is impossible to keep dwellings and household goods clean. This is asking but little, and if the request is granted, it would certainly be appreciated.

Life insurance is a legitimate business and every man who is making anything at all should lay aside enough money to carry a policy. There are small and large companies, stock companies and Mutual companies, the last the most desirable. If you want a policy in the old reliable Connecticut Mutual, see J. E. Murrell.

The Eastern Star Chapter of this place is progressing nicely and the old members have been very much enlivened, by influx of new additions. At the last meeting degrees were conferred on two and four petitions were received. This is a branch of Masonry that is doing a great deal of good, and we are gratified to learn of the local Chapter's success.

Miss Lizzie Harris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Harris, West Point, Miss., and who graduated from the High School, that city, last week, in a declamatory contest, and representing one of the societies of the institutions, won the gold medal, offered as a prize for the best recitation.

Mrs. A. C. Froelge, who lives at Breeding, underwent a successful operation in St. Anthony Hospital Louisville, last Wednesday. She will be able to return home in a week or two.

Dwelling houses are scarcer in Columbia than ever before known. We have been advocating the opening of streets for several years, but everything we have said upon the subject has gone for naught. The town cannot expand unless building lots are put upon the market.

Phelps Bros. sold two car loads of hogs on the Louisville market last week. They were bought here with-in \$1.50 of the Louisville market.

Bennett & Loy received one hundred and eight hogs here, last week, at \$1.50 of the Louisville market.

Swineherd has another big sale and in our day's News.