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TWENTY-FOURTH YEAR

EARLINGTON, HOPKINS COUNTY, KY., TUESDAY, MAY 13, 1913

No. 36

County Commercial Club Organized

Large Number of Representatives---Earlington Citizens Join the Club And Will Boost.

EXECUTIVE BOARD ELECTED.

The Hopkins County Commercial Club was organized under most favorable conditions Thursday night at the court house with a membership of fifty-seven leading citizens of the city of Madisonville and the county. Organized along broad and liberal lines this club should enlist the support and sympathy of the people of the entire county, and the membership will doubtless grow very rapidly. Already a number of new names have been added to the list of those joining at the Thursday night meeting, and an active campaign for membership is being waged.

The determination to make the club a factor in the development of the city of Madisonville and Hopkins county was the keynote of all that was said and done at the meeting Thursday night. A number of the leading citizens of the city and of Earlington made speeches warmly commending the broad and liberal policy of the promoters of the club, and promising their undivided support to the purposes of the organization.

A strong board of directors was chosen and in informal meeting of this board was held after the adjournment of the meeting, and several matters were discussed. A meeting of this board was called for Monday night of this week at the Hotel Madison for the purpose of electing the officers of the club, and appointing committees. Plans for spreading the work and mapping out a campaign for the betterment of the county will be made at this meeting. The constitution provides that the officers of the club must be elected from the membership of the board of directors, with the exception of the secretary, who may be any one selected by the board.

Meeting Called to Order.
The meeting at the court house was called to order at 8 o'clock, after a number of pieces by the band, by Mayor D. W. Gatlin, who read the call as issued and commented on the evident need for the organization of a commercial body for the city and for the county. J. T. Alexander, chairman of the committee appointed by the Hustler to issue the call for this meeting, was nominated for temporary chairman and unanimously elected. F. B. Arnold was elected temporary secretary and W. W. Smoak, assistant temporary secretary, after which a number of short addresses were made, and the permanent organization effected.

Jas. R. Rash.
James R. Rash believes Hopkins county the superior of any county in the state, Jefferson county alone excepted. Boosting the county would be the best thing in the world for us to do unselfishly. He was heartily in favor of the organization.

D. H. Kincheloe.
D. H. Kincheloe said the more he studied the matter the more he was impressed with the idea. Because a club failed here before is no reason why one should fail again. Madisonville is one of the largest towns in the country without a commercial club. There are many things that can be done, such as improved railroad facilities and better schedules. The club should be run along broad lines and be progressive.

Ed Wise.
Ed Wise, of Earlington, was next called upon. He felt that a commercial club for Hopkins county would accomplish great good. Good roads were a prime necessity, and to build them needs concerted action. The people of Madisonville and Hopkins county can get anything they please out of the railroads if they go after it strong enough.

Jno. G. B. Hall.
Judge J. G. B. Hall thought the organization should go along practical lines and go after those things that we can get. Perhaps we cannot bring big factories here, but we can do many things. Factional lines should be eliminated and the city should clasp hands with the country. He was heartily in favor of the organization.

Geo. C. Atkinson.
Geo. C. Atkinson, president of the St. Bernard Mining Co., of Earlington, briefly excused himself from making a speech, but promised his support and to do everything in his

power to make the club a success.

Frank D. Rash.
Frank D. Rash, of Earlington, was next called upon, and responded in a practical talk. The farmer needs better roads to market his produce, and he should be encouraged to raise everything needed on the farm. Nothing should be shipped into Hopkins county.

M. K. Gordon.
M. K. Gordon had joined every club in the history of the city. He was glad to get a call to organize, for he had been thinking the time was ripe. The club should start right, and much good can be accomplished. Begin with a determination to stick to it, and success will follow.

Frank B. Arnold.
Frank B. Arnold, of Earlington, was of the opinion that the club would fill a long felt want in the county. The tide of immigration which had been settling west for the past quarter of a century would in the next quarter of a century set again east, where cheap lands can be obtained. He should be in position to take care of this tide of immigration when it does set in. Factional lines should be eliminated. Most of the people in the towns come from the country, and everybody in the towns wish they were in the country. We should bestir ourselves for good roads, and he was of the opinion that the \$10,000 recently appropriated for the construction of a public building for Madisonville by the United States government would be better expended in building a mile of road each direction from the city.

Committee on Constitution.
On motion of Mr. Fowler, Mayor Gatlin, F. P. Stum and L. E. Ruby were appointed a committee to submit a constitution and by-laws. The report of this committee was unanimously adopted, and the name Hopkins County Commercial Club adopted.

Members Enrolled.
Upon a call by Chairman Alexander for enrollment of members the following names were handed in:
M. K. Gordon, R. S. Wilson, D. W. Gatlin, B. N. Gordon, W. L. Gordon, J. R. Rash, F. P. Stum, C. H. Bleich, Geo. C. Atkinson, J. A. Mills, J. W. Robinson, E. G. McLeod, H. H. Holman, C. H. Murphy, J. T. Alexander, P. M. Moore, V. H. Behne, Neal Hollinger, Smith Dulin, Frank B. Arnold, N. I. Toombs, D. H. Kincheloe, W. J. Dulin, G. W. Sypert, J. J. Glenn, L. R. Woolfolk, L. E. Ruby, Jno. G. B. Hall, Jake Wells, J. L. Brien, Rev. A. F. Gordon, C. C. Givens, J. M. Hogan, S. P. Cox, W. Stodghill, F. B. Harris, W. C. McLeod, J. F. Cusick, L. R. Fox, J. W. Tompson, C. S. Royster, J. Rubenstein, J. B. Armstrong, F. D. Rash, Sam Pressman, L. K. Hickman, W. W. Smoak, Rankin Eastin, Ed Wise, D. P. Blanks, A. G. Spillman, J. L. Pate, Ruby Laffoon, W. J. Cox, W. L. Gordon, Jr., J. F. Gordon.

Additional Names.
The following names have been enrolled since the meeting:
B. C. Mitchell, I. Bailey, D. C. Wilson, J. W. McDonald, J. G. Ramsey, Dr. J. E. Taylor, Rev. C. P. Wimberly, W. T. Mills, Ed L. Young, G. T. Sory, Herbert Woodruff, J. E. Fawcett, Delmont Utley, B. M. Plain, Jno. L. Long, G. F. Brown.

Board of Directors.
The following gentlemen were then elected members of the board of directors: W. J. Dulin, D. W. Gatlin, Frank Rash, J. T. Alexander, M. K. Gordon, Otho Fowler, Jno. G. B. Hall, D. H. Kincheloe, Paul M. Moore, W. W. Smoak and E. G. McLeod.

OFFICERS ELECTED.
The following officers were elected—J. T. Alexander, President; Paul M. Moore, Vice President; E. G. McLeod, Treasurer.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED.
Following are the names of committee only—Finance, W. T. Mills; Membership, W. W. Smoak; Industrial Promotion, H. H. Holman;

Home Industry, E. G. McLeod; Railroad and Transportation, L. H. Kincheloe; Civic Improvement, V. H. Bene; Advertising & Trade Extension, J. J. Glenn; Legislature, Maj. F. B. Harris; Public Utilities, W. J. Dulin.

GOOD ROADS.
Judge J. G. Gordon. The names of this Committee are to be added as the membership increases.

AGRICULTURE.
John G. B. Hall.

LIVE STOCK AND SALES.
W. C. McLeod.

WAYS AND MEANS.
Frank D. Rash.

FEDERAL & COUNTY BUILDINGS.
W. J. Cox.

MINES AND MINERALS.
W. L. Gordon, Jr.

BONDS AND BANKING.
F. P. Stum.

ENTERTAINMENT.
Jas. R. Rash.

EDUCATION & PUBLIC BUILDINGS.
Paul M. Moore.

RELIGIONS AND MORALS.
D. J. E. Taylor.

GOLDEN CROSS INSTALLS NEWLY-ELECTED OFFICERS.

Mrs. Anna P. Knapp, Of Louisville, Chosen Supreme Representative

Paducah, Ky., May 6.—The tenth biennial session of the Grand Commandery of the United Order of Golden Cross came to a close tonight with the installation of officers, who were elected this afternoon. About forty delegates from all parts of the State were in attendance. The meeting was presided over by D. A. Brooks, of Sturgis, grand commander. W. R. Cooper, of Knoxville, Tenn., supreme keeper of records, made an interesting address this afternoon.

The officers elected were: Grand commander, D. A. Brooks, Sturgis; vice-grand commander, Mrs. Sillie E. Stevens, Earlington; grand keeper of records, Dr. T. E. Gosnell, Louisville; grand treasurer, Clarence Leroy, Paducah; warden of inner gate, Mrs. F. C. J. Gibbs, Greenville; warden of outer gate, R. V. Carter, Bowling Green; grand trustees, J. Thomas Jones, of Louisville, Dr. J. D. Sory, of Madisonville, J. H. Churchill, of Murray, D. A. Brooks, Sturgis, and Mrs. Anna P. Knapp, Louisville, were elected supreme representative and Dr. E. T. Gosnell and Mrs. J. W. McCall both of Louisville, alternates. The next meeting place will be selected by the Executive Committee in April.

For Sale
One new Jones Buggy and new Set of Harness, for sale cheap, if sold this week. Apply—
J. E. FAWCETT.

UNIQUE BET PROPOSED
Memphis Shriner Offers Walking Wager About The 1914 Convention

Memphis, Tenn., May 8.—The rivalry between Memphis and Atlanta for the next Shriners' convention took an interesting twist today. Down in Atlanta Forrest Adair, millionaire realty dealer, clubman and potentate of Yasrab Temple, is giving out interviews to the effect that it's all over but the shouting for Atlanta. He says that Atlanta has the convention clinched and stowed up, stored away, in fact, in its right hand hip pocket.

Here in Memphis, however, the officials of Al Chymia just laugh when Atlanta is mentioned. They admit that the Georgia city would get the convention were it not for the fact that Memphis wants it. To make things worth while, O. K. Houck, chairman of the Shriners' finance committee, has offered Mr. Adair a unique wager.

If Atlanta gets the convention Mr. Houck will walk back to Memphis from Dallas.

If Memphis lands the prize Mr. Adair is to walk from the Texas city to Memphis.

If neither Atlanta nor Memphis is fortunate, then both Mr. Houck and Mr. Adair are to walk to Memphis.

There are 4,266,321 cross ties between Dallas and Memphis, to say nothing of 199 ties, but Mr. Houck says that he is game.

Mr. Adair has not been heard from.

COAL MINE ACCIDENTS

Decrease in Fatalities January and February as Compared with 1912

GIVES HOPE THAT THIS YEARS RECORD MAY BE BETTER

Washington, D. C. May, 12.—According to the figures compiled by the Bureau of Mines there were 218 men killed in and about the coal mines of the United States in January and 197 in February, 1913, a total of 415 in the first two months of the year. This statement does not include fatalities in Kentucky, Georgia, California, and Oregon. Excluding these four States there were 248 men killed in January and 207 in February, 1912 a total of 455, or 40 more than were killed during the first two months of this year. The record for January and February, 1913, therefore gives rise to the hope that the fatality rate for the current year may be even lower than those for 1912, when the death rate per million tons of coal mined (4.29) was the lowest ever recorded for this country, and the death rate per 1,000 men employed (3.15) was the lowest since 1899.

In the compilation of monthly statistics of coal-mine fatalities in the United States, the Bureau of Mines is indebted to the record of fatalities to the State mine inspectors. In Kentucky, the operators are allowed by law a period of 60 days to make reports of fatal accidents to the State mine inspector, and accordingly, statistics for this State are not yet available. Statistics for California, Georgia, and Oregon are not included in this report, as these States have no system of coal-mine inspection and it is impracticable for this bureau to obtain monthly reports from the operators. The total coal production of the three States named amounts to less than one twentieth of 1 per cent of the entire output of the country, and the fatalities in their coal mines are few, only five men being killed in 1912. So far as comparative monthly statistics are concerned, therefore, California, Georgia, and Oregon may be disregarded.

The bureau recognizes that the improvement made in mine safety conditions during the last few years has been brought about largely by more efficient mine inspection on the part of the State mine inspectors throughout the country, supplemented by greater care on the part of the miners and operators. Whether the reduction in the loss of life shown by the record for January and February, 1913, will be continued throughout the year depends to a great extent on the strict adherence on the part of the operators and miners to the rules and recommendations of the mine inspectors and to the exercise of due caution by the miners to avoid unnecessary risks.

Plant Beds Destroyed

Dawson Springs, Ky., May 8.—Tobacco plant bed vandalism is reported from the northwestern portion of this county. Not only are plant beds being ruined by grass seeding, but in some sections, beginning two or three miles west of here and extending into northern Caldwell and eastern Webster counties, the regulation way, "when night-riding was in bloom," of ripping the canvas off and scraping the beds, has been resorted to.

Harlin Martin who has been in Nashville Tenn. for several months returned home last night.

MOTHER'S DAY

A Great Day at M. E. Church South Last Sunday

"Mother's Day" was observed at the M. E. Church South Sunday and proved to be a day long to be remembered by great congregations at both services.

The program being carried out to the letter, every mother was a guest in the Father's house and was welcomed by a committee of charming young ladies who presented every mother with a white carnation in token of the "Dignity of Motherhood."

The Sunday School gave a special devotional service which was helpful and inspiring, after which the usual Sunday School teaching service was held.

The morning audience at the preaching service was unusually large and the pastor, W. A. Grant delivered an appropriate and helpful sermon on the subject of "Christian Motherhood."

A splendid service was held in the evening the congregation being large and appreciative. There were four additions to the church. All in all it was truly a great day.

Souvenir Program Kentucky Mining Institute

Frank D. Rash, President of the Kentucky State Mining Institute has received the Souvenir Program for the First Aid Contest that will take place at the meeting of the Institute May 16-17, at Lexington, there will be ten men composing two teams that will take part in this contest from this city, representing the St. Bernard Mining Co. There will be a banquet at the Phoenix Hotel May 16 at 7:30, some of the papers will be taken up at this Banquet, A. G. Spillman, of this city, will be one of the field men, the Recorders are T. J. Barr, of Lexington and H. D. Mason, of Pittsburgh, Pa. At 12 all teams will meet in front of the Depot and march to the Athletic field, led by the State University band. The following prizes are to be given to those that are in the contest, as follows: The Goodman Mfg Co., a Silver Loving Cup, to the team making the highest percent in the five events; The Jeffreys Co., \$50 to the team making the best record in five events; Johnson & Johnson, of New Brunswick, N. J., a second prize of a First Aid Cabinet and one Woods Emergency Case; The Hirsch Mine Lamp Co., a third prize of a \$14 Hirsch Lamp outfit complete belt and cap; The Kentucky Cannel Coal Co., two clocks mounted in their Cannel Coal as trophies. American Red Cross medals will be awarded every member of the winning team and First Aid certificates. The State University will present each competing team with a handsome silk Banner as a Trophy. The American Mine Safety Association will present a Bronze medal to the members of the winning team. Let us hope that our team from this city will be the ones that will be the winners of this important work. These boys will leave this city the 15 and return the 18th.

Oldest Grand Jury on Record

The following interesting facts in regard to the present panel of the grand jury, deserves attention. It is most likely the oldest panel ever assembled in the county, their combined ages total more than 653 years, their average age is over 54 years each their weight totals 1973 lbs. with an average of over 164 lbs. Their total height is 68 ft. averaging 5 ft. 8 inches each. In politics 9 are democrats, 2 are republicans, in religion, three are Methodists, two are baptists, two belong to the Christian church, one to the Church of God and two have no church affiliation. Four are Free Masons, two are K. of P's., one of these is also a Woodman. There is one Odd Fellow and five have no lodge membership. Five are over 60 years old and but two are less than 40. The oldest man is 67, the youngest is 34 and at least half of the panel is doing first service.

W. A. TOOMBS.
Rex McEuen, spent Sunday in St. Charles with his parents and friends.

GOOD RESULTS FROM WEBB LAW

Anti-Saloon League Members of Kentucky to See That It Is Enforced

DRY TERRITORY TO BE DRY

The triumphant exultation of the leaders of the Anti-Saloon league over the enactment of the Webb law is manifest in many directions. An active worker and prominent Kentucky member of the league, when recently asked concerning the effect of the law, made the following statement:

"We hope for great and good results from the Webb law, and we intend to see that it is enforced.

"It is not so much the bootlegger and blind-tiger peddler that we were after when we asked congress to pass the Webb law. The local state authorities can always get after them, but what we want is some means of stopping shipments for personal use.

"What is the use of our going to the effort and expense of voting a county or state dry if every man in such territory can order and get liquor shipped to him for his own use and the use of his friends and family? It is this practice that we intend to break up.

"Where a territory is voted dry we intend it shall be really dry.

"We demanded of congress and secured the passage of the Webb law after years of effort, and we have no intention of letting a stream of whiskey flow into dry territory protected by the excuse of a right to get the stuff for personal use.

It is this very personal use traffic which we intend to stop.

"If the country is to be taught temperance by our efforts, this shipping of liquor to the homes must be stopped. This is the logical attitude of the Anti-Saloon league.

"Having, as we claim, the right to secure the regulation of the people in their personal habits, so far as the use of liquor is concerned—not only in public, but in their homes—we will seek to use the strong arm of the law in enforcing our plans.

"To this end efforts are being made to have enacted in all the states laws similar to the Kentucky statute which prohibits express and railroad companies from carrying liquor from a 'wet' county to a 'dry' county for personal use.

"There will be real prohibition when a man can not get a quart of liquor shipped to him for his household use, but it is surely coming, and the people of Kentucky and the rest of the country may as well prepare to welcome the day."

Scores Of Suits Have Been Filed

Elizabethtown, Ky., May 8.—Two hundred and ninety-four suits were filed yesterday afternoon in the Hardin Circuit Court by the Commonwealth of Kentucky against the American and Adams Express Companies for \$100 damages each for delivering liquor in Hardin county, local option territory, after the passage of the Webb bill, which prohibits even interstate shipment.

LOW RATES Via L. & N. Railroad

\$29.65 Dallas, Texas and Return, May 5th-12th
\$9.75 St. Louis, Mo., and Return; May 9th-14th.
\$6.65 Lexington, Ky., and Return, May 15-16-17th
\$12.15 Atlanta, Ga., and Return, May 12-13-14-15-19-20th.
\$5.35 Chattanooga, Tenn. and Return, May 24th-29th.

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