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CLARKSDALE GETS NEXT CONVENTION

VETERINARIANS HOLD VERY SUCCESSFUL MEETING HERE.

JAMES LEWIS IS NAMED PRESIDENT

Doctors Enjoy Visit to the Industrial Institute and College.

After a most successful two-days' session here, the members of the Mississippi State Veterinary Medical Association adjourned yesterday. Clarksdale was selected as the place of meeting in 1917, and the following officers were named: Dr. James Lewis, of Greenwood, president; Dr. J. I. Alston, of Tupelo, vice-president; Dr. E. S. Norton, of Greenville, secretary and treasurer. The state board of examiners consists of Dr. W. S. Gates, of Clarksdale; Dr. W. P. Ferguson, of Grenada; Dr. O. M. Norton, of Greenville; Dr. E. M. Ranck, of the A. and M. College, and Dr. John Oliver, of this city. Only one change was made in the board, Dr. Gates having been named to succeed Dr. John Lewis of Greenwood, whose term has expired.

The initial meeting was held Tuesday morning at the city hall and was presided over by the president Dr. W. L. Gates, of Clarksdale. Welcome addresses were delivered by Dr. J. W. Lipscomb, president of the Columbus Chamber of Commerce, and President H. L. Whitfield, of the I. I. and C., and they were responded to by Dr. E. M. Ranck, of the A. and M. College.

In his address President Whitfield extended the doctors an invitation to visit the state college here, and at 10 o'clock the delegates went in a body to the big institution. After attending chapel exercises they were shown through the buildings and over the campus.

Tuesday afternoon several addresses were delivered and many interesting subjects were discussed.

Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock a banquet was enjoyed at the Commercial Hotel, and proved to be one of the most enjoyable features of the convention.

Wednesday morning free surgical work was done at the veterinary hospital of Dr. John Oliver on College street, and proved very helpful and interesting.

Before the meeting adjourned the following resolutions were read and adopted:

"Whereas, agriculture is the basis of all true prosperity, animal husbandry the foundation upon which every permanent system of agriculture must be built, and veterinary medicine a fundamental science and art dealing with the preservation of health and cure of disease of domestic animals, and

Whereas, the Mississippi State Veterinary Medical Association in its annual convention has been most hospitably and royally entertained by the citizens of Columbus, therefore be it now

"Resolved, First, that we extend the citizens and officials of the 'Queen City of the Prairies' our sincere appreciation for the cordial welcome that has been given us,

Second, that our thanks are tendered the Columbus Chamber of Commerce for the use of its commodious hall, and to its president, Dr. J. W. Lipscomb, and secretary Mr. W. H. Carter, for the many courtesies shown the members of this association.

"Resolved, Third, that we appreciate the hearty welcome given us by the eight hundred young ladies of the I. I. and C., and feel that the destinies of the coming generation will be safe when directed from homes presided over by such women whose training consists of such an education of soul, mind and hand. We are grateful to President Whitfield, Prof. Dabney Lipscomb and members of the faculty of the college for conducting us over the grounds and buildings of that institution.

"Resolved, Fourth, that the sincere thanks of this association be tendered our local member, Dr. Jno. Oliver, for the untiring energy that he has manifested for the personal comfort of the members of the association, for the success of our hall meetings, and the banquet, and our large and interesting clinic.

"Resolved, Fifth, that we thank the local and state press for their prompt and official report of our meetings. J. C. Robert, Chairman.

E. M. Ranck, O. M. Norton."

FINAL REPORT MADE BY COMMISSIONERS

SHOWS HOW MONEY FOR HIGHWAYS WAS SPENT.

DETAIL ACCOUNT OF EXPENDITURES

Men Who Supervised Highway Improvement Give Account of Stewardship.

The public highway commission of district No. 2, which is composed of Hon. R. A. Weaver, president of the Columbus National Bank, Hon. T. J. Locke, Jr., a prominent wholesale grocer, and Capt. D. D. Stephenson, a local capitalist, has submitted to the board of supervisors a report on the work, which was recently completed, and showing how the money was disbursed. The report is unusually full and complete, giving every disbursement in detail and proving in black and white that every expenditure was wisely and judiciously made.

Not only have the commissioners exercised rare good judgment in directing the expenditure of money but Messrs. R. C. Searcy & Co., the contractors, and Mr. Gus E. Hauser, the engineer in charge of the improvement, have evinced praiseworthy diligence and discretion in the performance of their respective tasks, and the second district now has a system of public highways which is not only a credit to the men who were directly responsible for their construction, but to the people of the county at large.

Another recent development in public road matters came Monday afternoon, when a joint meeting of the road commissioners of districts two and five was held at the Chamber of Commerce. The road commissioners of district five made the same proposition recently submitted to the people of the first district, which provides that the second district issue bonds in the sum of one dollar for every two dollars put up by the outlying districts.

The proposition has already been accepted by the people of the first district, but there are several road organizations in district five, and a committee consisting of Messrs. C. W. Evans, W. G. Evans, Carey Coker, W. C. Banks, R. R. Banks and T. B. Hardy was appointed to hold a conference with the different commissioners with the view of having them accept the same proposition recently accepted by the people of the first district.

WILSON IS NOW LOCATED AT THE A. & M. COLLEGE

HEAD OF BOYS' CLUBS OF STATE TRANSFERS HEAD-QUARTERS.

Agricultural College, Miss., Jan. 11.—R. S. Wilson, state agent of the Co-operative Farm Demonstration Work of the Mississippi Agricultural and Mechanical College and the United States Department of Agriculture, occupied his new office in the Administration building here Sunday for the first time, with Mr. Wilson was Mr. C. A. Cobb, assistant agent, and state superintendent of boys' club work.

These extension workers have heretofore made Jackson their headquarters, but to secure a closer cooperation with Director of Extension, E. R. Lloyd, and the rest of the extension force, they formally transferred their offices the first of the present year to the A. and M. College. During the first of this week, however, they have been completing the final arrangements for moving their effects from Jackson and have been directing the various district and county agents in the new year's work from their old offices.

Parent-Teachers Meeting.

The Parent-Teachers Association of the Franklin Academy will meet in the chapel tomorrow afternoon. Prof. Whitfield will address the meeting on "Relations of Parents and Teachers," and Miss Susie Will Guter will give a talk on domestic science. Other interesting numbers will be given. Every patron and friend is urged to be present at 2 o'clock.



—Chamberlain in New York Evening Sun.

POPULAR YOUNG COUPLE ARE QUIETLY MARRIED

MR. LUTE WEBB AND MISS REGINA BISHOP PLIGHT THEIR TROTH.

A quiet wedding at 8:30 o'clock Tuesday evening at the home of Dr. R. B. Eggleston, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, united in marriage Mr. Lute Webb and Miss Regina Bishop, two popular young people of this city. The happy couple left shortly before midnight for a short bridal trip in the southern part of the state.

The bride, who is the beautiful daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Bishop, is a sweet and attractive young lady, and has many friends who congratulate the groom upon winning her as his wife. Mr. Webb holds a responsible position as clerk in the local postoffice and is considered one of the most valuable employees.

The Commercial joins the many friends of this happy couple in wishing for them a long and happy married life.

"Box Supper" at Murrah Chapel.

The ladies of the Murrah Chapel Neighborhood Missionary Society will give a "box supper" Friday night, January 14, to which not only people residing in that section, but Columbians as well, are cordially invited to attend.

Murrah Chapel needs a new roof and the good ladies of the missionary society have arranged to give the "box supper" Friday night for the purpose of increasing the fund which is being raised to make the necessary repairs. Not only will tempting viands be served at moderate prices, but there will be a fine program including recitations and vocal and instrumental music, and as the neighborhood not only has many wives who are famous for their culinary achievements, but numerous young people who possess musical, literary and forensic talent; the occasion is sure to prove in every respect a most enjoyable one.

Preparations are being made to entertain a large crowd, and the ladies sincerely hope that there will be a goodly number of Columbians present.

Old Citizen Dies.

Mr. J. C. Goynes, aged 81 years one of the oldest citizens of the county, died at his home several miles east of Columbus at a late hour Monday night, after a long illness.

Mr. Goynes was a Confederate veteran, a worthy citizen and a Christian gentleman, and has friends all over the county who will mourn his death.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at Berea cemetery.

The members of the Civic League will meet next Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Chamber of Commerce.

CIVIC LEAGUE MEMBERS TO MEET FRIDAY AFTERNOON

SEVERAL IMPORTANT MATTERS WILL BE BROUGHT UP FOR DISCUSSION.

The members of the Civic Improvement League will meet Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Chamber of Commerce, and every lady of the city who can possibly do so is urged to attend.

A report will be made by the committee on constitution and by-laws and several other important matters will be brought up for discussion.

Ingram-Aldridge.

A wedding that came as a surprise to their many friends here was solemnized Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. L. P. Aldridge, when her daughter, Miss Cornelia Aldridge, was married to Mr. Robert L. Ingram, of Leland. The ceremony was performed by Dr. R. B. Eggleston pastor of the First Presbyterian church. Immediately after the wedding they left for Birmingham and New Orleans, where they will spend several days before going to Leland, which place they will make their future home.

The bride is a young lady of charming personality. The groom is one of the most popular young business men of the delta.

Dr. S. M. Rainey, of Mayhew, and Dr. D. E. Rainey, of Starkville, were visitors to Columbus Tuesday.

Mrs. H. I. Eichelberger spent the first of the week in Mason with friends.

OPENING OF NEW ARCADE CONFECTIONERY

FRIDAY, JAN. 14 3 TO 11 O'CLOCK

Delicious Drinks

MUSIC CANDY

17 AMERICANS ARE KILLED IN MEXICO

TAKEN FROM MEXICAN NORTHWESTERN TRAIN BY BANDITS.

LANSING DEMANDS CARRANZA TO ACT

Requests Garrison to Send Facts of Murder as Soon as Received.

Washington, Jan. 12.—Official advices from Chihuahua, Mexico, to the state department Wednesday, say the bodies of seventeen Americans slain by former Villa soldiers, arrived in Chihuahua Tuesday night.

Secretary of State Lansing Wednesday telegraphed General Carranza, demanding prompt punishment of the bandits who had executed the Americans.

Through Mexican Ambassador Arredondo it was arranged to take the bodies of the slain Americans from Chihuahua to Jaurez on a special train Wednesday.

Ambassador Arredondo received confirmation of the executions of the Americans from Carranza.

Secretary Lansing said the United States looked to Carranza for satisfaction for their execution and requested Secretary of War Garrison to send facts concerning the execution to him as soon as received.

The state and war departments have received advices that at least sixteen Americans had been killed.

The victims of the bandits were employees of the American Smelting and Refining Company. According to advices here one Mexican and one Canadian were also killed.

The many friends of Mr. Will Halbert will be glad to learn that he has recovered from a recent illness. Mr. Halbert was able to return the first of the week to his business at Corinth.

K. of P. Install Officers.

The following officers were installed Tuesday night in Tombigbee Lodge, No. 12, Knights of Pythias: Mr. W. G. Zwingle, chancellor; Mr. W. F. Mayo, vice-chancellor; Dr. George Dovel, prelate; Mr. T. P. Barham, master of works; Mr. Cliff Golding, inner guard; Mr. J. S. Marshall, outer guard; Mr. Fred Hayslett, master of arms; Mr. Legare Bailey, K. of R. and S.; Capt. D. P. Davis, master of finance; Mr. W. M. Cox, master of exchequer. A short and interesting talk was made by Mr. W. A. Sessions, of Jackson, supreme representative.

HAPPENINGS OF INTEREST GATHERED HERE AND THERE

GIST OF NEWS FROM OVER THE COUNTRY GIVEN IN A BRIEF FORM.

A journey of 8,000 miles in a basket bed ended at Roselawn, Indiana Tuesday when C. C. Smith, a mining engineer of Natal, South Africa, arrived at the home of his parents. He suffered a broken back in a mine accident, and is paralyzed from the waist down. Nevertheless he will wed Miss Amy Palmer, an English nurse who cared for him in a hospital in Cardiff, Wales, and helped bring him home. Because of the size of the basket in which Smith traveled it was necessary to take it out the window of a railroad coach to get him aboard the train.

This country must have an army of one to two million or "accept disaster" in the event of war, Major General Scott, chief of the staff of the army, told the house military committee Monday at the army bill hearing.

Formal recognition of the bi-centennial exposition to be held in San Antonio, in 1918, to commemorate the founding of the city by Franciscan Friars, was proposed in a joint resolution Monday in both houses of congress.

The Sherry amendment of 1902 to the Federal pure food law, declaring drugs to be misbranded if the package or label bears or contains false or fraudulent statements regarding the curative properties or therapeutic effects, was held constitutional by the Supreme Court Monday.

Bank Directors Elected. The stockholders of the National Bank of Commerce on Tuesday re-elected for another year the following directors who have served so well the past twelve months: Messrs. W. S. Lindamood, W. N. Puckett, F. P. Phillips, J. T. Sanford, T. J. Hancock, A. M. Lawrence, A. H. Pegues, T. K. Swoope, Brooks McCowan, H. F. Simms, Louis Posensweig, T. A. McGahey, L. A. Vaughan, and E. C. Chapman.

Bank Officers Elected. At a recent meeting of the stockholders of the Artesia State Bank the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Dr. N. D. Guerry, president; J. N. Roberts, first vice-president; O. G. Mellwain, cashier. The new directors are: N. D. Guerry, Sr., N. D. Guerry, Jr., J. N. Roberts, D. A. Burgin, Joe Cook and O. G. Mellwain. A dividend of six per cent. was declared and ordered paid.

Read our want ads.

AUSTRIANS ADVANCE ON MONTENEGRINS

WIN IMPORTANT VICTORIES IN ADVANCE TO COAST.

FRENCH HOLD FAST ON THEIR FRONT

Lull on Russian Front While Czar Regroups Troops for More Fighting.

London, January 11.—Montenegro is being treated to a steam roller attack similar to that which crumpled up its friend and neighbor, Serbia. The Austrian onslaught, which has been a long time in preparation, is being prosecuted with great violence, menacing several important positions close to the Adriatic coast.

The great Montenegrin stronghold, Mount Lovcen, has fallen, according to Austria official communications. The attack here has been largely assisted by Austrian warships and the guns of the Cattaro forts. In addition the Montenegrins say the Austrians made abundant use of asphyxiating gas contrivances. A battle is raging on the whole of the northern and eastern frontiers of Montenegro. On the east the Montenegrins have been compelled to evacuate Berane.

For the British public the latest statements regarding the situation in Mesopotamia will not entirely relieve the anxiety. The British general Almy's column, which is advancing to the relief of Kut-el-Amara, has met and repulsed a strong Turkish force, but its present position is by no means satisfactory, for it finds in front of it a Turkish army greatly superior in numbers. Therefore, it is evident that a successful juncture of the two British forces, although they are only 20 miles apart, may prove a difficult matter.

There has been no fresh developments on the Russian front where the cold weather has again set in the thermometer at some points touching 20 degrees below zero. Although, for the moment, the Russians have ceased their attacks upon the Austro-German front from the Pripiet River to the Bessarabian frontier, information from German sources is that they have not given up the venture, but are merely reorganizing their forces for another formidable attempt.

As far as the western front is concerned the center of interest is still in the Champagne region. According to French accounts there was clearly nothing casual or ordinary about the big German attack which the French claim they successfully stopped. The French lines here make a tempting salient but the position evidently has been made correspondingly strong.

Urges Taft's Claims.

A lengthy telegram signed by a number of Columbus citizens was sent yesterday to President Wilson requesting him to appoint ex-President William Howard Taft to the Supreme Court of the United States, succeeding the late Justice Lamar. The message reads:

"Columbus, Miss., Jan. 11, 1916. President Woodrow Wilson, Washington, D. C.,

"You may recall that on July 13, 1915, the day after Justice Lurton's death, the undersigned democrats and supporters of your administration, petitioned you to appoint former president, W. H. Taft, to the vacancy on the Supreme Court. We now respectfully renew that petition and earnestly hope that you will see fit to fill the present vacancy by appointing Mr. Taft, believing this magnanimous action would meet the hearty approval of a large majority of the people of the south. (Signed) R. E. Johnston, E. R. Sherman, E. T. Spivey, E. S. Donnell, B. A. Weaver, Wm. Baldwin, J. W. Lipscomb and J. T. Harrison."

Epps-McEachin.

A wedding of much interest to the many friends in this city of Mr. Ernest Allen Epps, was solemnized in Memphis on last Saturday, when Mr. Epps was married to Miss Marie McEachin.

Both the bride and groom reside in Corinth, the latter being a daughter of Mrs. Henri Caldwell McEachin. Mr. Epps is the eldest son of Mrs. J. P. Epps of this city, and holds a responsible position as traveling salesman for Green Brothers & Northcross, of Corinth.