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COUNCIL ORDERS BOND ELECTION

PEOPLE TO BE GIVEN ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO VOTE ON COLUMBUS, MEMPHIS & PENSACOLA BONDS.

Second Election Will be Held Monday, September 30th, and if Bonds Are Voted Work Will Soon Begin.

At an adjourned meeting of the City Council which was held on last Wednesday night, an ordinance was adopted ordering a special election to be held on Monday, September 30, for the purpose of allowing the citizens of Columbus a second opportunity to vote on the issuance of bonds in the sum of fifty thousand dollars to secure the right of way into and through the city and depot grounds for the Columbus, Memphis & Pensacola Railroad. This matter was submitted to the people on the first of August, but the State and county primary occurred the same day, and interest in the political contest was so keen that many people forgot the railroad election, with the result that the measure failed to receive a sufficient number of votes to make the issuance of the bonds legal, and a second election became necessary.

The law regulating the issuance of municipal bonds to railroads and other public service corporations is very stringent, and in order for the measure to carry it will be necessary for every man in Columbus who desires to see the new road built to go to the polls and vote. The law stipulates that before municipal bonds can be issued for the purpose of securing a railroad at least three-fourths of the qualified voters of the city must vote for the issuance of these bonds. This means three-fourths of the registered voters, and if a man's name appears on the poll book and he fails to participate in the election it counts just the same as though he voted against the bonds. At the recent election there were only about forty votes cast against the proposed bond issue, but a large number of qualified electors failed to participate in the election, and by doing so helped to bring about the miscarriage of the measure.

Another feature that is militant to the scheme is found in the fact that there are on the city poll book the names of quite a number of men who have not resided here for several years past and who can't be expected to participate in the election. They pay their taxes here, however, and under the law are qualified electors, so that each of these names counts as a vote against the issuance of the bonds.

Taking the above mentioned facts into consideration, it will readily be seen that if the bonds are to be issued every man who favors the scheme must go to the polls and say by his ballot that he wants to see the railroad built, and with that end in view is anxious to see the request of the promoters regarding a donation for right of way and terminal facilities granted.

To the doubting Thomases who seem to question the ability of the promoters to build the road, it is only necessary to say that there is no question about their financial backing. The scheme is being backed by capitalists of standing in the financial world, and all the money necessary will be forthcoming. Of course it would be bad policy for the promoters to give out the details of the plans which they have in view, but officials of two of the local banks have been shown documents which prove beyond doubt that men of wealth and integrity are backing the enterprise and that the road will certainly be built.

When it was found that the bond issue failed to carry at the first election, operations were suspended, but the promoters of the road have ample funds on hand, and in the event that the bonds are voted on September 30th work will be resumed within a few days from that date.

Improvements at the Southern.
The material for the roundhouse to be erected here by the Southern Railway in Mississippi has begun to arrive, and work on the building will commence as soon as the ground on which it is to be erected can be cleared. The roundhouse is to occupy the plot of ground now encompassed by the tracks composing the Y, and there are several small build-

ings on the site of the contemplated structure which will have to be removed before work can begin. It will also be necessary to move the coal chute, which will be torn away and an entirely new structure erected. The new chute will occupy a site several hundred feet north of the present structure, and will be complete and modern in every respect, being constructed on a new plan recently adopted by the large railway systems of the North and East.

Mr. D. S. McClanahan, who has the contract for the erection of the round house, informs The Dispatch that the improvements to be made here will require an expenditure of forty or forty-five thousand dollars. The roundhouse alone will cost about twenty-five thousand dollars, and the coal chute and other improvements will call for an additional outlay of between fifteen and twenty thousand dollars.

The people of Columbus are to be congratulated on the fact that these buildings are to be erected here, not only because a large sum of money will be expended in their construction, but because it means that the relay station will remain here indefinitely. During the past few years it has been rumored at frequent intervals that West Point would be made the relay station and the shops removed there, but the fact that the roundhouse is to be built here puts a lasting quietus on this rumor and gives assurance that the relay station will be maintained here for many years to come.

Additional Bookings.

Messrs. Klaw and Erlanger, the New York representatives of the Columbus Theater, are making rapid progress in booking attractions for the coming season, which opens with "Toyland" on September 16th. A partial list of the bookings appeared in The Dispatch last Wednesday, and since that time Mr. Jas. Newby, Jr., the manager of the house, has received contracts for the following additional attractions: "David Harum," Tim Murphy, supported by Dorothy Sherrod and a strong company in a new play, "No Mother to Guide Her," an exceptionally strong melodrama, Gus Hill's big musical comedy, "Gay New York," "The Hoosier Girl," and "The Cowboy Girl."

Mason-Minter.

Mrs. Mary E. Minter has issued invitations announcing the approaching marriage of her daughter, Sara Rochester, to Mr. T. J. Mason, which happy event will be solemnized at the New Salem Baptist church in Caledonia at one o'clock next Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Mason is well known in Columbus, having resided here for a number of years past, and enjoys the confidence and esteem of all who know him. The prospective bride is the daughter of the late Capt. E. D. Minter, who was for many years a prominent citizen of the Caledonia neighborhood, and is a lady possessed of numerous charms and accomplishments, which have served to endear her to a large circle of friends. The Dispatch joins the friends of the couple in extending in advance congratulations and best wishes for a long and happy married life.

The "Cannon Ball" Into It.

No. 3, the fast train on the main line of the M. & O. Railroad, yesterday was wrecked between Muldon and West Point. This train is called by many the "Cannon Ball" for the time it makes. Reports of the wreck are very meager, but it seems that the M. & O. has not broken its record—never having killed a passenger—in this latest smash up. The train was running full speed, so it is said, when it jumped the track, breaking up the cars badly, but seriously injuring no one.

The other trains on the roads were relayed via Aberdeen and West Point via the Illinois Central road and continued their schedules.

Elegant Cottage for Rent.

We have an elegant five-room cottage, within three blocks of the Southern depot, for rent. The cottage has every modern improvement and convenience, such as hot and cold water, bath and sewerage, stationary wash stand, city water and pump well, cement walks, beautiful shade. In fact, it is one of the prettiest and nicest cottages in Columbus. Will be rented for one year, or until the first of next September. Rent \$25.00 a month, renter to give negotiable notes for the same. Possession given at once. For further information apply to Maer Realty Co.

DISCOVERERS WIN THREE IN A ROW

LOCALS TOOK THREE STRAIGHT GAMES LAST WEEK, TWO FROM MERIDIAN, ONE FROM JACKSON.

Stewart's Men Are Playing Great Ball, and the Games Scheduled for Coming Week Should be Well Patronized.

Had the Discoverers put up as good ball under Jack Law and "Red" Wright as they are giving us under the leadership of "Ace" Stewart, they would not have finished the season in last place. The Columbians played great ball on the local diamond last week, having won three straight games, two from Meridian and one from Jackson.

Billiard was wild on Wednesday afternoon, and Columbus walked away with the game, having defeated Meridian by a score of four to two. Cox pitched for Columbus, and the visitors found it hard to connect with his curves and drops, having touched him for but six safeties during the progress of the game.

The Meridian engagement closed Wednesday, and the Jackson aggregation came for a two days' siege Thursday afternoon. The old reliable "Billy" May was on the local firing line and pitched a winning game, having been admirably supported by his associates in the field. Not a single error was charged to them during the progress of the game, which resulted in a victory for Columbus by a score of four to one. Huber, Marshall and Stewart all got in some exceptionally brilliant work, each of them having figured in two double plays.

Jackson won Friday, but Montgomery's men knew that Columbus was in the game. The contest lasted twelve innings, and in the twelfth Jackson finally got a man across the plate, and won out by a score of three to two. Bishop and Robinson, two of the nearest twirlers in the league, were pitted against each other, and while Columbus lost the game Bishop outpitched his rival, having allowed only nine hits, while Robinson yielded twelve. Taylor's home run was responsible for Jackson's first two scores, while Adamina's miff of an exceedingly difficult fly in left field let in the third run.

Vicksburg was the victim yesterday afternoon, and Wheeler took them into camp by a score of eight to five. It looked bad for Columbus in the first inning, for four runs were made off the Eutawian before he could get straightened out and steadied. After that it was easy and plain sailing, the Columbus boys under "Ace" Stewart's coaching playing a good, steady, up-hill, winning game, which finally won out. Four games in one week out of five is not bad, and shows what management will do.

During the early part of the week there was considerable talk of closing the season of the Cotton States League on yesterday, it having been claimed by some of the cities composing the league that business had fallen off so greatly that games were being played at a loss. A vote was taken on the matter by means of the telegraph Friday, and it was decided to continue the season until September 18th, the date originally set for its close. Mobile and Meridian voted for an immediate close, while Columbus, Vicksburg, Gulfport and Jackson voted against it.

The Columbians will be here during the first five days of the present week, playing Vicksburg on Monday, Gulfport on Tuesday and Wednesday, and Mobile on Thursday and Friday. The team is playing great ball, and should be well patronized. By attending the games you will not only give your self much pleasure, but will help the management and make league ball next year a certainty. The expenses this year have been very heavy, and it will require large gate receipts during the coming season to pull the club out of the whole. Some of the most exciting games of the season will be played this week, and the management will appreciate your patronage.

Mr. Monroe Dillingham, marshal of West Point, spent last Wednesday in the city on business. Mr. Dillingham is a former resident of this county, and he has a large circle of friends at home who are always glad to greet him in this section.

CIRCUIT COURT BEGINS SOON

FALL TERM OF COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT WILL CONVENE ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER THE SIXTEENTH.

Both the Civil and State Dockets Are Very Light, and the Business Before the Court will be Quickly Disposed of.

The fall term of circuit court will convene on Monday, September 16th, just one week from tomorrow. Judge Robert F. Cochran will preside and Hon. J. H. Currie, the efficient prosecuting attorney of the Tenth judicial district, will be on hand to look after the interests of the State. Both the civil and criminal dockets are light, and most of the cases are of minor importance, many of them having been continued from former court terms.

A meeting of the Columbus Bar Association was recently held, and at this meeting the civil docket was sounded, and trial dates set for practically all of the cases listed thereon. This will obviate the necessity of sounding the docket after court convenes, and will result in the saving of considerable time.

The following cases are docketed for trial:

Civil Docket.

Emily Billups et al. vs. Mobile & Ohio Railroad Company; trespass. Lookout Planing Mill vs. Gilmer Hotel Company; assumpsit.

Lindamood & Puckett vs. Columbus Underwear Company, defendant; Columbus Insurance & Banking Company, claimant; assumpsit.

People's Ice & Cold Storage Company vs. Columbus Underwear Company, defendant; Columbus Insurance & Banking Company, claimant; assumpsit.

H. E. Johns vs. Columbus Underwear Company, defendant; Columbus Insurance & Banking Company, claimant; assumpsit.

Southern Lime & Cement Company vs. L. J. Kelly; assumpsit.

White Star Line Steamboat Company vs. Peables, Pentecost & Weaver; assumpsit.

Standard Stove Works vs. Mobile & Ohio Railroad Co.; assumpsit.

Standard Stove Works vs. Southern Railway Company; appeal.

Jesse Skipwith vs. Mobile & Ohio Railroad Company; appeal.

S. Selig vs. Southern Railway Company in Mississippi; appeal.

Robert Weaver, John Weaver and B. L. Reynolds vs. Hagadorn and Louks, defendants; United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company, surety; suit for enforcement of judgment.

E. E. Lemond vs. Samuel Kaye; trespass.

Susie Ayres et al. vs. Southern Railway Company; trespass.

Mary Lou Peaks, by next friend, David Peaks, vs. Southern Railway Company; trespass.

Jesse Stiles vs. Southern Railway Company; trespass.

J. A. Johnston vs. Mrs. E. F. McDaniel and H. C. Compton; suit for damages.

H. C. Calhoun vs. Southern Railway Company; trespass.

Mrs. Carrie D. Gerard vs. Columbus Railway, Light & Power Company; trespass.

Criminal Docket.

State vs. Bob Cummings; stealing and secreting crop subject to lien.

State vs. Wm. Johnson; perjury.

State vs. George Love; perjury.

State vs. Joe Frierson; larceny; appeal; five cases.

State vs. Joe Frierson, principal; Jim Hollis and United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company, sureties; forfeited bond.

State vs. Anderson Franks; assault and battery with attempt to kill and murder.

State vs. Charles Carter; assault and battery with intent to kill and murder.

State vs. Jim Fox; appeal.

The following are the jury lists for the term. The grand jury will be selected from the list of jurors drawn for the first week:

First Week—J. M. Duncan, R. H. Caldwell, W. B. Ferguson, J. M. Looney, J. M. Stewart, R. L. Terry, B. F. Barksdale, L. T. McLemore, J. U. Tate, C. M. Staley, L. W. Richardson, M. H. Gee, J. O. Hinkle, J. M. Perkins, C. W. Nickels, R. B. Schwab, Jno. Brownlee, L. A. Halston, Bat Williams, P. J. Ussery, V. M. Hig-

gins, W. W. McCullough, C. B. Richards, C. O. Pilkington, W. H. Perkinson, S. B. Street, Jr., R. H. Halbert, F. T. Carr, N. L. Gaines, J. L. Stillman, H. L. Bowlin, D. R. Reeter, W. E. Ervin, C. L. Peacher, J. A. Clarke, A. E. Love, C. R. McDougall, W. S. Hinkle, J. B. Fort, E. G. Wright, C. A. Wakefield, J. A. Hicks, W. S. Turner, C. A. Russell, M. V. Friday, J. C. Golding, M. B. Kemp, W. L. Ellis, G. C. Swamy.

Second Week—W. J. Staley, J. S. Jennings, E. G. Hardy, D. B. Miller, H. D. W. Honnell, D. T. Duke, W. C. Folsom, G. L. Fancher, Max Seay, J. W. Smith, P. W. Maer, A. R. Shivers, W. A. Love, T. M. Upchurch, J. N. Freeman, Jr., D. L. Ervin, G. W. Bush, J. T. Spann, T. J. Hughes, J. F. Wright, D. R. McClary, G. C. Franks, L. H. Gould, C. L. Blankenship, W. T. Wheeler, R. J. Kirksey, R. B. Miller, T. G. Hines, J. D. Burgin, J. R. Richards.

Another Soldier Heard From.

Back to our comfortable homes, rested, and reflecting upon the events and incidents of Camp Columbus, the soldiers of Vicksburg have much to be thankful for to the people of Columbus, the dearest city in the State.

The camp grounds were ideal from a military and sanitary standpoint, for which we were thankful; for had the soil not been sandy the frequent and heavy downpours would have drowned us. But, on the contrary, we suffered no inconvenience, and the cooling breezes that followed each rain were refreshing and invigorating.

The people were lovely—lovely in their treatment of us as a body of men, and individually. Flinging wide their gates and throwing away the keys, they bade us enter and enjoy their hospitality. And such hospitality! Such indeed as only the daintiest city in the State could extend—made sweeter and more acceptable by the fact that the sweet-faced and sweet-tempered ladies of the city did their utmost in our behalf.

In the words of our governor, if I remember correctly, "God took the sunlight from heaven and fashioned therefrom a woman's smile." No where did I realize the truth of those words more than in Columbus, where the smiles of the women are all sunlight and mirth, lending joy to camp life that would otherwise become irksome.

Yes, it was a dream—a dream too fair to last. And now that the veil is lifted and once more we have taken up the tools and "forward, march," has been commanded in the daily routine, we must content ourselves in the awakening. But ever and anon, through the weary days and the quiet nights we turn our thoughts again to that beautiful little city far away on the banks of that winding stream; once again we "trip the light fantastic" with those dainty dames, "neath the spreading oaks and 'midst the cooling breezes of beautiful Lake Park. Yes, once more we linger in memory 'midst the scenes of Camp Columbus, see the sweet-faced maidens as they loiter on the parade ground and hear their cheery laughter at it mingles with the ripplings of the Tombigbee speeding to the ocean beyond.

J. P. McAnuliffe, Company A, Third Reg., M. N. G. Vicksburg, Miss.

Mrs. Ann E. Smith Fatally Hurt.

Mrs. R. J. Gunter received a long distance message on yesterday from West Point in which the sad news that her great aunt, Mrs. Ann E. Smith, had been fatally injured by a fall from her bed, her hip having been broken. Mrs. Smith received a stroke of paralysis some time since, which confined her to her bed, and a few days ago she was seized with pneumonia, and these afflictions, together with the fall from her bed, lay this estimable lady at death's door, as she is not expected to live. Many friends in this city of Mrs. Smith will sincerely regret to learn this sad news.

Dr. H. A. Minor and wife, of Macon, spent several days of the past week in this city, the guests of their daughters, Mrs. W. H. Carter and Mrs. Felix Chapman. Dr. Minor is one of Macon's leading physicians and citizens, and he has many friends in Columbus who are always glad to greet him here.

Mr. Sam B. Schwab returned a few days since from Chicago and the East, where he purchased a large and select stock of fall and winter goods for the store of A. Schwab.

VETERANS MEET ANNUAL BARBECUE

THE CONFEDERATE VETERANS OF LOWNDES COUNTY GAVE ANNUAL BARBECUE AT WASHINGTON PARK.

There Was a Large Crowd Present on Friday, and Old Soldiers Enjoyed a Delightful and Sumptuous Outing.

The annual reunion and barbecue of the Lowndes County Veterans' Association was held last Friday at Washington Park, and the heroes of the great war enjoyed a most delightful outing. There was a large crowd present, 138 veterans having been in attendance. An excellent barbecue dinner was served, and after the inner man had been refreshed camp fire talks were indulged in, short but interesting addresses having been made by Gen. S. D. Lee, the distinguished commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans; Mr. A. P. Billups, of Pickens county, Ala.; Mr. Tom Wilkins, of Noxubee county; Gen. E. T. Sykes, Capt. H. D. Foote, Hon. J. T. Harrison and others.

Gen. E. T. Sykes offered the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

"Resolved, that this association of veterans in annual reunion assembled sympathize with General J. H. Sharp in his protracted illness and sincerely regret his physical inability to personally be with us on this occasion.

"Second. Be it further resolved, that in token of our regard and high esteem for our absent comrade in arms, and as a tender reminder to him, Comrade Louis Walberg is hereby designated and requested to prepare and convey to Gen. Sharp, with our heartfelt sympathy, a portion of the viands which have today allured our tastes.

"Whereas the Columbus Railway, Light & Power Company have generously decorated one of their cars and freely transported all veterans of our association to and from Washington Park, where our annual meeting and barbecue is being held; therefore,

"Be it resolved, that this association tender its sincere and grateful thanks to said company for its much appreciated consideration and kindness; and,

"Second. That a copy of the foregoing resolutions be furnished to each of our city papers for publication, and that the secretary of this association be instructed to transmit to the said Railway, Light & Power Company a copy of the same, with the assurance of the heartfelt appreciation of each and every member of this association.

"A. S. Payne, President.

"A. C. Halbert, Secretary.

The committee on necrology submitted the following report, which was adopted and ordered spread upon the minutes:

"The undersigned committee report, that since our last annual meeting the following comrades have died: J. C. Sudduth, H. A. McCracken, J. A. Roden, E. D. Minter and J. H. Lawrence.

"While bowing with resignation to the decrees of the Arbitrator of Life, we submissively trust that our comrades have entered the eternal city, and with their great leaders gone before are resting on the banks of the river of life beneath the shade of those trees whose leaves are for the healing of the nations.

"As a camp, we record their patriotism in war and moral excellence in peace, and commend their example as worthy of imitation by those who still remain. To their families and relatives, we offer the sympathy and condolence that comes of love and comradeship in a cause which was cherished so highly by their death we now commemorate.

"W. A. Love, "D. R. McClary, "H. D. Foote, "Committee."

Mr. Louis A. Halbert, one of the best overseers in the State and one of the most successful farmers, spent last Wednesday in this city on business. Mr. Halbert has resumed writing for this paper and his friends will have the pleasure of reading his contributions from time to time.

Mrs. T. L. H. Cook of Artesia is visiting her sister, Mrs. McGahey.