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COLUMBUS, MISSISSIPPI, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1907.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

COUNCILMAN STEVENS TENDERS HIS RESIGNATION, TO BE COME EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 1908; IT IS ACCEPTED.

Election Ordered for December 18 Officers Appointed and Other Routine Business Is Trans- acted—Monthly Reports.

City Hall, Columbus, Miss., Dec. 3,
1907.

At a regular meeting of the council this date present, the Mayor and Councilmen Stevens, Walker, McClanahan, Moore and Gardner.

After the reading and adoption of the minutes of the last meeting, the following proceedings were had.

Monthly reports of the street commissioner, chief of police and engineer of the water works were read and ordered filed.

The monthly report of the city marshal and tax collector was read and ordered spread on the minutes and is as follows:

Columbus, Miss., Dec. 1, 1907.

To the Mayor and City Council:
Gentlemen—Herewith I hand you my report of all monies collected by me from all sources for the month of November, 1907.

I have paid the same to the city treasurer and hold his receipt for same as follows:

Fines, mayor's court	\$48.00
Water rents	682.85
Privilege licenses	167.50
General tax	2968.95
Street tax	69.00
Sidewalks	\$4.30
I. R. Davidson, half interest in meter	8.00
Stove, sold by J. B. Childers	
Franklin school	4.00
Pound fees	11.50

Total \$4043.10

Respectfully submitted,

M. C. Vandiver,

Marshal and Tax Collector.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this December 1, 1907.

E. S. Donnell, Mayor.

I hereby certify that M. C. Vandiver, marshal and tax collector, has paid to me the above amount of money, \$4043.10.

J. H. Sykes,
Secretary and Treasurer.

The committee appointed to look into the matter of necessary sidewalks at and around the Barrow Memorial School, was upon request continued.

Councilman Gardner of the Fire Committee reported the floor of the fire hall to be in a dangerous condition, and on motion of Councilman McClanahan, seconded by Councilman Walker, the Fire Committee was instructed to have the necessary repair work done.

A communication from Mr. H. C. Warfield in regard to certain insurance matters was read, and on motion ordered filed.

The following communication from Councilman Stevens of the Second ward was read:

Columbus, Miss., Dec. 3, 1907.

To the Hon. Mayor and City Council,
Columbus, Miss.:

Gentlemen—I herewith respectfully tender my resignation as councilman, for reasons best known to myself, to be effective January 1, 1908.

I desire to assure each of the Board, and all of the city officers, that I have always been treated with uniform courtesy and respect, and shall forever hold each and all in high esteem and friendship.

Very respectfully,

J. H. Stevens.

Councilman Stevens was urgently requested by the Mayor and each councilman present to withdraw his resignation, but to no avail. Councilman Stevens stated that he had given the matter mature thought and insisted that his resignation as tendered be accepted; whereupon it was ordered that the resignation of Councilman Stevens as tendered be accepted with much regret.

Councilman Moore, duly seconded by Councilman Gardner, offered the following motion. That an election for one councilman from Ward Two (2) to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Councilman Stevens, effective January 1, 1908, is hereby ordered to be held at the City Hall in the City of Columbus, Mississippi, during legal hours on Wednesday, December 18, A. D. 1907, and that

E. R. Sherman, Walter Weaver and J. M. Morgan are hereby appointed judges and W. P. Mahon and W. B. Harris clerks of said election, and that the mayor is instructed to give notice of said election as the law requires. So ordered.

Walker by Gardner. That Councilman Moore and McClanahan are hereby appointed a committee of two to confer with the Board of Supervisors of Lowndes county in regard to city map. So ordered.

It is ordered that the county superintendent of public education furnish to the secretary and treasurer of the City of Columbus, Miss., each month a list showing the dates filled by supply teachers and in whose places they taught, in the several schools of this city.

On motion an adjournment was taken till 7:30 p. m., December 4, 1907.

J. H. Sykes,
(Attest) Secretary and Treasurer.

(Continued in Wednesday's Dispatch)

Two Men and a Girl.

Chief of Police Munger last Wednesday received from Mrs. J. B. Montgomery, of Bernbank, Ala., a telegram requesting him to arrest a girl fifteen years of age, attired in a light dress and green hat. Now as many young ladies of sixteen wear white dresses and green hats, and Mrs. Montgomery had failed to state the name of the much-wanted female, Chief Munger didn't know exactly who to arrest. As a result of diligent inquiry, it was learned that a girl answering the description given in the telegram had arrived here earlier in the week, having been accompanied by two men. The trio had left before the telegram was received, however, having on Tuesday night or Wednesday morning boarded a west bound train on the Southern railway.

On the day following the receipt of the telegram by Chief Munger, a special delivery letter from Mrs. Montgomery came to hand. The letter, however, was more ambiguous than the telegram, having, without a categorical statement on the subject, conveyed the impression that the young lady was accompanied by her husband. As there were two men with the girl when she was seen here it seems reasonable to suppose that one of them was her husband, and if such was the case the police would hardly have had a right to interfere in the matter.

Meeting of Presbytery.

The meeting of the New Hope Presbytery, which was held in Starkville last week, was one of the most pleasant and harmonious sessions which has ever been held in the history of that body. There was a large attendance of delegates from the various churches represented in the New Hope body, and the session was an enjoyable one.

The Presbytery made several changes of interest to the people of this city, the change of Rev. C. H. Zwingle to West Point, where he will serve the church there until he engages in evangelical work; the change of Rev. J. H. Bell to the Brooksville church and the coming of Dr. T. B. Nation, of Cedar Bluff, to Columbus, to succeed Mr. Zwingle, being the most important of the changes made.

Mr. Zwingle has served the church in this city most acceptably for some time past, and has taken high stand with the Christian people of not only his church but the entire community. Mr. Bell's appointment bespeaks recognition of his ability, which is seldom attained by one whose service in the ministry has been so short, and his friends are congratulating him upon his rapid advancement. Dr. Nation is represented as one of the strong men of the Presbytery and will be accorded a hearty welcome by the members of his flock here and the church people generally of this community.

Patterson Released.

Frank Patterson, the man who was arrested here about ten days ago on the charge of having seriously cut a woman in Natchez, and who was taken to that city for trial, was released and has returned to Columbus. As soon as the woman saw Patterson she stated that he was not the man who assaulted her, and upon investigation by the Natchez police it was learned that the crime was committed by Gordon Thornton, who gave the name of Frank Patterson in order to conceal his identity.

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COTTON PICKERS MEET ON DEC. 17

GRAND MOGULS OF THE COTTON STATES LEAGUE WILL ASSEMBLE IN ANNUAL SESSION AT GULFPORT.

Most Important Matter to Come Before Pigskin Magnates Is the Proposed Withdrawal of Mobile From the Ranks of League.

Tuesday, 17th, brings the annual meeting of the board of directors of the Cotton States League, and the event will be watched with much interest throughout the circuit. One of the most important matters to come before the board of directors is the proposed withdrawal of Mobile from the ranks of the league. Promoters of the sport in the Gulf City have recently purchased the Shreveport franchise in the Southern League, and if they succeed in securing a release from the Cotton States will trot in fast company next year. While her sister teams in the Cotton States are reluctant to part with Mobile under any consideration, they are willing to undergo the ordeal provided that the Oystermen will put up the \$2,500 forfeit which, according to the charter, any club going into a higher league must pay. Mobile, however, does not want to pay the forfeit, and it is up to the directors to decide what is best to be done in the premises.

Hattiesburg and Monroe, La., are both anxious to enter the Cotton States ranks, and in the event that Mobile withdraws her franchise will probably go to the former city. Monroe is a very good town, but is too remote from the cities now composing the league to make her acquisition to its ranks desirable. Hattiesburg, on the other hand, is not only a crack-a-jack town, but is a good break between Meridian and Gulfport and is also easily accessible from Jackson.

As far as Columbus is concerned, there seems to be no doubt whatever that she will retain her franchise. The directors of the local association held on last season under the most adverse conditions, and the gameness which they exhibited attracted the attention and admiration of their fellow directors throughout the league. President Banks, of the local association, has been quite sick for several days past, but in the event that he is able to leave his bed will certainly attend the meeting at Gulfport. In the event that Mr. Banks is unable to make the trip, however, one of the directors will go in his stead.

Reaves-Moore.

Invitations have been received in the city announcing the approaching marriage of Mr. Edmund Hugh Reaves to Miss Emily Mae Moore, which happy event will be solemnized at the Baptist church in Whiteville, Tenn., on Wednesday, December 18, at 5:30 o'clock p. m. Mr. Reaves is the manager of the local exchange of the Cumberland Telephone Company, and enjoys the confidence and esteem not only of his employers but of the patrons of the company and the public generally. He is an urbane and courteous gentleman, and since coming to Columbus has made numerous friends who rejoice with him in his new-found happiness.

The prospective bride is an exceedingly pretty and attractive young lady, and will receive a most cordial welcome to this city, which will be the future home of the young couple.

The Dispatch joins Mr. Reaves' numerous friends here in extending in advance congratulations and best wishes for a long and happy married life.

Deputy Sheriff Ervin Resigns.

Mr. B. D. Ervin, who for the past four years has been deputy sheriff under Capt. T. A. Eggleston, on last Friday tendered his resignation. Mr. Ervin's term of office would have expired on the first of January, and he decided to relinquish his position before the Christmas holidays set in so that he might be free to enjoy the pleasures of the Yuletide season.

Mr. W. A. Brown, of Amory, Miss., is in the city on a visit to his brother, Dr. John A. Brown.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE CONFERENCE

FULL REPORT OF THE NORTH MISSISSIPPI CONFERENCE'S WORK IN THIS CITY DURING THE PAST WEEK.

Bishop Hendrix Presiding and Conference Has Virtually Completed Its Work—Meets in Water Valley Next Year.

Wednesday Session.

The thirty-eighth session of the North Mississippi Annual Conference convened at the First Methodist church Wednesday morning at nine o'clock. After brief and appropriate devotional exercises, Bishop Hendrix delivered the first of a series of lectures that will mark the morning meetings of the Conference. His subject was, "Abraham, the Pioneer of Vision," and he spoke beautifully of that majestic figure of the Old Testament as he went forth into new lands, of the unshaken faith, of the obedience that responded to the call "withhold not thy son, thine only son," of the story of a life that held first place in the "Men of Vision."

This was followed by the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, administered by the Bishop, assisted by the presiding elders. First the young ministers knelt at the altar and received communion, the Bishop urging them to put on the whole armour of righteousness and keep the faith, dismissing them with an impressive blessing. Then the lay delegates, characterized as those who hold up the hands of the prophets of God, afterward the older members of the Conference, pledged themselves to deeper consecration in partaking of the sacrament, and lastly the wives of the ministers gathered at the chancel. As each group left, Bishop Hendrix gave them some fitting message to go with them through the days and act as a spur to higher spiritual endeavor.

At the conclusion of this service, the Conference proceeded at once to business. Rev. J. R. Countiss of Greenville was re-elected secretary, and upon his nomination, W. L. Duren of Clarksdale, I. D. Borders of Holly Springs were made statistical secretaries, B. P. Jacob of Iuka, assistant secretary. Very few members failed to answer to roll call.

On motion, the hours of meeting and adjournment were fixed at nine a. m. and 12:15 p. m., respectively. A resolution was introduced and carried that the afternoons and evenings during the Conference be devoted to preaching the gospel. Next the presiding elders, through Rev. T. H. Dorsey of Winona, announced their nomination of the standing committees, their selection being approved and confirmed by the Conference.

Bishop Hendrix stated that communications had been received from the Board of Education Church Extension, Scarritt Bible and Training School, the Board of Missions and other lines of church work, all of which it was voted to refer without reading to the committees in charge. One communication, however, was read, and excited much interest, while the movement it seeks to inaugurate met with the hearty commendation of the president of the Conference. This was the report of the commission appointed to investigate the feasibility of establishing a great Methodist hospital, to be located somewhere within the bounds of four Conferences—Tennessee, Alabama, Arkansas and Mississippi. Both Memphis and Nashville have been mentioned in this connection. The committee entered fully into the need, advantages and advisability of such work, and urged that the Conference co-operate completely and enthusiastically with the adjoining conferences in so great an undertaking. With this in view, a committee consisting of J. W. Murrain, J. D. Barbee, Jr., J. R. Bingham, W. V. Connell and S. T. Harkey, was appointed to confer and act with kindred committees of three other States interested in the movement. Bishop Hendrix took occasion to endorse this action, and tell of the splendid hospital the Church will erect at St. Louis, an institution that will be one of the most perfectly equipped in the world, and that has received from a layman the magnificent gift of \$1,300,000.

The greater part of the morning was taken upon with the reports of the presiding elders and pastors. Rev. L. M. Lipscomb of this district

announced a most satisfactory year, in which there had been about 1800 conversions. Every preacher in the district had a home, every district a pastor. Dr. Shoaff, of the First Methodist church, found both the review and the outlook of his charge very encouraging. During the year of his pastorate, there have been 225 additions to the membership, and all the church organizations are flourishing. Rev. R. A. Clark, of the Second Methodist church also made a gratifying report, stating that there had been 141 accessions to his roll and a substantial growth in the League, the Sunday school and other departments. The summary of results, as far as could be accurately determined, showed about 6700 conversions in the Conference the past year.

Report of the Colleges.

The Rev. J. H. Mitchell made a favorable report of the Grenada College, but stated that endowment fund had not been pushed because of the efforts exerted by Millsaps College in a similar direction.

Rev. T. W. Lewis, financial agent of Millsaps, and Dr. W. B. Murrain, president of that institution, presented most pleasing reports. Mr. Lewis has received \$30,000 in subscriptions and cash, and \$44,500 for the endowment fund, which amount does not include the special gift of Major Millsaps.

Dr. Murrain announced an enrollment of 280 students this session, and referred with pride to the handsome new library recently completed at a cost of \$40,000.

A touching incident of the morning was the superannuation of the Rev. W. T. J. Sullivan of Pickens, who, after forty-eight years of faithful service, retires from active work. He is much beloved by the Conference, and the demonstration that followed the announcement that he had been superannuated must have warmed the heart of that loyal and honored soldier of the Cross.

Visitors to the Conference.

The visitors introduced to the Conference during the morning, and accorded cordial greeting, were: Rev. Dr. Carson of Philadelphia, Dr. Pinson, assistant secretary of the General Board of Missions; Rev. J. J. Hill, pastor First Presbyterian church, Rev. W. A. Hewitt, pastor First Baptist church; Rev. Mr. Gerding, missionary to Corea; Rev. J. M. Bradley of Charleston, Mo.; Rev. C. M. Zwingle of the Cumberland Presbyterian church; Rev. Mr. Campbell, representing the Methodist Publishing House; Rev. Dr. Clark of Montana.

The afternoon found many members of the Conference busy with committee meetings, while the bishop and his cabinet conferred as to the appointments of the year. At 3 o'clock, the Rev. J. H. Felts of Aberdeen preached to a large and appreciative audience at the Methodist church.

Wednesday evening was Epworth League Night and the white and gold, chosen colors of the order, everywhere in evidence, with the society's badge and its motto, "All for Christ," conspicuously displayed. Rev. R. A. Clark, chairman of the League Board, presided over the meeting, and before introducing the speaker of the evening, told something of the League plans for the coming year. His call for funds to aid in carrying out these plans was generously met, and about \$200 were promptly raised. A delightful musical program, including several of the League's stirring rallying songs, was given before Mr. Clark presented to the audience Dr. H. M. DuBose of Nashville, editor of the Epworth Era, whose address upon "The Successful Life" was the feature of the evening. Dr. DuBose is one of the most gifted orators of the South, and in his advocacy of what he termed the first and foremost cause of the church, the cause of the young people, he was eloquent and convincing. Quoting Heine's declaration that "we are the slaves of our ideas; they are our masters; they drive us into the arena and compel us to fight for them," he then espoused with enthusiasm the Epworth ideas, the vision of soul, the promise and the pledge, the fulfillment of the prophesy of the King, they hold. With a really wonderful command of language, he pictured the passing of the old and the birth of the new ideals, simple and wondrous, "with so much of the memory, so much of the taste of The Gallilean," and compared the change to that wrought by ancient ceramic masters, the process

(Continued in Supplement.)

PERMANENT PLACE FOR ENCAMPMENT

IS RECOMMENDED BY OFFICERS OF THE MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL GUARD, WHO SAY MEN NEED A MUCH LARGER AREA.

Reports Recently Submitted by Military Officials Contain Much Information and Quite a Number of Valuable Suggestions.

There has recently been issued from the headquarters of the Mississippi National Guard a circular containing extracts from the reports of Major H. J. Goldman, Twelfth Cavalry, U. S. Army; Capt. E. G. Peyton, Eighteenth U. S. Infantry; Lieut. Levi G. Brown, Twelfth U. S. Cavalry, and as these reports deal largely with the encampment which was held here last summer they will naturally be of interest to the people of Columbus. A feature that will be of special interest to Columbians is found in the report of Captain Peyton, who quotes and indorses a clause from the report of General Keesler, in which that official recommends that the legislature consider the matter of setting aside an area of public land as a military reservation for the National Guard, where it can go into camp each year, and not have its instruction and drill limited by a small and insufficient area of ground.

If the suggestion offered by General Keesler and endorsed by Captain Peyton should be accepted by the legislature it would be necessary to purchase a plot of ground somewhere in the State for a military reservation, and there is good reason to believe that Columbus would be favorably considered and that the reservation would probably be located in or near this city. In his report to the governor, General Keesler also stated that he considered Columbus an ideal place for the amalgamation of the National Guard, and it is known that practically all of the commissioned officers are of the same opinion. Columbus has all the advantages of a city without the pernicious influence of saloons and blind tigers, and it is generally conceded that the encampment held here last year was one of the most successful in the history of the Mississippi organization. There was very little drinking, and an almost total absence of the carousals and deprecations that almost invariably follow a drunken debauch. As a matter of consequence, there was little use for either guard house or provost guard, and the men not only had more time to devote to drill and instruction, but were happy and contented, having left with regret when the camp broke up.

It is also suggested by Captain Peyton that the period of the encampment be extended from ten to twenty days, and that the regular officer detailed to attend same be required to report several months in advance of the opening; that he be required to assist in preparing the schedule of drills and instruction, and to visit organizations of the National Guard with a view to aiding the officers in preparing their troops for the work that will be required of them while in camp.

In the report of Major Goldman, the different companies composing the Mississippi National Guard are taken up separately, and in comparison with other commands the Columbus Riflemen show up exceedingly well. Major Goldman declares the members of the company to be of good height and good physique. He states that they are enthusiastic and efficient to the extent of their instruction.

The report of Lieutenant Brown is confined chiefly to the cavalry branch of the militia, and he suggests that as most of the town in Mississippi are so small that it is difficult to maintain as large a company as the Dick bill prescribes in any one place, that neighboring towns combine, having one platoon in one town and one in the other. Lieutenant Brown also recommends that members of the cavalry be paid not less than one dollar per day for the maintenance of their horses while in camp.

Fire Works!

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