

PROHIBITION NOT A CHURCH QUESTION

That Is Decision of Synod After Day's Animated Discussion.

FINAL VOTE WAS 37 TO 27

Judge Wallace's Effort to Indorse "Dry" Movement Is Voted Down.

By a vote of 37 to 27 late yesterday afternoon the synod of Missouri of the Southern Presbyterian Church declared that prohibition was a civil and political question with which, as a church court, the synod had nothing to do. It declared, therefore, to take any action in support of or objection to the work of any temperance organization which seeks to bring about prohibition. As emphasized by the speakers on the majority side, this decision was in line with the position of the Southern Presbyterian Church to refrain from taking action on civil matters as a church.

This decision was reached after a discussion, animated at times, occupying nearly the entire day. The final vote came upon the adoption of a letter to Judge William H. Wallace, of Kansas City, president of the constitutional amendment association, and moderator of the synod of Missouri. Not only did the synod take this action, but it voted down a motion made by Judge Wallace that it adjourn for half an hour in order that the delegates might, as a separate assembly of citizens, support a resolution for constitutional prohibition.

At the close of the session of the synod last night about fifty of the delegates met as individuals and endorsed the movement for state-wide prohibition and commended the work of Judge Wallace. The vote was about 42 to 5. Benjamin E. Todd, of Kansas City, was chairman of the meeting.

Letter to Judge Wallace.

The action of the synod was expressed in a letter to Judge Wallace, here given in full:

"To the Honorable William H. Wallace, president of the Constitutional Amendment association of Missouri:

"Dear Sir—The Synod of Missouri of the Presbyterian Church in the United States heard your eloquent and able address in behalf of the object proposed to be accomplished by the association you represent, and also the request which was included in that address. In reply the synod begs leave to assure you and those you represent that the members of the synod and their constituents recognize with painful emotion the great evil incident to the traffic of intoxicating liquors in this state and country, and that our people will co-operate with you as individuals in doing everything in our power to mitigate, and if possible eliminate, the evils of the traffic in intoxicants.

"At the same time we cannot say that this synod, sitting as a court of Jesus Christ, has any authority to dictate or recommend to the people of the state of Missouri what amendment should be made to the constitution of this state; nor the manner in which any proposed amendment should be secured.

"Praying God's blessing on you and all others engaged in the suppression of evil in ways in accordance with God's revealed Will,

"We are respectfully,
The Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Missouri in the United States."

Judge Davis Takes the Chair.

Judge Wallace then asked Judge Samuel Davis, of Marshall, to take the chair, and made the motion that the synod resolve itself into a convention of citizens and vote to support the amendment. The motion was voted down by a large majority.

George P. B. Jackson, of St. Louis, made a long address in favor of the letter.

"This is a purely political question," said Mr. Jackson, "and the synod should not take sides. There are two prohibition factions in the state—the Anti-Saloon league and the association represented by Judge Wallace. They are antagonistic to each other. It is not within our power or jurisdiction as a synod to decide which is right. This synod, as a body, has nothing to do with passing laws."

The Rev. J. E. Abbott, of Marshall, was opposed to the action taken by the synod.

"I believe that the time has come to say something specific," said Mr. Abbott. "We have heretofore been trying to find words to conceal our meaning. This letter reminds me of

CLOUDY WEATHER PREDICTED

Temperature Will Continue Moderate in Columbia and Vicinity.

The weather forecast today is: "Partly cloudy tonight and Saturday, the temperature remaining moderate."

The temperatures today:
7 a.m. 48 11 a.m. 65
8 a.m. 50 12 noon 69
9 a.m. 56 1 p.m. 71
10 a.m. 60 2 p.m. 74

handlet's reply when he was asked what he was reading. He said "Words, madam, words! It is time to do something. There are many of us in favor of giving a direct answer. The hour has struck; let us have a clear-cut vote."

NO MARRIAGE BANS

Synod Votes to Keep All Mention of Question From Records.

The Missouri Synod of the Southern Presbyterian Church at its closing session this morning voted that all mention of the resolution in regard to marriages defeated yesterday be stricken from the minutes.

It was decided by a vote of 33 to 4 that the next meeting of the synod would be held in Fulton, Mo. Booneville was suggested as a meeting place, but was defeated when put to a vote. The date of next meeting will be the fourth Tuesday in October of next year. The following officers were elected: Stated clerk, the Rev. Frank Mitchell, of Keokuk, Mo.; reading clerk, the Rev. C. E. Hiekok, of Farmington, Mo.; permanent clerk, the Rev. W. M. Langtry, of Clayton, Mo.; treasurer, E. W. Grant, of Fulton, Mo.

At the session last night the synod adopted a resolution thanking the pastor, members and friends of the Columbia Presbyterian church for their kindnesses shown the delegates here this week. Thanks were extended also to Chandler & Chandler, T. F. Whitesides and Niedermeier & Kline for the free use of carriages and automobiles while in Columbia. Henry Conrad Ostrom, of Athens, Ga., and Dr. William R. Dobyns, of St. Joseph, Mo., were the speakers last night. Their talks were on "The Layman's Mission."

FIRE CAUSES \$2,500 LOSS.

Interior of Residence on Rollins Street is Burned.

A two-story frame residence at 811 Rollins Street, owned by Mrs. B. N. Jones, of Columbia, and occupied by W. E. Findlay and several other students, was badly damaged by fire this morning. The interior of the building was almost destroyed, but most of the contents were saved. The house was insured, but the furniture was not. The loss is estimated at \$2,500. Christian Finkbeiner, a student, who roomed in the house, lost only a pair of spectacles.

The fire was caused by a defective flue. It was first seen on the roof about 11:30 o'clock. A crowd of students soon gathered and began to carry the furniture outside. Fanned by the high wind, the fire spread rapidly to a small shed in the rear. The firemen were delayed in getting water because they had no wrench to fit the hydrant. When the water was at last turned on, the whole building was in flames. As the wind blew away from any near buildings, the fire kept from spreading.

Finkbeiner was in his room studying and did not know there was a fire until a crowd of students rushed into his room.

HIGH SCHOOLS DEBATE IN MAY

Announcement of Annual Contest Is Sent to Accredited Schools.

The University of Missouri has sent announcements to the principals of the high schools of an inter-high school essay and debating contest to be held in Columbia in May. The subject of debate is, "Resolved, That the Commission Form of Municipal Government Be Adopted in Missouri Cities." The winners will be given an undergraduate scholarship in the University of Missouri valued at \$125.

OLD TELEGRAPH WIRES GO.

Better and Cheaper System Enclosed in Cables.

A crew of men are at work this week taking down the old telephone wires. The wires of the new system, which has just been installed, are brought together in one cable which does away with about three-fourths of the labor and expense of repairing. Formerly four or five men were required to keep the wires in service, but now only two or three men are needed. The men will have all the old wires down in two days.

LIBRARIAN IS LIKE FACTORY MANAGER

Should Know Effect of his Books on Public, Says A. E. Bostwick.

SILENCE IMPERATIVE RULE

Eighty-five Attend Opening Session of State Meeting in Columbia.

"A librarian is part of a great machine that serves the public," said Arthur E. Bostwick, librarian of the St. Louis public library, at the opening session of the State Librarians' association in the auditorium of the Agricultural Building last night. "Unless there is great love for routine, work in a library will surely become monotonous."

"A library is like a factory. The factory manager can trace the raw material from the time it enters the factory until it comes out the finished product—he knows the profit or loss on it. Just so the librarian should know whether or not the books are a moral and mental gain to the public."

"The purpose of a library and librarian is to serve the public. When a library has its reputation once established, half of its service to the public is accomplished."

"There must be rules for a library and an important one is silence. The librarian should see that fewer books are soiled and torn."

About eighty-five librarians attended the opening session and several more arrived this morning. The Stephens College quartet and F. P. Palmer furnished the music last night. A reception to visiting librarians and citizens was given by the Columbia Literary club. In the receiving line were: Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Severance, A. E. Bostwick, Miss Florence Whittier, Dr. and Mrs. Willis H. Kerr, Mrs. Bessie Lee and Clarence Miller. Grape punch and water were served by Mrs. F. B. Mumford and Miss Edna D. Day.

Among the Librarians.

St. Louis has eighteen delegates from the Mercantile and Public Libraries. Miss May Simonds has been assistant in the Mercantile library fifteen years.

The banquet for the members of the association will be given at 7:15 o'clock tonight at the Athens hotel instead of the Gordon hotel, as was previously announced.

Miss Elizabeth Wales, secretary of the State Library board, is in attendance. "The social side of these meetings is almost as interesting as the business sessions," she said.

Only three men were among the fourteen delegates present yesterday afternoon. "We are not at all lonesome, even though we don't get much chance to talk," said one man.

Miss Mabel Reberds, of Drury College, Springfield; Miss Lydia E. Kinsley, of the Warrsburg State Normal school, and Miss Bessie S. Lee, of the Moberly public library, are present.

"As soon as we get a money, we hope to add your good university paper, the University Missourian, to our list of publications," said Mrs. Martha Clark, librarian of the Maryville Normal school. "Like the university, our appropriations this year were small." Miss Grace Langan also is from that library.

Athlete Heads County Club.

E. T. Steele was elected president of the Livingston County club of the University of Missouri yesterday afternoon. The other officers elected are: Vice-president, N. M. Chapman; secretary, Miss Gladys Grouse; treasurer, Delbert Arthaud; sergeant-at-arms, Clyde Beardoff. Mr. Steele is

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MASKED CARNIVAL FOR WOMEN ONLY

Academic Hall To Be Given Over to University Girls For "Stunts."

COSTUMES OF MANY KINDS

A Man Once Attended the Halloween Frolic and Was Suspended.

The women of the University of Missouri will have Academic Hall all to themselves tomorrow night. Both students and women of the faculty will take part in a masked frolic in which no provision has been made as to costumes except that no one is to dress as she does on ordinary occasions.

A few years ago, when the Halloween celebration took the form of a "Pike," a man attended in disguise. He was ejected by the women and was afterwards suspended from the university.

"Stunts" will be given in the auditorium and in the corridors—some funny, some pretty and some very much up to date. Among the organizations to be represented are Read Hall, the four sororities, the gymnastics classes and the Y. W. C. A. The girls' Mandolin club will furnish the music.

After the shows the actors will gather in the corridors with the other fun-makers and unmask. There will be fortune-telling booths in the halls and refreshments appropriate to Halloween will be served.

The Halloween frolic is under the auspices of the Y. W. C. A. and under the direct supervision of Miss Olive Shepard. Last year the stunt took the form of an old maids' convention, and all the shows were in harmony.

Y. M. C. A. DINNER TOMORROW

George T. Coxhead, of St. Louis, Is Among Speakers.

The Y. M. C. A. will give a dinner tomorrow at its building, at the north end of the campus, in honor of the visitors attending the dedication ceremonies of the new building. Walter Williams, dean of the School of Journalism, will be toastmaster. Toasts will be responded to as follows:



George T. Coxhead.

"What the University Expects of the Young Men's Christian Association," President A. Ross Hill; "What the State Expects of the Ministry," George T. Coxhead, of St. Louis; "Greetings," James H. Banks, of St. Louis; "The Association Record," J. S. Summers, of St. Louis; Henry Elliott, Jr.; "A Great Achievement," E. W. Stephens; "The University Man's Mission," by the Rev. W. C. Birney, of St. Louis.

A general reception will be held Monday night for the members of the faculty and their friends.

The Missouri School of Journalism is using money for the advancement of the cause of newspaperdom than all other state agencies combined.—Golden City Register.

A detailed account of the Missouri-Iowa football game will be announced tomorrow afternoon from the University Missourian Building at 1103 Broadway. It will be a running report of the game, giving each play from the start to the final whistle. The reports will be announced by megaphone from the front of the building. They will be earlier than the reports from the Missouri-Ames game, because of better telegraph facilities. The reports will be furnished by Herman Hecelke, a sophomore in the School of Journalism of the University of Missouri, who accompanied the Tigers to Iowa. He has been sending the daily accounts of the practice at Cedar Rapids printed in the University Missourian. The report given in the university auditorium last Saturday was sent by Mr. Hecelke to the Missourian.

HOW THE MISSOURIAN HELPS

Greatest Advertisement for U. of M. Writes School Superintendent.

Lebanon, Mo., Oct. 26, 1909.
No paper could be more thoroughly read than the University Missourian is by our high school pupils. Even outsiders come in to read it. We miss a good many numbers, which always creates a howl. I think the University Missourian is doing more to advertise the old college than any other one power. Long live the Missourian and may Lebanon continue to get every number.

Very truly,
E. E. FUNK,
Superintendent Lebanon Schools.

ON RURAL SCHOOLS

E. M. Carter Tells of Advance of Country Institutions in Missouri.

E. M. Carter, an alumnus of the University of Missouri and a native of Boone County, is representing the State Department of Education at the annual meeting of the Boone County Teachers' association, in session today and tomorrow in the university auditorium. He spoke this morning on rural graduation.

"Six years ago only eight counties of Missouri issued certificates to the pupils graduated from the rural schools," said Mr. Carter. "More than eighty counties issued such certificates last spring. I know of no better means to get the pupils interested in their school work when they arrive at a certain age in the country schools, than the annual uniform examination required before the certificates are issued. No county is ahead of Boone in the advancement made in this work."

Pupils from the Columbia public schools furnished the laboratory for showing the teachers how to conduct arithmetic classes. Miss Mary Deyarr had the first grade work, Miss Sallie Knelsley the second and third grades and Miss Josephine Mitchell illustrated the teaching of fractions.

SCHOOL FUND GETS \$29,226.

Inheritance Tax Levied on Big Kansas City Estate.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 29.—The collateral inheritance tax on the estate of the late Mrs. Mary S. Dickerson will amount to \$29,226, according to estimates made yesterday in the probate court after L. I. Vineyard, the appraiser, had filed his report. This tax goes to the fund out of which appropriations are made for the University of Missouri. John A. Kurtz, attorney for the university, said that if the amount is paid within six months there will be a discount of 5 per cent.

The personal property of the late Mrs. Dickerson, after all the debts were paid, amounts to \$149,658.38. The real estate is valued by the appraiser at \$68,476.82, all of which property is on long time leases, in which Mrs. Dickerson had the freehold interest. The total value of the estate is \$584,529.21, according to the appraiser's report. Five per cent of the total value goes to the collateral inheritance tax. Mrs. Dickerson left no will so far as diligent searches have disclosed.

NEWSPAPERS OF CALIFORNIA.

High Standard in Southern Part of State, Says J. P. Baumgartner.

"The citizenship of Southern California is made up in a large measure of the brightest and most progressive people of the East and Middle West," said J. P. Baumgartner, of Santa Ana, Cal., in an address to students in the School of Journalism of the University of Missouri today. "For this reason the standard of newspapers in Southern California is higher than that of other communities. Cities of the size of Columbia support two up-to-date dailies. Business men are liberal advertisers, for they have been brought to realize the value and necessity of publicity."

Mr. Baumgartner endorsed the purpose of the School of Journalism.

Classes of J. P. McBaine.

J. P. McBaine will take charge of the classes in the School of Law now taught by Judge John D. Lawson in Judge Lawson's absence. The Missouri man erred in stating that Mr. McBaine would take the classes of Judge E. W. Hinton. Judge Hinton will act as dean in Judge Lawson's absence, but will continue his own class work.

High school students in Columbia have organized the Fitch Dramatic club. These officers have been elected: President, Charles Matthews; vice president, Miss Helen Robnett; secretary and treasurer, E. Dysart. "The Kleptomaniac," a two-act playlet, will be presented by the club within the next few weeks.

TIGERS ARE DRILLED IN FORWARD PASS

New Plays Will Be Tried Against Hawkeyes in Tomorrow's Game.

PLAYERS ARE CONFIDENT

Shuck to Take Gove's Place and Anderson Will Be at Tackle.

By a Staff Correspondent.
CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Oct. 29.—On the eve of the Iowa battle, calm in the confidence that they will do credit to their Alma Mater, the Missouri Tigers are resting preparatory to leaving for Iowa City tomorrow morning.



John Clare, Right Half.

The coaches are making no predictions, but everyone here expects that the Hawkeyes will know that they have been in a football game by Saturday night.

The fear that Iowa might have a spy at Mt. Vernon caused a sudden change to be made in the coaches' plans. The proposed scrimmage with Cornell College was called off. Instead of going to Mt. Vernon the Tigers had another hard three hours' practice behind closed gates at the baseball park here.

For more than an hour the coaches drove the eleven men who have been selected to start the game through a fast signal practice—the fastest yet engaged in by the Tigers. The ragged edges were soon polished off, and when time was called the team was working together like a well oiled machine. It is practically certain, barring accidents or reversals of form, that the men who participated in this practice will start the game against the Hawkeyes.

Practice in Catching Punts.

While Coach Koper was drilling the second squad of backs and ends, the others spent the time catching and running back punts under the direction of Coach Layman. About an hour was spent in teaching the line men to make openings in the line and block opponents.

Several new plays were tried which will be used against Iowa. These plays which were failures against Ames have been revised to suit the Hawkeye defense. Special attention was paid to forward passing. Alexander at fullback shot the ball like a bullet to Idler and Shuck, who handled the oval in great style. If Missouri's passes fail in Iowa City it will not be because the Tigers have not had enough practice in this line.

While falling on the ball in practice at the ball park Wednesday afternoon, Thatcher hurt his side, which was bruised in the Ames game. The injury, while painful, is not expected to keep him out of the game. Hackney's injured ankle probably will prevent him from getting into the contest, though he may be put in at a critical period to exercise his drop kicking ability.

Johnson Won't Play.

Johnson will not be in the game, and Anderson will take his place at right tackle. Shuck will play instead of Gove, who is ineligible against the Hawkeyes under the Chicago Conference rules, which forbid graduates to play. Pixlee is running Shuck a close second for end honors, and may get into the game for a while.

The coaches have one fear—that the warmer weather at Columbia will cause a slump in the team's playing next week which will be felt in the

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