

400 AT OPENING OF FARMERS WEEK

Largest Crowd Yet at First Meeting, Says Dean F. B. Mumford.

U. OF M. BAND PLEASURES

Dean Jones Speaks for University--Advertises, William Hirth Urges.

A formal welcome was extended to the visitors for Farmers' Week in a very informal manner last night in the University auditorium. It was a large crowd, from all over Missouri, that faced the biting cold. Dean Mumford says it was the largest gathering yet assembled for the opening meeting. About 400 persons were there.

For half an hour the band played. "The Star Spangled Banner," "Dixie," and "Old Missouri" pleased the visitors, and they seemed to take little note how late the speakers were. Mayor W. S. St. Clair was unable to be present. President A. Ross Hill had been detained on a trip to the University of Michigan, and N. T. Gentry, president of the Commercial Club, was marooned in Centralia.

Dean Jones Speaks.

But the farmers were given a hearty welcome, nevertheless. The Rev. C. M. Aker opened the meeting with invocation. Prof. J. C. Jones, dean of the College of Arts and Science, spoke for the University in Doctor Hill's place.

"You are coming to your own place," said Dean Jones. "The University was founded, nourished and adorned by you." He said that their money was wisely invested. In increased crop production and better bred live stock due to investigations of the College of Agriculture, Missouri farmers have increased their income by \$1,500,000 a year, almost as much as they spend on the University in three years. But this is not the greatest work of the University. The efficiency of the university student is increased more than 200 per cent, and more than that, the speaker said, he is a leader in every field of human welfare, making human life safer, more useful and happier. Service is the ideal.

"Your gathering here," Dean Jones told the farmers, "is not only a source of pleasure to us; it is an inspiration."

Mr. Hirth's Welcome.

William Hirth welcomed the farmers on behalf of the Commercial Club. "Agriculture is our most important problem," Mr. Hirth said, "in order that every farmer may have a better home, that his children may have more of the good things of life, and that the country as a whole may be sustained."

He said it was the American farmer who stepped into the breach during our panic of 1907, with the corn, wheat, cotton and meat which the old world consumed, brought to American industry \$500,000,000, and saved the nation. Missouri farmers, he said, should advertise more. Kansas is advertised all over the country as a wheat state, yet last year Kansas produced only 20,000,000 bushels more wheat than Missouri, and we grow 150,000,000 bushels more corn than Kansas.

Prof. F. B. Mumford, dean of the College of Agriculture, told the farmers that the American people were the only people who had ever had enough to eat, and this has had much to do with our marvelous national development. But he said the new land is gone, and the American farmer must increase the production per acre or we will suffer famine. We must investigate, then, those fundamentals of soil fertility, for while production is increased profits must be increased.

Problems Up This Week.

All of those problems will be studied this week. "And most important of all," Dean Mumford said, "is our home-makers' conference. Home-making is vital to the farmer. We cannot always adapt theory to practice, but we can hope for the time when the farmer will not be so much at the mercy of insect pests, animal diseases and the seasons. We are glad to have you study these questions with us this week."

P. P. Lewis, president of the State Board of Agriculture, responded for the farmers to the addresses of welcome. He realized the responsibility

WARMER WEATHER AT LAST

Mercury, Says Weather Bureau, Will Climb Away From Zero Mark.

The forecast of the United States weather bureau until 7 o'clock tomorrow night is:

For Columbia—Generally fair tonight. Wednesday, increasing cloudiness; not so cold. The lowest temperature tonight will be 12 or more above zero. At Columbia, the highest temperature yesterday was 6, and the lowest last night was 2. On the same date last year the highest temperature was 47, and the lowest was 19.

For Missouri—Fair tonight, Wednesday, increasing cloudiness, and not so cold.

Shippers' forecast—Protect 36-hour shipments north against temperatures of zero, east 19, south 20, and west 15.

The temperatures today:

7 a. m.	2	11 a. m.	14
8 a. m.	6	12 noon	20
9 a. m.	6	1 p. m.	23
10 a. m.	11	2 p. m.	27

by upon farmers and assured Dean Mumford that the farmers would keep ahead of the demand for food supply—that there would be no famine in America.

Members of the State Board of Agriculture and State Board of Horticulture were seated on the platform.

All Sorts of Meetings.

Beginning today and continuing through Friday class rooms and laboratories are open to the farmers. Each hour from 8:30 o'clock in the morning until 3 o'clock in the afternoon six different meetings are held on animal husbandry, soils and farm crops, farm management, poultry farming, horticulture and dairying. This is done so that the farmers may concentrate their attention on what they are most interested in. From 3 to 6 o'clock each afternoon various state associations will hold meetings. Beginning at 7:30 o'clock night sessions for all will be held in the University auditorium.

Handsome badges have been furnished by the Columbia Commercial Club and these may be had by all who register at the information bureau, Room 112, Agricultural Building.

PALMYRA CORN WINS

R. E. Powell Captures Sweepstakes From 500 Entries at State Show.

Prizes in the Missouri State Corn show were awarded last night. There were about 50 entries.

The premiums amounted to nearly \$3,500 in cash and farming implements, and five silver loving cups. Among the latter one valued at \$200 was won by R. E. Powell of Palmyra, Mo., for the grand champion ten ears of corn. The four other cups were won by J. M. Douglass, Shelbina, Mo., for the best corn display in the young men's class; H. R. Scott, Tarkio, for best ear of Reid's Yellow Dent; Harvey Jordan, Shelbina, Mo., for the best ten ears in the boys' class; and E. J. Mahoney, Dexter, for the best ten ears of Boone County white corn.

There were ten premiums in each of the men's classes. The first prizes were valued at \$50 each. Most of the prizes were in farming machinery. The entries were classed according to the section of the state they were sent from, the kind of corn entered, and into men's, young men's and boys' classes. A prize for the best peck of wheat was also given. It was awarded to Louis H. Benney of St. Charles, Mo.

The first prizes for corn were as follows: Northwest section, H. R. Scott of Tarkio, yellow corn, and the Whitten Hardware Company of Trenton the prize for white corn; Northeast section, white corn, R. E. Powell, Palmyra, yellow corn, Ora Bennett, Browning; Central section, white corn, J. E. Mattheyney, Miami, yellow corn, H. E. Leach, Shannonville; Southwest section, white corn, F. M. McCroskey, Springfield, yellow corn, Charles Wilhite, Sheldon; Southeast section, white corn, E. J. Mahoney, Dexter, yellow corn, H. C. Hensley Jackson.

In the twenty-car classes J. E. Mattheyney of Miami won the first prize for white corn and J. G. Douglass of Shelbina had the best yellow corn. The sweepstakes for the best white corn of the show was won by R. E. Powell of Palmyra, and the same prize in the yellow corn went to Ora Bennett of Browning.

AN OMITTED WORD DISMISSES A CASE

"Columbia" was Left out of the Information Against J. G. Williams.

OTHERS DISCHARGED TOO

Night Session Held Yesterday to Try Local Option Cases.

The word "Columbia" saved "Jim" Williams, a negro barber, from—well, at least a trial in the circuit court this morning. After spending half of the morning on the case a technical point in the information filed by the prosecuting attorney caused the judge to dismiss the defendant.

The information against Williams read in "Boone County, State of Missouri," and omitted the word Columbia.

"The law on this offense is the same as the local option law," said Acting Judge Hampton Rowwell, before whom the case was tried. "It applies only in towns that have a population of over 2,500. I therefore declare the defendant discharged."

Williams was charged with employing a barber in his shop who did not have a state license. A trial in a justice court resulted in a verdict against Williams, and he had appealed to the circuit court.

The next case also resulted in a dismissal of the defendants. Point and Tyson were being prosecuted by the state charged with violating of the local option law. W. E. Creasey was the prosecuting witness. After the jury had been sworn in and the relatives of the two defendants had been taken from the jury box and new men were submitted the court instructed E. C. Anderson, prosecuting attorney, to bring in the prosecuting witness. However, after a talk with Mr. Creasey the prosecuting returned and reported to the court "that Mr. Creasey said that the grand jury has misunderstood him and that he not appear as a prosecuting witness."

The jury was instructive by the judge to sign a verdict of not guilty in the case of John W. Berry charged with selling liquor without license.

A night session was held by the court last night.

In the case against Henry Seymour charged with violation of the local option law the defendant was fined \$300. The fine was stayed till the April term of court.

HUNTER TO BUSINESS MEN

Assembly Speaker Will Also Address Commercial Club.

Col. William C. Hunter has accepted the invitation of the Commercial Club to speak at its regular weekly luncheon at the Virginia Grill at 12 o'clock Thursday. He will present ideas on the development of Columbia and how best to advertise its good qualities as a residence and commercial town.

On the same morning Colonel Hunter will deliver the first of the talks to be given by noted business men at the University assembly. His subject will be, "Modern Business and the Young Man," with special reference to the University trained young man. At 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon, he will address students of the School of Journalism in Switzer Hall.

THORNTON B. KEMPER IS DEAD

Kentuckian Lived Here With Niece, Mrs. Turner McBaine.

Thornton Buckler Kemper died at 1:30 o'clock this morning at the home of his niece, Mrs. Turner McBaine at 206 College avenue. Mr. Kemper has lived with his niece for the last two years. He came here from Danville, Ky., where he was born and had lived until he came to Missouri.

The funeral services will be held at Mrs. McBaine's home at 10:30 o'clock tomorrow morning. The body will be placed temporarily in a vault in the city, and as soon as the weather moderates will be taken to Danville for burial in the family cemetery. This cemetery is eight miles from Danville and the new roads now are almost impassable. Mr. Kemper was 82 years old.

FORTY WOMEN ATE \$1.65 LUNCHEON

Kirkville Girl's Club Puts Skids Under "High Cost of Living."

THE HOME-MAKERS CONFER

Women Learn Kitchen Economy, Care of Sick and Bed-Making at Session.

How to give a luncheon for forty people at a cost of \$1.65 giving them chicken bouillon, chicken salad, pickles, beaten biscuit, and pumpkin pie was explained this morning in a report from the Girls' Home Economics Club at Kirkville, Mo., in the opening session to the Missouri Home-Makers' Conference this morning at the Gordon Hotel Building.

The Kirkville Club, according to Miss Alice Kinney, president of the conference, offers a prize for the one who can give a luncheon to the forty club members for less than \$3. The woman who won the prize the first year gave it at a cost of only \$1.65. She used one chicken, making the bouillon first, then the salad. She also had beaten biscuit, pickles and pumpkin pie.

About twenty women attended the opening session of the conference. The meeting was more of a personal conference than a public meeting. Various subjects were discussed by Miss Kinney of New Franklin, Mo., in her first address of the week.

Among other things, she said that women have more power now than they would have if they could vote. Through their influence they can bring about most any improvement in a community. She also believes that women should interest themselves in having studies introduced into the public schools that will interest children in the farm so they will stay on the farm.

Miss Dora Batson of the Parker Memorial Hospital gave a practical illustration of how to bathe a patient, how to change the bedding and make the bed.

Miss Kinney told of some of the home economics clubs over the state and their work. Among them was the Moberly Club of twenty-six members, which gave a dinner in the interest of good roads, "that wasn't an autumn leaf and peanut affair."

Two M. U. Anniversaries

Today is the twentieth anniversary of the burning of the old University. It was Saturday night, January 9, 1892. The Athenaeum Literary Society was giving an entertainment in the auditorium and some of the audience had assembled when a chandelier fell to the floor, barely missing the heads of several persons. This was the first indication of the fire. It had started between the ceiling of the auditorium and the floor of the library which was above the auditorium.

Today is the twenty-fourth anniversary of the death of Major James Sidney Rollins, known as the Father of the University of Missouri. For more than fifty years Major Rollins filled a conspicuous place in the history of Missouri. He devoted a life of service to the development of her industries, the education of her people, and the building up of the state itself. Because of his love for his fellow-men, Missouri owes the prosperity of the great University which is the center of her educational system.

Major Rollins was a member of the General Assembly sixteen years; twice a candidate for governor, and twice a member of Congress. He was born at Richmond, Ky., April 19, 1812. He came to Missouri when a young man, immediately identified himself with public affairs.

The location and growth of the University of Missouri and Agricultural College, and most of the legislation tending to its advancement, stand as the most fitting monument to his memory. He is buried in Columbia cemetery.

Students Act as Guides.

The junior and senior students in agriculture have agreed to act as guides for the visiting farmers here this week. They will assist the visitors in finding lecture rooms, offices and places of interest around the college. Each student will wear a badge bearing the word "Guide."

LODGE TO INSTALL OFFICERS

Ceremonies by I. O. O. F. and Rebekahs Here Tonight.

A joint installation of officers in the lodges of the I. O. O. F. and the Athens Rebekah will be held in the Odd Fellows' Hall at 7:30 o'clock tonight. The officers of the I. O. O. F. to be installed are: Noble Grand, D. P. Feely; vice grand, Oscar McNear; corresponding secretary, M. G. Procter; financial secretary, M. W. Coffey.

For the Rebekah Lodge the officers to be installed are: Noble Grand, Mrs. George Spencer; vice grand, Mrs. Sam Z. Reid; recording secretary, Mrs. Thomas Ficklin; corresponding secretary Miss Ethel Reid. The Triple Link a student club organization of the University of Missouri will be the guests.

FOR A LABOR BUREAU HERE

Cold Spell Showed the Need for One, Says H. E. Birdsong.

The Columbia Charity Organization Society will establish a labor bureau, according to H. E. Birdsong, the agent of the organization. The city does not support a labor bureau and with the co-operation of some of the city officials an employment bureau would be successful.

"The necessity of having a labor bureau in Columbia," said Mr. Birdsong today, "was shown during the recent cold weather." We had many calls from people who were willing to do any kind of work.

The instalment of the bureau will be determined at the next meeting of the organization.

TALKED TOO MUCH

George Perkins Fined \$100 for Violating Grand Jury Oath.

George Perkins, of Columbia, was fined \$100 yesterday for violating his oath before the Grand Jury. He was summoned before the jury October 2 to testify concerning the illegal sale of liquor here. The evidence showed that Perkins together with C. H. Weaver and Jack Thorpe bought whisky at Wood's pharmacy, September 26, which they drank at State's Pool Hall. Perkins after testifying before the Grand Jury warned both Weaver and Thorpe that they would also be summoned and told them what was the nature of the questions they would be asked.

MISS MITCHELL RE-ELECTED

The Women Farmers of Missouri Meet Again.

Miss Pearl Mitchell of Columbia was re-elected president of the Missouri Women's Farmer Club at their second annual meeting last night at the Gordon Hotel Building. Mrs. R. B. D. Simonson of Jefferson City was elected vice-president. Miss Maude Griffith, secretary. Miss Blue, of Mount Rose, Mo., Miss Alice Kinney of New Franklin, Mo., and Miss Mabel Miller of Osceola, Mo., members of the executive board.

Miss Griffith in her talk on "Managing a Large Farm and Raising English Bluegrass" brought out many ideas on raising the bluegrass, from her personal experiences. She lives in Henry County, which county, in connection with St. Charles County has been the most interested in raising it.

Mrs. Simonson spoke on "Experimental Farming," illustrating her talk with a diagram of her farm. The College of Agriculture uses her farm as a model. Miss Mitchell, the president in her speech defended the woman farmer from the charge of neglecting home duties for business. Talks were also made by Miss Blue, Miss Kinney, and Mrs. Rosa Ingels of Columbia.

The Women's Farmer Club is offering a prize for the student in the women's short course that makes the highest grade this year.

Labels to Guide Farmers.

As if the College of Agriculture itself were on exhibition, labels have been placed on the different buildings. In the Agricultural Building are signs pointing out the rooms and laboratories. The walls of the hall on the second floor are covered with charts and pictures which tell of accomplishments of the college.

The Rev. Aker to Speak Tonight.

The Rev. C. M. Aker, pastor of the Methodist Church, will speak to the students of the Bible College of Missouri tonight on "What the Methodist Church Has Contributed to the World."

CITY STORE PRICES MAY BE MET HERE

Columbia Merchant Offers to Duplicate Out-of-Town Bargains.

IN REPLY TO CRITICISM

"Square Deal" Will Keep Trade at Home, Says Writer to Missourian.

Editor of the Missourian:—We wonder if Columbia merchants realize that some of the most intelligent and conscientious citizens are numbered among those who are sending out of town for supplies. They are not people who are lured by fine catalogues, neither are they people who are so stupid as to pay more for some articles outside of town than they would be obliged to pay here.

Most of them conscientiously compare prices and consider freight and drayage before sending away, and then usually send for such articles as can be bought considerably cheaper or fresher than here.

As long as merchants charge such high prices for some staples, the people will, out of exasperation, send elsewhere, and if they include in their lists a few articles which could be bought for the same prices here, they are not to be blamed.

This buy-in-Columbia campaign will benefit the mail order houses more than the home merchants. Fair-minded citizens who have had abundant opportunities to compare prices, object to being informed that they don't know what they are about.

That so many Columbia women, who formerly ordered out of town, are now buying all of their ready-made clothing here, shows that they are quick to take advantage of their opportunities. We very much appreciate the excellent line of women's wearing apparel now being carried here.

Instead of branding all those who order elsewhere as thoughtless persons, it would be well for the merchants to ascertain from their best customers, what are the principal articles being bought out of town. By lowering the prices of these articles, and advertising such reduction, large orders would be saved to Columbia merchants.

Give the consumer a square deal and he will buy at home.

From a citizen who PREFERS to buy at home.

The above article was received by The Missourian with the request that it be published and the statement that the author believed that merchants are harming themselves in the attitude they are taking towards buyers.

The Merchants' Side of It.

"I don't believe that fresher goods or cheaper prices can be obtained out of town, if parallel cases are taken," said one Columbia merchant when he saw the letter. "I can only speak for my store, but I will say that if the same quantity and the same quality of goods are ordered and a cash payment in full is made as is required by out of town merchants, we will duplicate or beat the price on them. I believe nearly every reputable store in town will make the same offer.

"People that order out of town order in large quantities and there is no delivery cost to the merchant. We run four delivery wagons and make perhaps forty to fifty trips for the amount of one out-of-town order. If people ordered in as large quantities in town we could deliver all in perhaps one or two trips. The prices of one merchant will vary from those of another on one or two articles, but the bills will be practically the same when totals are considered."

"Sight-Usen" Buying.

"People should feel that they are helping themselves by trading in their own towns, for it means eventually larger stores and larger stock," said another merchant. "While there are some few things that we do not carry at present we are always ready to order them and sell at a very reasonable profit. If prices are compared on the same class of goods out-of-town prices will be no cheaper. The trouble with out-of-town buying is that one can never tell exactly what one is getting. They wouldn't say anything about it

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