

FRANCHISE RENEWED FOR ELECTRIC ROAD

Council Extends Time Another Year for Mexico, Perry and Santa Fe.

REPEAL LICENSE BILL

But Collector Will Investigate Merchants Who Do Not Pay Tax.

Again the City Council has renewed the franchise for the Mexico, Perry and Santa Fe Electric Railroad Company. This time it is for a year, dating from January 1, 1913. At the meeting of the council two weeks ago a representative of the company asked for only a six-months' extension, but at the regular meeting last night the members thought it best to make the new extension for a year.

The franchise, as renewed, does not allow the railroad to cross Broadway. It was originally intended to have the line on Cherry street, but owing to opposition of the property owners on that street this part of the franchise was thrown out.

Get Through in a Hurry.

The meeting of the council last night was one of the shortest regular sessions on record. The cold weather kept away visitors who usually attend in order to bring matters before the council. Three of the councilmen were absent.

The ordinance was repeated that required real estate and loan agencies, and fire and cyclone insurance companies to pay licenses. This was the result of a motion that was carried at the last meeting.

Bills to the amount of \$2,521.48 were ordered paid from the water and light fund.

The committee that has been investigating the proposed acceptance of land from H. G. Kohlbusch on which to build a sidewalk was given more time to make a report. The council ordered the clerk to refund some money to C. B. Miller and Frank Bahr because of over-taxation on certain city lots.

More Lights Ordered.

Gradually Columbia is being better lighted. The council ordered two new lights installed. One will be at Fay and Barnett streets and the other at Third street and Third avenue. A new crossing will be built on Hinkson avenue at the intersection with McAlester street.

Members of the council say that the city loses much money each year by the failure to collect license fees due from merchants. During the year many grocery stores sell fresh meat and do not pay a butcher's license. The city collector was ordered to investigate all cases where license should be collected. If they are not paid he will report to the city marshal.

HOW TO STRENGTHEN IRON

Prof. H. Wade Hibbard Discusses Use of Carbon.

"A square inch of common iron will bear a weight of 45,000 pounds," according to Prof. H. Wade Hibbard in his lecture to the class in automobile engineering. If we add 1 per cent of carbon to this iron it will bear a weight of 120,000 pounds and if we add 1.2 per cent of carbon it will bear a weight of 140,000 pounds. The effect of carbon upon iron in this regard is almost unbelievable. "In the nickel treatment of iron we must be careful not to add too much nickel or the iron will become brittle and may be powdered like glass. If we took a teaspoonful of medicine and felt a little better, we wouldn't take a teacup full and expect to feel entirely well. The same is true of the nickel treatment of iron."

FOR ST. PATRICK'S DAY PLANS

Engineers Select a Board to Arrange This Year's Stunt.

The students in the School of Engineering have elected a board of six members to plan for St. Patrick's Day. The pre-engineers and the different classes will also elect members to act as an advisory board, but those elected by the school have the final say in what will and what will not be done. The members already elected are E. E. Armstrong, C. F. Craig, C. A. D. Dieter, A. E. Pierce and H. E. Thompson.

"MORE RAIN" IS THE DECREE

Wet Weather Is All That United States Bureau Can See Ahead. Don't put away your rubbers. Here is the weather forecast for tonight and tomorrow, as served up by the United States Weather Bureau: "Rain tonight and Thursday; warmer tonight." The temperatures: 7 a. m. 23 11 a. m. 33 8 a. m. 26 12 (noon) 34 9 a. m. 27 1 p. m. 35 10 a. m. 31 2 p. m. 35

GIVES MUSICAL FOR CLASS

Dr. R. L. Ramsay Entertains Students in Literature at His Home. Dr. R. L. Ramsay's class in "Recent and Current Literature" was entertained last night at his home, 25 Allen Place, with a special musical program. The class has been studying the works of Thomas Hardy, A. E. Housman and Rudyard Kipling, and selections of their poems for which music has been written were sung by Mrs. Ramsay and H. M. Burrows. Miss Myrtle McDougal was accompanist. The program follows: "When Spring Comes Laughing," "Love Comes Back to His Vacant Dwelling" (Austin Dobson) by Mrs. Ramsay; "Loveliest of Trees the Cherry Now" (Housman), by Mrs. Ramsay; "Into My Heart an Air That Glides" (Housman), by Mr. Burrows; "On the Idle Hill of Summer" (Housman), by Mr. Burrows; "When I Was One and Twenty," "White in the Moon the Long Road Lies" (Housman), Mrs. Ramsay; "There Pass the Careless People" (Housman), by Mr. Burrows; "Bredon Hill" (Housman), by Mrs. Ramsay; "The Gypsy Trail," "The Recessional" (Kipling), by Mr. Burrows.

TO SUCCEED SWANGER

J. T. Mitchell Is Governor Major's Choice for Bank Commissioner.

John T. Mitchell, 906 University avenue, this city, president of the Bank of Centralia, was this afternoon appointed State Bank Commissioner by Governor Major. Mr. Mitchell succeeds John E. Swanger, whose term expires February 1.

The term of the bank commissioner is four years and the salary \$3,500 a year. The commissioner has a deputy and seven examiners. The banking department of which he is head is in Jefferson City.

He was not an applicant for the appointment.

WRESTLING FRIDAY NIGHT, TOO

Boat Scheduled Between Halves of Basketball Game.

Those who attend the basketball game with the Kansas Aggies Friday night will have a chance also to see a wrestling match. A ten-minute match will be put on between the halves of the ball game. Benjamin Dawson and Horace Weltmer, two of the best men in the wrestling class, will try their strength. Each man weighs about 145 pounds. Dawson, who is a freshman, won the inter-scholastic high school wrestling championship of Kansas City last year. Weltmer has had much experience.

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Report of Auditors on City Books Will Be Discussed.

The City Council will hold an adjourned meeting Friday night. The report submitted by the men who investigated the books of the city will be discussed. The finance committee has already accepted the report. This meeting will be merely to explain all the details to the whole council.

No Assembly Tomorrow.

There will be no Assembly program tomorrow morning. Hugh L. Cooper, vice-president and chief engineer of the Mississippi River Power Company, is unable to reach Columbia tomorrow morning. He will give his lecture on the Keokuk dam in the University Auditorium tomorrow night.

Judge M. A. Romjue Visits Here.

M. A. Romjue of Macon, judge of the probate court, was a visitor at the University today. Mr. Romjue was graduated from the College of Law in 1904.

License Issued to Hartsburg Couple.

A marriage license was issued to Oscar Julian Pauley and Miss Laura E. Nichols this morning. Both live at Hartsburg.

COMMITTEE REPORT URGES NEW LIBRARY

General Assembly Asked to Give \$200,000 for the Building.

SOME FOR ROLLA, TOO

Total Appropriation of More Than a Million Is Recommended.

A new library building to cost \$200,000 is urged for the University of Missouri by the legislative committee of the General Assembly in its report to that body. The committee is composed of T. J. Lysaght, Ambrose W. Teel and A. A. Vitt.

According to a Kansas City paper the following is contained in the report regarding the University:

"The first institution discussed is the University of Missouri at Columbia. A new library building to cost \$200,000 is urged. A proposed new biology building to cost \$100,000 is opposed. Payment of tax bills aggregating \$20,000 is demanded. An increase in the maintenance is opposed. A total appropriation of \$1,294,165.23 is asked. For the State Historical Society at Columbia \$11,680 is asked."

Concerning the School of Mines at Rolla the following is reported:

"A request by the board for a new building for the Missouri School of Mines and Metallurgy at Rolla is refused by the committee. An appropriation of \$131,500 is asked. For the bureau of geology and mines at the same place, \$69,100 is recommended."

The committee urges that all the eleemosynary, educational and penal institutions of the state be kept free from politics.

TO SERVE CHICKEN NEXT YEAR

Already Plans Are Being Made for 1914 Farmers' Dinner.

Preparations for a banquet are now being made in Columbia a year in advance. The chief delicacy for the banquet Farmers' Week next year is being prepared at the poultry department of the College of Agriculture. Instead of a prize beef the meat used next year will be roast capon.

The chickens are now being hatched and will be especially fed and cared for in anticipation of the dinner next year.

"The prize beef had such a great favor this year," said Stanley Sisson, manager of the University Dining Club, "that it has been decided to give something even more choice next year."

THREE WELLS FOR CITY WATER

Almost One-Half Million Gallons Used in Columbia Daily.

Columbia uses approximately 163,890,000 gallons of water a year. The consumption yesterday was 444,000 gallons, which approximates the average daily consumption of 449,000 gallons. The water is pumped from three wells. One of these is 830 feet deep and the others are each 900 feet deep.

M. T. Fawks, head engineer at the pumping station, says the low pressure at fires is not due to a poor plant, but is caused by weak water mains and weak fire hose. The pumps at the plant will furnish a pressure of 180 pounds. This, Mr. Fawks says, will burst many of the mains and the fire hose.

CURRENT EVENTS THEIR THEME

Tuesday Club Members Give Impromptu Speeches at Meeting.

Short talks on current events were given as responses at the meeting of the Tuesday Club yesterday. There was no regular program. Mrs. L. W. St. Clair-Moss told of women workers in New York. Mrs. Marian Hertig gave several readings and Miss Mary Rogers spoke on the need of girls' dormitories.

Meeting of German Club Last Night.

German conversation and reading was the program of the German Club last night at its meeting in the women's parlor. The club will not meet again until the second semester. The German Club meets the first and second Tuesdays of each month to promote the use of the German language.

TO ESTABLISH SHORT COURSE FOR NURSES

School of Medicine to Open Laboratories to Women of the State.

START OCTOBER 1, 1914

Will Last Six Months—100 Pupils Expected to Attend.

A short preliminary course in nurse training is to be established here in connection with the School of Medicine about the first of next October. The introduction of the new course was approved by the University Board of Curators at their last meeting. The course, which will last six months, corresponding to the short course given by the College of Agriculture, will be under the supervision of Dr. C. M. Jackson, dean of the School of Medicine.

"The purpose of the course," said Dr. Guy L. Noyes this morning, "is to open to the nurse pupils of the state the abundant laboratory facilities offered by the University. There are forty training schools in the state and all are inadequately equipped when compared with the opportunities offered here in the way of laboratory equipment."

"The Missouri State Board for the Examination of Nurses has approved the establishment of the course here and has agreed to allow the pupil full credit for the preliminary work done here. The plan is to admit pupils from any training school in the state and at the close of the course the pupil may continue here or go to some other school as she may prefer.

The University of Missouri is the first to adopt such a plan. In fact most universities do not care to open their laboratories to pupils who have the privilege of leaving at the end of six months and finishing in some other training school.

The new course will be under the direction of Miss Frances Shouse and it is expected to bring in as teachers women who are graduate nurses. Heretofore only about twelve nurses have been kept here because that is about the number needed, but next year it is expected that at least 100 women from over the state will take advantage of the new short course offer.

"Eventually," said Doctor Noyes, "we expect the course to attract large numbers to the University and it may become as popular as the short course in agriculture."

"IN SUNNY FRANCE" PLEASURES

Christian College Auditorium Filled to Enjoy Musical Comedy Last Night.

"In Sunny France," a musical comedy, was presented by the Mary Arden Club of Christian College last night. Nearly every seat in the auditorium was occupied. The play was under the direction of Miss Harriet Jean Trappe assisted by Miss Helen Grove. The comedy was in two acts, and the plot was laid around the adventures of three runaway American school girls in France. The songs and dances were well received.

The principals in the production were: Blanch Osborn, Elizabeth Gibbons, Pauline Moore, Helen Adams, Helen Grove, Serena Atchison, Leela Walker, Aldeah Wise and Frances Fallis.

The peasant chorus included: Virginia Bruton, Pauline White, Maybelle Robertson, Dorothy McKown, Rhea Welsh, Golden Etter, Mary Lee, Helen Adams, Harriet Palmer, Helen Toeves, Cecile Cobb, Dena Barton, Mary Parr, and Frances Fallis. The boy and girl chorus included: Louise Miller, Claire Wright, Alberta Knappenberger, Mildred Barron, Callie Jo Douglas, Ruth Ann Parks, Irene Cook, Mary Morris, Mary Clark, John Davis, Elvira Mills and Mae Douglas.

The physical culture drill included Frances Fallis, Mary Parr, Pauline White, Marian Robinson, Golden Etter, Kathryn Davidson and Elizabeth Plunkett.

The Christian College chorus included: Portia Penwell, Mildred Thayer, Katherine Knox, Irene Reckhart, Edwina Somers, Julia Brower, Leah Brown, Rosa Brown, Sara Yancey, Mary Coombs, Ruth Cabbell, Lois Cabbell, Anne Hickman, Ila Moore, Sara Vivion, Brazelia Dunn, and Lillian Dunn.

THREE BOYS TO EDIT PAPER

The Columbia Boomer Will Be the Name of the New Publication.

Columbia's newest newspaper is The Columbia Boomer, the first issue of which is scheduled to appear this week. The promoters, editors and publishers of this paper are Darrell Parker, John Sylvester, and Leland Blackwood, three boys in the grades. Darrell is the son of E. C. Parker, 1807 University avenue; John's father is O. M. Sylvester, 719 Missouri avenue. The two boys are carriers of the Kansas City Star, and it is in this way the boys became interested in journalism, while perhaps Leland received his journalistic inspiration from watching his grandfather, J. B. Mundy of the Columbia Statesman.

The boys have their press and type now at John Sylvester's house and are making up their subscription list. Five cents a month is the rate. This has to be paid in advance, the solicitors explain, because paper and other stock have to be bought by the new company before the first issue and of course they are going to pay cash as they go.

The size of the newspaper has not been decided yet but the editors say that it will be "about this long and about that wide," which means, if you notice the dimensions indicated by their hands, that the paper will be about 8 inches long and 6 inches wide. There will probably be four, six or eight pages but this and other unimportant details such as the number of columns have not been worked out carefully by the editors yet.

Benjamin Franklin himself was not more versatile in all lines of newspaper work than Darrell, John and Leland intend to be. Each one of these publishers will help in setting type, running the press, delivering papers, soliciting subscriptions and writing the news.

"What are you going to have in your paper?"

"Well, we're going to have some good news, some jokes, and incidentally boom Columbia," one of the editors replied.

They will carry advertisements, they say. Rates for advertising space have not been established yet, for the publishers had not thought of that matter until some bothersome grown-up suggested the difficulty.

TO REPEAL RISK TAX

Levy on Insurance Policies to Be Removed When Ordinance is Annulled.

John S. Bicknell, city clerk, received a letter today from H. M. Hess, chairman of the Missouri Actuarial Bureau at St. Louis, saying that as soon as information is received by the bureau to the effect that the tax imposed by the City Council on fire insurance companies has been repealed, the tax charge will be removed from insurance risks located inside the city limits.

On grounds that the property owners themselves are the ones that pay finally for the tax on insurance companies, the council at its meeting last night removed the tax. The Actuarial Bureau now expresses willingness to remove the extra charge on policies as soon as they are notified that final action is taken by the council.

MacKAY IS EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Will Direct Publication to Be Issued By Writers' Club.

H. J. MacKay was chosen editor-in-chief of the periodical to be published by the Writers' Club at a meeting of the board of editors recently. Contributions for the first issue of the publication should be dropped in Dr. J. W. Rankin's box in Room 36-A, Academic Hall, not later than 12 o'clock February 1.

H. K. Pofdexter, treasurer of the club, will be in Room 36-A, Academic Hall, Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 10:30 to 11:30 o'clock to receive dues from the members who have not paid.

Silver Tea for King's Daughters.

The Kate Thompson Circle of The King's Daughters will give a silver tea at the home of Mrs. George B. Dorsey, 412 College avenue, from 3 to 6 o'clock Saturday.

Club Luncheon Friday.

The Commercial Club weekly luncheon has been postponed until Friday. H. L. Cooper, who lectures on the Keokuk dam tomorrow night, at the University Auditorium, may talk at the luncheon.

THREE LEAP FROM FLAME-SWEPT HOME

Students Jump From Second Story, Two Landing in a Tree.

NO ONE IS INJURED

Mrs. Everett McCrary Drops Coal-Oil Lamp, Causing Fire at 3 a. m.

When Mrs. Everett McCrary dropped a lighted lamp at 3 o'clock this morning she started a fire which destroyed her home at 4 College avenue. Only little furniture was saved. Three University students saved themselves by jumping from the second-story windows.

Mrs. McCrary, suffering from toothache, had gone with a coal-oil lamp to a closet to look for medicine. While standing on a chair she dropped the lamp. It broke, throwing the oil over clothing. M. L. Griffith, a roomer, heard the screams of Mrs. McCrary. He rushed to the closet and threw water on the fire. The water, mixed with the kerosene, fed the fire and it spread rapidly.

R. C. Journey jumped from the back second-story window after throwing his trunk out. L. G. Collier and G. C. Taylor jumped from the front second-story window into a tree. Mr. and Mrs. Griffith, who were rooming on the first floor, saved most of their clothing and a little furniture. Two small children of Mrs. McCrary were taken out early by their mother. A little bed clothing was saved.

The fire department was unable to do anything toward saving the house, but kept the homes of C. C. Howard and E. E. Vannatta on either side from burning. Chief Newman said that the pressure was too low to use more than one hose and that it had to be alternated from one house to the other. He said that it was only with great difficulty that the houses on either side were saved.

Chief Newman said he fell on the sidewalk and was saved from severe injury only by the fact that his tobacco can was in its usual place.

The house was owned by H. L. Wilson and was insured for \$2,000. Mr. Wilson estimates his loss at \$1,500.

Mr. McCrary had gone to Fayette to visit a sister who is ill. A telephone message was sent to him and he is expected here today. Mrs. McCrary and her two children stayed today at the home of Dr. and Mrs. A. W. Kampschmidt.

M. U. LIBRARY GROWS RAPIDLY

8,204 Volumes Added in 1912—Total Now 119,020 Volumes.

In 1912, 8,204 volumes were added to the University Library. This is the largest addition made in any year since 1907, when 9,013 were added. In 1908, 7,218 accessions were made; in 1909, 7,569; in 1910, 7,734 and in 1911, 7,738.

The library now contains 119,020 volumes and 20,500 pamphlets. This does not include 3,000 volumes given to the library by former Senator F. M. Cockrell. There is not shelf room in the library for the books which Senator Cockrell gave, and they are piled on the floor in the basement of Academic Hall.

IT'S COLD EVEN IN MEXICO

Former Boone County Man Tells of Severe Winter in Southwest.

Theodore Kohlbusch of Lamont, Okla., is visiting his brother, H. G. Kohlbusch, this week. Before going to Lamont, Mr. Kohlbusch was in business at Hartsburg. According to him, the Southwest, especially the Panhandle country of Texas, is experiencing extreme cold weather this winter. The cold extends almost to the border of Mexico. The winter in Oklahoma so far, however, has been mild.

PRISON LIKE HOME TO HIM

Nat Scott, a Negro, Makes Another Trip to State Prison.

George McQuitty and Nat Scott, negroes, were taken to the penitentiary at Jefferson City this morning by Sheriff B. G. Sapp. McQuitty was convicted of forgery and sentenced to ten years. Scott was given a three-year's sentence for breaking into a store. Scott should feel at home in the penitentiary for he has been there four or five times before.