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A MISSOURI HALL OF FAME. Before the dedication of the new Missouri capitol building, there was some discussion as to the desirability of a Missouri "Westminster Abbey" at Jefferson City.

A Missouri Hall of Fame, such as that suggested, would have at least two manifest advantages. Aside from paying a fitting tribute to the dead, it would aid in correcting the existing ignorance regarding state history.

Though the history of the state covers a period of less than a hundred years, Missouri has furnished at least half a dozen men of national importance. Some years ago New York University conducted a popular voting contest for the purpose of selecting names for a national hall of fame.

Any list of the fifteen greatest names in Missouri history probably would include at least a few of the following names, which represent as far as possible the various lines of endeavor in the state:

Thomas H. Benton, statesman; David R. Atchison, lawyer and legislator; Daniel Boone, explorer and frontiersman; B. Gratz Brown, military leader and politician; T. T. Crittenden, lawyer and diplomat; Samuel I. Clemens, humorist; A. W. Doniphan, military leader; James B. Eads, civil engineer; Francis P. Blair, Jr., military leader; Eugene Field, poet and journalist; Sterling Price, military leader; Carl Schurz, editor and legislator; Lewis F. Linn, legislator and physician; George G. Vest, statesman; George C. Bingham, artist.

In this list at least two—Benton and Vest—have ranked as orators with Clay, Calhoun and Webster. As military leaders Price and Doniphan are almost as well known as Stonewall Jackson and Albert Sidney Johnston. Two others, Brown and Blair, were vice-presidential nominees. Crittenden was consul to Mexico under Cleveland, and Atchison was president of the United States for one day, pending the inauguration of Zachary Taylor. Atchison was the only Missourian to whom that honor has come.

It would be interesting to know the sentiment of the state as to the fifteen greatest Missourians. The establishment of a Missouri Hall of Fame and the selection of the names by popular vote should bring about good results. It would arouse state pride and at the same time stimulate an interest in state history and the achievements of Missourians.

The salary of Charles E. Schaff, receiver of the M., K. & T. railway, has been fixed at \$25,000 a year. At the rate railroad receivers are being appointed and being given big salaries, why not establish a School of Receivership in connection with the University?

THE MISSOURI BANANA

A year ago there was no such thing as a Missouri banana. Today what a different story! We not only have such a fruit in Missouri, but it spreads into other states and holds a place of honor among the exposition exhibits in San Francisco, where it got its name.

The pawpaw is a much abused delicacy. Only in the far West is it fully appreciated. And why? Take it from those who have learned to know and to love the pawpaw, the fault is all on the other side.

We think of the pawpaw in connection with the persimmon. Neither is lovable while growing. The persimmon, moreover, has a rude, abrupt way of expressing its displeasure if disturbed before ripe.

Pawpaw are pungent with the odor of late fall, later even than persimmon time. The leaves are all gone when the green oblong of yellow lushness is black outside and mushy inside. The best kind are those which have dropped off and are broken, perhaps stepped on, though all epicures may not think so.

Think of pawpaws and think of whistles! You do not have to eat them to appreciate them. Whistles and 'possums and lots of nice things go hand in hand with the Missouri banana.

IF COLUMBIA HAD BEEN FIRST

Suppose that Columbia had been first to propose the Old Trails road markers. Would it have been harder to get the money to mark Boone County than it is now? It might have been little different: the guardians of the public treasury probably would have guarded it just as effectively as they do now.

The Open Column

A Conflict in Dates.

Editor, the Missourian: It has been a matter of annual observation on the part of some of the faculty that the student of today seems to care little or nothing about the Phi Mu Alpha concerts.

It has been noticed with regret by many students of the College of Agriculture that the first concert has been scheduled for the night of October 29, the same evening on which the farmers have planned and arranged their annual "barnwarming."

Looking Backward

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Twenty-Five Years Ago. Mr. Bennett refused \$5,000,000 for the New York Herald, and Mr. Dana said he would not sell the Sun for any price. Senator Hearst was trying to buy a paper for his son.

Fifteen Years Ago. D. A. Robnett was drawn as a petit juror in the October term of the United States Circuit Court at Jefferson City.

Ten Years Ago. E. L. Mitchell of the Daily Tribune, who had been ill with the fever, had a slight relapse.

Five Years Ago. Stockton Fountain of Centralia, a junior in the College of Agriculture, won \$40 in prizes at the Missouri State Fair. Mr. Fountain made the highest record ever made at the fair, scoring 997 out of a possible 1100 points.

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fair of the dainty, self-sacrificing Luddy Rose and the ardent young Scotchman, Larry, who fled to Egypt for solace when his life's romance was all turned topsy-turvy. As a background, there is the making-over of Luddy Rose's bombastic artist father, the love affairs of Luddy Rose's five sisters and the lady of the Music Box and the romance of the Doctor's daughter, Jeannie, and Bob, the young editor, whose elemental nature finally popped out unexpectedly through its cloak of philosophical calm.

The old Doctor was continuously developing a "scheme" for bringing his lads and lasses together and smoothing out the rough places for them, but the precious "schemes" had most amazing results and the tangle was invariably worse than before. Of course, it ends happily.

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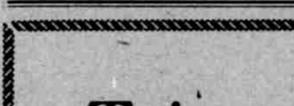
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a touchdown in the first quarter after breaking through the Drury line and running sixty yards. Drury made first down but few times in the game.

Keep on Rooting

Just because the Tigers have lost a couple of games, don't think that it is any indication of the rest of the season. They're just a little slow in starting, but when they do, they'll clean up.

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