

## COUNCIL STANDS PAT ON CIGARETTE ISSUE

Refuses Unanimously to Accept Merchants' Petition for Revocation.

### WILL TEST VALIDITY

Business, From New Pump to Spare Ribs, Comes Up for Consideration.

### LAST NIGHT'S COUNCIL

#### PROCEEDINGS IN BRIEF

Refused to repeal the anti-cigarette ordinance.

Took under advisement the recommendations of the Missouri Insurance Bureau regarding fire protection.

Passed an ordinance calling for bids upon the paving of Locust street from Hitt to Tenth streets.

Passed an ordinance approving the paving of Tenth street from Cherry streets to Locust street and calling for the issuance of tax bills.

Passed an ordinance revising the junk dealers' section of the omnibus license ordinance.

Ordered fresh meat dealers' license section to be changed in omnibus ordinance.

Passed an ordinance regulating the collection of water and light bills and the discount upon them.

Instructed the city engineer and the superintendent of the municipal water and light plant to secure estimates upon the proposed enlargement of the plant.

"Thumbs down" was the verdict of the City Council last night when an appeal was made in behalf of cigarettes. Twenty merchants of the city asked that the ordinance prohibiting the sale of cigarettes after January 1 be repealed. The petition stated that the ordinance was not in accordance with the state laws and if it was not repealed it would be contested.

The council voted unanimously to refuse the petition and to stand the cost of testing the validity of the ordinance. E. B. McDonnell made a talk defending the position taken by the council and scoring the dealers in cigarettes.

The petition was presented to the council by J. A. Helbel of the Columbia Drug Company. It was signed by J. E. Gillaspie, Peck Drug Company, the Missouri Store Company, J. S. Henderson, Pure Food Grocery, Kalaris Brothers, J. W. Penn, J. O. Cook, A. L. Ferguson, Daily Brothers, Moscow Brothers, R. E. Wallin, Rex Barber Shop, Columbia Drug Company, P. D. Prather, Knight and Rosse, Gilman and Dorsey, Belcher Grocery Company, G. W. Hennerich and the Palms.

**For Better Fire Protection.** W. B. Nowell, Jr., president of the Retail Merchants' Association, presented the recommendations of the Missouri Insurance Bureau as to fire protection in Columbia. By adopting these suggestions, Mr. Nowell said, approximately \$6,000 would be saved each year to the citizens.

The recommendations included the installation of an additional pump of a capacity of not less than 3,000,000 gallons a day at the city power plant; the installation of fire hydrants at Tenth and Broadway, Seventh and Cherry, Seventh and Locust and Seventh and Elm streets; the connection of the University plant with the city water mains; the laying of a twelve-inch water main from the city plant to the north end of Paris road; the buying of extension ladders for the old fire truck and the keeping of the truck for emergency near the fire station; the addition of one paid fireman to the present force and two additional firemen to sleep at the station and to be paid only for services rendered; the passing of an ordinance for the inspection of fire hydrants and their repair; the adoption of suitable building laws; the revision of the building code and the replacing of all three-inch wrought iron mains with four or six-inch cast iron mains.

Many of the provisions are now being made by the council and the remainder will be carried out as soon as possible. The council was in sympathy with all of the recommendations.

**Citizens Oppose Paving.** A remonstrance from citizens living on University avenue, east of College avenue, against the improvement of the street and the building of a sidewalk between Cousins street and

## THEY SAY—

"The most lamentable feature of last Thanksgiving Day," said the Rev. A. B. Coffman, pastor of the Wilkes Boulevard Methodist Church, "was the desecration of the day by the leading educator of two states in dumping on the citizens of Columbia the unpleasant features which necessarily go with a big contest like the Missouri-Kansas football game."



"I raise no objection to the game itself, but it seems a retrogression on the part of the authorities who changed the date of the game from Saturday to Thanksgiving."

"Not only was it bad enough to hold the Missouri-Kansas game on that day, but two Christian Colleges—Westminster and Central—entered the arena in the forenoon, at the very hour that it is our custom to cease from worldly activities to give thanks for our year's blessings."

Bluff boulevard was presented to the council by Dr. Walter McNab Miller. Upon the motion of O. D. Kellogg the remonstrance was tabled until the council should take definite action upon the proposed improvements.

A communication regarding the revision of the city schedule of electric light rates from T. W. Bradbury of the Public Service Commission was read. The commission recommended the preparation of a new schedule in place of a revision of the old.

A communication was read from the University Missourian in which a bid of 25 cents an inch for the first insertion and 15 cents an inch for the second insertion was made for the legal advertising of the city. The communication indicated that the city had been paying the other daily papers of Columbia 50 cents an inch for the first insertion and 25 cents an inch for the second.

**Times Gets Publication.** An ordinance providing for the paving of Locust street from Hitt to Tenth streets and authorizing the publication of a call for bids was passed by the council. Upon the suggestion of Percy M. Klass, the name of the University Missourian, as the publication in which the call was to be printed, was changed to that of the Columbia Times.

Klass stated that the Missourian had been granted the printing of one legal notice as a "compliment." He said that an equal division was being made of the printing between the two other city dailies.

O. D. Kellogg said that in his opinion the printing should be given to the lowest bidder, but that possibly custom had established a different precedent. As he saw it, though, the matter was purely one of business.

In reply, Klass said that the Missourian was conducted by the School of Journalism and that there was not a financial gain to the city from it as from the other two dailies.

The protest of John I. Clark of the Merchants' Delivery Company against the tax imposed by the new omnibus license ordinance against carriers was referred to the ordinance committee.

An ordinance approving the paving of Tenth street from Locust to Cherry streets and authorizing the issuance of tax bills against the property owners was read and passed.

**Tax on Junk Dealers Approved.** The revised section of the omnibus license ordinance dealing with the tax on junk dealers was read and approved. Upon the complaint of Walter Robinson, grocer, the fresh meat dealers' license section of the general ordinance was ordered redrafted in order to give grocers the right to deal in sausage, spare ribs and other by-products of fresh meat, without an additional license.

An ordinance providing for the regulation and collection of water and light bills and the discount upon them was read and passed. George S. Starrett, city attorney, after the passage of the bill talked upon the lack of knowledge of the ordinances shown by the councilmen and stated that in the future he would furnish each councilman with a copy of each ordinance a week before the council met.

Plans for the enlargement of the city electric light and water plant were presented to the council by M. E. Pawkes, superintendent of the plant, and J. P. Price, city engineer, and approved. The officials were instructed to secure estimates upon the building. The plan accepted is that of extending the building along its entire width.

## WOMEN IN CAMPAIGN FOR BUILDING AT M.U.

Mere Talk, They Say, Will Not Get Action on Needed Improvement.

### TO ASK LEGISLATURE

Work Will Begin at Once, With Volunteers From Among the Students.

Mere talk will not get a woman's building at the University. There must be a real campaign, in which University women can show that they really mean what they say. Such was the decision of the Woman's Council at a meeting yesterday afternoon. The council discussed plans for starting this campaign, so that actual work may begin without delay.

Last year several attempts were made to reach the Legislature in behalf of a woman's building, but they were unsuccessful. This year, even more enthusiasm is being shown. All University women will be asked to cooperate in the undertaking. More than a passing interest in the plan is desired, and everyone willing to help will be given definite work to do.

The council believes that if the women realize the need of a building enough to work for it earnestly, some successful plan can be determined upon. Several women have already volunteered to make a personal appeal to the members of the Legislature, if necessary. Letters will be sent to the club women of the state, and other methods are yet to be chosen.

The council also decided to give University women one more chance to pay their Self-Government Association dues this semester. Thursday and Friday of this week, tables will be placed in the women's parlors in Academic Hall, where anyone who has neglected to pay these dues may do so.

### "NOONDAY CLUB IS A SUCCESS"

The Rev. Burris A. Jenkins Tells Members of Its Social Value.

A successful future was predicted for the Noonday Club by the Rev. Burris A. Jenkins of Kansas City at the club's first meeting yesterday at the Virginia Grill. Doctor Jenkins spoke on the social value of such clubs.

Fifty persons were present at the opening meeting, a fact encouraging to the promoters of the organization, according to J. S. Moore, of the Y. M. C. A., a member of the club. The Noonday Club was formed to allow students, faculty and alumni of the community an opportunity to meet the prominent men who visit Columbia. Its interests will be confined largely to problems of social and religious significance.

The club plans to meet at least once a month.

### HOBSON COMING TOMORROW

Friends of Prohibition Plan Reception After Lecture.

Richmond P. Hobson will speak on national prohibition at the Christian Church at 7:30 o'clock tomorrow night. Mr. Hobson is coming from Kansas City. He will probably arrive in the afternoon.

Plans will be made for a suitable reception. A committee will meet the train and will give a dinner in his honor, either at the Athens Hotel or at some private home. At the meeting prominent citizens of Columbia will act as ushers and distribute cards for the speaker. Dean Walter Miller of the Graduate School faculty will preside.

### WAS THE COMMUNIPAW SUNK?

London Gets Contradictory Dispatches Regarding American Oil Steamer.

LONDON, Dec. 8.—Contradictory dispatches regarding the reported sinking of the American oil steamer Communipaw have been arriving today. Dispatches from Rome insist that the ship has been sunk with thirty-nine men and five American officers on board.

Dispatches from Alexandria say that the Communipaw arrived safely in that port Monday.

The report from Rome of the sinking of the ship by a submarine gives the location of the boat in the Mediterranean, near Tobruk, Tripoli.

## SOCIETY WOMAN HAS PART IN BOMB PLOTS

Federal Authorities Say Prominent New Yorker Aided Germans.

### LETTERS SCORED U. S.

Correspondence With Foreign Agent Denounced Policy of Government.

By United Press. NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Developments in the German bomb plot today indicate that a prominent society woman of New York City is implicated. Federal authorities refuse to reveal her identity.

It is said that she wrote Von Rintelen, a German agent, denouncing the attitude of the United States toward Germany. Whether or not she has been indicted has not been ascertained.

### SORORITIES AID IN SEAL SALE

Greek Letter Women Are Offering Red Cross Stamps on the Campus.

Red Cross seals were distributed to Columbia business houses, schools and organizations today for sale. The distribution was under the supervision of Mrs. A. H. Shepard. Sorority girls and members of the Y. W. C. A. are selling seals in the University buildings, under the supervision of Miss Constance Latahaw, secretary of the Y. W. C. A.

A thousand seals each have been placed on sale at Stephens and Christian colleges, and an attempt is being made to interest the school children in making a house-to-house canvass.

The sale of the seals all over the state so far indicates that the greatest number that has ever been sold in Missouri will be disposed of this year, according to Dr. Walter McNab Miller, secretary of the Missouri Association for the Relief and Control of Tuberculosis. The school children are taking more interest in the work. Not all towns in the state have been supplied. Doctor Miller said today he was preparing to send seals and literature to 5,500 rural schools.

The society has carried on a more extensive publicity campaign this year than ever before. Nearly 600 newspapers are supporting the campaign.

### C. H. S. BASKETBALL BEGINS

Winner of Interclass Games at Close of Season to Receive Banner.

A series of twelve games of interclass basketball is being played at Columbia High School this week. The scores to date are: Monday, freshmen 17, sophomores, 19; juniors, 17, seniors 1; Tuesday, juniors 23, freshmen 5; sophomores 11, seniors 14. This afternoon the freshmen were scheduled to play the seniors and the sophomores were matched against the juniors. The regular high school team will be picked from these four class teams.

Another series of inter-class games will be played near the close of the season for the high school banner, which is awarded each year. Members of the regular squad will not be eligible to compete in this series.

### ON PROGRAM WITH PRESIDENT

Prof. A. W. Taylor Attends National Country Life Conference.

Prof. A. W. Taylor of the Missouri Bible College left last night to attend the conference on Church and Country Life, which is to be held at Columbus, Ohio, December 8, 9 and 10. The conference was arranged by the National Commission on Church and Country Life. Professor Taylor is a member of this commission and has been asked to make one of the addresses. Gifford Pinchot is president of the conference. President Wilson will make the closing address December 10.

### TO AID THE STOWERS FUND

Women of Millersburg Will Have Sale Here Saturday.

The women of Millersburg will hold a "bakery sale" Saturday at the Taylor Music House, Ninth and Cherry streets. The proceeds will be given to the James Stowers' Hospital Fund. Doctor Stowers, a former resident of Millersburg, is at St. Valery, France, giving his services free in the American Hospital there. Not long ago he wrote to Columbia asking that money be raised with which to buy supplies. Millersburg is answering this appeal.

## THE WEATHER

For Columbia and Vicinity: Generally fair tonight and Thursday; slightly colder tonight—temperatures near 30 degrees. For Missouri: Fair tonight and Thursday; slightly colder tonight extreme north portion.

**Weather Conditions.** The weather is stormy in the upper Mississippi Valley and throughout the Lakes region, which is felt to a more or less extent in nearly all the territory east of the Mississippi River. Similar conditions obtain on the North Pacific coast states, as another low pressure wave is approaching that section.

Precipitation of the last twenty-four hours was of a local character, falling along the Gulf coast, north of the Ohio, and on the North Pacific coast.

Fine weather prevails from the Mississippi across the Plains to and including the Rocky Mountain plateau.

In Columbia mostly fair, moderate weather will prevail for the next two or three days.

**Local Data.** The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 47 and the lowest last night was 37; precipitation .00; relative humidity 2 p. m. yesterday, 65 per cent. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 44 and the lowest 30; precipitation, .00.

**The Almanac.** Sun rose today, 7:16 a. m. Sun sets, 4:47 p. m. Moon sets, 6:56 p. m.

**The Temperatures Today.**

7 a. m.	38	11 a. m.	44
8 a. m.	38	12 m.	47
9 a. m.	39	1 p. m.	49
10 a. m.	42	2 p. m.	51

## THE MISSOURIAN AND THE CITY

Percy M. Klass, member of the City Council, objects to publishing city advertising in the University Missourian because:

The Missourian does not have a general circulation.

The Missourian has no money invested in Columbia.

The Missourian receives general recognition from the business men of Columbia—the men who invest their dollars with a view to maintaining and increasing their business. The amount of advertising carried by the Missourian and the gain over last year demonstrate this fact. The steady gain in Missourian circulation until it reaches all parts of the city shows that it meets all demands as to general circulation.

As for the Missourian's investment in Columbia it is quite true that this newspaper does not own its own printing plant. It pays, however, at least \$900 monthly to the Herald-Statesman Publishing Company, making it necessary for this company to employ at least five extra printers. Its investment in Columbia is therefore equally as large as though it owned a printing plant.

"Advertising given the Missourian by the city would be complimentary," said Mr. Klass. Do the merchants of Columbia advertise in the Missourian merely because they wish to be "complimentary"?

The taxpayers who meet the bills will be interested to know that the Missourian offered to take the city advertising at the same rates charged any other advertiser—25 cents an inch for the first insertion and 15 cents for the second insertion. At present the city pays 50 cents for the first and 25 cents for the second insertion, or more than double regular advertising rates.

Should the city pay more for advertising than any taxpayer would pay if he were to insert an advertisement in a newspaper? The lowest bids are accepted for the paving of streets, the building of sewers—for practically everything where business efficiency and economy are the ends in view. Why should an exception be made in the city advertising?

Think it over, Mr. Taxpayer. You pay the bills.

**D. E. HUDSON ON PEACE CRUISE** Brother of University Professor to Join Ford Party.

A dispatch from Montgomery City says that D. Ernest Hudson of that city, a peace advocate and student at Harvard, has accepted an invitation to join the Ford peace party and planned to sail on the second ship today. He intended to go last Saturday, but did not get his passport in time. His mother sent a telegram, the dispatch says, urging him not to go.

## COLD KILLS SOLDIERS IN BALKAN REGION

Many Frozen in Three-Day Attack by Bulgars on Strumnitza.

### BRITISH MAY QUIT

Other Allies Will Remain, Even Though England Shifts Her Lines.

By United Press. SALONIKI, Dec. 8.—The Bulgarian forces have been waging a three days' attack upon the Anglo-French positions at Strumnitza, according to dispatches received here today.

All assaults have been repulsed by the Allied forces and heavy losses inflicted upon the attacking army. Most of the artillery action has been by the Allies.

The weather in the region of the fighting is intensely cold and many soldiers have been frozen to death.

**England Would Leave Balkans.** By United Press. PARIS, Dec. 8.—It is thought that England favors the withdrawal of the Allied forces in the Balkan region, according to reports which have come today from the Allied war council now meeting here.

High French officials say, however, that even if England withdraws her troops, the troops of France and the other allied countries will remain.

**Montenegro Wants Peace.** By United Press. BERLIN, Dec. 8.—Montenegro, being exhausted, is angling for a separate peace, according to reports received here today.

The Allies have replied that if the country attempts such a pact, they will withdraw all their support.

### ST. LOUIS GETS BIG CONVENTION

National Democratic Meeting Will Convene on June 14, 1916.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The Democratic National Convention, which, in all probability, will renominate Woodrow Wilson for President of the United States, will convene in St. Louis at noon Wednesday, June 14, 1916.

This was decided yesterday by the Democratic National Committee. Two ballots were necessary for a choice. On both ballots St. Louis led Chicago and Dallas, the two opposing cities. The selection was made unanimous when it was apparent St. Louis had won.

The deciding ballot was: St. Louis, 28; Chicago, 15; Dallas, 9. Each city bid \$100,000 for the big event.

### TO OPEN A READING ROOM

Y. W. C. A. Establishes Library at Hinkson Chapel.

The Hinkson Chapel reading room, which is under the supervision of the extension committee of the Y. W. C. C., will be opened tomorrow night for the first time. It will be open every Thursday night thereafter. L. H. Ludders, a student in the University, will be in charge.

Magazines and books are being contributed by townspeople and University students. Miss Alice Furney is chairman of the book and magazine committee. Later, it is hoped to have a magic lantern picture show every week.

**Girls Can't Swim for Few Days.** The boiler which heats the swimming pool at Stephens College is out of order, and no classes are being held now. The pool is used not only by the students in Stephens College, but by the Women's Athletic Association of the University and many of the townspeople. The college expects to have the pool in use again in a few days.

**Oratorical Contest at C. C.** Five girls in the oratorical department of Christian College will contest at 8 o'clock Friday night in the college auditorium for the honor of representing Christian College in the junior college oratorical contest to be held in the spring. There will be no admission charge. The public is invited.

**A. E. Long Heads Odd Fellows.** A. B. Long was elected noble grand of the Columbia Odd Fellows at their meeting Monday night. The other officers are: Vice grand, Stanley Woods; recording secretary, William Yochum; financial secretary, George S. Starrett; treasurer, J. M. Baker.