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## COLUMBIA NEGROES WOULD STOP SHOW

### Petition Is Out to Prevent Exhibition of "Birth of a Nation."

#### 200 SIGNERS TODAY

### Action Is Taken by Pastors of Local Churches After a Mass Meeting.

Charging that the photoplay, "The Birth of a Nation," is false, misleading and degrading to the negro race, the negroes of Columbia in a mass meeting at the Christian Church yesterday afternoon decided to take steps to prevent the appearance of the picture in Columbia.

The pastors of the four churches were appointed as a committee to circulate the petition and confer with Mayor J. M. Batterson in regard to stopping the picture. This afternoon the petition had 200 signers.

According to G. M. Tillmann, pastor of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church, Mayor Batterson promised to do all in his power to prevent the picture being shown if it was all that the petition represents it to be.

J. B. Coleman, a negro, said that it was the purpose of the negro residents to stop the picture if possible or at least have the objectionable features cut out.

"The Birth of a Nation" is based on conditions of fifty years ago," he said, "and is utterly untrue to life. Wherever it is shown, the result is strife and enmity between the races. There have been many instances, after its presentation, where negroes have been discharged from positions.

"The picture encourages mob violence, inflames hatred against the negro, and by so doing endangers his life and property."

## BUREN ARNOLD ENTERED HERE Philadelphia Prize-Winning Mare at Local Commencement Show.

The third annual commencement horse show will begin a week from today. And the entries are looking up. There's the mare, Buren Arnold, from the stables of Blades & Holman of Holliday, who has been making a name for herself in the East, having taken six firsts out of ten classes at Philadelphia recently. Buren Arnold won second place in the three-gaited saddle class and second in the light harness class at the 1915 commencement show.

Blades & Holman are also showing a junior five-gaited saddle mare, Sally Cox.

A Kentucky newspaper of last week says: "John Hoak, Miss Long's saddle horse superintendent, is getting a great stable of horses in shape for the commencement show at Columbia. He expects to bring out some new ones and the show is bound to be an exciting one."

Another stable from Illinois wishes to get into the entry book. Last night entries were coming in over the telephone, today being the last day they will be received.

## URGED TO ENTER TOURNAMENT University Golf Club May Send Two Teams to Kansas City.

The University Golf Club has been urged to send two teams to compete in the state amateur championship golf tournament at Kansas City June 19 to 24. The event will be the twelfth annual men's championship tournament and the second annual contest for women players. The men's tournament will be played on the course of the Blue Hills Club and the women's on the Mission Hills Club course. The following events apply to both tournaments: championship, best thirty-two scores to qualify; Class B, next best sixteen scores to qualify; Class C, next best sixteen scores to qualify; special class, next best thirty-two scores to qualify.

Entries must be mailed to Missouri Golf Association, Bonner Miller, treasurer, 2639 Horton Place, St. Louis.

### Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Shuttice Return.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Shuttice, who took part in the recent double elopement of University students and Christian College girls, returned this afternoon from Joplin, where they have been visiting Mrs. Shuttice's parents. Mr. Shuttice, who is a senior in the College of Agriculture, will receive his degree in June.

## FOUR VETERANS IN LAST GAMES

### Hogg, Davis, Woody and Taylor Start Final Series Today.

The Tigers began their last series of 1916 Conference baseball with the Kansas Aggies this afternoon. "These are the most critical games of the season," said Director C. L. Brewer today. "By losing today or tomorrow, we will practically be eliminated from Valley honors, unless Kansas should lose one of its four remaining games. If the Tigers should win both games from the Aggies and Kansas should win all four, then the championship would remain a tie between these two teams."

The Aggies are here to win. They have three pitchers, Hodgson, Ferrar and Hewey, who rank with any in the Valley, and a good fielding and hitting team. They were defeated by the Tigers earlier in the season and later by Kansas by the scores of 4 to 2 and 4 to 0. The Aggies last week won from St. Mary's College, a team that had previously beaten Kansas.

Bryant, Giltner and Taylor will do the pitching. Bumgarner was injured in the Kansas game Saturday and will probably not be able to catch. Owens or Taylor will do the receiving in case Bumgarner does not start.

Four men who have represented the University in almost every game during the last three years are playing their last games of University baseball this week. They are Hogg, first base; Davis, third base; Captain Woody, center field, and Taylor, pitcher. Bumgarner, catcher, has been on the squad two years, but will be graduated this spring.

## BROWNS LOSE TO MEXICO, 11-4 Lancaster, Winning Pitcher, Scores 20 Strike-Outs Against Columbia.

Lancaster's pitching was too much for the Columbia Browns yesterday afternoon and Mexico won by a score of 11 to 4. The game was played at Mexico. Twenty Browns were sent to the bench by the strikeout route. Lancaster allowed eight hits. Mexico got sixteen.

The game was played on a muddy field and was very slow. Manager Morris presented a new line-up in an effort to win but seven errors was the result.

The Browns play Centralia at Columbia next Sunday. Six new men will be in the line-up.

"If good ball players can be found we will have them for the game with Centralia next Sunday," said Manager Morris this morning.

## Sees Centralia Beat Moberly, 5-2.

George E. Thomson, county treasurer, spent a part of yesterday at Centralia. While there he saw the ball game between Moberly and Centralia, which Centralia won by a 5 to 2 score. Mr. Thomson said that Moberly lent zest to the game by bringing a brass band and about six hundred rooters.

## CHRISTOPH HILKE, 65, IS DEAD St. Louisan Was Member of State Board of Agriculture.

Christoph Hilke of St. Louis, one of the corporate members of the State Board of Agriculture, died of heart disease after an operation last Wednesday, May 17. The funeral services were held this morning at his home, 1515 Bremen avenue. Mr. Hilke was 65 years old.

For many years Mr. Hilke had been in the grain and commission business in St. Louis. Here was where his warm friendship with David R. Francis, who was in the same business for several years, was formed.

Jewell Mayes, secretary of the board, went from Columbia to attend the funeral.

## WAITE WILL PLEAD INSANITY New York Dentist Goes on Trial for Murder This Afternoon.

By United Press.

NEW YORK, May 22.—With two women arrayed against him, Doctor Arthur Warren Waite, dentist-lover, went on trial this afternoon for the murder of his father-in-law, John Peck. His wife and his studio companion will be the state's chief witnesses. Waite has confessed the murder, and his attorneys will plead insanity as defense.

The selection of the jury, which required two hours and fifty-seven minutes, set a record for New York. The prosecution began at 2 o'clock.

## North Boone Countians Want Road.

The County Court met today. Judge W. T. Johnson presiding. A petition was heard from residents in the north part of the county who wanted a new road established. No other business was transacted. J. T. Rowland and Ben Tate, associate judges, were at the meeting.

## RETIRING U.S. TROOPS PURSUED BY BANDITS

### Four Groups Committing Depredations in Wake of American Forces.

## TERROR IS SPREADING

### Reports Say That One Band of 60 to 70 Men Fired on Seventh Cavalry.

By United Press.

COLUMBUS, N. M., May 22.—Four bands of Mexican bandits are reported to be moving north in the wake of the retiring American forces, committing depredations and spreading terror in the villages in their path. It is thought that one of the bands, which number from sixty to seventy men, fired on some of the troops of the Seventh Cavalry.

## NEW MAP SHOWS ALTITUDES

### Browns Is Boone County's Highest Point; Claysville, Lowest.

That there is considerable variation in Boone County altitudes is shown by a new state map recently issued by the Missouri Bureau of Geology and Mines. The highest point in Boone County is at Browns, where an elevation of 915 feet is obtained, while the low point is at Claysville, which has an elevation of 562 feet.

Other altitudes in Boone County are: Hartsburg, 562 feet; Wilton, 561 feet; Easley, 563 feet; Huntsdale, 591 feet; Rocheport, 597 feet; Harrisburg, 842 feet; Sturgeon, 855 feet; Centralia, 884 feet.

The highest point in the state is Tatu, Sauk Mountain, in Iron County. To find the lowest point we must go to the southeast corner of Pemiscot County, where the Mississippi leaves the state on its way to the Gulf. Here the elevation is only 225 feet.

The elevation of all the principal cities and towns in the state, together with accurate locations of railroads, streams, and county boundaries, are shown by the map, which can be obtained from State Geologist H. A. Buehler, Rolla.

## WILL HOLD ALFALFA CAMPAIGN University and State Board to Help Knox County Agent.

An alfalfa campaign will be held this week in Knox County under the direction of F. E. Longneier, the county agent, a former student in the University. Four men from the College of Agriculture, M. F. Miller, L. F. Childers, W. H. Baker and W. H. Hargrove, and two from the State Board of Agriculture, Sam M. Jordan and W. D. McKee, will assist.

The campaign will consist of field meetings of the farmers, with demonstrations and examinations of soils, particular emphasis being placed on those soils fitted for the cultivation of alfalfa.

## EDWARD D. EDWARDS, 48, DIES

### Burial of Columbia Resident Will Be Tomorrow Afternoon.

Edward D. Edwards, 48 years old, died at 12:30 o'clock today at his home on Linn avenue. Grip and a complication of other diseases were the cause. He had been ill about four months.

Mr. Edwards is survived by his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Edwards, a school teacher, and a sister, Miss Laura Edwards, employed at the Strawn-Neate Dry Goods Store.

Funeral services will be held at Miss Laura Edwards' home, 201 South Sixth street, at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Burial will be in the Columbia Cemetery.

## Agricultural Club to Meet Tonight.

The Agricultural Club will meet at 7:30 o'clock tonight in the auditorium of the Agricultural Building. Officers for the first semester of next year will be elected. Reports of the Farmers' Fair will be made, announcements and reports of the horse show will be given and a trial for those students who failed to fill the requirements as to work on the fair will be held.

## Germans Retreat Before French.

By United Press.

PARIS, May 22.—French counter attacks drove the Germans from their positions on both banks of the Meuse. At Verdun the renewal of heavy fighting marked the beginning of the fourth month of the greatest battle in history.

## UNWELCOME VISITOR AROUSES DORMITORY

### Porch Climber Appears Before Girls at Sampson Hall in Early Morning.

## CALLS AT READ, TOO

### University Women's Screams Drive Intruders Away Each Time.

The screams of two girls who occupy the sleeping porch on the first floor of Sampson Hall frightened away an intruder who made his entrance into the hall about 1:30 o'clock yesterday morning.

The midnight prowler evidently climbed from the alley on Paquin street, over the stone wall and into the sleeping porch. Then he stole from the porch into the parlor of the suite and from thence into the hallway.

Miss Lucile Klein, who occupies the next room to the suite, awoke and saw a dark object outlined in her door. She asked, "Who's there?" but received no answer from the dark figure which glided away.

A few minutes later Miss Louise Flournoy, who was on the sleeping porch, awoke and saw a man standing in the door which leads to the sleeping porch. She began to scream and awakened her sister, Miss Jean Flournoy, who joined in the chorus. This was too much for the erstwhile prowler, who made a dash for the exit. He was soon in the street, leaving as a clue only the light finger prints made in the soot which covered the stone ledge when he climbed up and a few farewell heel prints in the rain-soaked ground where he landed in his flight.

Screams had the power of momentarily frightening but not of deterring the prowler, however, for last night he favored the Read Hall with a visit. Miss Ruby Harstine heard a noise and left her room to determine the cause. The next thing was a piercing scream, which brought all of the girls to the scene. Miss Harstine fainted and when revived told her companions that she had seen a man leaving one of the rooms. The only clue in this case was an open window, but opinions differed as to whether the window was open or closed at bedtime last night. Miss Harstine declares that the man left by the fire escape.

## 150 STUDENTS IN C. C. PAGEANT

### Boy Scouts Will Usher at Entertainment Tomorrow Night.

Electricians are busy today on the Christian College campus arranging for the lighting of the grounds for the May pageant to be given tomorrow night. One hundred and fifty girls will take part in the procession, which will include May day singers. May pole dancers, college seniors costumed as society debutantes, torch bearers, college juniors costumed as Shakespearean characters, court dancers, queen and court.

Between the Shakespearean tableaux will be given the Spring Dance, the Rose Dance and the Rainbow Dance. Immediately after the crowning of the queen the Firefly Dance will be given.

The costumes are furnished by a costumer in St. Louis, Miss E. L. Shepard of Columbia will furnish the hats. A company of Boy Scouts will have charge of seating the audience.

## SUNDAY SPECIAL KILLS LABORER

### Track-Walker Could Not Hear or See Well—Thrown 8 Feet.

Walter Galloway, a laborer, met the same accident that caused his father's death several years ago when he was struck, while walking the track between Clark and Renick, by the Billy Sunday special train that left Columbia Friday morning. Both father and son were partially deaf and blind.

The Columbia passengers heard the engineer whistle and felt the brakes grind. When the train stopped, they poured out of the cars to see the cause of the delay.

Galloway had been thrown eight feet to the opposite track. The bones in his legs were broken in several places and a large gash was cut in his head. He was taken to the baggage car, where he died of his injuries before the train arrived at Moberly.

## Will Address Shelbina Graduates.

Dr. C. A. Ellwood will leave tomorrow for Shelbina, where he will deliver the commencement address at the Shelbina High School.

## THE WEATHER

For Columbia and vicinity: Generally fair tonight and Tuesday; not much change in temperature.

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## Weather Conditions.

Fair weather prevails this morning in Missouri and Kansas, and southwest to the Rio Grande; in the remainder of the United States and in Southern Canada the weather is unsettled.

During the past twenty-four hours rains were general in the Missouri and Mississippi valleys, and extended to Pennsylvania, Tennessee and Alabama, and south along the Texas coast; they were excessive from New Orleans to Galveston, over four inches occurring at the former, and over six inches at the latter place.

Seasonal temperatures obtain in the principal grain and cotton states, but the weather is turning cooler in the Upper States. Frost occurred last night in Wyoming, Montana, Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Nevada.

In Columbia generally fair weather with moderate temperature will prevail during the next two or three days.

## Local Data.

The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 76 and the lowest last night was 63; precipitation, .22; relative humidity 72 p. m. yesterday, 80 per cent. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 68 and the lowest 52; precipitation, .00.

## The Almanac.

Sun. rose today, 4:50 a. m. Sun. sets, 7:22 p. m.

Moon rises, noon.

## The Temperatures Today.

7 a. m. 64 11 a. m. 71

8 a. m. 65 12 m. 72

9 a. m. 67 1 p. m. 74

10 a. m. 69 2 p. m. 75

## ALPINE LOSSES HEAVY

### Both Austrian and Italian Forces Report Gains in Mountain Attacks.

By United Press.

VIENNA, May 22.—Italian assaults and counter attacks to check the Austrian invasion Saturday and Sunday failed with heavy losses. The Austrians captured 16,000 men and three new positions and are continuing their advance in the Astico region.

## Austrian Losses Estimated at 20,000.

ROME, May 22.—Reports here today estimated the Austrian losses, in killed, wounded and missing in the first three days of their offensive around the Tyrolean Alps, at 20,000 men.

## Italian Liner Sunk.

ROME, May 22.—It was reported here today that the Italian liner, Saint Andrea, has been sunk by an Austrian submarine.

## COMPETITIVE DRILL HELD TODAY

### Lieutenant W. J. Fitzgerald of Kemper Judges M. C. Contest.

Lieutenant William J. Fitzgerald of Kemper Military Academy acted as judge of the University cadet corps' annual competitive company drill this afternoon. Three places were awarded, the best drilled company receiving the cup with the name of the captain engraved upon it.

The cadets drilled in dress uniform. Each company was allowed ten minutes in which to execute the various movements.

An examination of the trophy shows the first battalion to have almost a monopoly on the cup. Since 1895, when the cup was first awarded, Company E has been the only company of the second battalion to win the cup. Company B leads the roll, having won the cup seven times. Company C comes next, with six wins; Company A three; Company D, two; Company E, one.

## RABBI HARRISON SPEAKS HERE

### Will to Believe Necessary, He Tells M. U. Jewish Students.

Citing Prof. William James' phrase, "The will to believe," Rabbi Leon Harrison of St. Louis, in an address before the Jewish Students' Congregation, last night, subdivided the phrase into the active and the passive will to believe. He said the passive will to believe was the result of inheritance and training, and the active will to believe the outcome of choice and of the need to believe.

Emphasizing the word "loyalty" as a unifying force in religion, he said: "The Christian who is disloyal to his faith deserves to be spat upon, and the Jew who is disloyal to his faith is not worthy of the name of Jew or of the name of man."

## 30 POUNDS OF HONEY IN TREE

### But Several M. U. Students Are Stung in Capturing the Sweets.

Thirty pounds of honey were found in a giant elm tree by the University class in apiculture yesterday. The tree was on J. H. Sheppard's farm, near McBaine on Perche Creek.

Two complete colonies of bees were in the tree. They were captured, put in hives and then given to Mr. Sheppard. Thirty men braved the sting of the bees to reach the honey. Most of the men were stung one or more times.

## MRS. WRENCH SCORES FACTORY CONDITIONS

### Chairman of Civic League Health Committee Upholds Miss Hamilton.

## AIR BAD, SHE SAYS

### Poor Sanitation Declared to Be Responsible for Much Tuberculosis.

Testimony bearing out that of Miss Bertha Hamilton, whose arraignment of insanitary conditions in the local Hamilton-Brown shoe factory was published in the Missourian yesterday, was given today by Mrs. J. E. Wrench, chairman of the health committee of the Women's Civic League, in an interview with a Missourian reporter.

Mrs. Wrench accompanied Miss Hamilton, who is the visiting nurse of the Columbia Charity Organization Society, on a visit to the factory last December. Their mission was to sell Red Cross seals to the workmen.

Describing conditions in the factory, she said:

"The air in the shoe factory is so vitiated with leather dust, wood alcohol and paint, or whatever it is that they use to polish and dye the leather, that I am told that women can seldom stand to work a full day there until they get used to the air. You know that air which is foul enough to make a trained nurse ill must be very bad, and Miss Hamilton was almost knocked out by it.

"We saw many workers who appeared to be tubercular. Since then Miss Hamilton has made investigations which have convinced her that most of the tuberculosis in Columbia comes from the shoe factory."

## "CITY ORDINANCES TOO LAX"

### Dr. Kampschmidt Doubts Whether Board Has Power to Act.

Dr. A. W. Kampschmidt, a member of the City Board of Health, said today, speaking of the story in the Missourian yesterday about conditions at the Hamilton-Brown Shoe Factory, that he doubted whether the city ordinances gave the board power to remedy conditions.

The same sentiment was voiced by Dr. W. A. Norris, another member of the board. Doctor Norris said he supposed the board could make an investigation and make recommendations, but wasn't sure whether it would be possible, under the present city health ordinances, to carry out the recommendations.

Mayor J. M. Batterson, when seen this morning by a Missourian reporter, had just returned from Kansas City and was thinking more about the great work being carried on by Billy Sunday than about Columbia's health. "Sunday is a wonder," said the mayor.

"Don't you think the situation at the Hamilton-Brown Shoe Factory should be presented to the City Council?" asked the reporter.

"Yes, I think that would be a pretty good idea," replied the mayor.

## CRITICISES MISS HAMILTON

### Office Manager Declines to Comment on Nurse's Statement.

In the absence of Paul L. Hogan, superintendent of the Columbia factory of the Hamilton-Brown Shoe Company, John F. Tehan, office manager of the factory, was asked this morning if he had any statement to make in regard to Miss Bertha Hamilton's criticism of factory conditions.

His only comment was: "I think very little of a woman who makes an investigation in December and gives out the report in May—she ought to have her salary raised. And I think less of the paper that will print it." He declined to comment on the questions of sanitation raised by Miss Hamilton.

Mr. Hogan is in St. Louis on business and will return to Columbia in a day or two.

## MAY RE-ENACT DEATH SCENE

### Chums of Marion Lambert Visualize Tragedy for Jurors.

By United Press.

WAUKEGAN, Ill., May 22.—Marion Lambert, for whose death William Orpet is being tried, was not a suicide, according to Josephine Davis, a chum of the dead girl, who will be one of the state's chief witnesses. She is expected to start her testimony sometime Friday.

It is reported that the prosecuting attorney will have school chums of Marion re-enact the scene in the woods as a part of the evidence in the trial.