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A SPRING FOR M. U.

On the University West Campus on the hillside below Law's Observatory and above the grass covered path known to the older alumni as Camilla Dale, beside the older Via Curatorum, stands a monument seldom noticed by visitors to Columbia—a rusty lead pipe.

Students of the last century who remember when the Columns were young come to visit their Alma Mater and the mineral spring they studied by—and find the short two-inch pipe.

When the branch and the path of the northeast corner of the campus were changed and the scenery improved the old springhouse was torn away, the pump taken up and the spring filled in.

"The best spring in the country" some said. "A holy place for Sunday and a cool den for all time" said others. But they try to say nothing now when they stumble over that lead pipe.

There is an eager desire in Columbia for a real spring near town. Several of them within walking distance are popular. Why not one in town, on the campus where the water is waiting only for a chance to show itself?

THE VOTE IN MISSOURI

Table showing election results for 1908 and 1912. Columns include party names (Democrats, Republicans, Socialist, Prohibition, Peoples, Socialist Labor, Progressive) and vote counts for both years.

Even though there was one more ticket in the field in 1912 than in 1908 the total vote polled was 36,507 less. The People's party did not have a ticket in the field in 1912, nor were there the Progressive and Socialist Labor tickets in 1908.

EARLY PAPER PUBLISHED HERE

Nathaniel Patten Edited the Missouri Intelligencer in 1819.

Columbia has the distinction of being one of the three cities in which the first newspaper west of St. Louis was published.

Nathaniel Patten, a New Englander by birth, began the publication of "The Missouri Intelligencer and Boone's Lick Advertiser" at Franklin, Mo., in 1819.

He remained at Franklin for seven years and then moved his paper to Fayette, the county seat of Howard County. He stayed here only four years, moving from Fayette to Columbia.

Thus Columbia shares the honor with two other cities of having had the first country newspaper of Missouri published there, for Patten did not sell the Intelligencer but carried it with him.

The paper was published here from May 4, 1820, to December 5, 1825. It and the St. Louis Republican were the leading Whig papers of the state.

Both Patten and his newspaper fared better at Columbia than at either Franklin or Fayette. He sold the paper in 1835 to a group of Whigs headed by James S. Rollins and Thomas Miller, with the intention of retiring from active work.

This was impossible to a man of Patten's temperament, and in less than a year he began the publication of his second newspaper, "The St. Charles Clarion and Missouri Commercial and Agricultural Register," at St. Charles. Patten lived only two years after leaving Columbia, dying in St. Charles at the age of 45, November 24, 1837.

Patten probably did more for the country newspaper and for journalism in general than any other man during the nineteenth century. Although a Whig himself, he kept his paper free from the control of any party and that it was possible to publish an independent paper.

BRITISH BATTLEFIELD LIKE GIGANTIC STORM

War Correspondent Writes a Vivid Description of Allied Drive.

VILLAGES ARE RUINED

Roar and Flash of Cannon Are Like a Continuous Electric Disturbance.

By WILBUR S. FORREST.

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WITH THE BRITISH ARMY IN THE FIELD, July 20, (by mail)—If it's possible to imagine dozens of heavy thunderstorms blended into one continuous roar, the shrieking and whining of tons of steel and high explosives retiring through the air, lightning flashes of bursting shells continuously specking the sky like a giant Fourth of July display, then it is partly possible to visualize the newest phase of war on the western front.

The United Press correspondent heard and saw all this today from a high stretch of ground commanding the scene of a dozen of the bloodiest and most terrible conflicts of the British army's drive. Dotted the green hills and valleys here and there distinct brown blotches of brown visible among naked skeletons of the trees. These ugly blots on the landscape, a short time ago, were villages, each with a church spire and red topped houses snuggled down between the rolling hills. Today they are merely ugly blots. Each is typical of the other—mostly a pile of bricks that resembles nothing.

From the vantage point were observed Contalmaison, Bazentine-le-Grand, Mentauben, LaBoisselle, Mamez and several small woods which have figured prominently in the communiques. Just beyond the range of vision lay Longueval and Delville wood, where at the moment the Germans were engaged in a heavy counter-attack which gave them back a part of the wood and a few houses in the village. A British counter-attack reversed the verdict. Fighting of this character has been a peculiarity of British offensive. All captured points are strongly held. Wherever the Germans concentrate their reserves and carry out a counter drive, any success they gain is of short duration.

Precaution prevents publication of news relative to troops and movements of troops, but it can be said with safety, that there is no shortage of shells or men or guns behind the British lines. From the view-point of the non-military observer there is no shortage of anything. For miles along the net work of roads are great masses of fighting men behind the line, most of them wearing the picturesque steel helmet awaiting their turn. Motor lorries in great droves are also performing their duties. Passing along the roads for miles behind the line one sees khaki everywhere.

Peaceful little villages which fate has kept so near the ravages of the conflict yet still untouched are filled with it. Every doorway shows a "Tommy." Every corner shows a group. These men are in billets. Many of them have had their turn at the front and are taking a well earned rest. Others have arrived from England recently as can be seen by the newness of their uniforms. The veteran fighting Tommy is a trifle more stained.

Roadside training fields with detachments of newer contingents still in training are frequently seen. Schools of bombing and musketry are scattered here and there. Northern France is one great panorama of war.

U. S. AND SWEDEN PLAY SOCCER

Only International Match of 1916 Is Scheduled Today.

By United Press.

STOCKHOLM, Sweden, Aug. 16.—The All-American Soccer team is here and ready to meet the All-Stockholm aggregation in the only international soccer contest scheduled. The Americans are acclimated and prepared to give the Swedes a big run for their money.

A second game with the same aggregation will be played the 18th and on August 22 the All-Sweden eleven will battle the Americans. From here the Americans will go to Gothenburg where they play August 25th. The tour will close with the final game at Christiania on the 28th.

The American aggregation, which sailed from Hoboken for Christiania late in July, is the guest in Norway and Sweden of the Stockholm Gymnastic and Sporting Association and is made up of players under the direction of Thomas W. Cahill, secretary of the United States Soccer association.

RUINED HOUSE HAS A HISTORY

Tumbledown Brick on Locust Street Was First of Its Kind in Missouri—Built by Columbia's First Postmaster.

Down on Locust street near the northeast corner on Fifth stands a shabby, tumbledown brick house built in the plain, straight style so common to the homes of early settlers in this part of the country. It was doubtless a pretentious place then, in 1821, when Charles Hardin moved to Columbia and built it for his family. He was very proud to be the owner of such a substantial home in those days when it was the only brick building in Missouri west of St. Charles.

From the outside the house looks a great deal like a small church, with its plain arched door. Upon crossing the stone step and entering you come into a small hall from which a stairway, now too unsteady to use, leads to the second story. On each side of the hall is a good sized square room with a large fireplace which has been walled up. In the east room the fireplace is flanked by two closets or safes reaching two thirds of the way to the ceiling. The woodwork in these rooms is very well preserved considering its age.

The second story consists of two rooms under the sloping roof. In the back part of the house has been torn away from what was evidently the kitchen. At one end a flight of broken stone steps shows where the outside entrance to the cellar was. Early pictures of the place showing a neat white fence and well-kept shade trees give some idea of what an attractive home it was in the days when Columbia was in its infancy.

Charles Hardin, the first owner of this building, came originally from Loudon County, Va., but came to Missouri from Kentucky. With him came his wife, Hannah Jewell, sister of William Jewell, and a family of children. Among these was Charles Henry Hardin, later governor of Missouri, founder and president of Hardin College, a trustee of William Jewell College and a founder of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity at Miami College, Oxford, Ohio.

The history of Northeast Missouri speaks of Charles Hardin, the father, as the first postmaster in Columbia and the story of his life written by his wife, Mary Barr Jenkins, also of Columbia, tells how he had become attached to the Clay and Adams party through his admiration for Henry Clay, and when the administration of Jackson began, his office was given to a friend as political spoils. Mr. Hardin became a tanner and worked at that trade until his death about eight years later.

He was ambitious for his children and sent them to the best schools here. After his death Charles, or Henry Hardin, as the son was called, went on to school in Indiana and Ohio and was granted a license to practice law in this state. This was the beginning of his political career. At the time of his governorship he was living on a farm near Mexico, Mo. As governor he had an enviable reputation as an honest, independent leader.

The last time that the old house on Locust street was occupied by a family was four years ago when Frank Perkins and family lived there. A man named Harry Goodman lived in the east room last winter, but since then the ceiling has fallen and the house is now unfit for occupancy. The Perkins family now live in a frame house which has been built up against the east end of the old place.

It is interesting to know that practically all the surveys of the town of Columbia start at the Hannah Hardin house. It stands in what was the best part of town in the early days. At that time Fourth street and Broadway were the principal streets, and the market square was northwest of the M. K. & T. station.

The present owner of the Hardin

house is Judge J. A. Stewart. He will probably have it torn down in a short time since it is in bad condition. The mantelpieces as well as the other woodwork are very fine and Mr. Stewart has had several offers from persons who wish to buy them when the house is wrecked.

As it appears now, the childhood home of Governor Hardin looks like the conventional humble home of great men, but looking at it from the view point of pioneer days it is an evidence of moderate prosperity and a broad foundation of ambition and success upon which rested this great man's career.

The Open Column

Speeding and Cut-Outs.

Editor the Missouriian: I note with great pleasure that at the Council meeting last night some citizen of the town at last mustered up enough courage to protest against the reckless manner of driving and against the lax way in which the police enforce the ordinance against running cars with the cut-outs open. It is high time that these speed maniacs who run their cars with utter disregard for others' comfort were forcibly reminded that there are many citizens who do not at all care to listen to the raucous music of cut-outs when any sane minded person should be in bed. Let us hope that the council will at least take action to abolish this barbarism. R. S. G.

New Fire Equipment.

Editor the Missouriian: Columbia has one of the best fire departments in this state, headed by a chief who has put the town on the map for progressiveness in fire equipment. The good work of this department should not be handicapped. The chief needs a small car, and he does not ask for a high priced, high-power car, but one that can be had at a low price and that will help him in fighting the fires of the city.

Each member of the department is allowed so many hours off duty every day, but with the present equipment the chief is forced to stay at the station all the time. He has a motor cycle, but there are times when it is impossible to use this machine with any speed, and these are the times that he should be on the scene of the fire.

Again, if anything should happen to the fire truck, there is no way of getting the fire-fighting equipment to the fire, but if the department had an auxiliary car, the truck could be towed, or the hose and chemicals changed to the smaller car. It would also give the chief more time to do his work of inspection more efficiently, for then he would not be afraid to get out of sight of his station.—S. R.

STEPHENS LEADS IN WEDDINGS

More Than 53 Per Cent of Its Graduates Are Married.

Stephens College leads Wellesley, Bryn Mawr, Vassar and other famous eastern women's colleges in the number of married alumnae. Stephens has graduated 592 girls since 1856. Of this number more than 53 per cent are married.

These figures include recent graduates as well as early graduates, but do not include alumnae concerning whom nothing is known at the college. A majority of the unmarried alumnae are among the graduates of the last five or six years, President Wood says.

1,600 Students Register in M. U.

Frank Chambers, University Registrar, reports that approximately 600 new students and 1,000 former students have registered for the first semester, 1916-1917.

F. X. O'BRIEN TO WALK 956 MILES

Massachusetts Man Will Hike From Philadelphia to Chicago.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 16.—A walking trip of 956 miles, from Philadelphia to Chicago, was started from here yesterday by Franklin O'Brien of South Yarmouth, Mass. under the auspices of the National Highways Association, of Washington, D. C., to arouse further interest in the National movement for good roads everywhere.

Mr. O'Brien left the corner of North Broad and Market streets, at the City Hall, Philadelphia, at 8 o'clock on his long hike over the Eastern end (Philadelphia to Indianapolis) of the Pike's Peak ocean-to-ocean highway.

PARALYSIS CASES DECREASING

Cold Weather Checks Epidemic in New York.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—The epidemic of infantile paralysis took a turn for the better today. The number of new cases reported went under the hundred mark for the first time in several weeks.

The plague killed 31 children and 95 new cases were reported, 43 of them in Manhattan and 21 in Brooklyn. The falling off in cases was attributed to the cooler weather.

Knew His Wife, But Not Him.

By United Press.

DENVER, Colo., Aug. 16.—Such is the life of the husband of a famous suffragist: A voice on the phone to the City Editor said: "This is Ewing Robinson." "Who?" "Ewing Robinson, better known as the husband of Mrs. Helen Ring Robinson, state senator from Colorado." Ewing Robinson is known to his friends as a fine fellow and a brilliant wit.

M. U. ALUMNA IS MARRIED

Miss Alene Beauchamp Weds Walsh Gilbert Moore at Kansas City.

Miss Alene Beauchamp and Walsh Gilbert Moore were married August 5 at Kansas City.

The couple met in Butler where Miss Beauchamp has been the supervisor of music in the public school for the last two years, and where Mr. Moore's father, who is a lumberman of Kansas City, has one of his lumber yards. Mr. Moore is in business with his father.

Miss Beauchamp, who is a niece of Mrs. J. G. Babb of Columbia, holds an A. B. degree from the University. Her mother is an instructor in Latin at Stephens College. Miss Beauchamp's home is in Fulton. She has been taking vocal lessons in Kansas City this summer.

The couple will make their home in Kansas City.

Missourian business office, phone 55.

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