

WARREN TO VOTE ROAD BONDS

Citizens There Decide to Build Old Trails Highway.

The citizens of Warren County decided Saturday to build the Old Trails road through that county this summer. This leaves only a part of one county between St. Louis and Kansas City that has not taken action on completing the highway within its boundary lines. That county is Montgomery.

More than 200 citizens, representing every township in Warren County, attended the road meeting in Warren-ton Saturday afternoon. The necessity for immediate action on the road was explained by E. W. Stephens of Columbia, president of the Missouri Old Trails Association, and A. C. McKibbin, secretary of the State Highway Commission.

In the Jonesburg and New Florence districts of Montgomery County, Mr. Stephens was told Saturday that petitions would be presented immediately to the County Court for a bond election in each of these districts. If these promises are carried out then every county along the route of the Old Trails road in the state will have completed the work of organizing districts and have made plans for bond elections or benefit assessments to provide money for the hard-surfacing of the highway.

"This means," said E. W. Stephens Saturday, "that the highway will be finished and that practically all of it will be in process of construction this summer. Much of it will be completed this summer."

26 REGISTRANTS EXAMINED

Local Board Will Have Drafted Men Ready for Next Call.

Twenty-six Class 1a registrants were examined this morning by Dr. W. A. Norris of the local draft board at the courthouse. These were the first men to be examined by the board when they were not needed to make up a quota. Examinations will be held Wednesday and Friday mornings of this week and next week and then daily, except Saturday and Sunday, until all of the men in Class 1a have been examined.

Thirty-one men were called for the examination. Stephen Eaton of Columbia failed to appear. When found he will be examined and his name put among the first liable for service. Two others, W. C. Hackleman and Harold F. Libbey, had been examined. William H. Meyer had been transferred to St. Louis and Henry T. Wright to Lawrence, Kan.

The men examined today were, for the most part, men who had not been examined before and the number which passed successfully was high. The men examined for the last contingents to go to camp had been rejected under the stricter physical regulations of the first draft. Several of the men examined today were put into the limited service class of the draft, which keeps them in Class 1 but puts them out of the reach of the regular draft calls.

Eleven men will entrain tomorrow for Camp Funston. They are Boone County's first contingent of the second draft. They were examined last week.

The men who successfully passed the examination are: Roy Thomas Crump, Hartsburg; Clyde C. Conley, Columbia; Ernest Earl Coats, Columbia; James Oliver Estes, Columbia; Lloyd Earl Estes, Columbia; Joseph Elmer Forbis, Ashland; Rosa Nowlin Glascock, Hartsburg; Rozier Gibson, Sturgeon; Samuel Wallace Griffin, Columbia; Elmer Lawrence Heidebreder, Columbia; Lawrence Hickam, Columbia; Joseph Harold Hays, Columbia; William Hendricks, Ashland; Herman F. Kraus, Columbia; Roy U. Lanham, Columbia; Charles Lee Maze, Hartsburg; John Betty Wilhite, Rocheport; Robert Carl White, Clark and Robert Smith, Columbia.

Those whose cases were referred to the medical advisory board for limited service are: Weldon Brown, Guthrie; Shannon Jackson, Stephens and John Roberts, Columbia.

Those rejected were: R. P. Glenn, Columbia and Edgar Young, Woodlandville.

COLUMBIAN HAS BLOODED BUFF ORPINGTON FLOCK

"I never could understand why folks waste their time raising mongrel chickens," said Mrs. R. P. Finley, 211 West Broadway, as she led the way to a barn which had been turned into a chicken house. "You see it costs just as much to feed a common fowl as it does a thoroughbred, and a mixed flock never scores so high in laying eggs or producing meat for the table."

The Finley flock of Buff Orpingtons totals twenty-one fowls; eight hens held from last year, a dozen March pullets and one mammoth cockerel with beautiful, brilliant plumage shading almost into red on the wings and around the neck. This cockerel was raised by Mrs. Finley from a setting of eggs bought in Illinois. From these same eggs came three pullets which do not need the silver bands around their legs to indicate that they come from a royal purple strain. Three cockerels from the same blood were sold for breeding purposes to chicken raisers in the Columbia vicinity.

Have Been Laying Since December. "We like Buff Orpingtons better than any other breed of chickens because, for one reason, they are such excellent layers," explained Mrs. Finley. "Now these pullets began laying in December and have never stopped. The old hens, which I always keep in a separate pen, stopped for about a week but that was all. However, I have almost concluded that any variety of chickens will lay if you only give them a chance, I mean if you feed them the right food and are not stingy with it. Even two or three scant feeds will cause a falling off in eggs—I know that from experience. A few weeks ago the chicken feed ran low and I neglected to order more, with the result the egg record dropped considerably for the next two or three days."

Mrs. Finley states that a 100-pound sack of the rough scratch feed together with twenty-five pounds of dry

mash lasts about one month. For several months the chickens have the run of a large garden plot. Cabbage and turnips are fed occasionally. The chickens are given warm water twice a day during the winter months.

Of course, the baby chicks came in for their share of the discussion, and Mrs. Finley said she planned to hatch out ninety chicks each spring.

"And that means that I have very nearly that many fowls at the end of the season," she said. "To be exact, I lost only three chicks last summer. So many have told me about their success with wet feeds, but I have always got better results with dry. For instance, I use rolled oats for the first week, with plenty of sand and water. Then I begin feeding chick feed and later change to coarser grain."

Lets the Hens Do the Worrying.

To hear Mrs. Finley's story convinces one that poultry raising is good sport. "Why," she said, "I wouldn't raise chickens if they worried me continually. I am very careful for the first few days to make sure that the baby chicks get a good start, but after that the hens, and I have never seen better mothers than Buff Orpingtons, take charge. Really, perhaps you won't believe it, but they even know enough to come in out of the rain."

Mrs. Finley does not sell baby chicks, she says that occasionally she has hatching eggs to spare. "But we have never gone into poultry as a business proposition, although I am sure it would pay. During January and February we got between fifteen and twenty dozen eggs a month and we used nearly all of them on our own table. It's a big help on meat bills to have all the chickens and eggs we want to use. In fact I don't believe we shall ever be without a few chickens, for we enjoy them in so many different ways."

PHYSICIAN DIES AFTER ARREST

Dr. Ozias Paquin of St. Louis, Former Student, Caught Selling Morphine.

Dr. Ozias Paquin, a St. Louis physician and surgeon, died at the City Hospital there Friday afternoon after he had been arrested by federal authorities on a charge of selling morphine. Dr. Paquin was a student in the University in 1885-87, and had studied medicine in St. Louis and New York.

Dr. Paquin had been arrested several times for selling narcotics in violation of the Harrison drug act and was out on bond pending an appeal for a new trial after having been convicted of the charge several months ago by the United States District Court. Two federal revenue officers had been watching him and sent a man into his office with two marked bills to buy morphine. The man persuaded Dr. Paquin to sell him an ounce of morphine worth \$16 for \$60.

SCOUTS TO PARADE SATURDAY

Celebration Will Be Opening Event of Liberty Loan Campaign.

Next Saturday—Liberty Loan Day and the first anniversary of America's entrance into the war—the Boy Scouts of Columbia will parade through the main streets of Columbia, each boy carrying an American flag. Arrangements are under charge of L. M. Defoe.

The Commercial Club will lend its

stock of flags for the occasion, and as many more as are needed—about six dozen—will be donated by the Boone County Liberty Loan Organization.

The parade will pause on Broadway, where seven bronze medals will be presented to boys who won them for selling bonds in the last campaign. These medals are given by the National Boy Scouts Organization.

The boys who will receive emblems are: Allen Belden, Don Faurot, Verne Trowbridge, Clifford Wiggins, Harold Green, Clarence Moss and Spencer Shore.

LIEUTENANT BANDY HERE

Columbia Boy Is Instructor in Aviation Section.

"It's the greatest game in the world," said Lieutenant Russell M. Bandy, Jr., a graduate of the School of Journalism of the University, now an officer in the signal reserve corps of the aviation section at Gerstner Field, Lake Charles, La., who is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Bandy, 1407 Rosemary lane, when asked about the aviation service.

Lieutenant Bandy has been selected as an aviation instructor and probably will remain in this country for four or five months before being sent across for active service on the European battlefield. He enlisted last July and received his training at Selfridge Field, Mount Clemens, Mich. He was one of the twenty-four men selected to be trained as an instructor and was given first rank among the eight members who passed the examinations.

Lieutenant Bandy is optimistic about the part America is going to play "in blinding the enemy." He says that wonderful progress is being made at all the camps and that the service has been high systematized.

CITY ELECTION TOMORROW

Polls Will Open at 7 O'clock—Close At Sundown.

Polls for the city election tomorrow will be open at 7 o'clock in the morning and will remain open until sundown. The election will be a confirmation of the Democratic primary as the Republican party has put no candidates into the field. Two members of the school board, five councilman and a city treasurer are to be elected.

In the First Ward George W. Barkwell is candidate for the long term on the city council and H. R. Jackson is candidate for the short term. The other councilman candidates are: Second Ward, J. Guy McQuitty; Third Ward, Dr. C. L. O'Bryan; Fourth Ward, Joseph Somerville. The candidate for city treasurer is Horace Smith. F. W. Niedermeyer and Dr. J. E. Thornton are candidates for the school board. With the exception of the school board candidates, the men were chosen almost without opposition at the Democratic primary.

The polling places will be: First Ward, Belden Hall; Second Ward, the Courthouse; Third Ward, Chandler's barn on South Eighth street; Fourth Ward, Stone's garage, Hitt street and Conley avenue.

URGES ON ALL TO MAKE GARDEN

Council of Defense Issues Circular on Food Production.

The committee on agriculture and food production of the Missouri Council of Defense, of which A. J. Meyer of Columbia is chairman, has issued a circular on war thrift gardens. It gives a complete plan of organization for garden work in a community.

"War Gardens will assume a more important place this year than last in the solution of the food problem of the American home, particularly, that of the village, town, and city dweller," the circular says. "For this reason, there should be more abundant and more thoughtful planting, combined with the most intelligent and industrious care of the growing crop. The purpose of every war garden should be to supply the home—not merely for a few weeks in the spring of the year, but for all the year, until the 1919 garden crops arrives."

HIS PEACE VIEWS UNCHANGED

President Wilson Writes to Bishop Henderson of War Aims.

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, April 1.—President Wilson has not changed his attitude on peace with the Central Powers, according to a letter received by Bishop Henderson of the M. E. Church Conference. The letter dated March 25 says in part:

"It is our duty to find out what the Central Powers' desire for peace really means, and unless it is a complete program of justice based upon a lasting peace, it does not mean anything."

WILL TEST ROAD MATERIALS

University to Co-Operate With State Highway Commission.

The State Highway Commission and the School of Engineering will co-operate in the investigation of road building material. The Engineering Experiment Station here will test cements, oil, asphalt, stone, gravel, sand, steel and wood. H. A. LaRue, a member of the University faculty, has been placed in charge of this work.

Some years ago the University made an investigation of the road making properties of Missouri stone and gravel. The results of that investigation will serve as a nucleus for further work. Not only will the natural resources be located and tested, but their availability for local use and for shipment will be determined.

"The co-operation between the State Highway Commission and the University is evidence of the modern spirit which is creeping into public affairs," says Dean E. J. McCaustland, who is director of the Engineering Experiment Station. "The men in charge of

the important work of developing the highways of the state have recognized the wisdom of using the equipment and facilities of already existing state institutions for the carrying out of their program."

County engineers can be very helpful in making this work successful, according to Dean McCaustland, for they are familiar with local conditions and needs and may be able to report on materials which otherwise would escape observation and test.

GROWING SWEET POTATOES

J. T. Rosa, Jr., Tells How to Start Plants in Hotbed.

Good sweet potato plants will go a long way toward a successful crop. The slips are started in an ordinary hotbed. J. T. Rosa, Jr., of the College of Agriculture offers the following suggestions for growing the plants:

"Place about fifteen inches of fresh straw manure in the pit, soak and pack it well. Next place a layer of three inches of sandy soil or clean sand over the manure. On this material the sweet potato tubers are laid, side by side with slight intervals between. Small to medium-sized tubers are best adapted for plant production. After laying the tubers on the soil, place another layer of soil or sand two inches deep over the tops of the tubers.

"The bed should be kept moderately moist and quite warm until the sprouts from the tubers reach a height of four or five inches above the surface of the soil. This requires about one month. Then a 'hardening off' process should be given for about two weeks before setting the plants in the field. This consists in withholding part of the moisture supply and gradually increasing the ventilation of the bed, toughening up the plants and rendering them more accustomed to outdoor conditions.

"The sweet potato bed should be started about six weeks before the date of the first transplanting to the open, which should not be made until after all danger of frost is past. After the first crop of sprouts is removed from the bed for transplanting, the

covering should be replaced and the bed well watered once more. This will induce the formation of a second crop of plants from the same tubers. This process can be repeated at intervals of two weeks until five or six crops of plants have been obtained from the same bed. One bushel of small to medium-sized tubers will require about 20 square feet of hotbed space, and should produce at least 2,000 plants."

Photographs to War Department.

Photographs, postcards and illustrations of other kinds of bridges, and towns in the sections of France and Belgium occupied by the German forces are being gathered at the University for the use of the War Department. Many members of the faculty have traveled in Western Europe and have such pictures in their possession.

Pictures of the war activities of the University of Missouri will be sent to Washington for the photographic history of the war which is being compiled by the war plans division of the General Staff.

Miss Lou Etta Smith to Marry.

A marriage license was issued this morning to Lee Thomas Neal, 25 years old, of Rocheport and Miss Lou Etta Smith, 25 years old, of Columbia.

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