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A DRY NATION AT LAST

The fact that Missouri ratified the prohibition amendment to the United States Constitution too late to have a real share in making that measure effective detracts not at all from the credit due the state and its legislators.

There had been no doubt from the opening of the session that the amendment would be ratified by Missouri. This was no case of a change of heart brought about by a desire to climb on the band wagon after the measure had already been adopted.

In any case, there is glory enough for all ratifying states. The writing of prohibition into the Constitution is a milestone in the history of the Nation.

AMERICA'S SPRINGTIME

What does it matter if the wind blows chill and winter paints the window pane with frost every night and the sky is dull and gray, as long as there is a rejuvenation in the hearts of the people of the United States that comes as a reaction from the strain of the war?

With every shipload of soldiers that return from France the crowds in New York harbor give vent to their feelings in cheers and tears of joy. What a privilege it must be to watch one of Uncle Sam's great transports unload its previous burden.

It is a stimulus that will soon begin to make itself felt in every trade, industry and profession in the United States. It is the cause of new hope and inspiration in the heart of America.

WILHELM THE UNLUCKY

The Fortnightly Review publishes an article by Hamilton Fyfe under the title of "Wilhelm the Unlucky". The article points out how the kaiser was a Jonah, a hoodoo in everything which he had attempted since childhood.

"I pity the young man. He is like a young hound; he barks at everything, he smells everything, he touches everything; and he ends by causing complete disorder in the room in which he is, no matter how large it may be."

DON'T DEMOBILIZE

The women of England are asking the women of America to "stand to with your courage and guns and cannons of peace with the seeing eye and the understanding heart for the great problems to come."

The voluntary response of the American woman to the appeal for conservation along all lines showed the world of what stuff she was made.

The women of America must not demobilize now. They must work hard against the reaction of extravagance and spending that is bound to set in now that the war is over.

FREEDOM OF THE AIR

Now that freedom of the seas is in sight, another question looms up—freedom of the air. With the actual coming of an aerial mail service and the proposed aerial passenger service an issue arises out of the question of who will control the air.

The United States has taken the lead in the policy for free seas; she has taken the lead in the perfection of the airplane. It is for her to speak out and declare her policy in regard to the freedom of the air.

One negro was telling another vociferously that he positively refused to go into aviation or balloon service. "Well why wouldn't you like it?" asked another. "You'd get to fly around in the sky just like a bird?" "That's all right," replied Rastus, "but it would just be my luck when the engine stopped for the boss to say, 'Rastus you get out and crank it.'"

Some University men have solved the problem of how to smoke without removing their masks by just cutting a hole in the mask.

Mr. and Mrs. DeWolf to Kansas City. Oscar H. DeWolf, former lieutenant in the 35th Field Artillery, and his wife, formerly Miss Minnalee Ferree, left this morning for Kansas City, where they will make their home.

CASUALTY LIST

The following Missourians are on today's list. All are privates unless otherwise specified.

Killed in Action. Arthur J. Landwehr, St. Louis.

Died from Wounds. Charles Michael Presinger, St. Louis.

Walter Stout, Desare.

Earl P. Best, Bogard.

Died of Disease. Robert B. Craig, Kansas City.

Killed in Action. (Previously reported missing in action.) Wayne E. Hayward, Springfield.

Wounded Slightly in Action. (Previously reported missing in action.) Sergeant Walter W. Haverstick, De Sota.

Wounded in Action. Degree Undetermined. (Previously reported missing in action.) Robert E. Williams, Fremont

John T. Dunkin, St. Joseph.

Joseph P. Menten, Flint Hill.

Wounded Severely. Ora W. Tuttle, Sedalia.

Wounded Slightly. Sergeant Thomas V. Royal, St. Louis.

Corporal Oscar Homer Hendricks, Jr., Ulman.

Wounded. (Degree undetermined.) Sergeant William Calvin Burrow, Barcoxie.

Otis Keith, Louisiana.

Albert E. McClellan, Oran.

Returned to Duty. (Previously reported missing in action.) Sergeant Elijah Carpenter, Seymour.

Bert Allison, Greenfield.

Fred K. Arnold, Malta Bend.

Walker William Carter, Santa Fe.

Frederick L. Müssler, St. Louis.

Henry Oelrichs, Mora.

SOCIETY NOTES

The Women's Clubs of Columbia will give a luncheon at 11:30 o'clock Tuesday in the parlors of the Christian Church in honor of Miss Jane Addams of Hull House, who will be one of the speakers on the Farmers' Week Program. Mrs. Luella W. St. Clair-Moss will act as toastmistress. Mrs. W. D. Steele of Sedalia will talk on "Community Singing" and will lead the guests at the luncheon in a few songs. Tickets for the luncheon will be on sale tomorrow at Goetz and Lindsay's for seventy-five cents each.

The Alpha Tau Omega fraternity entertained the following guests at dinner last night: Mr. and Mrs. James Harkless' father, A. H. Shepard; Miss Harkless' father, A. H. Shepard; Miss Pet Tucker, who is the guest of Mrs. Emma K. Parsons, and Fred C. Wright, who was graduated from the University in 1916.

Mrs. Turner McBaine entertained informally yesterday afternoon in honor of Miss Mary Daniels of Paris, Tex., who is the guest of Mrs. C. B. Bowling. The other guests were: Mrs. J. P. McBaine, Mrs. C. C. Bowling, Mrs. C. B. Bowling, Miss Eva Johnston and Miss Pearl Mitchell.

Lieutenant William R. Dietring arrived today from Camp Taylor, Ky., to be the guest of friends here.

Mrs. C. B. Miller left Sunday for St. Louis to spend the week.

Miss Sibyl Flagg arrived yesterday from Louisiana, and is a guest at the Pi Beta Phi house.

Miss Mary Daniels will leave for her home in Paris, Tex., Friday, after having been the guest of Mrs. C. B. Bowling on More's boulevard.

Miss Mildred Bartlett and Miss Vitula Van Dyne will leave tomorrow, with Mrs. G. Bartlett for New Orleans. They will spend the rest of the winter in Florida.

Mrs. John E. Sykes, Mrs. Mary Lee Read, Mrs. Louise Truckenaffler and Mrs. George Evans will be dinner guests at the Pi Beta Phi house Friday evening.

The Tomb and Key inter-fraternity will hold initiation tonight for the following pledges: Clarence Tiemeyer, William Dehoney, Harry McCray, John Groves, Jack Crawford, Clifford Fitzwilliams, William Busby, Sam Broadbent and Ted Johnston.

The Alpha Tau Omega fraternity announces the pledging of Wilbur McGinley of Kansas City.

Mrs. Norris Rider is expected to arrive the last of the week from Kansas City to be with Mr. Rider. She will also be a guest at the Pi Beta Phi house.

Mr. and Mrs. Bulif Martin left today for Kansas City after visiting friends here. They were guests at the Daniel Boone Tavern.

The Phi Delta Theta fraternity had as dinner guests last night, Paul Jones, O. H. Miller of Fulton and Horace Major.

Frank Settle, a former student in the University who is now attending the Legislature, spent the week-end with Mrs. Josephine Bowman and family.

THE OPEN COLUMN

Beauty an Essential. Editor of Missouriian: Hugo has said, "The beautiful is as useful as the useful." Man's aesthetic nature must be considered as well as his material needs. Money spent to beautify the world is not money wasted.

A memorial necessarily appeals to the emotions. Then why not make our tribute to the heroes of the recent war a thing of aesthetic value? Such a memorial would be an inspiration to everyone who saw it, while a fund for educational purposes would benefit only an occasional student. Rather than to establish a fund, would it not be wiser to build a monument which would be a satisfaction to the entire community? It is indeed true that a thing of beauty is a joy forever.

Missouri Spirit.

Editor the Missouriian: Missouri spirit had little chance to display itself last fall. The influenza and the S. A. T. C. brought about conditions that prevented football games, mass meetings and other gatherings where the spirit that has made "Old Missouri" famous for years could again be shown.

Conditions at the University are nearly normal again. The old spirit should flame up and make itself manifest. The basketball season has opened with two victories for the Tigers, the Savitar Queen contest is on, and mass meetings will soon be possible. There is every opportunity for the true Missouri spirit to show itself.

Surely the Missouri spirit that has meant so much in the lives of students in the past is not dying out. It would seem so, if the Ames basketball games are any indication. The crowd was apathetic; seldom cheered, and then only half-heartedly. It failed to supply the encouragement every team needs and expects from its followers. 'Eat 'em up, Tigers! Come on, men, let's go!'

TO AID IN HONEY PRODUCTION

Shortcourse in Beekeeping to Be Offered Farmers' Week.

In the production of a good crop of honey the two essential factors are, a favorable season for the production of an abundance of bee pasture or nectar flows, and every colony of bees in tip-top condition to gather the nectar when it flows. The first condition is largely beyond the beekeeper's control although progressive beekeepers are awakening to the fact that improvement can be made by growing cultivated nectar-producing crops which better withstand unfavorable seasons. The second condition, however, is very largely under the beekeeper's control. If he wants strong colonies when the white clover flow opens, for instance, and works intelligently to that end he is pretty likely to have his colonies ready for business on schedule time.

As regards prospects for the coming season, L. Haseman of the University of Missouri College of Agriculture says: Over the state generally white clover went into the winter in favorable condition and with good weather between now and summer we should expect a good clover crop. On the other hand our bees were not in the best of condition when the winter opened. The last two years have been most unfavorable and too many of our colonies entered the winter in weak condition and without sufficient good stores. Many beekeepers fed sugar where stores were short of poor quality. This will help, but we must

admit that our bees are not in tip-top shape and everything that can possibly be done between now and next June must be done if we are to have a large honey crop next year.

Beekeepers have protected their bees for the winter as never before yet the majority of our 200,000 colonies are today facing the winter without any slight wind break. Idle chicken coops, boxes or cheap lumber with chaff, straw or leaves can be made to serve as protection. A colony properly protected will pass the winter in far better shape than one left exposed and will be better able to face the trying spring conditions. It is not yet too late to provide winter protection. It will still help, especially where winter stores are scarce or poor.

After doing everything possible to lighten the bees' burdens during the winter the beekeeper must be prepared to help each individual colony to build up to full strength next spring in advance of the clover flow. Much can be done by careful manipulation after settled weather in the spring to get the colonies in shape. When it is realized that for lack of bees and proper handling of them only one-tenth of the country's crop of nectar is saved and with honey selling at twice its former price it is easy to realize why a record crop is desirable in Missouri next year. For the benefit of Missouri beekeepers a special four-day short-course in beekeeping will be offered during Farmers' Week at Columbia, January 21-24.

PLANT YOUR POTATOES EARLY

J. T. Rosa Tells the Results of Practical Experiments. The earlier Irish potatoes are planted in the spring, the more they will produce. This has been determined by practical growers in Missouri. It is probably safe to advocate the planting of potatoes a week or two earlier than they are generally planted; and it might be well to discontinue the so-called late plantings altogether, says J. T. Rosa, Jr., of the University of Missouri College of Agriculture.

The summer season is unfavorable for potato-growth in this region because of the hot dry weather. The earlier potatoes are planted, the longer the growing season available before the plants are killed by heat. Early Ohio potatoes planted at Columbia, March 26, 1918, gave a 27 per cent better stand than the same variety planted two weeks later. The early planting also produced 42 per cent more potatoes. Forty other varieties gave an average stand of 95 per cent when planted March 26, but the average stand was only 70 per cent when planted two weeks later. The early planting averaged 65 per cent more potatoes. There might not be as great a difference as this every season, but indications are that early planting is most satisfactory for potatoes in Missouri.

It is common practice for home-gardeners to plant potatoes as late as May 1, in central Missouri, but results are sure to be unsatisfactory, for heat, drought, and insects attack the plant just as it begins to form tubers. The danger of early planting is that late frosts are likely to nip the plants after they are up. This is guarded against by running a furrow along each side of the row, just as the tops are well through the soil. This cover-

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- Craig Common Diseases of Farm Animals

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THE CO-OP BASEMENT ACADEMIC HALL

ing of loose earth will protect the plants from frost for two weeks. Missouri conditions are totally unsuited for late varieties of potatoes, as they are destroyed by the unfavorable summer weather before they can mature a crop. Yet seedmen continue advertising late potatoes in this region, and many gardeners lose by attempting to grow them. The early varieties such as Early Ohio, Irish Cobbler, and Early Rose are most satisfactory since they mature a fair crop of potatoes in a short season of favorable growing weather.

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