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## MERCHANTS TO REVIVE RETAIL ASSOCIATION

### Meeting Thursday to Make Plans for Reorganizing Club to Advance Their Interests.

## TO REDUCE BAD DEBTS

### Former Organization Regulated Soliciting of Advertising and Credit of Newcomers.

Thirty merchants and business men of Columbia today signed a call for a meeting to be held in the Commercial Club rooms at 7:30 p. m. Thursday at which they plan to reorganize the Retail Merchants Association of Columbia. These active in the reorganization have not been able to reach all who might be interested in this call, but all retail merchants of the city are invited to attend the meeting next Thursday evening. Several of the bankers of the city have announced their intention to attend and their support to the new association.

The aim of the Retail Merchants Association as it was organized several years ago was the general advancement of the interests of Columbia merchants. One of the ways in which it did this was the regulation of those soliciting advertising or contributions from the merchants. All such enterprises were submitted to a secret committee of three appointed by the association. This committee issued cards which solicitors had to present in order to gain the attention of the merchants.

The secretary of the old association acted as a clearing house for information concerning the credit standing of the merchants' customers.

## COAL SITUATION SEEMS GOOD

### Dealers Believe Supply Will Last Through Cold Wave.

That cold weather will find the city well prepared is the almost unanimous opinion of Columbia coal dealers.

"We are pretty well caught up with our standing orders," said Mrs. J. H. Jenkins, of the Boone County Coal Company. "We are not taking many new orders, but those we take we are able to deliver promptly." Mrs. Jenkins also said that the company had a fair supply of coal on hand.

R. T. Algeo, of the Sinar & Algeo Coal Company, corroborated Mrs. Jenkins' statement. "We haven't much coal on hand," said Mr. Algeo, "but it is coming in all the time. Our mine near Columbia is working full time though its output is somewhat limited by lack of help." Mr. Algeo also thinks that the good weather of the last few weeks conserved much coal and enabled the dealers to catch up with their orders.

F. A. Dalton, of the Dalton Coal Company, said that he had two cars of coal on the road which he expected to arrive late this evening. One car was unloaded yesterday and some of the coal is still in the yard. "Coal has been moving well," said Mr. Dalton, "and most of the people have enough on hand to withstand the cold wave any reasonable length of time."

J. P. Davis, of the Davis & Watson Coal Company, was the only one to strike a pessimistic note. "We are still ten or fifteen cars behind in our standing orders," said Mr. Davis, "though we've had much on the road." Mr. Davis thinks that there isn't much coal on hand in the city and that Columbia is not prepared to weather a cold wave long. "It had weather should continue for any length of time this would be in bad shape," said Mr. Davis.

## HELP UNDERWEIGHT CHILDREN

### Mothers Club of Lee School Will Organize a Nutrition Clinic.

The Mothers' Club of Lee School will meet Thursday afternoon at 5:30 to organize a nutrition clinic for the underweight children of Lee School. Mothers and children, especially the mothers of underweight children, are urged to be present at this meeting by Mrs. F. Dunlap, who is chairman of the nutrition committee.

Five girls of the home economics department of the University will weigh and measure the children and record information concerning their health and plans for bettering it, under the direction of Mrs. R. Watkins and Miss Dorothy Bessette. They will start their work immediately after the first meeting and are planning to weigh and measure the underweight girls and boys regularly each month.

## CANTON GIVEN TEN YEARS

### Verdict of Murder in Second Degree Reached by Jury.

Reed Canton was found guilty of murder in the second degree this afternoon by a jury in Circuit Court. He was given ten years in the penitentiary.

Canton was charged with the murder of C. B. Dicks on the night of April 12, 1919. Canton struck Dicks with a piece of scantling during a fight just after a social at the Sugar Grove Church. Dicks died a few hours afterward.

Both men have lived in the country southeast of Columbia.

## THE WEATHER

For Columbia and vicinity: Mostly cloudy and somewhat colder tonight. Wednesday generally fair and colder. Temperature to about 38 degrees.

For Missouri: Cloudy and colder to night, probably showers east portion; frost west portion. Wednesday generally fair; colder east portion.

The low pressure with its cloudy rainy skies still lingers over the Mississippi Valley but is beginning to move more rapidly eastward. Rains have continued in the Gulf States and to nearly all of the Mississippi Valley and the lower part of the Missouri, and well up the Ohio Valley.

The high pressure over the Northwest is more marked, and temperatures there are beginning to drop to the winter values, but as yet there is no severe cold in sight.

Missouri highways are muddy. Mostly fair and colder weather will likely prevail Wednesday and Thursday. In Columbia frost is probable Thursday morning.

Local Data: The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 54 degrees; and the lowest last night was 50 degrees. Precipitation 0.05. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 70 degrees and the lowest was 40 degrees. Precipitation 1.16. Noon yesterday: dry bulb, 52 degrees; wet bulb, 52 degrees; relative humidity, 96 per cent. 7 a. m. today: dry bulb, 52 degrees; wet bulb, 51 degrees; relative humidity 95 per cent. Sun rose 6:30 a. m. Sun sets 5:16 p. m. Moon sets 5:21 a. m.

## CALLS PAUL TO GREEK THRONE

### Alexander, King of Greece, Dies From Pet Monkey's Bite.

LONDON, Oct. 26.—Prince Paul has been called to the Greek throne to succeed his brother Alexander as king of Greece, the Greek legation announced here today. Prince Paul is at present out of the country and until he can return a regency composed of members of the cabinet will be established.

ALEXANDER ON THRONE 3 YEARS

LONDON, Oct. 26.—King Alexander of Greece died this morning as the result of a bite from a pet monkey, despite the efforts of European specialists to save his life. The king was 37 years old, and was a nephew of the former Kaiser of Germany.

Alexander succeeded to the throne July 12, 1917, when his father, Constantine I, abdicated on the demand of the allies. His elder brother, Prince George, Duke of Sparta, was passed over by the Powers in the belief that he was too sympathetic with the pro-German politics of his father.

Alexander fell into trouble with the Greeks when he married Helen Mousou, a Greek peasant girl.

## DID HE ESCAPE FROM PRISON?

### Man Found Here Yesterday May Be One Who Flew Through Sewer.

One of the two men who escaped from the state penitentiary at Jefferson City last week by crawling through a sewer may have been captured in Boone County yesterday.

A man was found wandering near Midway yesterday, and was brought to Columbia by Fred Brown, deputy sheriff. Today he said, in answer to questions asked by Sheriff T. Fred Whitesides, that he came from Jefferson City and that he had gotten away by crawling through a sewer. He refused to say anything further, and did not seem to know what he was doing.

Pictures of the escaped criminals were expected to arrive in Columbia late this afternoon, for the identification of the man.

The man gave his name yesterday as John Ogley.

## BICYCLE, LIKE HORSE, RAPIDLY LOSES VALUE HERE COMMERCIAL

Bicycles are fast becoming as scarce on the streets of Columbia as horses. Before many years they will probably be exempt from commercial use and treated like horses; used only for sport.

Most of the bicycles in Columbia today are in use only as a means of amusement. Messenger boys and a few delivery boys still ride them, but the more up-to-date delivery boys use motorcycles. The motorcycle is becoming more popular than the bicycle, not because it requires less work on the part of the rider, but because of the time it saves.

There is a small house in the 300 block on Broadway in front of which there are always several bicycles. The house has been changed into a repair shop for bicycles but the lone worker inside is busy half-soling shoes. Bicycle repairing did not earn him a living, so he had to resort to shoe repairing.

The bicycle will always be used by the schoolboy.

## LEGION PLANS ARE MADE FOR ARMISTICE DAY

### Parade of Former Service Men and Special Sections to Be Headed by Mayor Gordon.

## TO FINISH WITH DANCE

### Many Business Men Express Willingness to Close During the Celebration.

The first definite step toward the erection of a Memorial Building in Columbia was taken last night when nineteen War Mothers met with the Herbert Williams Post of the American Legion. The War Mothers will raise \$1,000 in Boone County between now and January. This will entitle them to \$1,000 more from the state, giving them a total of \$2,000 to begin their campaign.

The main object of the joint meeting centered about the Armistice Day Celebration, which will be held November 11 under the auspices of the Herbert Williams Post of the American Legion in conjunction with many other organizations, among them the Boone County War Mothers, who will have a special section in the parade.

The parade will begin at 2:30. Mayor James Gordon will be at the head of the parade, followed by vocational men in the University. The next section will be composed of former soldiers. All former soldiers will march in a special section. A special section has also been allotted to the negro service men.

The Herbert Williams post discussed plans last night for the Armistice Day parade. The parade will be composed of former service men, former service nurses, and American War Mothers and representative delegations from Stephens and Christian colleges. The Legion is not asking for floats but any one wanting the privilege of doing so, "The doughboys" the machine and the girls will march as separate units in the parade. Vocational men will be in cars. Both the University Band and the Columbia Band will be in the parade. There will be two stands for the speakers of the day, one at the corner of Hill street and Broadway and the other at the corner of Sixth street and Broadway.

Each town in Boone county will be asked to send a section of its former service men. The American Legion Post of Centralia, the only other post in Boone County, will be asked to come in a body.

Several persons have already offered to furnish floats for the parade. These will be accepted and allotted to the sections.

The parade will break up downtown after one hour's marching. Two speakers' stands will be erected at either end of the business section. Several vocalists will mount each stand. The Rev. J. D. Randolph, local post chaplain, will be in charge of one stand and Ruby Hulen will be in charge of the other.

Most of the business men have already expressed themselves in favor of closing their stores all afternoon. The University will also be asked to close in the afternoon.

A banquet and dance for all former service men is planned for the evening. However, plans for the banquet have not yet been definitely formulated.

College agents will be in charge of the day's activities. Some of the other members of the program committee are: Ruth Hicock, Virgil Cole, Lieut. Col. W. E. Peters, John Nowell and J. A. Douglas.

## EIGHT GRAND JURY ARRESTS

### Men Are Charged With Gambling and Burglary to Appear in Court.

Eight men were arrested today on charges of gambling and one man on a charge of burglary, upon indictments returned recently by the grand jury. Otto Mann, Claud Hathman, Herman Kite, Robert Gots, Joe Frazier, Elmer Woods, Ralph Pratt and Sam Hanton were arrested charged with shooting craps. Arch Jacobs is charged with the theft of an automobile valued at \$36 from a building belonging to W. H. Wade about September 20.

The men were to appear before the circuit court late this afternoon to have the amount of their bail assessed.

## TWELVE ENLIST IN LOCAL UNIT

### Music, Smokes and Talk by Captain Features of Evening.

A dozen men were added to the roster of the local state field artillery unit last night at a smoker given at the armory in the Great Building. The evening was spent with music, smokes and a talk by Wilbur F. Moring, Jr., captain of the battery for the evening year.

A sergeant-instructor from the state office in St. Louis is expected in Columbia tomorrow. He will stay at the armory during the day to explain the unit to those interested and to take applications for enlistment.

## YOU ARE INVITED

Plans for a reception and house-warming in Jay H. Neff Hall from 7 until 10 o'clock next Thursday night have been completed by the students of the School of Journalism. The reception will mark the official opening of the new home into which the School of Journalism has just moved. There are many interesting features in this fine, modern building and its printing plant, from which the Columbia Evening Missourian is issued. The students have arranged this opportunity for all in the community to inspect the entire building and plant.

A cordial invitation is extended to all Columbia and University people.

## WILFLEY TO SPEAK IN COUNTY

### Will Be Chief Democratic Speaker Here for Last of Campaign.

Senator Xenophon P. Wilfley will arrive in Columbia Wednesday to help finish the home stretch of the Democratic campaign in Boone County. Centralia, Rockport, Sturgeon, Adland, Hallsville, Harrisburg and several other towns will be given a chance to hear Senator Wilfley during the latter part of the week.

His first speech will probably be at Centralia Wednesday evening. The schedule will include Sturgeon, Thursday at 1 o'clock, and Hallsville at 3 o'clock. These dates had not been definitely decided at Democratic Headquarters this afternoon at 4 o'clock, but were fixed tentatively. The complete program will be announced later.

## TRUSTEES LAY CORNERSTONE

### Boone County Hospital Board Officially Start the New Building.

The Boone County Hospital Board laid the cornerstone of the County Hospital at 1 o'clock today. There was no public ceremony, as the ground around the new building was plowed and muddy.

N. T. Gentry, secretary, placed in the corner box a copy of every newspaper in Boone County, each paper having an article about the Boone County Hospital; E. P. Brown placed a paper that had been signed by the hospital trustees, county officials, contractors, architects and superintendents; Dennis Spelman placed a copy of the program of the grand-opening exercises of the hospital; W. O. Ellis placed a picture of the hospital building; Judge J. T. Rowland, of the County Court, placed a copy of the first petition for the Boone County Hospital; Dr. James Gordon, mayor of Columbia, placed a paper that had been signed by the physicians and nurses of Boone county; Davis & Phillips placed a picture of the first hospital trustees; Treasurer George E. Thompson placed a bank check and bank statement of every bank in Boone county; and Miss Dorothy E. Bewley, Red Cross nurse, placed a paper entitled "Missouri's Second Health Crusade."

Chairman H. H. Banks then put the lid on the corner box and Superintendent Miller put the box in the corner stone. The corner stone was set in place by W. F. Faye, brick mason.

Before the laying of the corner-stone, the hospital board had a luncheon at the Gibson Cafe.

## ONLY SIXTY ROOMS LISTED

### Columbians Asked to Help Solve Housing Problem.

Y. M. C. A. officials are calling on the residents of Columbia to help solve the problem of housing the 500 short course students who are expected here the first of next week. At present they have listed only about sixty rooms and say that they do not see where the new students will stay unless the people of Columbia rent all their spare rooms.

The housing problem was handled at the opening of the fall term by the Y. M. C. A., the Commercial Club and the University, but the Y. M. C. A. is taking the responsibility for finding rooms for all the short course students, both men and women.

All people who are known to have available rooms are being reached over the telephone and it is desired that others call the Y. M. C. A. Building and have their rooms listed.

## STEEL VOTING BOOTHS READY

### Preparation for Election Being Made at Courthouse.

Twelve steel voting booths were erected in the corridors on the first floor of the courthouse this morning. Booths are necessary by law that a citizen may cast his or her vote in secrecy. The morning of the election the center of the corridor will have a number of tables for the judges.

C. W. Davis, county clerk, has received the ballots, instructions to voters, and election books. He is marking and separating them so each voting precinct in the county will be furnished with the election material.

## W. C. T. U. Will Also Instruct Voters

There will be a display of a child welfare exhibit, tomorrow at the new W. C. T. U. headquarters, 704 Broadway. The W. C. T. U. is also running a campaign to instruct the voters how to scratch "No" on Amendment No. 13, and why the "No" should be scratched. They will welcome any one who may desire such information.

## At Parker Memorial Hospital.

Those admitted to Parker Memorial Hospital yesterday included Ben B. Patten and Harold Trent. Miss Helen Kampschmidt and Mrs. Marion Curtis were admitted today.

## JUST ONE CONTINUOUS TURMOIL



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## TEXANS KILLED IN OLD MEXICO

### News of Murder of Americans Just Received in Washington—No Details.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26.—The State Department announced today that two Americans had been murdered in Vega de Otates, Mexico, recently. The news of the murder has just been received. The two men are supposed to be Arthur L. Moseley and G. E. Saylor, both reported to be from Texas. All details of the affair are as yet lacking.

## MARTIAL LAW FOLLOWS KILLING

MEXICO CITY, MEX., Oct. 26.—Martial law has been declared in the state of Tabasco following the killing of two deputies by two soldiers. A fight between the deputies and the soldiers occurred and the deputies ran into a capital building. The soldiers followed and opened fire upon them in the building.

Several more were wounded in the fight.

## 5 STEPS TO GET CONSTITUTION

### State Teachers' Association to Publish Explanation of Them.

The State Teachers' Association is preparing a pamphlet explaining five steps to the people of Missouri that are necessary to secure a new constitution. Twenty thousand copies of this pamphlet will be distributed.

The five steps are described as follows: first, vote for Amendment No. 15 which will insure the bi-partisan election of delegates to the Constitutional Convention; second, August 2, 1921, vote in favor of a convention to revise and amend the constitution; third, the Governor will order the election of delegates to the constitutional convention; fourth, the constitutional convention will meet to draft the new constitution; fifth, the proposed constitution, as drafted by the convention, will be submitted to the voters for approval or rejection.

The pamphlet will have a list of fifty organizations on record as favoring a new constitution for Missouri. It also points out that the movement for a new constitution is a non-partisan issue. Both gubernatorial candidates have declared for Amendment No. 15.

Dean Walter Williams is one of the vice-presidents of this movement. Other Columbians on the advisory board are: E. W. Stephens, Dean F. B. Mumford, Dean Isidor Loeb, Dr. J. B. Gale, Dr. A. W. McAlester, H. D. Murry and Orville M. Barnett.

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## ELECTION RETURNS

### The Columbia Evening Missourian has completed arrangements for receiving the election returns of the county, state and nation from the time the polls close the night of November 2 until the results are definitely known.

A special telegraph wire, with an operator constantly on duty, will bring the news of the state and national election direct to Jay H. Neff Hall. If the weather permits these returns in bulletin form will be thrown on a screen on the campus near Jay H. Neff Hall. If bad weather prevails they will be shown in the University Auditorium.

The Missourian extends a cordial invitation to all of the people of the community to be its guests election night and get a complete, authentic service.

## BONE DRY WINS IN REFERENDUM

### Four Canadian Provinces Adopt an Iron-Clad Liquor Policy.

WINNIPEG, Oct. 26.—A "bone dry" policy was adopted in four Canadian provinces when it was approved yesterday in their referendum. The votes in the four provinces are said to show large majorities in favor of the dry program. The question was whether or not liquor from outside provinces should be imported.

## TO LECTURE ON PUBLIC HEALTH

### Professors Will Address Conference to Be Held at Sedalia.

Two University professors will address the twentieth annual meeting of the Missouri State Conference for Social Welfare, to be held at Sedalia, November 14, 15 and 16. Mrs. A. Ross Hill is one of the two vice-presidents of the conference.

Prof. Charles W. Greene, chairman of the committee on public health, will speak on "Public Health Problems." Dr. Maryck P. Ravend, of the preventive medicine department, will speak on "Public Health Progress in the United States."

The public health program will occupy all of the morning of November 15, and there will be five addresses by state and national leaders in public health activities.

## M. E. Missionary Society Meets.

Mrs. F. E. Moore, Mrs. R. H. Emberson, Mrs. H. E. Baker, and Mrs. J. M. Hughes of the Broadway Methodist Church left today for Fayette where they will attend the district meeting of the Methodist Missionary Society. Mrs. Emberson is vice-president of the Missouri Missionary Conference. Two delegates from the Wilkes Boulevard Methodist Church are also attending the meeting.

## SINN FEIN WILL DIRECT FUNERAL OF LORD MAYOR

### McSwiney Will Be Buried in Ireland—England Not to Interfere in the Ceremonies.

## DETECT REVENGE PLOT

### 8 Men Said to Have Been on Their Way to Murder Lloyd George Taken Into Custody.

LONDON, Oct. 26.—Terence McSwiney, former lord mayor of Cork, who began life as a clerk, and who died yesterday in Brixton Prison after a hunger strike of 74 days, will be given great funeral services, it was given out here today.

The home office has announced that there will be no interference with the ceremonies; the only restriction is that there will be no Sinn Fein firing squad on duty at the grave.

SEVEN IN GABER

The body of the former mayor is laid in state in London and will be later removed for burial in Ireland. The funeral oration will be spoken in Gaelic as was requested by McSwiney. The deputy lord mayor of Cork arrived here today with a body of fifty Sinn Feiners who will take charge of the body and will conduct the services.

It has been announced that the Irish Parliament may attend the ceremonies in a body.

## "VENGEANCE EXPEDITION" ARRIVES

LONDON, Oct. 26.—A "vengeance expedition" of eight men, who were presumably on their way to England to avenge the death of Terence McSwiney, the former lord mayor of Cork, who started himself to death in Brixton Prison, has been apprehended and taken into custody by officials at Holyhead.

The men were dressed in Sinn Fein uniforms and wore civilian clothing on their uniforms. They are described as desperate characters and they are believed to have been on their way to attempt the murder of Lloyd George.

Previous to the death of McSwiney Lloyd George was notified that if he allowed the mayor of Cork to die he would be held responsible. The men are said to be from Cork. They refused to give their names.

## HARDING IS FOR TARIFF POLICY

### Promises a Return of Protective Plan After Next March 4.

MARION, Oct. 26.—A return to the protective tariff policy after next March 4 was promised today by Warren C. Harding in a telegram to Paul Edward of Joplin. Mr. Edwards is chairman of the zinc ore commission of Joplin, and had written Harding in regard to the low price of zinc ore, which had caused mines in Southwest Missouri to close down and throw 15,000 men out of work.

## GOOD ROADS ADVOCATE HERE

### Harry Graham of State Federation Confers With Local Committee.

Is Boone County one of the few counties in the state of Missouri not enthusiastically in favor of the Sixth Amendment? This is the question which Mr. Harry Graham of Chillicothe is in Columbia today to answer.

"Conditions over the state look very favorable for the Amendment," Mr. Graham says. "In only two or three counties is there a decided majority against it and most of the counties seem favorably inclined towards it."

So far no definite report regarding Boone County's stand in the matter has been made to the Missouri Good Roads Federation, and Mr. Graham was sent here today to confer with the Boone County committee.

Mr. Graham is secretary of the Chillicothe Chamber of Commerce and state chairman of the membership committee of the Missouri Good Roads Federation. Miss Pearl Mitchell has accepted the chairmanship of the women's division for Columbia and Boone County of the Missouri Good Roads Federation. Miss Mitchell will announce at an early date a mass meeting of all women who are interested in Amendment No. 6. She will receive instructions from Mrs. R. A. Todd, president of the women's division of good roads organization in Missouri, who is devoting her entire time to the supervision of the women's campaign.

There are 92,000 club women in Missouri who have pledged their votes for the amendment and they will have women at each precinct in the state to call the attention of women voters to the \$60,000,000 bond issue for good roads.

## Her Motor Car Still Missing.

The Buick roadster, which was stolen from Miss Frances Mitchell last Wednesday night has not been found. Miss Mitchell parked the car in front of the Broadway Methodist Church while she went to "Hitchy-Koo" at the Columbia Theater.