

PLAN COLUMBIA PART IN ROAD CAMPAIGN

Crowd at Commercial Club Lunch in Tavern Hears of Oct. 6 Meeting.

DELEGATES NAMED

A Permanent Good Road Across Boone County Will Be the Goal.

Columbia and Boone County are preparing to enter into a campaign that will result, in the shortest time possible, in the construction of a permanent good road across the county from west to east and also across the entire state along the Old Trails route. This was shown in the speeches and discussion at the weekly luncheon of the Commercial Club at the Boone Tavern today when the largest number of business men who have attended for a long time, turned out to hear about plans for the annual convention of the Missouri Old Trails Association to be held in Columbia a week from next Saturday. At the conclusion of the luncheon, E. S. Anderson, president of the club, appointed these men to represent Columbia at the meeting:

Dean Walter Williams, chairman; E. S. Stephens, Dr. J. B. Cole, Isadore Barh, Prof. L. M. Defoe, S. E. Conley, J. A. Hudson, Dr. W. P. Dysart, Judge J. A. Stewart, T. H. Murry and Francis Russell.

Columbia to Take the Lead.

It was urged by the speakers that if the road is to be constructed as it should be to form the link in the National Old Trails Highway, which is now being rapidly completed, it will be necessary for Columbia and Boone county to take the initiative. It was this local initiative that resulted in the calling of the state convention.

One of the things discussed was the method which Columbia should adopt for raising money to build the road through this county. Mr. Anderson said that he believed that the county-wide plan of voting bonds for the improvement of all roads in the county, in addition to improving the Old Trails Road would be impossible. With the war on, he said, bonds could not be voted. E. Sydney Stephens advocated the benefit district plan and urged that every mile of the road be included in such district before the convention was held. He explained the object of the convention. As to the other counties, he said, he believed that each should select its own method. S. F. Conley also advocated the forming of road districts to raise the money.

Advocates County Bond Issue.

Dean Walter Williams was called on by Mr. Anderson and he responded by saying that he had enough faith in the people of Boone county to believe that if such a plan was considered best, a bond issue of one million dollars could be voted. He disagreed with Mr. Anderson, who had stated that the county would not vote bonds to improve all of its roads. Dean Williams said he did not advocate the county-wide plan as necessarily the best one, or one that is necessary for the people of this community to adopt, but one that could be carried. He closed his brief talk by making a motion for the appointment of delegates.

Frank L. Martin told of the trip of the road committee across the state, which was made to stir up interest in the convention. He said the condition of the Old Trails Road was now worse than it had ever been. He said there was a sentiment now in favor of permanent improvement, chiefly because of the opportunity to get half of the expense from state and federal funds. Mr. Martin proposed the election of E. W. Stephens as president of the Old Trails Association at the coming convention.

UNION CAMPAIGN SUCCEEDING

Doctor Defoe Says Every Student Can Afford to Join.

The campaign being made by the Missouri Union for new members is proving successful, according to word received from the Blue and Red teams, each of whom are trying to have the honor of bringing in the most names. Robert Barnhart is captain of the Blue team, Baxter Bond of the Red.

Forty enthusiastic workers listened to a talk made by Prof. L. M. Defoe at a booster meeting held last night at the University. He said that every student in the University was able financially to join the Union and that it was his duty to do so even if he had to economize elsewhere. Doctor Defoe afterwards addressed the Engineers' Club, urging them to work for the Union.

Phi Mu Alpha Holds Meeting.

A meeting of the Missouri chapter of Phi Mu Alpha was held last night. The report of the concert committee was discussed and adopted. It is planned to make an early announcement of this year's concert course which is to include artists of the foremost reputation.

MOST OF CORN CROP IS SAFE

Farmers in Missouri are Now Preparing for Wheat Seeding.

The bulk of the corn crop is safe, according to the weekly crop bulletin of the U. S. Weather Bureau here. The bulletin says: "The weather of the past week was favorable for farm work and the maturing of crops. Except moderate showers in the eastern Ozark counties there was no rain of consequence. Rain would be beneficial generally for pastures, late gardens, and to keep the ground in good condition for plowing.

"Corn is maturing rapidly; and the bulk of the crop is safe. Most of the replanted overflowed bottom lands will require about two weeks more of favorable weather. A considerable part of the earlier planted corn is cut and in shock. Filling silos is in progress.

"The preparation of ground for wheat seeding is being rushed. South of the Missouri River considerable wheat has been sown, and a few fields here and there to the northern border have been seeded. A large increase in acreage is contemplated.

"Late forage crops are in satisfactory condition, as well as most minor crops, such as cotton, kaffir corn, broom corn, etc.

"Apple picking has begun and the quality and quantity ranges from fair to good."

HIGHWAY ENGINEER TO BE BUSY

Road Work in Two Missouri Counties Arouses Others—Projects On.

State road construction in Taney and Montgomery counties has aroused an interest in many other counties throughout the state, and the state highway engineer has been called upon to visit practically every section of Missouri to designate "state roads."

The United States Department of Public Roads has approved the project for the Webb City-Joplin-Galena road in Jasper County, and the work of construction will be commenced as soon as bids can be obtained. The Cole County project, which provides for the construction of 25.8 miles of road extending east and west through the state capital, is now in the hands of the Federal Government, with the promise that its approval will be announced in the immediate future. The work of surveying the road connecting Jefferson City and Columbia has been started, and projects will be made both in Callaway and Boone counties. Perhaps the greatest road development planned in any section of the state is in Southeast Missouri, where three counties have voted approximately \$2,000,000 worth of road and bridge bonds. It is noticeable that the greatest road activity is south of the Missouri River.

IRISH TILLAGE PLAN A SUCCESS

Statistics Show Great Increase of Foodstuffs Over Last Year.

(Correspondence of the Associated Press) DUBLIN, Sept. 27.—That the tillage plan introduced at the beginning of the year has been an unequalled success is indicated by the annual Agricultural Statistics which the Irish Department of Agriculture has just issued.

This time last year, the two remarkable features of the statistics were the unexpected decrease in the acreage of cereal and green crops, and the large increases in all kinds of live stock. The report for the present year tells a tale of the very opposite character. Cereal and green crops have gone up enormously, while live stock in every class has gone down.

RETIREES FROM MEDICAL FACULTY

Dr. Woodson to Celebrate Sixty-fifth Birthday With Dinner.

Dr. Woodson Moss will celebrate his sixty-fifth birthday anniversary by a dinner to a number of his men friends tomorrow night at Christian College. This anniversary marks the retirement of Doctor Moss from the medical faculty of the University of Missouri after a teaching experience of forty-three years.

He holds the record for length of service of any faculty member ever connected with the University. About fifty men will be guests at the dinner.

MISS MARY CRANDALL MARRIED

Columbia Woman the Bride of J. A. Hawkins of Canada.

Miss Mary Ellen Crandall, 33 years old, of Columbia was married this noon to John Albert Hawkins, 36 years old, of Keene, Ontario, Canada. A license was issued to the couple at the Courthouse this morning and the marriage was performed by the Rev. T. W. Young at his home. The bride has been living with her sister, Mrs. J. D. Fay, 218 Gordon street. The bridegroom is a traveling salesman.

Two More at Christian College.

Miss Berniece Smith of Webb City, Mo., and Miss Reta Ross of Weston, Mo., delayed registrants at Christian College, arrived on Monday to enter as dormitory students.

Repairs for Traffic Posts.

The traffic posts at Broadway and Hitt and at Broadway and Seventh streets, which were damaged by automobile traffic, are being repaired.

SON OF FIRST M. U. GRADUATE IS DEAD

Ben E. Todd, Dean of Kansas City Law School, Succumbs to Operation.

FORMER COLUMBIAN

Father, Robert L. Todd, Was Graduated from University in 1843.

Ben E. Todd, son of Robert L. Todd, the first graduate of the University of Missouri in 1843, died yesterday at a hospital in Kansas City after an operation for appendicitis. Mr. Todd was 44 years old, and lived most of his life in Columbia. He was dean of the Kansas City Law School at the time of his death.

Mr. Todd was born in Columbia in 1873 and attended the University at intervals from 1888 to 1895. He was member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity. For some years he engaged in the abstract business as an associate of Daniel O. Bayless, who is still in business in Columbia.

Later Mr. Todd was graduated from the Kansas City Law School and became a teacher in that school. He rose to the rank of dean of that institution. He leaves a wife and two children. Mrs. Todd, formerly Miss Martha Skillman, was a teacher in the music department of Stephens College in 1894 and 1895. Mrs. J. C. Whitten and Miss Tete Todd, both of Columbia, are sisters of Mr. Todd.

The funeral will be held in Kansas City at 10 o'clock Friday morning. The body will be brought to Columbia at 7:10 o'clock Friday night. Burial will be in Columbia at 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

JOINS ROYAL FLYING CORPS

Frank Matthews, Former Student, Tells of Training in Canada.

Prof. M. P. Weinbach of the School of Engineering of the University, has received a letter from Frank Matthews, an engineering student last year, who is now in training with the Royal Flying Corps, Toronto, Canada. He says that the students, some of whom are from the United States, are instructed by British officers from the front, in the use of various aviation engines, magnetos, bombs, machine guns and in artillery observation, astronomy, photography and the theory of flight.

"We have about 500 students, English and American, he writes. "There is an average of two deaths and seven or eight crashes between planes a week. We use the Curtiss plane for instruction, each plane costing \$7,000, so it is an expensive business for the government. In another month the weather here will be too cold to fly and we expect to move to Texas for a part of the winter. We hope to be in France by February."

Mr. Matthews' official title is Cadet U. S. A. 167.

DENMARK REDUCES SIZE OF ARMY

Finances and Lack of Discipline is Given as Reason.

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 27.—The Danish government has ordered another reduction in the size of the standing army. The step is taken, it is stated "mainly for financial reasons, but also because discipline in the army has been weakened and its quality deteriorated under protracted service."

At the beginning of the European war, Denmark called up 45,000 men in addition to 12,500 who are always under training. This force was gradually reduced to 25,000, and a further reduction of about 25 per cent has now been decided upon.

All the parties, except the Conservatives group, have approved of the Government's decision. The Conservatives declined acquiescence on the ground that they could not admit that "the danger of a violation of Denmark's neutrality has been essentially diminished."

TOURISTS COMPLAIN OF BRIDGES

Missouri Roads Have Bad Water-Breaks and Culverts, They Say.

Tourists traveling through Missouri invariably make complaint of the condition of bridges and culverts. It is hard for them to understand why a county, township or road district will spend several hundred dollars, or perhaps several thousand dollars, in building bridges and culverts, and then neglect to fix the approaches so that the bridge may be crossed in safety and comfort. Many culverts leave a hump in the road, which makes traveling dangerous and retards progress in making a cross-state trip.

The "water-breaks" which were formerly considered necessary to drain the water from a public road have been forgotten in Missouri counties, but there are still a few relics of early-day road construction, and all county highway engineers and good roads enthusiasts throughout Missouri are urged to correct this condition in their own counties.

BRITISH ADVANCING ALONG YPRES FRONT

Offensive Begun Yesterday Nets Large Gains for Allied Forces.

ALL POSITIONS HELD

Battle Today Is Featured by Stubborn German Counter-Attacks.

(By Associated Press)

BRITISH FRONT IN FRANCE AND BELGIUM, Sept. 27.—Once more the British fighting machine is crushing its way through the German trenches along the Ypres battle front with its great offensive begun yesterday.

The offensive began in the gray dawn of a misty morning today by striking at the weak points in the line sought out for the attack yesterday, accomplished virtually all that had been planned for it.

This afternoon the men of Australia, England and Scotland were holding positions that represent gains of 1,000 to 1,300 yards over a large part of the sector north of Ypres.

British Near Polygon Wood Firm.

(By Associated Press)

BRITISH FRONT IN FRANCE AND BELGIUM, Sept. 27.—The British are maintaining their new lines without the slightest sign of retreat at any point. The new battle today is being fought in the vicinity of Cameron house, south of the Polygon wood, where the Australians are pressing the Germans hard.

Stubborn resistance is reported at Sonnebroke, where heavy fighting continues. From the British standpoint, the situation resulting from the offensive is exceedingly satisfactory.

FATE CALLS FILIPINO HOME

Student Who Arrived Here Sept. 3 Must Return—Mother Dead.

Coming more than 8,000 miles to attend the School of Engineering of the University of Missouri and then having to return on the account of the death of his mother, after having been in school less than two weeks, is the lot of Julius E. Sarmenta who came all the way from Cabanatuan, N. E. Philippine Islands.

Sarmenta sailed from the Philippines August 2 and arrived in San Francisco the last of the month. While there he lost \$150. He was coming to the University expecting to earn a part of his expenses so the loss was a serious one. But he came on to Columbia, arriving September 3.

Yesterday he received word that his mother had died August 17, while he was on the Pacific. Since the father is dead, Julius, who is 21 years old and the oldest of the seven children, has to go back to care for the others and manage the 60-acre plantation. All he has to take him back home is \$85, while the fare to Vancouver is \$52 and from there to the Philippines \$200. But he hopes to reach home by getting enough money to pay for a steerage passage.

Thomas E. Lucey to Talk to Soldiers.

Thomas E. Lucey of Springfield, publisher of the Missouri Mule, is one of the first lyceum speakers to volunteer for entertainments at the army cantonments. Mr. Lucey is well known here, having been a visitor during Journalism Week last May. More than 2,000 lyceum members have volunteered their services. Mr. Lucey opened his war work at Fort Riley Tuesday. He will also visit the camps at Des Moines, Leavenworth, Omaha and San Antonio.

Engineering Student in Medical Corps.

Cecil J. Hubbard, who was graduated from the School of Engineering of the University last June, editor of last year's Shamrock, writes Prof. M. P. Weinbach of the School of Engineering that he has enlisted in the army medical corps and is now stationed on Governors Island, N. Y. "We expect that we are booked to leave for France soon," he says.

M. U. Professor On Its Program.

Prof. Manley O. Hudson of the faculty of the School of Law of the University, chairman of the committee on jurisprudence and law reform, spoke at the meeting of the Missouri Bar Association in Kansas City today. Among other speakers at the meeting was Gardiner Lathrop, an alumnus of the University.

Called Home by Father's Death.

Miss Ellen Mallin, teacher of the mathematics at Christian College, received a message on Monday night advising her of the death of her father at the family home, Muskegon, Mich. Miss Mallin left at once for Muskegon. She will return the last of the week.

Red Top Church 95 Years Old.

The Red Top Christian Church, near Hillsville, will celebrate the ninety-fifth anniversary of its establishment with an all-day meeting Friday, October 5.

THE WEATHER

For Columbia and Vicinity: Fair, cooler tonight, temperature about 40; probably light frost in low exposed places. Friday fair and warmer.

For Missouri: Fair tonight and Friday. Probably light frost tonight; cooler east and south portions tonight; warmer Friday.

Weather Conditions.

The low pressure system is traveling slowly eastward, attended by cloudy, rainy weather. Fine rains have fallen in southern Iowa, over Missouri, eastern Kansas, Oklahoma, northern Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Arkansas. This rain is opportune, and worth thousands of dollars to the winter wheat belt.

The high pressure wave moved south-eastward, giving clearing and cooler weather to the Plains and Middle Mississippi Valley, with light frost in northwestern Texas, western Kansas, and southern Nebraska. Another low pressure wave appeared in the Northwest, causing a change to warmer throughout that section.

In Columbia fair weather will prevail during the next two or three days. Light frost is probable in low exposed places tonight, but the weather will be warmer tomorrow and Saturday.

Local Data.

The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 62 degrees and the lowest last night was 50; precipitation .63; relative humidity 2 p. m. yesterday 53 per cent. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 80 and the lowest 67; precipitation 0.90 inch.

The Almanac.

Sun rises today, 6:01 a. m. Sun sets, 5:29 p. m. Moon sets 2:02 a. m.

The Temperatures Today.

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| 7 a. m. | 52 | 11 a. m. | 60 |
| 8 a. m. | 52 | 12 p. m. | 62 |
| 9 a. m. | 54 | 1 p. m. | 63 |
| 10 a. m. | 58 | 2 p. m. | 65 |

WAR PARADE STAGED

200,000 Argentines March in Anti-German Demonstration at Capital.

(By Associated Press)

Buenos Aires, Argentina, Sept. 27.—The greatest demonstration Buenos Aires has ever seen took place today as an evidence of the almost unanimous feeling of the people against Germany. Approximately 200,000 marchers were in line, being led by a commission of Uruguayan senators and deputies, while thousands lined the thoroughfares as spectators.

The people threw flowers and tiny flags on the marchers and cheered the Uruguayan congressmen wildly, for their presence gave evidence of the solidarity of Uruguay with the Argentine republic.

Business was suspended during the parade. The demonstration was organized in twenty-four hours, indicating the unanimity of public opinion.

MORE NEEDED IN SIGNAL CORPS

Dean McCausland Desires as Many as Possible to Register This Week.

"We can handle more students than have registered for the training in signal corps work that is soon to be given in the School of Engineering," said Dean E. J. Caustland today. "We would be glad to have them report this week if possible."

The classes will meet from 1 to 3 o'clock six days of the week. Students may agree to enlist in the signal corps at the end of the three month's training or pay \$10 for the instruction. Dean McCausland said that the signal corps has sent out a call for 20,000 men.

CITY MAKES REPAIRS ON NINTH

Bad Section of Pavement Near Conley Will Be Mended.

That part of Ninth street near Conley avenue, which always collects a big pool of water and mud in wet weather is being repaired by the city. The drainage intakes will be enlarged and part of the pavement raised so that the water will run off and not spread over the sidewalk.

MISS FRANCES MILLER DIES

Funeral Held This Afternoon at Parker Undertaking Chapel.

Miss Frances Miller, 60 years old, died last night of paralysis at the home of Mrs. C. G. McClain, Moss avenue at Broadway. Miss Miller had lived in Columbia all her life. The funeral services were held at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon in the Parker Chapel. The Rev. T. W. Young, pastor of the Baptist Church of which Miss Miller was a member, conducted the services. Burial was held at the Columbia Cemetery.

Prizes Offered Dairy Judges.

The National Dairy Show will be held at Columbus, Ohio, October 19. This show, the largest dairy cattle show in America, is held annually. Thousands of dollars are offered in prizes. Eight hundred dollars in scholarships, seven silver cups and five gold medals will be awarded to the students of agriculture making the highest scores in judging dairy cattle.

Wins \$62.50 in Prizes.

Maurice Witt, a senior in the College of Agriculture, has profited well by his trip to the State Fair. In the first few days of the stock judging contest he received \$62.50 in prizes. He won two first and two second prizes.

POLICE STOP PLANS TO WRECK U. S. SHOPS

100 Germans and Sympathizers Are Interned at Ellis Island Today.

MOSTLY MECHANICS

Men Carry Carborundum to Destroy Machinery—Officials at Meetings.

(By Associated Press)

NEW YORK, Sept. 27.—Plans for wrecking the munition making shops in America at the expense of German agents in Europe are believed by the police to have been defeated through the arrest of about 100 Germans and German sympathizers in raids, which began last night and continued today.

This morning the aliens, each guarded by a detective, were taken Ellis Island, where it was announced they will be interned probably for the duration of the war.

Nearly all the men arrested are mechanics. A number are employed in munition plants and on naval contracts. In the possession of some were found quantities of carborundum in pulverized form, a chemical used for the destruction of delicate machinery.

The men know one another, and had held meetings at which police and Navy Department agents were present unknown to them. Some were under surveillance for several months, according to the police. The carborundum had been sent here from Germany, it was declared, some of it being discovered in pulverized form in the pencil of a German jeweler in Denmark. This agent had been sending it to German representatives in all parts of the world, according to information received here today.

WIDE INTEREST IN HOME WORK

Nearly 50,000 Persons Attended Meetings Last Summer in State.

A recent summary of the home economic extension work conducted by the University of Missouri College of Agriculture shows that 48,653 persons attended the meetings held between June 1 and September 15. Extension workers held 617 meetings. Analysis shows that 189 homemakers clubs, 109 temporary canning clubs and 88 county conservation committees were active in food conservation this summer. The four regular members reached thirty-six counties and held seventy-six meetings which were attended by 18,743 persons; the emergency workers reached 100 counties, held 401 meetings with a total attendance of 22,567.

Since August twenty home demonstration agents have been in the field. There are now twelve home demonstration agents at work. These have been in the field only two or three weeks up to September 15 and have held 140 meetings with the attendance of 7,343.

Ten emergency publications have been issued with 6,000 copies of each distributed. Thirty thousand copies of Circular No. 9, "Canning in Glass by the Cold Pack Method"; twenty-five thousand of Circular No. 23, "Drying Fruits and Vegetables," and twenty-five thousand canning time cards have been distributed.

Senior Engineers Elect Officers.

The seniors in the School of Engineering of the University elected class officers and the Shamrock staff Tuesday night. The following are the class officers: President, Earl Groesbeck; vice-president, John W. Baldwin; secretary, Howard B. Stone; treasurer, Clyde Spotts. The members of the Shamrock staff are: Editor, Herbert C. Draper; business manager, Philip E. Ronzone; senior associate editor, Gerald F. Breckenridge. The other classes in the school will elect associate editors who will become members of the staff. The Shamrock is published annually by the students in the School of Engineering on St. Patrick's Day.

Y. M. C. A. Workers Meet Tonight.

The promotion committee of the Y. M. C. A. will attend a dinner at 6 o'clock tonight in the auditorium of the Y. M. C. A. Building. The committee is composed of the cabinet and all active workers for the association. Activities for the year will be planned. Dean Kirkenlager, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., expects to have fifty men present at the dinner.

May Not Open Bridge Sunday.

The rain Wednesday delayed the painting work on Stewart Bridge and may prevent it from being opened to traffic Sunday, according to City Engineer Price. For the last few days men have been painting the steel framework.

Miss Babb on Women's Council.

Miss Marion Babb was elected junior representative to the Women's Council yesterday afternoon at a meeting of the junior women in Room 119, Academic Hall. The president, Miss Enid Putnam, presided.