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The jury for Haywood's trial, begun on the 9th at Boise, Idaho, has not yet been completed, although over a hundred veniremen have been examined. It is predicted however, that the challenging of talesmen will be finished Saturday and that the jury will be sworn Monday.

A story was recently sent out from Lincoln, Nebraska, to the effect that Mr. Bryan informed his friends that he would decline the Democratic nomination for President if Mr. Roosevelt were the Republican nominee; that Mr. Roosevelt more nearly represented the policies he had stood for than any other man. The story was absurd on its face, but Mr. Bryan felt impelled in an authorized interview to deny the anonymous fabrication. While Mr. Roosevelt has in a half-way measure stood for some of the reforms advocated by Mr. Bryan and set forth in the Democratic platform, the two men are as wide apart in the essential principles of government as the antipodes.

Senator Philander Knox, former Attorney General of President Roosevelt, now comes forward as Pennsylvania's favorite son for the Republican nomination for President, and Mr. Roosevelt is patting him on the back. The supporters of Secretary Taft, whom Mr. Roosevelt has led the country to believe is the one man whom he would have for his successor, don't know what to make of the President's flirtation. As Senator Penrose, the man whom the President accused of being the principal promoter of the alleged \$5,000,000 conspiracy to thwart his plans, is backing up the Knox movement, the apparent friendliness of the President toward his candidacy is all the more puzzling. Is he making terms with the "five-million conspiracy?"

The new primary law, by which all candidates for State and district offices in Missouri will be nominated by the several parties on the same day, will create a novel political condition in this State. No more conventions; no more county mass meetings, packed and otherwise, to name delegates to divers conventions; no more trades and combinations, but a direct vote of the people for the candidates aspiring for the several offices. It will be a big undertaking for the candidates to get over the State and make themselves known to all the voters. Heretofore they could visit the counties, enlist the services of a few active local manipulators of county conventions or mass meetings to get out their friends and look after the selection of delegates, secure instructions, et cetera; they could take to the conventions with them a lot of "fans" to circulate among other delegates and waft their superior qualifications or claims upon the party, create sentiment and do a little trading and fixing here and there when necessary. But all this and the little tricks and seductive ways known to the experienced convention goer must now retire to "innocuous desuetude" and give place to other and less familiar devices. The voters as individuals are to be reckoned with; and the tickets of the several parties are to be nominated on the same day and at the same election. The first general primary under the new law will be held on the second Tuesday of August, 1908. There is no doubt that it will prove interesting because of its newness and strangeness in the matter of nominating candidates for State offices, but whether it will prove more satisfactory than the State convention plan remains to be seen.

INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM

At the regular session of the Legislature a joint and concurrent resolution was passed submitting to the people for ratification or rejection at the next general election a constitutional amendment known as the "Initiative and Referendum." It is a question of much interest to the people, and they should begin at once to study and inform themselves of the meaning and working of the initiative and referendum principle in the making of laws for their government. It is a check upon corrupt and venal enactments, and is in the nature of direct legislation by the people when the representatives who have been elected to make their laws fail to carry out their will. It is simple and easily understood.

Under the Initiative feature, if the representatives refuse or fail to pass any law demanded by the people, the latter may enact such law by a direct vote of the electors, provided there is a sufficient demand for the law to cause a certain percentage of the qualified voters to petition for its submission. Then if a majority of the electors of the State vote for the measure, it becomes a law.

But probably the most important feature is the Referendum. If the Legislature passes a bill that is obnoxious to the people, they may within a certain time, before the date when the law would go into effect, by the petition of a certain percentage of the electors have it submitted to a vote of the people, and if it fails to receive a majority vote of the electors, the law is killed; that is, it is vetoed by the people.

This is a plain, simple statement of the working of the initiative and referendum. Not every law passed by the Legislature is referred to the people for their approval; only such as the people may petition to have referred. It gives them a check on bad legislation, and is a wholesome principle, fully in accord with our system of government. Several States have the initiative and referendum, and it works well. We shall publish articles from time to time on this subject, and help the readers of THE TIMES as much as we can to become acquainted with the workings of the system.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Miss Clarkson of Charleston visited Miss Grace Highley last week.
Rev. Ruffner was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Highley on Wednesday.
Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Waters are spending their vacations at New Madrid.
Dr. Kuhn will address the Rail Road Y. M. C. A. at DeSoto next Sunday afternoon.
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wood, attendants, have moved to Desloge, where Mr. Wood has accepted a position.
Rev. Owers conducted the service last Sunday. The choir with a cornet, piano and clarinet furnished excellent music.
Mrs. Gray, Matron, has gone on a two week's vacation. She will visit her daughter, Miss Gladys, at Sikeston, and her home in New Madrid.
The Board at the last monthly meeting directed the Steward to purchase three females and one male of the World's Fair prize-winning Holsteiner herd from the celebrated Hillcrest farm, Greenwood, Mo.
Wouldn't it be a great convenience to know the exact time at any time during the day without referring to your watch or clock? The town clock would keep you posted. Who will be the first to send in a \$50 check, or how many will send in \$25 checks? All speak at once.
There seemed to be an epidemic of jail deliveries in Southeast Missouri last week. The Wayne county jail had three prisoners escape on the 14th, and it is evident that several new jails are needed in this section.

PROBABLE FATAL SHOOTING

Jim Harris of the Dooley-Harris Feud Episode Shot Through the Body by Joe Gould.

Last Saturday night Jim Harris, who figured in the Dooley-Harris feud at Don Run several years ago, entered Smith's saloon at Elvins and began a disturbance. Joe Gould, who was tending bar, advised him to desist and finally ordered him out of the house, telling him if he didn't leave he would put him out. He advanced toward Harris, who started to draw his gun, but Gould got his in action first and shot Harris through the left arm. Harris turned to get out of the door, when Gould fired a second shot, the ball striking Harris just above the right hip and passing through his bowels. It is said that Gould emptied his revolver, when Harris turned on him and fired hitting Gould in the right hip. It is thought that Harris' bowels were perforated by the ball that passed through his body, and that he will die, although he was still alive Thursday morning. He is now under indictment for killing Daniel Sparks in 1905, and is considered a bad man.

COUNTY COURT.

At the adjourned term of County Court May 16-17, the following business was transacted:

Dramshop license was granted to John Craft.

W. M. Smith presented receipt of County Treasurer for \$105 contributed by himself and others for improvement of Wesley Chapel road, and the court appropriated a like amount out of the county road fund for same purpose, and appointed Judge Smith as supervisor in the expenditure of said money. He gave bond as such supervisor for \$500.

Assessment of real estate of J. Boss was changed from 81.12 acres to 64.12 acres, section 18, township 34, range 4, account of sales from original tract.

The court corrected its order of May 11th in regard to appropriations for road improvement to read as follows: For Flat River road between the Intermine and Flat River, \$1,500; for Abraham ford road south of river, \$200; for same north of river, \$100; for Bonne Terre road between Big river and the overhead bridge, \$300; for Jackson road east of Farmington, \$200, and same near Back creek bridge, \$100.

Court awarded contract to Joseph Mueller for placing 225 yards of macadam on Jackson road east of Farmington at \$1.20 per cubic yard, to be completed on or before August 1st.

The court loaned J. C. Williams \$6,200 belonging to county school fund and \$800 belonging to school fund of school township No. 16, with real estate and personal security, at five per cent interest.

Louis J. Couch, constable of Big River township, filed his bond, which was approved.

George F. Westover was appointed superintendent of rock roads at compensation of \$3.00 per day.

E. K. Hawn filed bond as superintendent of expenditure of appropriation for Flat River road between Intermine and Flat River, which was approved.

Petition of R. C. Pigg and others for new road was continued to June 3d.

WARRANTS ISSUED.

W. M. Smith, supt. roads, \$210.00
Mrs. W. L. Moore, support of Nannie Clay, 45.00
Farmington Mercantile Co., 10.00
J. J. Croke, transporting Arthur Thompson from St. Louis jail, 32.50
Dr. W. E. Kuhn, Supt. State Hospital No. 4, 65.00
A. H. Akers, County School Com., 49.70
J. S. Jarnagin, support of Mrs. Rock, 15.00
J. B. Mitchell, judge, 40.00
G. W. Covington, judge, 42.00
C. M. Heitman, judge, 42.00
J. J. Croke, sheriff, 16.00

Part of the ten new calcines are being tested and put into operation and the company will soon have twenty calcine furnaces in full blast here. The completion of these furnaces means, of course, the employment of an additional large number of men, and the operation of twenty furnaces should give outsiders some idea of the development of the great Leadwood district.—Leadwood Banner.

There is a movement on foot to induce the St. Louis Young Women's Christian Association to locate in Farmington for the summer if suitable quarters can be secured. The members will visit here in sections for a week or two of rest from work. Carleton College and the president's house are being considered, and we hope that the Association will be able to make suitable terms.

The Bloomfield Vindicator says it wants to put the number 23 on the Hidden Hand show which appeared there last week, and says it is the worst that ever struck that town.

To Give a Musicales

The ladies of the Baptist Church assisted by other local talent, are preparing to give a musicale some time in June. It is the intention to make this one of the most enjoyable affairs of the summer season in Farmington, and to this end local musicians have promised to lend their assistance to the ladies and co-operate in making the affair a success.

Definite announcement of the date will be made as soon as possible. Watch for it, secure your tickets early, and arrange to attend. There will be vocal and instrumental solos, violin solos, quartettes, duets, readings, drills, and other pleasing features. The program, now in process of preparation, will be varied and pleasing, having something of especial interest to each one who attends. Watch for the date.

Band Concert

Those who went to the Opera House Tuesday night expecting to enjoy a musical treat were not disappointed by the J. B. Graves Military Band of Doe Run. Each number was given in the most perfect manner and several were most heartily encored. The soloists were the Barrow brothers on the trombone and Earl Hagerman on the clarinet, and they were all artists. Dr. Graves is justly very proud of every one of his members, and the band is rapidly acquiring a wide reputation. Helen, the little five-year-old daughter of Dr. Graves, recited two little childish selections in a most charming manner, and was heartily applauded. The concert was a social and financial success, as there was a very large crowd out.

New Madrid Delegation.

The following persons went to New Madrid Wednesday with the primary object of bringing the Drummers' Convention to Farmington in 1908, and the secondary one of having a barrel of fun. They were Misses Mary and Margaret Noland, Messrs. Ed Noland, George Wilson, Willard Byington, Frank Byington, Phil Shaw, Harry Shaw, A. J. Leathers, Bas Moore, J. H. Jones, Dave Heidelberg, Philip Good, Gus Peltz, Judge Mayberry, Judge Talloch of Bismarck, John Cleve of Flat River, and Tom Masterson of Doe Run. The button worn was in the drummers' colors, red and green, carrying the inscription "Farmington wants you in 1908."

The DeSoto public school pupils study literature by the aid of a stereopticon and pictures are given from the books under discussion. The recent books were "Cricket on the Hearth" and "Evangeline." It is a method worthy of imitation, for there is no better way of impressing a story on the minds of children than by pictures of events.

Young Emmon and James L. Pritchett of Ripley county, who live several miles apart, heard a wild turkey in the woods, and each one decided to capture it. As they went through the woods each imitated the call of the turkey, and as they approached each other very slowly, finally Pritchett caught sight of something moving in the brush and shot, fatally injuring Emmons. After the body was found, the jury exonerated Pritchett, considering the act accidental.

Calvin Lambert of Centerville, while out walking with his wife on the 12th, pulled out his pistol for the purpose of committing suicide. His wife attempted to take the pistol from him and in the scuffle the weapon was discharged and hit her, inflicting a wound that will probably be fatal.

The Singer Sewing Machine Company is seeking a Southeast location, and somebody has been asking what the people of Fredericktown will give for the location. As all the advantages of low rent and taxes will benefit the Company, they ought to be glad to locate any place.

It does not take much to make Popular Bluff rejoice. A shirt factory with ten machines, to employ fifteen people, is to be established there by a Springfield firm. Stock is being sold to the town people to have them take an interest in it.

Special Big Clothing Sale!

We have about 200 suits in Men's, Boys and Children's Clothing that must be closed out in the next 60 days. And in order to do this we have marked most of them to about half the regular price. This will be the greatest sacrifice clothing sale ever held in Farmington. For good up-to-date clothing it will certainly pay anyone in need of a suit to attend this sale. All marked in plain figures.

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Bank Building and Fixtures, 6,650.00	Surplus and Profits, 10,278.67
Cash on hand and in St. Louis Banks, 42,100.46	Individual and Time Deposits, 126,513.93
Total, \$170,771.34	Due Banks, 1,500.00
	Cashier's Checks, 2,478.74
	Total, \$170,771.34

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