

**Telephone Service.**

The Business Men's Club met last Tuesday night with quite a large attendance of citizens interested in public matters.

The first question presented was the telephone proposition made by the Cumberland Telephone Co. to install the central energy or flashlight system at the rate of \$1.75 for residence sets and \$3 for business houses, with the agreement that when the number of subscribers in the city reached 800 the rates would be increased to \$2 and \$3.50, respectively. This proposition was submitted a few weeks ago, and the club agreed to indorse a substitute providing that the rate should not be increased until 1,000 subscribers in the city were secured, otherwise conforming to the provisions stated. This the Cumberland people would not accept, but came back with the original proposition.

Some very strong criticisms were then made to the effect that the service a few weeks ago was improved but had degenerated again into a wretchedly bad condition. After some discussion the club finally concluded to waive the pending proposition altogether, and a motion was made and agreed to that a demand for better service be made of the Cumberland Telephone Co. at the office in Union City, without reference to system, and that in case of failure to comply the citizens refuse to pay their monthly rentals. A committee was appointed and the demand, incorporated in writing, was presented the following day for signatures, with the result that a large number of subscribers have signed and indorsed the action of the club.

The subject of building a hard road to Gibbs was brought up, with favorable comment. The secretary was instructed to write the I. C. R. R. Co. with reference to co-operation in the movement.

Mr. Turner, representing the Agricultural Department of the Southern Railway, was present and made an interesting address along the line of eliciting the interest of the farmers in improved methods of soil treatment and cultivation of crops. Mr. Turner was reared on the farm and is prepared to back up what he has to say. In the course of his remarks he spoke of the fact that a great majority of farmers are farming by habit and not by practically tested methods that would bring them greater returns.

To illustrate, he stated that one farmer in cultivating his corn cut 15 per cent of the roots on one side and 15 per cent on the other. It is necessary that all the roots be preserved to get the full value of the corn product. He advised the enlistment of the farmer in the interest of better farming, so that he as well as the whole community might better profit from the industry. He cited that we had a farming community and should become more interested in scientific farming.

Mr. Dahnke for the club expressed appreciation of the address. He asked if those present were aware of the fact that Obion County had fallen behind 65 per cent on its wheat culture.

He stated that eventually corn would go the same way if farmers persisted in following the old ruts. Mr. Dahnke referred to the modern farming done by a son of T. O. McKinnis, who had raised 33 barrels on an acre of corn.

**The Light Question.**

Editors of the Commercial, Gentlemen: I see from an editorial in your issue of November 8 that you do not understand the lamp situation. I can't imagine where you got the data on which to base the statement that the Board had rescinded their action to keep on hand the Mazda lamp to be sold at wholesale cost price and had returned to the old obsolete system which will be in use until a change is demanded. The facts in the case are these: At a meeting of the Business Men's Club a committee was appointed to wait on the Board and asked them to have the Superintendent keep on hand the Tungsten or Mazda lamps and sell them to the consumers at wholesale cost price. This request was readily complied with. Thereupon a motion was made and carried that the Gem lamp also be put on sale and all free renewals be discontinued. There seemed to be a misunderstanding among the members of the Board as to the intention of this last proposition as the committee from the Business Men's Club stated that their request only applied to the sale of the Mazda lamps. At the next meeting of the Board I asked for an interpretation of the law. After quite a discussion among the members as to what was intended to be covered by the Act, while there was some difference as to the intention of the Board, a majority of the Board decided that it was the intention of the Board to cut out renewals

and sell the Gem as well as the Tungsten lamps. I stated to the Board that I was not there to antagonize or dictate to them, but that I had the welfare of the plant at heart and as I had already heard mutterings and was in position to bear the blunt of the kicking I believed the better way would be to adopt the plan the Business Men's Club had in mind. That was to sell the Tungsten lamp and still give renewals of the Gem. Some of the reasons I had for this recommendation were that we were wiring and adding quite a lot of new subscribers just now. They are doing it with the idea that as usual we furnish the lamps to stock the house, and if we can't prevail on them to buy the Mazda, then furnish the others free as usual. While we can, and will, sell many Tungstens I was afraid the radical change at once might stop for a time the additions that are coming to us. Then many laboring people are economical and keep within the limit with the Gem lamps, consequently for them to be forced to buy the Tungsten would be an additional expense without any saving to them. A motion was made and carried that they change the ordinance to conform to the request of the Business Men's Club, that was to sell the Mazdas and continue to exchange the Gem. A motion was then made to go back to a former proposition of allowing the merchants all the show window and sign lights, they might want, on a flat rate at actual cost. I recommended that this not be done as it would give us an unlimited load without profit at a time when our heaviest load was on. There was a tie vote on this proposition as Mr. Parks was absent. The Mayor stated that this proposition had been turned down at a former meeting and that he could not support a measure of that nature against the recommendation of the Superintendent, Engineer and Chairman of the Water Works Committee, so the Mayor vetoed the measure. There was no effort to pass it over the veto and the matter was dropped. It is being told that I opposed the sale of the Mazda lamps, which is not correct. I stand ready to furnish them at any time at cost.

Respectfully,

W. L. ALEXANDER, Supt.  
Union City, Tenn., Nov. 14, 1912.

[On the contrary we do understand the lamp situation. The Business Men's Club undertook to get the Board of Mayor and Aldermen to adopt the Mazda light for the city by selling it at cost price and discontinuing the free distribution of the old style lamp. There was no mistake about this. The Board agreed and so passed. At a later meeting this action was rescinded by going back to the free system as far as the old lamp was concerned and charging for the Mazda lamp. How any man can construe this action as an adoption of the Mazda system we do not know. The Mazda lamp is a current saver by half, and no man loses but everybody gains by the change. If there is any hardship, which we do not grant, in charging for the old lamp, then why not also furnish the Mazda lamp free, a money saver to the consumer and a better light for everybody concerned.—Editor.]

**McDade for Speaker.**

Troy, Tenn., Nov. 11.—Hon. G. R. McDade, Representative elect from Obion County, has announced his candidacy for Speaker of the House of the next General Assembly. Mr. McDade, when a member of the Legislature four years ago, was the author of the famous Reeffoot Lake bill, which gave him State notoriety and prestige. His ability in all lines of legislation is unquestioned and his friends already point to him as the next Speaker.

**Bob Barnett.**

It was my good fortune to know Bob Barnett and to know him well. I was most intimately associated with him in a business and social way for many years, during which time I never heard one single profane or obscene word drop from his lips.

He lived in my home nearly seven years and in all of that time I never heard Bob Barnett say one hard or unkind word about any living human, always something good about the party discussed or not one word from Bob.

He was a Christian gentleman, in the fullest sense of the term. What more could I say? That's enough. Who can in truth measure up to his standard? I can't.

Bob Barnett was my friend. I was his friend. Goodbye Bob, till we meet again.

E. B. LITTLE.

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If you are looking for a smart, graceful shoe which combines comfort and style, come in at your first opportunity and see the new fashion ideas.

**Morgan-Verhine Co**

**Annual Appearance of the Union City High School.**

The one event to which everybody goes is the annual appearance of the Dramatic Club of the Union City High School. Don't forget the date—Thanksgiving night. This time they will present "A Gilded Fool." Those acquainted with the stage at all readily realize that this is the heaviest thing yet undertaken by the pupils. It is not classed with the amateur plays. It is rarely given except by well trained troupes. The public may rest assured that the acting and all connected with the production will excel all former plays. The fourteen members of the cast are stars, well trained and keyed to do their best. Rehearsals have been going on for a month. Miss it and you will always regret it.

**Esq. T. J. Ogilvie Dead.**

Esq. T. J. Ogilvie died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. H. Hunter, at Oaktown, Miss., Tuesday, Nov. 12, 1912. Esq. Ogilvie was a resident of Obion for many years and a member of the Obion County Court. He was esteemed very highly as a citizen. Later he lived at Ridgely and was engaged as the editor of the Ridgely Gazette. Thence he went to Mississippi where his death took place. He was 75 years of age.

The remains were brought to Obion Tuesday night and the funeral was held Wednesday, conducted by Rev. J. T. Fizer, of Ridgely. Interment at the Campground.

**Baptist Church.**

A meeting of the pastors and Sunday School Superintendents of Beulah Association will be held at the Baptist Church in Union City, beginning next Monday morning at 9:30.

Give us your laundry and dry cleaning and let's make Union City one of the centers for laundry and cleaning business. We will do our part, as we are paying more out each week than the city business amounts to. We are being solicited each day for out of town work and it will only be a short while until Union City can boast of having one of the most sanitary laundries in the South. Strictly a white man's laundry. METCALFE & CRAWLEY.

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We wish every feeble old person in this vicinity would try Vinol on our agreement to return their money if it fails to give satisfaction.

**The Electoral vote.**

States	Taft	Wilson	Roosevelt
Alabama	12		
Arizona	3		
Arkansas	9		
California	13		
Colorado	6		
Connecticut	7		
Delaware	3		
Florida	6		
Georgia	14		
Idaho	4		
Illinois	29		
Indiana	15		
Iowa	13		
Kansas	10		
Kentucky	13		
Louisiana	10		
Maine	6		
Maryland	8		
Massachusetts	18		
Michigan	15		
Minnesota			
Mississippi	10		
Missouri	18		
Montana	4		
Nebraska	8		
Nevada	3		
New Hampshire	4		
New Jersey	14		
New Mexico	3		
New York	45		
North Carolina	12		
North Dakota	5		
Ohio	24		
Oklahoma	10		
Oregon	5		
Pennsylvania		38	
Rhode Island	5		
South Carolina	9		
South Dakota			
Tennessee	12		
Texas	20		
Utah	4		
Vermont	4		
Virginia	12		
Washington		7	
West Virginia	8		
Wisconsin	13		
Wyoming			
Totals	8	443	60

**SANDERS CHAPEL.**

S. P. London has completed his new barn.

Mr. Bob Vaught is repairing his residence.

Miss Birdie Osburn was the Monday night guest of her cousin, Miss Gettie Osburn.

Mr. John Litchford filled his regular appointment at Bud Osburn's Sunday afternoon.

Mr. John Frazier and family spent Saturday night with Mr. Ed Osburn and family.

Miss Birdie Osburn and Mr. Hubert Williams were in Union City Saturday afternoon shopping.

Miss Gettie Osburn returned home Sunday from Rodgers, where she has been spending several days with relatives and friends.

RED, WHITE AND BLUE.

**Poultry Wanted.**

Turkeys wanted for Thanksgiving; also other kinds of poultry will be needed in large quantities. Will begin buying Monday, Nov. 18, and continue throughout the week.

W. G. REYNOLDS.

**Real Estate Transfers.**

W. J. Lytton and wife to Mrs. Minnie Burton, 50 acres in No. 5, \$500.

J. C. Reynolds and wife to Mary E. Rogers, lot in No. 13, \$200.

J. F. Carpenter and wife to Chas. H. Cobb, two lots in No. 13, \$2,000.

J. W. Crowder to A. M. Ross, 34½ acres in No. 6, \$1,000.

J. A. Vaden and wife to W. A. Edmaiston, lot in No. 13, \$1,000.

W. F. Flowers and wife to B. E. Flowers and wife, 18 acres in No. 6, \$550.

W. B. Caskey and wife to A. V. Tate et al., lot in No. 6, \$800.

J. M. Brice et al. to R. P. Wade, three lots in No. 6, \$120.

Emma Calhoun to A. Wilson et al., interest in No. 15, \$1,000.

Jas. F. Darvall and wife to J. A. Sawyer, six lots in No. 15, \$250.

D. A. Fields, trustee, et al. to W. B. Davis and wife, lot in No. 16, \$550.

S. V. Valentine and wife to C. S. Austin and wife, lot in No. 16, \$1,650.

J. M. Brice and wife to Mrs. Sadie Ragsdale, lot in No. 13, \$500.

E. J. Hay to J. H. Duncan et al., 30 acres in No. 16, \$1,500.

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