

COLLINS WANTS NEW RAILROAD

Citizens Are Willing to Assist Ellisville.

M. J. & K. C. HOLDS KEY
TO THE SITUATION NOW

Project Ripe for Some Shrewd
Promoter, Who Can Bring
Varied Interests Together.

Collins, Miss., Oct. 7.—The business men of Collins are interested in the plan suggested for the extension of the Ellisville branch of the M. J. & K. C. Railroad to this city.

The logging road of the Ellisville Lumber Company is already practically completed from Ellisville to Kola, which is only a mile and a half from Collins. Rights of way from Kola into the city can be easily secured and it is believed that Collins citizens will donate this much or more, if necessary, to get the road.

It is stated on good authority that Mulford Parker, of the Ellisville Lumber Company, is willing to meet the M. J. & K. C. more than half way, and that he will practically donate the road to any company that will put it in good shape and give him the use of it for lumbering purposes.

This logging road is standard-gauge, equipped with good rails and has an iron bridge across Leaf river. Some of the grades would have to be cut down, but the expense of putting the road in passable condition would be comparatively small.

At Collins, the M. J. & K. C. would tap one of the greatest lumber centers in South Mississippi. There are a half dozen mills in the immediate vicinity, and at least two of them are cutting largely for export, which means that the M. J. & K. C. would get heavy hauls into Mobile, and that the lumbermen of this city would save enormous sums from a competitive freight rate.

The country through which the proposed road would pass is rich in virgin timber and the land lands are the best in South Mississippi.

Hoarseness in a child subject to croup is a sure indication of the approach of the disease. If Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given at once or even after the croupy cough has appeared, it will prevent the attack. Contains no poison. Sold by dealers.

JONES COUNTY FARMERS' UNION

Will Meet with County Line
Local Oct. 13 and 14.

The annual convention of the Jones County Farmers Union will meet with County Line local, four miles southwest of Overt, on Wednesday and Thursday before the third Sunday in October. About thirty-five county locals will be represented and the event will be one of the most important in the history of the Farmers Union movement in this section of the State.

In addition to the election of county officers, which is an event of much interest, numerous topics of interest will be discussed.

Mr. Orange Herrington, member of the State Executive committee from this county, is now in Jackson, attending a meeting of the committee, and will try to induce President Hightower to be present at the meeting of the Jones County Unions and deliver an address.

Your cough annoys you. Keep on hacking and tearing the delicate membranes of your throat if you want to be annoyed. But if you want relief, want to be cured, take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Sold by all dealers.

If you need a set of teeth now is the time to get them cheap. Clayton & Walters.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has become famous for its cures of coughs, colds, croup and influenza. Try it when in need. It contains no harmful substance and always gives prompt relief. Sold by all dealers.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Of the City of Ellisville, Miss., from Oct. 1, 1908 to Oct. 1, 1909.

GENERAL CITY FUND.

To balance on hand Oct. 1st, 1908 \$ 676.89
To amount received from Oct. 1, 1908 to Oct. 1, 1909 4125.28
Total \$4802.17
By Amt. disbursed from Oct. 1, 1908, to Oct. 1, 1909 \$4330.96
To Bal. on hand Oct. 1, 1909 471.21

STREET FUND.

To Bal. on hand Oct. 1, 1908 \$ 788.64
To Amt. received from Oct. 1, 1908 to Oct. 1, 1909 1582.30
Total \$2370.94
By Amt. disbursed from Oct. 1, 1908, to Oct. 1, 1909 \$1790.82
To Bal. on hand Oct. 1, 1909 579.12

SCHOOL TEACHERS' FUND.

To Bal. on hand Oct. 1, 1908 \$ 36.87
To Amt. received from Oct. 1, 1908, to Oct. 1, 1909 6448.20
Total \$6485.07
By Amt. disbursed from Oct. 1, 1908, to Oct. 1, 1909 \$6209.15
To Bal. on hand Oct. 1, 1909 185.92

SCHOOL HOUSE BOND FUND.

To Bal. on hand Oct. 1, 1908 \$ 384.22
To Amt. received from Oct. 1, 1908, to Oct. 1, 1909 303.04
Total \$ 687.26
By Amt. disbursed from Oct. 1, 1908, to Oct. 1, 1909 \$ 250.00
To Bal. on hand Oct. 1, 1909 437.26

SCHOOL HOUSE BOND SINKING FUND.

To Bal. on hand Oct. 1, 1908 \$ 496.17
To Amt. received from Oct. 1, 1908, to Oct. 1, 1909 151.56
Total \$ 647.73
By Amt. disbursed from Oct. 1, 1908, to Oct. 1, 1909 \$.00
To Bal. on hand Oct. 1, 1909 647.73

ELECTRIC LIGHT BOND SINKING FUND.

To Bal. on hand Oct. 1, 1908 \$ 262.83
To Amt. received from Oct. 1, 1908, to Oct. 1, 1909 7611.17
Total \$7874.00
By Amt. disbursed from Oct. 1, 1908, to Oct. 1, 1909 \$7045.42
To Bal. on hand Oct. 1, 1909 714.42

ELECTRIC LIGHT BOND SINKING FUND.

To Bal. on hand Oct. 1, 1908 \$ 573.83
To Amt. received from Oct. 1, 1908, to Oct. 1, 1909 151.69
Total \$ 725.52
By Amt. disbursed from Oct. 1, 1908, to Oct. 1, 1909 \$ 500.00
To Bal. on hand Oct. 1, 1909 225.52

WATER WORKS BOND FUND.

To Bal. on hand Oct. 1, 1908 \$ 655.36
To Amt. received from Oct. 1, 1908, to Oct. 1, 1909 4431.56
Total \$3776.20
By Amt. disbursed from Oct. 1, 1908, to Oct. 1, 1909 \$3564.33
To Bal. on hand Oct. 1, 1909 211.87

WATER WORKS BOND SINKING FUND.

To Bal. on hand Oct. 1, 1908 \$ 339.37
To Amt. received from Oct. 1, 1908, to Oct. 1, 1909 151.72
Total \$ 491.09
By Amt. disbursed from Oct. 1, 1908, to Oct. 1, 1909 \$ 100.00
To Bal. on hand Oct. 1, 1909 391.09

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, JONES COUNTY.

I, J. A. Tinnon, City Clerk of the City of Ellisville, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct statement of the financial condition of said city, as the same appears on record in my office.
Witness my hand this Oct. 5, 1909.

J. A. TINNON,
City Clerk.

To Serve Dinner

The ladies of the Woman's Home Mission Society of the Methodist Church will serve dinner on Trade Day, October 16, in the building next door to the postoffice. The patronage of public is solicited.

We are doing dental work for half price for the next 60 days.
CLAYTON & WALTERS.

GREAT CONTEST NEARING CLOSE

Only Three More Weeks in
Which to Work.

HANDSOME PRIZES TO BE
AWARDED ON NOVEMBER 1

The News Wants at Least 500
More New Subscribers Before
That Date.

Three more weeks and the great \$1,000 popularity contest inaugurated by the Jones County News will be practically closed.

More than 600 new subscribers have been added to our list since September 1, and we want at least 500 more before the first of November.

Two handsome \$450 pianos and two college scholarships will be awarded on that date, and the young ladies who receive the largest number in their respective districts will get the prizes.

Absolute fairness and impartiality has characterized the contest thus far, and this policy will be maintained until the end of the contest. No votes will be sold. The only way to secure ballots is to get subscribers, advertising and job printing for the Jones County News.

After October 15 the votes will be counted by a committee to be selected by the contestants themselves. Each of the five leading contestants is requested to select a representative—some one who lives in Ellisville. This committee will carry the key to the ballot box and count the votes each week so that the standing of the contestants can be announced in the paper. When the contest is closed they will make the final count and award the prizes. One of the pianos is now on display at Hyde's drug store. The other one will be shipped from the factory within the next few days and will reach Ellisville before the contest closes.

Both are handsome instruments and would be an ornament in any home. After October 15, only 300 votes will be given with each subscription.

To stimulate the contestants and their friends to put in their best work before that time, 350 votes will be issued with each dollar paid on subscription during the week ending October 16, and a special ballot good for 5,000 votes will be given to the young lady in each district who secures the largest number of subscribers before that date. Each dollar counts as a subscription.

During the same period 150 votes will be given with each dollar paid the office for advertising and job printing, no matter where the business is secured.

In this connection, The News desires to emphasize the fact that advertising rates have not been raised, despite the fact that the circulation of the paper has been more than doubled. Our prices on job printing are lower than you would pay in the larger cities, and the class of work turned out will compare with that of the best offices in the country.

No extra vote offers will be made after October 15.

The vote up to noon yesterday was as follows:

The Vote

First District, embracing the cities of Ellisville and Laurel:
Miss Ethel Hardwick 42,500
" Grace Ulmer 36,200
" Helen Dorsey 13,300
" Lucy O'Donnell 10,020
" Libby Bridgers 5,600
" Frances Perkins 4,110
Second District, embracing all of Jones county outside of Ellisville and Laurel:
Miss Esther McSwain 58,780
" Christobel Holliman 58,310
" Eulah Shows 57,635
" Mindie Powell 14,905
" Mary Hull 9,880
" Ada Blackwell 4,900
" Katie Jones 2,010
" Carrie Overstreet 1,200
" Winnie Hood 1,600
" May Jordan 900

Ads Were Omitted.

The ads of J. W. Walters and Roberts Bros., who had contracted for space in the Trades Day page, were inadvertently omitted from last week's paper. Several new ads appear this week and they are well worth your careful perusal.

We are closing out our present stock of farm wagons at cost.
RUFFIN MERCANTILE CO.

HATTIESBURG MAKES BID

Effort to Secure Farmers' Union Convention.

Mr. Orange Herrington, of this city, who is a member of the State Executive committee of the Farmers Union, writes us from Hattiesburg as follows:

"Since talking to you Tuesday, I have had a conference with the secretary of the Hattiesburg Commercial Club, who assures me that Hattiesburg will make a bid for the next State convention. In this connection I wish to state that while I favor the plan of holding the convention at the A. & M. College, it would only be second with me when a South Mississippi town bids for it. In other words, I am now for Hattiesburg first and the A. & M. second."

The members of the union throughout this section of the State would be glad to see the State convention come to Hattiesburg and hundreds of them would attend the meeting if held there.

BANK DECLARES DIVIDEND

Directors Represent Capital of
Over Two Million.

A meeting of the directors of the Bank of Ellisville was held on Wednesday, October 9. This bank has paid twenty-eight dividends since its organization, no year less than 10 per cent. It has been the policy of the officers to pay shareholders the earnings and not accumulate a surplus.

The directors of the Bank of Ellisville are N. B. Shelby, William Rutledge, J. E. Rutledge, D. C. McRaney, and W. S. Pettis, who have made their money largely in timber investments. These five men represent combined resources aggregating more than \$2,000,000.

Ellisville has strong banks.

LAUREL MAN KILLED BY RUNAWAY TEAM

Mat Lindsey, a prominent citizen of Laurel, was instantly killed by a runaway team yesterday morning. As the News goes to press, full details of the accident cannot be secured.

Deceased was a brother of John Lindsey and of Dr. Lindsey, both of Laurel, and was widely known as one of the most successful truck farmers in this section of the state.

GETTING READY FOR TRADE DAY

Several Additional Prizes are
Offered This Week.

The merchants and business men of Ellisville are getting ready for Trades Day, Saturday, October 16. A number of additional prizes have been offered and it is expected that hundreds of citizens of Jones and adjacent counties will avail themselves of the opportunity afforded by this event to buy merchandise at low prices and to spend a most enjoyable day.

Messrs. B. F. Fridge and W. V. Walters have been selected as Marshals of the day and will have charge of the arrangements. A grand stand will be erected in front of Hotel Alice for fiddlers and seats will be provided for the ladies and children. Several of the noted fiddlers of Jones and adjacent counties have expressed a desire to be present and all others are invited to come. The championship will be awarded by an impartial committee, to be selected by the fiddlers themselves.

Messrs. Fridge and Walters will see that all of the prizes are awarded according to announcement and will look after the details of entertaining the crowds.

The space just South of the New Orleans & Northeastern depot will be turned over to the horsewappers, but ample space will be provided for other articles brought to the city for trading purposes.

The agricultural products brought to the city to compete for the several prizes must be left at the respective stores where the prizes are offered. The hotels, restaurants and boarding houses will serve good dinners as low as 25 cents and ample preparations are being made to take care of the crowds.

If the first Trade Day is a success, it is probable that they will be held each month during the fall and winter season and that the number and value of the prizes will be materially increased.

The initiation of the Trade Day movement is largely due to Mr. Joe B. Gough, who personally solicited most of the prizes offered by local merchants and business men.

SEWERAGE IS THE NEXT STEP

City Council will Employ an
Engineer Soon.

SCHOOL TAX LEVY IS
INCREASED TWO MILLS

But the General Levy is Reduced,
Making the Total Tax Same
As Last Year.

The Ellisville City Council held the most important meeting of the year on last Tuesday night. Among the several important matters discussed was the advisability of floating a bond issue for the construction of a complete sewerage system. The discussion was only preliminary in its nature, but the members of the council were unanimous in the opinion that sanitary sewerage is the chief need of the city.

Engineer Beasley, of Magnolia, was to have appeared before the council to discuss the sewerage question, but was unavoidably detained. An adjourned meeting will be held during the month, when it is expected that he will be present and outline some sort of plans. In the meantime City Attorney Street has been instructed to prepare the necessary ordinances to be submitted at the next regular meeting of the council.

It is estimated that a complete sewerage system can be constructed at a cost of \$15,000 to \$20,000 and that four per cent. bonds can be sold at par. The interest on these bonds will not amount to as much as citizens are now paying for cleaning surface closets.

School Levy is Raised.

The school tax levy was raised to the extent of two mills, but the general fund tax was reduced in the same proportion, thus making the total tax the same as heretofore. This will obviate the necessity of borrowing from the general fund to support the schools, as has been the custom.

The trustees of the city schools were authorized to borrow from the M. & M. Bank not more than \$2,000 to be used for defraying the expenses of the school until tax paying time. This money will be secured at five per cent interest.

Suit Will be Appealed.

The suit of T. R. Holliman vs. the City of Ellisville, growing out of inadequate sewerage, in which judgment for \$250 was recently imposed by the Jones County circuit court, will be appealed to the supreme court by order of city council.

Sale is Confirmed.

The United States District court at Mobile has confirmed the recent sale of the M. J. & K. C. Railroad. It is said that extensive extensions and improvements are planned by the new owners of the property.

LIBRARY BENEFIT ON TRADES DAY

Opportunity to Aid a Worthy
Institution.

Miss Ella McIntosh announces that she will sell lunches, coffee and candies for the benefit of the Jones County Public Library on Trades Day, October 16, at the library rooms opposite the postoffice.

Membership in the Library Association will also be solicited on that day, and the News trusts that a large number will enroll their names.

A first-class line of fiction has already been placed in the library, and another large order is expected in a few days. A news stand, supplied with all of the latest periodicals, is an attractive feature of the library, which is being well patronized by the best people of Ellisville and Jones county.

There is nothing that can be of more educational value to a community than a well-stocked public library, hence The News wishes Miss McIntosh every success in her undertaking and bespeaks for her a liberal patronage on Trades Day.