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## CONGRESSMAN SIMS

### Gets Best of Minority Leader of the House

Monday's Banner contained the following, being a portion of a Washington letter.

Ever see a minority leader in action, no matter whether he be a democratic minority leader or a republican? This refers to the House of Representatives, where they have a real minority and majority leaders, not to the senate, where one man may have the name of being this or that kind of a leader when some other one is actually doing the leading. Well, the business of a minority leader in congress is to put as much sand on the track for the other side as possible. He must object, object, then object. The more he objects, the more rules of the house he invokes, the more legislation he delays that his side doesn't want and the other side does, the more is he living up to the full acceptance of "minority leader." If he hasn't been paying attention and doesn't know just what is up at the time, he can—and does—object any way, and the fellow that's up will perforce have to explain.

Jim Mann, of Illinois, he of the shaggy-face and square jaw republican leader of the house, is a minority leader right. He is prince of objectors, holds the record in fact, and no one can beat him objecting against something or some democrat—his friend the enemy—is proposing. But Jim Mann objected once too often the other day, and likewise too soon, for Judge Thetus W. Sims, of Tennessee, pulled one on Jim Mann when the latter was not expecting.

Judge Sims had a little bill called up for a venerable and highly respected old gentleman of his district. It was on the private calendar and its title read: "A bill for the relief of Joseph W. McCall." The clerk read the bill aloud. Jim Mann was on his sturdy feet in a jiffy and objected as a well-regulated minority leader ought to do. Here was a democrat out of order and actually trying to pass a bill for somebody!

"Mr. Chairman I make the point of order that the bill is not in order at this time," yelled the minority leader. He tells this to the speaker all day long any way, and he called the lines out strong in this instance.

Judge Sims wasn't mad a bit, but waited his time and answered slowly and calmly. He explained that while perhaps the bill wasn't exactly in order, yet it was a minor affair. He began by stating that Mr. McCall was more than 80 years of age, and a most worthy and highly esteemed old gentleman of his state.

"Besides," continued Judge Sims, so as to let his words sink in deep, "he is father-in-law to the clerk to the committee on appropriations, Mr. James C. Courts, (a man with a whole lot of influence and power as a minority leader and others know). "He is a very strong republican." Jim Mann began to totter and weaken as Judge Sims continued: "His son is Mayor of Huntingdon, Tennessee, and was a soldier in the Spanish-American war. While I am a democrat, and these people are all republicans, they are all honorable people, and—"

But Judge Sims never finished. Jim Mann was floored. He, the prince of republicans, had been standing up in supposed righteous jealousy, believing he was guarding the republican strong box from democratic rapacity, had actually been fighting an influential republican. It was too much to bear and Jim Mann amid the laughter of the house, declared:

"Mr. Chairman I withdraw the point of order."

Judge Sims got his bill passed all right.

## ECONOMY TALK

### C. C. Gilbert Proves Value of Good Roads

In his "talk to farmers" this week Commissioner of Agriculture T. F. Peck uses an article written by Charles C. Gilbert on the "Economy of Good Roads." Mr. Gilbert says in his paper:

"Four million dollars paid annually by the farmers of Tennessee for the use of mud roads are the figures given out by the United States Government. The 'mud tax' which the farmers of Tennessee are paying is more than all their other taxes combined. They are paying it, however, paying it regularly and without any returns.

"During last year the values in Tennessee on corn, wheat, oats, potatoes, hay, tobacco and cotton were \$103,000,000. By actual statistics it cost the farmers \$8,000,000 to haul these various crops to market. Had the state of Tennessee a better system of highways this cost would have been reduced 50 per cent and the saving to the farmers would have been \$4,000,000, or enough money to have built 1,800 miles of first-class macadamized highways.

"Tennessee paying \$4,000,000 annually for wagon freight is out of reason and should not be tolerated.

"Now, all these things are true, the farmers, most of them, realize this, yet when it comes to voting bonds for building roads it is the farmers who usually work the hardest against raising money in this way. They are the greatest beneficiaries and should be for raising money for this purpose. They are putting their money in the 'mud tax.' Why not change and put it in a sinking fund for the retirement of county bonds for road purposes."

## Horse Sale

Mr. Hogan, of Dickson, who brought two car loads of horses and mares here week before last, sold out the entire lot last week. He sold twenty-eight head at public auction Friday and had sold about twenty head before that at private sale. Those sold Friday brought from \$90 to \$150 or more. He had some good stock and the twenty-eight head were taken in less than an hour.

## AGRICULTURAL TRAIN

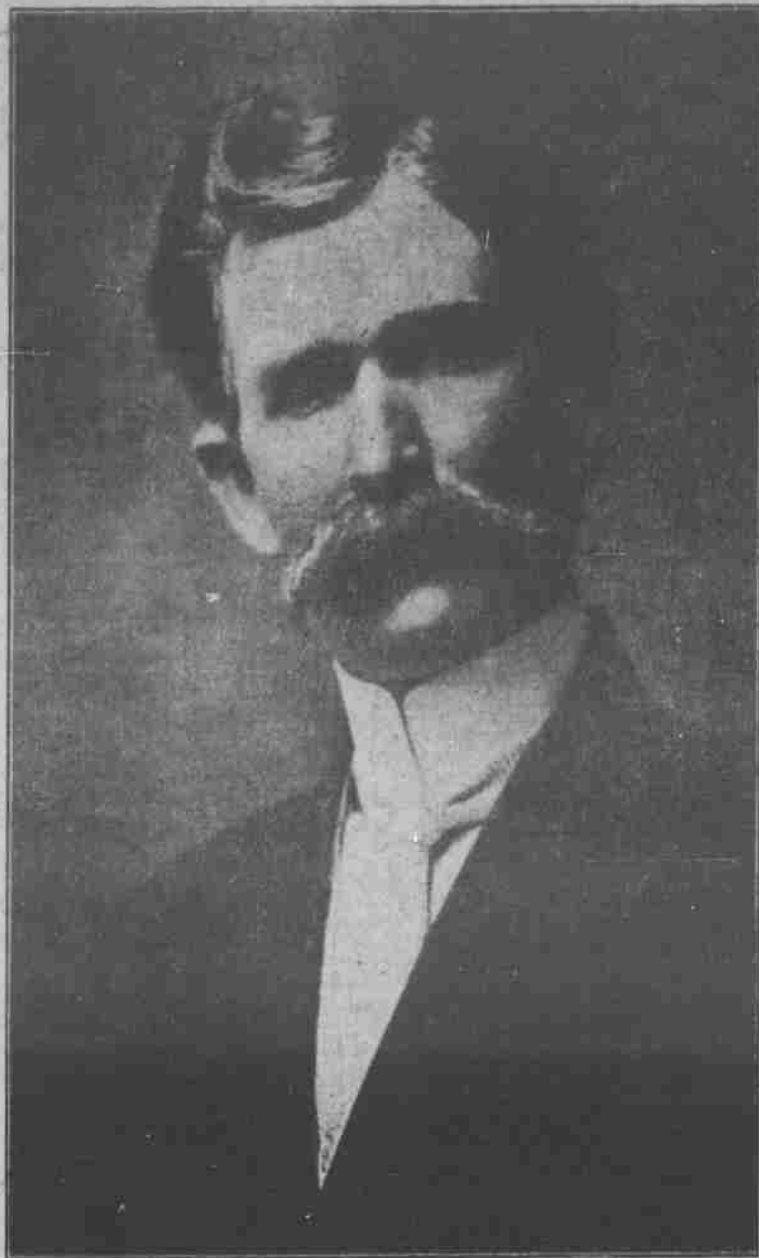
### A Large Crowd Visits and Goes Through the Train.

Quite a large crowd of farmers and citizens of Huntingdon and community met the agricultural train here last Friday and manifested the keenest interest in the exhibits and in the talks that were made. Several very interesting talks were made on education, agriculture and the preservation of health and sanitation. Prof. M. W. Robinson, who is assistant superintendent of public instruction, was one of the speakers. Mr. Robinson attended school here four years, in the balmy days of the old S. N. U., and had many friends in the crowd Friday, who were glad to see him and who listened with much interest to what he had to say on the subject of public schools.

The talk of Dr. West on health and sanitation was very timely and most interesting. The board of health car was one of the most interesting of the train. The farmers were well pleased with the train's exhibits and warmly congratulated Captain Peck for the work he is doing in showing farmers what can be done along advanced lines.

A large crowd also saw the train at McKenzie. The Huntingdon and McKenzie crowds were among the largest that have visited the train since it started.

It has been conservatively estimated that in the twenty days, which was up last Saturday night, at least 100,000 people had seen and visited the train.



ELD. R. E. McCORKLE

Despite the exceeding warm weather this week, good audiences have heard Eld. R. E. McCorkle each night since the meeting began at the Christian church last Sunday. Mr. McCorkle is speaking the gospel truths with much force and eloquence, filling each discourse with the genuine broad view of christian life and fellowship. He is doing a great good in his efforts to more firmly implant the Christ life in to each professed christian and exhort the sinner to repentance. Interest in the meeting is being aided very materially by the singing, conducted by Lambreth Hancock, who is a splendid leader and singer. Evening service begins promptly at 8 o'clock.

## QUITS THE RACE

### J. Elmer Moore is no Longer a Candidate

J. Elmer Moore, who several weeks ago announced as a candidate for sheriff against S. J. Aden, the republican nominee, and who had the endorsement of the democratic executive committee, decided last Monday to quit the race. Mr. Moore is a good man and had the assurance of a strong support, many republicans promising to vote for him, and if elected would have made a good officer.

He found, however, that in order to stand any chance to win he would be called upon to do things and resort to schemes that he could not afford to do. It is surprising the demand that was being made upon him to put up money and whisky to further his interest, and becoming discouraged at the turn things were taking, he decided to withdraw. Below follows his card in full.

To the Voters of Carroll County:

This is to announce my withdrawal from the race for sheriff of Carroll county. I want to thank my friends, both democrats and republicans alike, for their support. I see that I will have to resort to uncomplimentary schemes and spend money in a way that I don't endorse, in order to have even a chance of election. Therefore I announce my withdrawal from the race.

This July 22, 1912.

J. ELMER MOORE.

## Candidate Announces

Joe T. Clay, of Milan, made his formal announcement Saturday for a seat in the lower house of the next legislature from Gibson county. He is well known and will canvass the county for the primary election in September. This makes four aspirants in the race for the lower house. Mr. Clay, E. E. Bryant, of Bradford; Mr. Koffman, of Fruitland, and Esquire Byars, of the lower end of the county. Mr. Clay, until a few years ago, lived in this county, having moved to Milan from Trezevant, where he was reared.

## FOR STATE SENATOR

### Oliver C. Sloan, of Trezevant, Enters the Race

The Democrat is authorized this week to announce Oliver C. Sloan, of Trezevant, as a candidate for the state senate from this district, composed of the counties of Carroll and Henry. Mr. Sloan is a democrat and announces himself subject to the action of the democratic party.

Mr. Sloan is well known to the readers of the Democrat. He is a leading citizen of Trezevant, a farmer, stock raiser and contractor and one of the progressive men of that town. He made the race for county clerk of this county one time against J. Sam Johnson, but was defeated. He served as a member of the county court one term, representing the second district, one of the largest districts in the county. He takes an active part in politics and always makes his influence felt. He is a clever citizen and has many strong friends over the district.

We are not advised as to what Mr. Sloan's platform will be, but presume he will make that known in due time. He proposes to make as vigorous a canvass of the district as his business will permit and will most heartily appreciate any support or encouragement his candidacy may receive.

## W. C. T. U. CONVENTION

### State Body Will be Well Entertained at Paris.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union, of Paris, is making arrangements for the entertainment of the annual meeting of the State Convention W. C. T. U. A number of speakers of national repute will be present to address the body. The Paris W. C. T. U. is a strong one numerically and has organized other unions over Henry county.

All the unions in Carroll county will be well represented at the Paris meeting.

## BASE BALL

### Three Good Games Between Huntingdon and Centerville.

Huntingdon captured two games out of three from the strong Centerville team last week. All three were interesting matches, though only that of Friday was doubtful throughout the game. In the first two the local pitchers had an easy mastery while Huntingdon, though not making many hits, bunched them effectively. Saturday the tables were turned, Centerville not only hitting very hard indeed, but bunching them with the local errors.

Throughout the series the fielding of Curtis Enochs and the batting of Lusk were conspicuous. Brewer did some very pretty fielding in the first game; McCall and Carl Enochs in the second, and Johnson's throwing to bases in the third was probably responsible for holding the visitors to single figures.

Neely umpired all three games in a manner very satisfactory to both teams.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E
Centerville	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	5	3	
Huntingdon	2	1	0	0	0	0	2	x	5	8	5	
Batteries:	Cutchin, Shipp and Huddleston; Morrison and Johnson.											

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E
Centerville	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4	4	3	
Huntingdon	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	x	3	6	4	
Batteries:	Thompson and Huddleston; Cisco, Morrison and Johnson.											

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E
Centerville	1	2	0	1	0	1	0	2	7	13	2	
Huntingdon	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	4	6	
Batteries:	Cutchin and Huddleston; Jones and Johnson.											

For the visitors Thompson at short and Harvill at center showed the best fielding while Cutchin's pitching in the final game was the best our team has been called upon to face this year. Shipp's hitting also featured in Saturday's game.

## Jones-Glover

Mr. Gaither Jones, of Union City, and Miss Birdie Glover, of Hickman, Ky., were married in the Presbyterian manse here Sunday by Rev. George L. Johnson of the First Presbyterian church, U. S. A. The bridal party came over on the early morning train. The groom is a prosperous groceryman at Union City and the bride is a charming member of the younger set of Hickman. They returned to Union City on the afternoon train.

## Child Dies

Arline, the 18-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Kelley, of the Seventh district, died the latter part of last week. The burial occurred at the Christian burying ground, after appropriate funeral services.

## INDEPENDENT DEMOCRATS

### An Address Calling for Reorganization of Faction

Fifty-four independent democrats over the state, foes of the saloon domination in politics, Monday morning issued an address to the independent democrats, calling upon them to stand firm in their principles, to remain out of the coming August primary or state convention, and to organize and work for the selection of a legislature which will enact such legislation as is needed to secure an enforcement of the four-mile law.

It was announced that headquarters would be opened at once in rooms 68 and 69 Maxwell House, the same rooms from which the independents waged their successful campaign of 1910, with Thomas B. Johnson, who was in charge of headquarters then, in charge this year.

The address grew out of the conference held in Nashville June 3 by some thirty independents, at which it was decided that the independent movement should be continued and that work to free Tennessee politics from whisky control should not cease. The address issued Monday and the opening of headquarters and carrying on of a campaign for the legislature are the results of that meeting.

Dr. G. W. Dyer, who was chairman of the original meeting, issued a card prefatory to the address, as follows:

"A number of independent democrats met in Nashville July 3 for a conference with reference to the political situation in Tennessee at the present time. After hearing a number of encouraging talks from those present, it was decided that a committee should be appointed to issue an address to the independent democrats of Tennessee and also that a campaign committee should be appointed. The address of the committee is given below: "The campaign committee has decided to open headquarters in the Maxwell House at once. Every independent democrat in the state is urged to communicate with headquarters immediately, giving information with reference to local conditions and suggestions with reference to our cause in general.

"Address all communications to Thomas B. Johnson, secretary, Rooms 68 and 69, Maxwell House, Nashville, Tenn.

"G. W. DYER,  
"Chairman of Meeting."

Mrs. J. L. Richards and Miss Sallie Durham, of the Johnson Hotel, spent last Sunday at Henson's Springs.

## Car Load of Pianos And Player-Pianos

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