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LARGE CROWD ENJOYS PICNIC AT HARTSBURG

About 250 Columbia Business People Spend Afternoon With People of That Community.

GOOD ENTERTAINMENT Concert by Bands Is Followed by Old-Fashioned Country Dinner—Other Towns Represented.

The merchants of Columbia afforded the real feature of the entertainment at Hartsburg yesterday when Arthur Berger, a student in the University of Missouri, gave a special dance for those who attended the picnic given by the Modern Woodmen of the World. Five members of the Quadrangle Orchestra, who accompanied the Columbians, also entertained the crowd with a number of popular musical selections. When the University orchestra played "Mammy" and other well known musical numbers one couple from Hartsburg could not resist the music and entered the dance floor alone introducing the latest steps of Hartsburg. Approximately two hundred and fifty business men of Columbia left here yesterday afternoon to attend the picnic. The forty automobiles which left Columbia were not sufficient to carry the crowd and at the last minute a number of people were forced to ride in overloaded trucks. The cars of the Columbians, which were bedecked with banners, bearing the words, "Columbia Boosters," were scattered along the road between Columbia and Hartsburg for a distance of probably three miles.

When the last car had reached Hartsburg the Columbia business men together with a large number of people from Jefferson City, Ashland, Wilton, Fulton, Clayville, and Booneville marched in a body to the picnic grounds.

More than 700 people attended the affair at Hartsburg yesterday. Many arrived early in the morning and remained throughout the entire day, but most of the visitors arrived early in the afternoon. Ashland had a large representation at the picnic. Automobiles were lined on the main street of Hartsburg and for blocks around the picnic grounds.

The members of the Columbia and Hartsburg bands wasted no time after they arrived at the picnic grounds and entertained the crowd with a number of well known selections.

After the entertainment offered by the two bands dinner was served in real country style. After dinner the people turned their attention to various other forms of amusement which were afforded by the citizens of Hartsburg. Among the different attractions were races and the climbing of a greased pole. A five dollar bill rested at the top of a greased pole waiting to be claimed by the first one who could find his way to the top, but when the Columbia delegation left the grounds a number of attempts had been made, but no one had been successful in climbing the pole.

Shady places were placed in different spots on the picnic grounds by a network of boughs which were covered with leaves.

The wheel of fortune, dance hall, the baseball throwing gallery, and the soft drink stands gave a Hartsburg pasture the appearance of a miniature Coney Island.

KIWANIANS WANT CLUB HERE

Business Men Have Received Letters From Organization.

An effort is being made by the Kiwanians to establish a chapter of their organization in Columbia. Letters have been written to several business men in Columbia, asking them to aid in the organization of such a chapter, and telling of the aims of the Kiwanian Club International.

The object of the club is to stimulate in its members an interest in "the civic, social and political welfare" of its community, and then to aid its community in any possible way. Many are the accomplishments cited for the Kiwanian clubs in various cities. They have established playgrounds, community houses, swimming pools; given entertainments for hospitals, orphan homes and similar institutions. They have been an organized unit against "crooked" elections; they have paved roads; they have backed the issuing of municipal bonds. One Kiwanian Club in a manufacturing city of Ohio had a debate on a troublesome city franchise problem between the opposing factions, and gave the voters a chance to decide what should be done, after hearing the leaders of both sides on the question.

International Kiwanis is composed of more than 485 Kiwanian Clubs located in the United States and Canada. There are 51,000 members—all of them business men. A charter will not be given to a club of less than fifty members, and not more than two members from a given line of business may belong to a club. This limitation is made because the Kiwanian Club is supposed to be "a true cross section of the business interests."

THE WEATHER

For Columbia and vicinity: Thunder showers this afternoon or tonight, cooler tonight. Wednesday partly cloudy weather with moderate temperature.

For Missouri: Generally fair tonight and Wednesday, except thunder showers and cooler north portion tonight; cooler east-central portion Wednesday.

The atmospheric pressure is relatively low over the southern half of the country, apparently having its center over the East Gulf. In the upper Plains and in most of the northern border states a moderate high pressure is giving pleasant temperatures.

Overcast skies prevail in much of the Central Plains and Missouri Valley, and within the last 24 hours showers fell in Kansas, Nebraska and Iowa, and a few other widely separated points.

Except still rough in some low places the Old Trails is in good condition. The road running to Hallsville is in good shape.

The outlook is for showers over the northern half of the State, and temperatures will be more seasonable.

Local data: The highest temperature in Columbia yesterday was 88; and the lowest last night was 68. Precipitation 0.00. A year ago yesterday the highest temperature was 81 and the lowest was 62. Precipitation 0.15. Sun rose today 4:45 a. m. Sun sets 7:28 p. m. Moon rises 1:14 a. m.

7 a. m.	71	12 (noon)	80
8 a. m.	70	1 p. m.	76
9 a. m.	81	2 p. m.	76
10 a. m.	85	3 p. m.	73
11 a. m.	86	3:30 p. m.	71

Reports, largely concerning the letting of contracts and the money received from the Missouri movement campaign during the last year, were taken up. More than \$60,000 has been received on the second payment of five-year pledges made to provide for the construction of the new dormitory building. According to reports made, the new building, the construction of which was begun in 1919, will be completed August 1. It will be the largest residence hall for women in the Middle West, according to Mrs. L. W. St. Clair-Moss, president emerita of Christian College, and secretary of the board of trustees. Plans to enlarge the endowment of the new dormitory were also discussed. All such operations will be carried out through the Missouri movement campaign, which is one of the activities of the education commission. This commission is incorporated for fifty years.

President Edgar D. Lee made the annual report of the president concerning work done during the last school year, and Mrs. St. Clair-Moss, reported to the executive committee meetings which have been held between the annual meetings of the board.

J. T. Johnson and S. M. Locke, of Mexico, the two out-of-town trustees, were also present.

The progress of the school and the outlook for the future is very satisfactory, according to Berry McAlister, one of the members of the board.

DRIVE STARTS SUCCESSFULLY

Methodists Here Have Already Raised \$7,000 of Their \$12,000 Quota.

The second day of the Christian Education Campaign, which is being carried on by the Southern Methodist churches of Columbia as part of a nation-wide Christian Education Movement campaign, ended successfully today when another \$1,000 was added to Columbia's quota of \$12,000. This added sum makes the total of \$7,000 up to date. It is the plan of all the teams to raise this amount every day this week until Sunday.

J. W. Schwabe is the financial director for the Broadway Methodist Church. The team captains who are assisting him are J. F. Bossart, Mrs. Carrie A. Jones, D. V. Wilkerson, Lois Gribble, W. H. Rusk, T. S. Townsend, Dr. J. B. Cole, J. L. Pyle, P. H. Ross, Ira McDonald and E. B. McDonald. Each captain has ten or twelve workers under him who are soliciting among the members and friends of the church.

"No part of this sum which is being raised will be invested in the enterprise of the churches here," said the Rev. J. D. Randolph. "However, by the local congregation raising the quota for Columbia, it will put us in a better position in the future to go out into the state and ask for the financial support of Missourians in building the new church and in aiding the local students in securing the sort of education for which this money is being raised throughout the country at the present time."

Miss Edna Gentry, of Nellyville, gave the salutatory. The keynote of her address was, "Today we live in two tomorrows." Two musical readings were given by Miss Mavis Moulton, of Halleyville, Okla., accompanied by the piano. The first reading, "Tit for Tat," was a whimsical sketch; the other, "When Earth's Last Picture is Painted," was a serious glimpse into the future.

The next number was an oration by Miss Sara Roberts, of Fort Scott, Kan. She told of the futility of living wholly for knowledge, or wholly for love, and said that to live fully one must mingle the two.

WEAR CAY-COLORED COSTUMES Gay-colored peasant dancers of France, slim dancers in purest white, solo dancers in green and black—all strived to please the Queen of the May in the pageant on the Christian College campus last night.

The herald, Miss Carmen Williams, in a white courtier's costume trimmed in purple and silver, announced the coming of the queen, Miss Ruth Short. A maiden in white silk danced to show her joy at the queen's approach and Miss Eula Penn Wheat sang the welcome song to the Queen of May, herself looking like a typification of spring in her pink picture hat, shepherdess staff and fluffy dress. The junior class, dressed in white, formed a double line, singing as they came. Through this aisle the queen and her royal court marched. As is customary, the retiring queen, Miss Mary Hatton, crowned the new ruler.

Miss Short wore a white dress with a train and her crown was of deep rose flowers. Her attendants were: maids of honor, Misses Frances Williams and Jewel Jones; trainbearer, Miss Virginia Clark; flower girls, Misses Virginia Lee and Elizabeth Jones. When the queen was seated in the leafy throne chair, the senior class, in gay evening dresses, formed a semi-circle around the royal

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LOCAL PASTOR NOW ON BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Rev. Walter M. Haushalter Is Elected to Governing Body of Christian College.

INSPECTION TOUR MADE

Ivy Chain Ceremony Held This Morning—May Pageant Was Given Last Night.

The Rev. Walter M. Haushalter, pastor of the First Christian Church, was elected a member of the board of trustees of Christian College at the board's annual meeting yesterday afternoon. This meeting was held in the library of the college at 3 o'clock, following a luncheon for the entire board and an inspection tour of the buildings and grounds.

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Keeping time to slow music from the stage, the thirty-two seniors in the academic division of Christian College filed in at the side entrance of the auditorium, at 10:30 o'clock this morning, passed down the central aisle, and on to the stage, bearing a long ivy chain upon their shoulders. The girls were all dressed in organdie, ranging from white to lavender, and were arranged in a beautiful color scheme. The president of the class, Miss Lucille Minges, led the procession. The girls then gathered on the stage in a wide semi-circle, with banks of green young palms before and behind them, and sang the class song, "The Girls of Our Class."

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WOOD FAVORS CO-OPERATION

Director of Church Work Speaks at Baptist Week Meeting.

"I wouldn't say there are too many rural churches, but more would be accomplished if those now existing would co-operate and group themselves together," said the Rev. O. L. Wood of Kansas City, director of the Baptist Church work for Missouri, at the Baptist Church last night at the final meeting of the Boone County Baptist Week meetings. "All organization must have the accomplishment of a definite end as its aim; it must not be overdone or it will be at the expense of what it aimed to accomplish."

James M. Wood, president of Stephens College, spoke on the place of the layman in the church. When a person joins the church he obligates himself to place whatever his particular talent may be at the disposal of the church, Mr. Wood explained. Young people are not built to go to church and be merely sponges; they must be trained for some activity of the church is to hold them. Instead of preaching against what young people do, more would be accomplished if the same amount of intellectual effort were spent in planning better things for them to do.

Miss Jessie Burrall of Stephens College, who was to have addressed the meeting, was unable to get away from another engagement in time for the meeting.

With every available seat in the Circuit Court occupied and more than one hundred curious onlookers crowding the aisles and packing themselves into the corners, the selection of the twelve men who are to try Frank Statts, charged with the murder of Samuel Halstead last June, started at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

A recess was taken at 10 o'clock this morning, after the usual questions were asked the forty veniremen, to allow the defense time to prepare the challenges. The men who were drawn to make up the jury are: J. E. Whittle, Arthur Newman, A. C. Ester, Claude Jones, Edward Easley, A. T. Hamilton, R. L. Palmer, W. E. Crosswhite, T. B. Haden, N. H. Sheppard, P. H. Reed and P. A. Stewart.

Following the selection of the jury and the swearing in of the witnesses, Judge David H. Harris made a special plea for order in the court during the trial. Prosecuting Attorney Ruby M. Hulien then presented the state's case to the jury.

More than a hundred witnesses have been summoned for the trial, and a number of these witnesses are deaf and dumb. Several of them, who have never learned the language taught in deaf and dumb schools, talk only by colloquial signs, and a great deal of difficulty is expected in interpreting these signs.

Halstead, who lived near Ingwood in this county, was found in his home with a bullet hole in his head on June 24 of last year. His wife, who is also a deaf-mute, was visiting relatives in Calaway County at that time, and the murder was discovered by Jake Statts, a stepson-in-law of the murdered man. He had been dead for several days, and the coroner's verdict at Ashland on the evening of the murder was discovered that "the deceased met death from a gunshot wound at the hands of an unknown person."

The body of Halstead was buried the day after it was found, but several days later it was exhumed at the request of Frank Statts, the man now charged with the murder. It was brought to the Medical Building of the University here, and while it was being lifted to an operating table for the purpose of making a search for the bullet, the ball dropped from the head and rolled out on the table.

Statts was not arrested until December 27, and a day later he was released on bond. The case was originally set for May 6, but Statts became a father on May 6 and a continuance was granted until today.

The evidence against Statts is said to be circumstantial. He is said to have owned a 22-caliber revolver, the plunger of which was home-made, leaving a peculiar depression on the shells, one of which was found near Halstead's body when it was discovered.

NATIONALISTS THREATEN WAR

Balkans in Turmoil as Irregular Bands From Mountains Attack.

Rome, May 31.—Sweeping down from the heights of Macedonia and Albania, large bands of irregular soldiers today threatened to start another Balkan war which may involve all Europe.

The fighters, driven by a strong National feeling, entered foreign countries. Looting and arson marked their track. The governments thus attacked immediately planned to combat the invaders.

The old Balkan troubles were involved in the fighting. Greece wants more land to the north. Bulgaria wants to reclaim some of the territory lost in the war and Serbia refuses to retire from her newly won territory.

According to last advices received here, the situation is especially critical in Macedonia and Albania, whose problems were not solved by the Peace Treaty. Reports show that large bands of irregulars have been recruited throughout the Balkans. Almost every portion of the war-torn region has contributed its share of fighting men.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—"Feelers" looking toward an agreement for disarmament among the world powers have been put out by President Harding.

Though details of the plans have not been disclosed, it is said that President Harding suggested to the great powers that the question be left to the Supreme Council.

MRS. ORTHWEIN ON TRIAL

Chicago Woman Charged With Murder of H. T. Zeigler.

CHICAGO, May 31.—The discovery that Mrs. Cora Orthwein had been indicted for manslaughter instead of murder caused the postponement of her case late today. The jury had been tentatively accepted by the state when Assistant Attorney Heth called the court's attention to the faulty indictment.

Midnight Indics of Chicago's smart set were aired in court today when Mrs. Cora Orthwein went on trial for the murder of Herbert T. Zeigler, Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. executive.

Jealousy, because Zeigler danced with Mrs. Charlotte Lewinsky, "the kissing blonde" in the case, caused the shooting, it is believed. Assistant Prosecutor Heth said today that Jack Berry, alleged social gambler, would testify to this. Mrs. Orthwein claims that she shot the man in self-defense.

BLAIR TO BE CHIEF JUSTICE

New Head of State Supreme Court Is III—Son M. U. Student.

JEFFERSON CITY, May 31.—Judge James T. Blair was today elected chief justice of the Missouri Supreme Court to succeed Robert S. Walker, whose term expires June 7.

Judge Blair has been a member of the tribunal since 1914.

Judge Blair was elected to the Supreme Court in 1914 to serve ten years. His son, James Blair, Jr., is a student in the University. He left school last Friday when he was called to Jefferson City to attend his father, who is ill.

STATTS TRIAL FOR HALSTEAD MURDER OPENS

Selection of Jurymen Started at 2 O'clock This Afternoon Before a Packed Courtroom.

JUDGE HARRIS PRESIDES

Trial to Be Featured by Deaf and Dumb Witnesses—Evidence Said to Be Circumstantial.

At 4 o'clock this afternoon three witnesses for the state had been heard in the Frank Statts murder case. Mrs. Sally Halstead, grandmother of the defendant was the star witness for the state. She testified that following the murder Frank Statts took her to his home and kept her a prisoner for nine months. A number of times, she said, he thrust a rifle in her hands and told her to go into the yard and kill herself. Mrs. Halstead is deaf and dumb and her testimony was translated by the court reporter.

WILL SUPPLY COUNTY COAL

Blackfoot Company Gets Contract—School Funds to Six Banks.

Bids were opened by the County Court this morning for the contract to supply coal to the courthouse, county jail and the county infirmary. The contract was let to the Blackfoot Coal Co. That company made a bid of \$6.30 a ton for coal to supply the courthouse and the county jail. For the county infirmary, which is four miles north of Columbia, they agreed to supply the coal for \$5 a ton.

Bids were also received today by the County Court for the deposit of the county school funds for the next two years. The funds will be deposited with all six of the Columbia banks and the Bank of Centralia. The rate of interest is 3 per cent. Each bid was accompanied by a check for \$1,000 as a guarantee of good faith.

BARBERS DEFEAT BANKERS

Second Game Ends in Favor of Tonsorial Artists.

The eight-inning baseball game between the Barbers and Bankers yesterday resulted in a victory for the Barbers, 19 to 18. The battery for the Barbers was Roberts and Vaughn, while Wisdom, Sapp and Luke did the honors for the Bankers.

The Barbers, being used to hitting heavy, considering the price of haircuts and shaves, knocked the Bankers for 13 hits.

The only "tips" the Barbers received yesterday afternoon were the tip-ups they got when they crowded the baselines and the Bankers ran over them in efforts to steal bases.

An instance of clever stealing by the Bankers occurred in the fifth inning when they were at bat. One of their number was attempting to steal third while the Barber's pitcher was delivering the ball toward the catcher; the catcher threw the ball toward the third baseman but it connected instead with the latter's head and fouled into the grandstand. The impact sounded as though the catcher had hit the batter's bat and there was much argument as to whether the runner should go back to second on a foul ball or go out, on account of the ball being interfered with by the batter. The umpire ruled that the catcher could not act as pitcher without the consent of the captain of the team so the runner stayed on third and the batter crossed the back of his head till he struck out.

The Barbers started the game with six runs in the first inning and led until the sixth frame when the banks got "right" and allowed no runs for two innings.

Much advice was given by the bench-players of both teams along with the advice oered by the grandstand. Since it was so hard to identify the players in their many-colored uniforms, no box score of the frolic was kept. Virgil Spurling umpired.

COLUMBIA NEGRO SUGGESTED AS DIRECTOR OF LINCOLN UNIVERSITY

The Rev. Jonathan Lyle Caston, pastor of the Second Baptist Church at Columbia, has been suggested by the Kansas City Sun as "an ideal candidate" for curator of Lincoln University. Dr. Caston is regarded as one of the best fitted negroes in the state. He was at one time editor of the St. Louis Clarion.

The last legislature appropriated \$500,000 to make Lincoln Institute at Jefferson City into a university of equal rank with the University at Columbia. The new university will be governed by a bipartisan board of eight members, four of whom must be negroes. It is for this position that the Columbia pastor has been suggested.

Lincoln Institute has heretofore been a normal school for negroes. The enrollment is now more than 500.

SOFT DRINKS COMING DOWN

Columbia Merchants to Sell Cold Beverages at Pre-War Prices.

One by one the high prices brought on by the war are disappearing.

At all the leading soda fountains in town a reduction in price of from 25 to 40 per cent will go into effect tomorrow. At a few places this reduction has been in effect several days, but now it will be unanimous. This brings cocas-colas down to 6 cents plus war tax, and all drinks over a dime will be at least a nickel less.

YOUNGEST EDITOR AT JOURNALISM WEEK IS ONLY 20 YEARS OLD

One of the youngest editors to attend the Journalism Week was Thomas R. Nickel, editor and publisher of the Dade County Journal, Everton, Mo., and the Dadeville Record, at Dadeville, two small towns of less than 500 population each in southwest Missouri. Nickel is only 20 years old and is said to be the youngest editor-publisher in Missouri.

Nickel's business experience began in 1917. His father, a merchant in Lawrence County, placed his business in the young man's hands while he was employed in shipyard work at Newport News, Va. Prior to that time young Nickel had been a student in the South-west Missouri State Teachers' College at Springfield. He had had no previous training in newspaper work.

In the spring of 1919 a banquet at Everton undertook to revive the local paper that had been suspended during the war. He leased it to young Nickel with an option to buy. The first issue under the new management appeared on May 8, 1919. During the last two years Nickel has paid for his paper and acquired control of a weekly in an adjacent town. His combined circulation is 1329. He issues an eight-page weekly in both towns. The Franklin price list is used. Nickel employs three assistants. He writes editorials, gathers news, sells and writes advertising, and attends to the business end of his plant.

Nickel believes that the country weekly should primarily function as a vehicle of community service, and that the field of the rural weekly is a local one.

WORK STARTED ON K. A. HOUSE

\$35,000 Structure for Local Fraternity to Be Built by Nov. 1.

Work was begun this morning on the new \$35,000 home for the Kappa Alpha fraternity. The Davis & Phillips Construction Co., of Columbia has the contract. The house will be a three-story building of a dark red brick with a Spanish type of green tile roof, and will be situated on the corner of University and College avenues. It will face on University.

The first floor rooms are to be finished with dark oak, and the second and third floors will be finished in white enamel. All floors in the house will be of hardwood. There will be twenty-six rooms, including the basement.

It is to be completed by November 1.

CLARK CASE UP THURSDAY

President Hill on Stand Three Hours in Kansas City.

Arguments on the demurrer submitted by the defendants in the two \$50,000 damage suits of Prof. George L. Clark will be heard at Marshall Thursday morning before Judge Samuel Davis. Points of law alone will be considered. No evidence will be submitted.

Senator Frank G. Harris, Lakenan Price, and Boyle G. Clark, attorneys for the defense, will all go to Marshall. Senator Harris returned from Kansas City yesterday, where he was present at the depositions of President Hill, who was on the stand for three hours.

TO INSPECT MISSOURI GRAIN

Field Crop Department Men Will Spend Month on Tour.

Roy T. Kirkpatrick, C. E. Carter and D. W. Frear of the field crops department will leave June 6 to visit twenty-eight counties in the state to inspect the fields of small grains and to prepare a list of farmers who have wheat, oat, and rye seed for sale.

They will go to the counties which have county agents, and will be accompanied by the agent. They will examine for purity, freedom from disease and weeds, and to determine variety. This work must be done after the grain heads out, but before it is cut. It will take the entire month of June to complete the work.

CAR WRECKED NEAR HINCKSON

Seven Negro Occupants Escape With Minor Injuries.

A Nash sedan containing seven negroes turned over just beyond the bridge over Hinkson Creek on the Ashland gravel road at 9 o'clock last night. The car, which belongs to the 222 taxi line of Jefferson City, was badly damaged, the top and glass sides being demolished. The negroes were not hurt beyond a few scratches and bruises.

The car had been hired by the party for the trip here to the baseball game yesterday between the Columbia Red Sox and the Jefferson City Cubs.

MAY FIX NEW WAGE SCALE

Series of Hearings on Prices of Material Starts Today.

KANSAS CITY, May 31.—A new wage scale and a fair price list for building material is hoped for as a result of a series of hearings in the building arbitration which began here today.

Representatives of the Building Trades Council and of the Builders Association will present all phases of the question before three men chosen as arbiters when a strike was averted May 1.

Demands Cut in Freight Rates.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—A demand that the wage cut for railway men be accompanied by a reduced rate on the Pacific Coast for the transportation of fruit and vegetables, was made today by J. B. Malloy, vice-president of the Brotherhood of Railway and Shop Laborers.

ANCIENT CHINESE TENT COMES BACK TO USE IN MAKING ICE CREAM

When the ancient architecture of the Chinese made its way to the West, it was put to a valuable use. Evidence of this fact may be found in the Chinese tower over the White Eagle Dairy.

When the Mongols invaded China, they brought with them their tents, which were held up with poles at the corners, forming a roof which was low in the middle, but having upward turned corners. When the population became settled the use of wood was adopted for building purposes, but the tent style was adopted with it.

The modern use for this tower-like structure has been turned to the scientific process of cooling the water for the use of the plant. Each tier, and there are ten of them, has a sieve vessel beneath it. This is the explanation of the Chinese tower over the White Eagle Dairy, according to B. L. Allen, who makes the ices and creams for this concern.

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A Nash sedan containing seven negroes turned over just beyond the bridge over Hinkson Creek on the Ashland gravel road at 9 o'clock last night. The car, which belongs to the 222 taxi line of Jefferson City, was badly damaged, the top and glass sides being demolished. The negroes were not hurt beyond a few scratches and bruises.

The car had been hired by the party for the trip here to the baseball game yesterday between the Columbia Red Sox and the Jefferson City Cubs.

MAY FIX NEW WAGE SCALE

Series of Hearings on Prices of Material Starts Today.

KANSAS CITY, May 31.—A new wage scale and a fair price list for building material is hoped for as a result of a series of hearings in the building arbitration which began here today.

Representatives of the Building Trades Council and of the Builders Association will present all phases of the question before three men chosen as arbiters when a strike was averted May 1.

Demands Cut in Freight Rates.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—A demand that the wage cut for railway men be accompanied by a reduced rate on the Pacific Coast for the transportation of fruit and vegetables, was made today by J. B. Malloy, vice-president of the Brotherhood of Railway and Shop Laborers.

POLISH MUTINY MAY MEAN END OF MOVEMENT

Officers Believe Strength of Opposition Is Causing Break-Up Among Insurgents.

FIGHTING WITHIN KOSEL

British Battalion, Including Black Watch, Enters Oppeln—Would Go Against Poles.

By United Press.

OPPEL, Upper Silesia, May 31.—Polish insurgents at Kosel have mutinied, according to transient officers here today. Terrific fighting took place in the town last night. Italian officers said that the fighting was entirely within the Polish lines.

All the officers believe that it is an indication that the Polish movement is breaking up in the face of stiff German opposition and threats of harsh action by the Allies.

The Italians were overjoyed by the arrival of a battalion of British troops yesterday. A portion of the Famous Black Watch were given an ovation as they were trapped into Oppeln with bagpipes playing.

The British apparently believe that they will see action against the Poles soon and openly fraternized with the Germans and the Italians. It was noticeable that they had little to do with the French.

"ALL SET" FOR MASS MEETING

Delegations From Neighboring Towns Expected to Attend.

The stage is "all set" for a monster mass meeting at the courthouse tonight at 7:30 to discuss the Booneville bridge project. Delegations from Fulton, Booneville and Rocheport will be here to take part in the discussions.

Every possible effort has been made by those in charge to see that all of the business interests of Columbia are represented at the meeting. E. W. Stephens will preside.

Bomb Explosion Injures 14.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—Fourteen were injured, some dangerously, at the Aberdeen Recruiting Grounds, in Maryland, by the explosion of a 60-pound bomb today.

Supreme Court Again in Session.

WASHINGTON, May 31.—The Supreme Court met today for the first time since the death of Chief Justice White. Court was adjourned until tomorrow out of respect to his memory. White's chair was draped in black, as was the golden eagle which was just above his head. With his voice choked with emotion, Justice McKenna paid tribute to his old friend.

Returns From M. U. Board Session.

Dean J. C. Jones returned this afternoon from St. Louis where he attended a session of the Executive Board of the University. All of the members of the board were present. Routine matters were discussed. Leslie Cowan, secretary of the University, will return this evening.