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HARDING PICKS CABINET MARION DISPATCH SAYS; HOOVER IS RECOGNIZED

FEEBLE MINDED HOME MAY COME TO THE COUNTY

DELEGATION THAT VISITED GOV.
ERNOR AND BOARD RETURNS
VERY MUCH ENCOURAGED.

BUT THE LANDS ARE TOO HIGH

If suitable Tract is Found at a Reasonably Low Price There is Every Reason to Believe That the Institution Will Be Located Here.

Maury county's delegation that went on Wednesday to interview Governor Roberts, the state board of administration and the charities board in the interest of the location of the home for the feeble minded in Maury county returned home very much encouraged. They were given a cordial reception by the governor and the members of the board and the intimation was plainly made that if it could be done to the state's interest the institution would be located in this county.

However, it soon developed that the board did not want any fancy priced land. It was after cheap land and the offers that the county had were considered altogether too high for the location of this institution and if the county gets the institution it must have cheaper land. If there are parties in the county who have anywhere from 500 to 1,000 acres of cheap land, located on the railroad and close to the river where there will be abundance of water and a place for the sewerage they are urged to communicate that fact either to W. S. Beasley or Col. John W. Fry. The board cannot pay \$100 to \$150 an acre for land.

Unless something unforeseen should occur representatives of the board will come to Maury county Saturday and investigate the situation and ascertain whether the locations that have been offered will be suitable. The delegation that went to Nashville was composed of the following members: W. S. Beasley, John W. Fry, Joseph L. Hutton, W. H. Jackson, Dr. E. L. Roggsdale, John Shelby Coffey A. B. Sowell and Milton E. Allen. The members were very much pleased with the reception which they received from the governor and the other members of the board.

COUNCIL DIRECTORS TO MEET SATURDAY

PRESIDENT PORTER URGES FULL ATTENDANCE AT LAST MEETING OF PRESENT BOARD.

There will be a meeting of the directors of the county council of agriculture at the council rooms on next Saturday at 2 o'clock. This will be the last meeting of the present board of directors and President Porter is urging all of the members to be present. He is exceedingly anxious that the affairs of the council for the past year should be wound up before the new board and new officers come in.

MAKING READY FOR BIG RUSH ON MONDAY

Columbia merchants are making good progress with stock taking now, and expected to be ready for the big rush of business soon to come. It is expected that Monday, First Monday, will be one of the best days merchants have enjoyed in months.

BOY SCOUTS WILL MEET ON TOMORROW

The Boy Scouts will meet tomorrow afternoon at the residence of Col. Graham at 2 o'clock, instead of tonight at 7 o'clock.

CHARLES E. HUGHES TO BE SECRETARY OF STATE TO SUCCEED COLBY.

KENTUCKY MAN GETS PLACE

Hert, of Dark and Bloody Ground, is Selected by President-elect to Hold Portfolio of War—Hays Be Postmaster General.

(By United Press.)

MARION, O., Dec. 23.—The first cabinet slate has been virtually completed by President-elect Harding, it was learned here today.

This tentative slate is understood to stand as follows:

Secretary of state, Charles E. Hughes, of New York.

Secretary of treasury, Charles G. Dawson, Chicago.

Secretary of war, T. Hert, of Kentucky.

Secretary of navy, John W. Weeks, Massachusetts.

Attorney general, Harry M. Daugherty, Ohio.

Postmaster general, Will G. Hays.

Secretary of agriculture, George Sutherland, Utah.

Secretary of interior, Charles Warren, Michigan.

Secretary of labor, Herbert Hoover, California.

President-elect Harding is, however, reserving the right to change his mind if he deems it wise to shift his men to other posts than those now in mind.

It is understood that George B. Christian, Harding's present secretary, is slated for the private secretaryship.

POULTRY PEOPLE TO MEET SATURDAY

ASSOCIATION WILL ASSEMBLE AT 2:30 O'CLOCK AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

There will be a meeting of the Maury county poultry association at the rooms of the county council of agriculture on Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The members should all attend as the financial report for the year will be submitted. There will also be a report on the recent poultry show and plans for the show next year will be discussed. Every one having a bill against the association is asked to present it so that there can be a complete settlement of the business of the year.

AUTOMOBILE LICENSE TAGS SELLING FAST

RUSH WILL CONTINUE FOR NEXT SEVERAL DAYS—PENALTY ACQUIRES AFTER JAN. 1.

The payment of the 1921 automobile license at the office of County Clerk Lipscomb continues, and it is expected that the swarm of tax buyers will continue to grow for the next several days. The time for the payment of this tax without penalty expires on January 1, and all automobile owners are requested to secure the 1921 tag as soon as possible.

KIWANIS LUNCHEON TOMORROW AT NOON

FIRST MEETING IN TWO WEEKS WILL BE HELD—BANQUET ON JANUARY 7TH.

The regular luncheon of the Kiwanis Club will be held tomorrow at noon at the Hotel Bethel. This will be the first luncheon in two weeks as the last meeting was omitted. The Kiwanians and their wives are looking forward with much pleasure to the big banquet which they will enjoy at the Hotel Bethel one week from tomorrow night. President Beasley is preparing to give the Kiwanians the best program that they have ever enjoyed. He has one or two big guns to unload for that occasion.

RECRUITING FOR CAVALRY TROOPS MEETS SUCCESS

BELIEVED THAT TWO TROOPS WILL HAVE BEEN FILLED WITHIN NEXT FEW DAYS.

BUSINESS MEN ARE INTERESTED

Young Men Are Urged to Take Advantage of This Opportunity to Bring to Columbia Headquarters for Four Troop Horsemen.

The recruiting of Columbia's two troops of cavalry goes on apace, and officers feel confident that within the next few days announcement will be made that the troops are filled, and that horses and equipment have been ordered.

Captain Herbert Dyer, who will head one of the troops, stated to a representative of The Herald that he was sure that it would be but a short time until the ranks in his troop are filled.

The cavalry strongly appeals to the young men of the city, as the government furnishes horses, uniforms and all equipment for service, and only one drill period of little more than an hour each week is required of members of the company, and for this they receive a day's pay. In addition to this there are positions open for men who want them, caring for horses and equipment, and for this service they will be paid \$100 per month, including base pay.

There is no town in the state as large as Columbia which should be without a company of soldiers, a machine gun detachment, or a troop of cavalrymen, and the business people of the city are encouraging enlistment in these two companies. Columbia will really be the base of four troops, two being organized here, one at Mt. Pleasant and another in Lawrence county.

Officers of the company are determined there shall be no fall down, and that Columbia shall have the two troops, and the work of recruiting will be pushed more vigorously than ever during the next few days.

The campaign for recruits will be carried into all sections of the county if enough men are not secured in Columbia, and detachments will be sent from Columbia to explain the advantages offered in the organization of the cavalry unit in this section.

Chinese Troops In Mutiny When Pay Is Delayed

(By United Press.)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 30.—Chinese troops rebelling against their officers have terrorized the vicinity for two days with looting and incendiarism. The mutiny is said to be due to delay in pay.

SEVERAL WOUNDED IN GEORGIA RACE RIOT

FIGHTING IS IN PROGRESS AT HURTSBORO, BUT DETAILS CANNOT BE OBTAINED.

(By United Press.)

COLUMBIA, Ga., Dec. 30.—Eight negroes were surrounded in a house near Hurtsboro, Ala., by a posse this morning following a battle between whites and blacks there last night, in which several persons are said to have been wounded, some fatally, according to incomplete reports. Details were not given.

According to early reports reinforcements have been rushed to Hurtsboro with supplies of guns and ammunition. The negroes are also reported to be preparing to withstand the attack. Wires are down between Columbus and Hurtsboro, and efforts to secure details have been unavailing.

BACK TO NORMALCY AFTER HOLIDAYS

Columbia is beginning to return to normalcy following the Christmas holidays. Scores of Columbians who spent the holidays with relatives in other cities are now returning to work each day, and more people are to be seen on the streets than during the first few days after Christmas. It is believed that business will be back to normal again by Monday.

NO AUTO TAG TO BE REQUIRED FOR THE COUNTY TAX

PAYMENT ON MOTOR VEHICLES WILL BE MADE DIRECT TO THE COUNTY TRUSTEE.

RECEIPTS ARE TO BE ISSUED

Wagons to be Required to Work for Five Days on the Road That is Used by the Owners; Buggies Will Escape Taxes Altogether.

There will be no county automobile tags used in the county next year, if the road law which Judge Looney is now engaged in drafting goes through as it is understood to have been written. This does not mean, however, that there will be no automobile road tax for county purposes. It is expected that the county taxes on all motor vehicles will be approximately what they have been under the act of 1919. But the manner of their payment will be different.

It is said that instead of having this tax collected by the county clerk that it will be collected through the office of the county trustee and that a simple receipt will be issued. The clerk's fee of twenty-five cents for the tag will be abolished and the trustee will receive simply the same compensation for collecting the license or tax that he receives for collecting other county revenue, that is a simple commission on the amount collected. It is said that this change will save the taxpayer a quarter and also have the county as under the present system both the clerk and the trustee receive commissions on the funds that are collected.

There will be no wagon tax nor buggy tax. However, that portion of the McKnight act of 1917 which required wagons to be worked on the roads running by or contiguous to the homes of the owners will be re-enacted, with the change that wagons will be required to be worked on the roads for five days instead of the four as was provided in the act of 1917. It is expected that the commutation taxes will be fixed so high that all farmers will find it to their interest to put their wagons on the roads. No taxes of any character either in money or in work will be levied on the buggies of the county.

The district road commissioners, as heretofore stated by The Herald, will be elected by a popular vote of the people of the several districts at special elections to be called shortly after the law goes into effect. The county road superintendent will be elected by the county court. The latter will have charge of the main highways of the county.

Fire Destroys City Hall at Phosphate City

Fire at an early hour this morning destroyed the city hall at Mt. Pleasant. The building, a one story frame, was practically wiped out by the fire. The loss is estimated at \$3,000 but the building was fully covered by insurance. All of the papers and records of the city were in the big fire proof safe and were saved.

S. E. Stephens, the city recorder, had about \$1,500 worth of law books in the building, and these were severely damaged by water. However, Prof. Stephens is fully insured against loss. There was some furniture in the building that was also lost in the flames.

COUPLE MARRIES IN FORD SEDAN

SQUIRE GILBERT ORR UNITES NASHVILLE COUPLE IN CAR THAT BRINGS HAPPINESS.

"The Ford Brings Happiness" has long been the motto of the manufacturer of this popular priced car, and admitting the truth of this motto, happiness should follow William B. House and Miss Flora Bell Carter all the days of their lives, for in a brand new Ford sedan, this young couple from Nashville was united in the holy bonds of wedlock today shortly after noon by Esquire Gilbert M. Orr. Among the witnesses was Robert Church Barrow, salesman of this popular car, who showed them just how the Ford does bring happiness. After the ceremony the couple left for their homes in Nashville.

ADJUTANT OAKES URGES PAYMENT OF LEGION DUES

FIRST MEETING OF THE COMING YEAR WILL BE HELD ON NEXT TUESDAY NIGHT.

MAKES MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Will Also Consider Question of Permanent Home; Roster of all Service Men of Maury County to be Obtained During Year.

The first meeting of the local post of the American Legion for the coming year will be held on next Tuesday night at the county court room. Notices of the meeting are being mailed out by Adjutant William Oakes and attention is being called to the fact that the dues for the coming year are also payable now. The dues to the Legion are \$3 a year which includes the local state and national dues and the subscription to the Legion Weekly a publication devoted to the interests of the members of the order.

At the meeting next Tuesday night a campaign for an increased membership in the Legion and also for securing a complete roll of the service men of the county will be launched. In the work of getting the roster of the service men of Maury county during the world war the Legion will have the active aid of the Woman's Auxiliary which has already been pledged. A committee of the women's auxiliary will be appointed to assist in this work.

Some plans to secure a permanent meeting place or home for the Legion will also be taken up at the coming meeting. In Clarksville with the aid of the business men a permanent meeting place and regular home for the Legion has been secured and fitted up. It is believed that if something of that kind could be done here it would increase interest in the legion and would result in a much larger membership.

Adjutant Oakes urges the prompt payment of the dues for the coming year. Payments are concurrent with the calendar year and if members remain on the roll they must pay the dues assessed.

Hundreds Killed In Fiume Battle; Rome Report Says

(By United Press.)

ROME, Dec. 30.—Four hundred Italian soldiers were killed in the fighting at Fiume, it was reported here today. From the ranks of the defending forces eight were killed, including two women. Two hundred legionnaires were wounded in the battle.

The formal surrender of Fiume to the Italian regulars was expected today. D'Annunzio was preparing to leave Fiume by airplane, declaring Italy was not worthy of dying for.

LYNCHING FEARED AS RESULT OF MURDER

PLANTATION MANAGER IS SHOT BY NEGRO NEAR ROSDALE, MISS., THIS MORNING.

(By United Press.)

ROSDALE, Miss., Dec. 30.—As the result of a quarrel Karl Bullock, manager of the Virginia plantation at Loddell, Miss., was shot and seriously wounded by a negro here early today. News of the shooting was received here with the request for blood-hounds with which the negro is being chased. Lynching is feared if he is captured.

JUNIOR ORDER TO ELECT OFFICERS

IMPORTANT MEETING OF MAURY COUNCIL IS SET FOR 7:30 THIS EVENING.

An important meeting of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics will be held this evening at 7:30 o'clock, and the more than 200 members of this lodge have been urged to be present as there is work of much importance to be done. Officers for the coming term will be elected, and the present officers of the council are anxious that all members be present when the ballot is taken.

JAP AMBASSADOR FAVORS LIMITATION ARMAMENTS; WOULD CALL CONFERENCE

DECLARES MEN WHO PAY BILLS SHOULD REACH AGREEMENT QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.

JAPAN FIGHTING BOLSHEVISM

Hayashi Declares His Country is Sentinel Against Spread of Bolshevism, and Therefore Must Be Prepared for Emergency.

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LONDON, Dec. 30.—Japan is ready to enter an international conference on the limitation in naval armament in the belief of Baron Hayashi, new Japanese ambassador to Great Britain.

In an interview with a representative of the United Press today, Hayashi declared the business men who pay the bills could reach an agreement as to the limiting of naval building if their countries would arrange a conference.

Japan, he declared is not exceeding her announced naval program and her preparations must be considered necessary, he said, because she is the sentinel against the spread of Bolshevism. He charged that an organized attempt is being made to Bolshevize Japan and that this country must remain on guard.

He declared "This talk in the United States about a big navy is very annoying to Japan." Concluding he said, "It is foolish, it is tragic to think of Great Britain, the United States and Japan competing in a race for great armament. Japan cannot afford it."

Final Report Grand Jury Be Made On Friday

Pursuant to a call by Judge W. B. Turner, the grand jury will render its final report for the November term tomorrow. It is expected that a number of indictments will be returned.

It is known that the jury has investigated several bound over cases from Squire Ricketts court at Mt. Pleasant and from the City court of Columbia, and as a result is not improbable that four or five true bills be returned against the violators of the liquor laws in the final report.

The case of R. F. Matlock against Dr. G. C. English, in which the plaintiff is suing for alleged malpractice upon the part of the defendant, will be tried in Circuit Court tomorrow, bringing to an end the present term of court. No further cases have been set.

GRAND FATHER WAS TEACHER AT CULLEOKA

RATHER UNUSUAL COINCIDENCE IN VISIT OF MISS HOCKADAY TO THAT PLACE.

Miss Norie Hockaday, of Dallas, Texas, is at Culleoka for the holiday, the guest of Miss Ladye Love Evans, her class mate at Vanderbilt University. There is an interesting coincidence in Miss Hockaday's visit to Culleoka which arises solely from the fact that she is the room mate of Miss Evans at Vanderbilt. It develops, however, that the grand father, the late Prof. Thomas W. Hockaday was before the civil war one of the teachers at old Pleasant Grove Academy, located near Culleoka and in its day one of the leading institutions of this section of the state. Miss Hockaday as a result of this fact is being given a royal welcome by the old pupils of Prof. Hockaday a number of whom are still living in that community. This is her first visit to this section of the state.

JOHNSON PIONEER WITH LESPEDEZA

It develops that Charles A. Wright, of Little Bigby Farm, was not the first farmer in Maury county to cut lespedeza and save it for hay. Several years ago James Polk Johnson, when living at the Mitchell place, west of the city, cut several acres of lespedeza and he found it as fine hay as he ever fed to his dairy cows.

COMMITTEE BUSY PREPARING CITY BUDGET FOR 1921

WILL LIKELY BE SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL AT NEXT MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL.

TOTAL AMOUNT STILL UNKNOWN

Sinking Fund for 1921 Will Necessarily Have to Be Larger Than That of 1920—Other Accounts Will Be Little Changed.

Members of the finance committee of the city administration, and City Attorney Hugh Lee Webster are now busily making figures, which when completed will represent the city budget for 1921.

According to officials it is not expected that the budget for the coming year will be increased materially over the one which has carried the municipality through the year just ending. However, it will be necessary to place to the credit of the sinking fund a larger amount than was appropriated for 1920, because of bonds to be retired.

During the year the city has added \$50,000 to its bonded indebtedness, but at the same time has retired a similar amount of indebtedness on open account, therefore the city has operated upon the revenue collected.

It is not believed that the expense of operating the municipality will be materially less during the coming year than it has been during the present year, and members of the finance committee see little hope of reducing the budget appropriations for the several departments. There has been little reduction in prices of material used by the city, despite the talk of falling prices.

It seems evident that the tax rate of \$1.10 will be maintained unless there is a substantial change in the assessment of city property for the coming year.

The new budget will likely be submitted at the next meeting of the board of mayor and aldermen for the approval of that body.

STOVE EXPLODES; THREE ARE DEAD

TRAGIC DEATH OF MOTHER AND TWO CHILDREN AT CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA.

(By United Press.)

CHARLESTON, S. C., Dec. 30.—Three members of Clarence H. Shokes family are dead today following an oil stove explosion last night. One other is expected to die. Mrs. Shokes, her five months old baby and five year old son died this morning from burns.

Shokes, who is police patrol chauffeur, responded to the fire alarm from his home with the patrol wagon in time to help remove the family to a hospital.

SUFFERS BROKEN ARM WHILE CRANKING TRUCK

T. E. Hale, Columbia boy, who with several other boys from Columbia, went to work at the Old Hickory Powder Plant properties at Jacksonville, has returned to Columbia with a broken arm as the result of being kicked while cranking up a large truck he was driving. His arm was broken in two places.

WOULD SETTLE ALL ARMISTICE DAY BILLS

Treasurer George E. McKennon, of the Armistice Day fund, is anxious to settle all accounts for the recent Armistice Day dinner. He therefore requests all having claims for material furnished at the dinner file them without delay.