

STOCK YARDS DAILY JOURNAL

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HORSE IS STILL FAVORITE.

Pneumatic Pads May Come and Go, But Horse is Popular For Ever. The final passing of the horse—his relegation to the dusty dump among the has-beens has been announced at various times and in diverse doleful strains since the coming of the automobile with its pneumatic tire, its chugging and churning and its hazy trail of gasoline smoke.

HORSE SALE YESTERDAY WAS RECORD BREAKER

Continued from Page One. The full blooded stallion, also known as Glorious Thundercloud, and twenty picked mares which were recently acquired by the station, will demonstrate before long that the American type of coach horse will surpass every other kind of similar animal in the world.

'The Right Road' - Des Moines - St. Paul, Minneapolis - Dubuque and - Chicago. Equipment Right. Service Right. Time Right. 'IT'S ALL RIGHT.' M. F. MONTGOMERY, City Passenger Agent.

MISSOURI PACIFIC RAILWAY TO PARADISE FOR THE HOMESEEKER KANSAS. Best Agricultural and Stock Raising Region. CLIMATE IDEAL, AMPLE RAINFALL. LOW SETTLERS' RATES.

BRIEF CITY NEWS.

Mrs. Fred Terry visited friends in the eastern part of the county yesterday. Mrs. Hatcher, of Kansas City, is the guest of Mrs. C. E. Havernal, 203 Virginia avenue. Tomorrow is the day set for the formal season opening of the Lake Contrary resort.

SURRENDERED CONTRACT.

Distressing Delay in South End Sewer Contract on. An annoying delay in the sewer construction of that part of the city lying contiguous to the stock yards and known as South St. Joseph came to light yesterday when Rackliffe & Gibson, contractors, asked to be relieved from their contract and surrendered their forfeiture of \$1,000, claiming that they were unable to construct a sewer at the contract price.

HORSE AND MULE QUOTATIONS.

Table with columns for horse and mule types and prices. Includes entries for Harness horses, Heavy draft, and Mule quotations.

HORSE NOTES.

The aim of every man who raises only a few foals every year should be to produce animals of marketable size, combined with great beauty, fine style, a pleasant disposition, and good action as well as speed.

GRAND ISLAND ROUTE! Short Line Between St. Joseph and Kansas City. Trains Leave Union Station, 7:45 a. m., 4:50 p. m. Arrive Grand Central Station, up town.

TRANSIT HOUSE. ST. JOSEPH STOCK YARDS. ST. JOSEPH, MO. Finest Stockmen's Hotel in the Country. Fine Bar, Billiard and Pool Room.

HAMMOND'S 'Coin Special' Hams, Breakfast Bacon, Lard and Canned Meats. Are the Finest that the Packing House Art Can Produce.

BLACKLEGOIDS. THE SIMPLEST, SAFEST, SUREST AND QUICKEST WAY TO VACCINATE CATTLE AGAINST BLACKLEG. No dose to measure. No liquid to spill.

When Writing Advertisers Please Mention The Journal.

CONTRACT LET LAST NIGHT

Work on New South Side School Building Will Begin Soon. As announced in the local news columns of The Journal yesterday afternoon the school board, at its meeting last night, let the contract for the erection of a new school building on the plot of ground bounded by King Hill avenue, Harvard, Yale and Commercial streets.

WILL MEET MONDAY NIGHT.

Full Attendance Desired by South St. Joseph Business Men's Club. The South St. Joseph Business Men's club will meet in regular session at their club rooms, 405 Illinois avenue, Monday evening, May 15, at 7:30 p. m.

TO MEET NEXT MONDAY.

The next monthly meeting of the City Union of Christian Endeavor's will be held at the Hyde Park Presbyterian church, Fifth and Hyde Park avenue, on next Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

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GIFT FOR STUDENTS.

Columbia, Mo May 13.—Coal Super-general secretary of the University Y. M. C. A., today announced a gift of \$15,000 to the student building fund from A. H. Jones, a farmer of Hallsville.

WILL USE OLD CENSUS.

At the meeting of the school board last night it was decided to use the old school census. At the census of children of school age is taken but every four years. It was recommended that the statement of the condition in 1901 be certified to the county clerk.

Colonist Rates California \$25 ONE WAY March 1 to May 15. Santa Fe All the Way. Reclining chair cars and sleepers. Liberal stopovers allowed.

THROUGH SLEEPER SOUTH ST. JOSEPH TO CHICAGO VIA THE ROCK ISLAND. The Rock Island's Fast Express for Chicago and all points East leaves South St. Joseph Union Station Daily, 6:27 P. M.

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I CAN SELL. Real Estate. Real Estate Specialist, Topeka, Kas.

FOR EXCHANGE. 400 more farm in Kansas county, Illinois for small farm or merchandise.

MADE GOOD THEIR ESCAPE. Manipulators of the Gold Brick Swindle at St. Joseph Have Eluded the Police.

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WAS DEAD ON TRAIN.

Santa Fe Conductor Finds Lifeless Body of Passenger.

HERBERT V. CROKER, OF NEW YORK. Son of Prominent Political Leader—Was Placed on Train at Kansas City by Unknown Party.

Kansas City, Mo., May 12.—Herbert V. Croker, a son of Richard Croker, was found dead on a southbound Alchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway train between Kansas City and Newton, Kan., Friday.

According to a telephone message from Newton, Croker was found dead in a car seat just before the train reached Newton early Friday. The body was taken from the train at Newton. His identity did not become known until a message was received from Richard Croker at New York several hours later, asking the authorities to hold the remains and stating that he would leave the east immediately for Newton.

Following a message of inquiry sent to New York city, the coroner took charge of the body and impaled a jury. An inquest was begun. According to stories of passengers and the conductor on the train upon which Croker died, the young New Yorker was placed on the train at Kansas City shortly after 10 o'clock Thursday night by a negro. Croker appeared to be under the influence of some drug. The negro was seen to hand him a sum of money and railroad ticket just before the train started, when he jumped off and disappeared. When the conductor came around to collect Croker's fare the latter was asleep and he did not disturb the passenger. Croker was left to himself all night until nearly five o'clock in the morning, when the conductor made another attempt to collect his ticket. He was unable to arouse Croker and upon examination found that he was dead.

Newton, Kan., May 13.—A coroner's jury was empanelled here at 7 o'clock Friday evening. The members of the train crew were examined by the county attorney, Conductor A. J. Rader told of finding Croker in the chair car shortly after leaving Kansas City in a stupor and breathing heavily; could detect no odor of liquor on his breath or about his clothes; he lay in an unconscious condition until after leaving Emporia; the passengers reported him dead to the conductor at Peabody; the body was taken off the train at Newton; brakeman P. M. Garrett first saw Croker after the train pulled out of Topeka; he looked very pale and apparently was nearly dead. There was no smell of liquor about him.

The passengers reported to the conductor that another man had brought Croker on the train at the depot in Kansas City; the stranger man helped him into a seat, counted out \$17 in money to him, gave him a railroad ticket and remarked that he would send the rest of the money to him at Bliss, Ok. Ben Dotson, the colored train porter, testified to seeing the dead man in the union depot at Kansas City; he came up led by another man and tried to get into the Pullman, but was sent back to the chair car. Croker looked like a drunken man and had to have strangers help to get along. The stranger wore a black fedora hat, was neatly dressed and had a small mustache; he could not tell whether he was black or white, but thought at the time he was an Italian. The stranger carried bills in his left hand and told his companion that he wanted to count out some money to him. Croker had on his person \$17.20 in money and no jewelry of any value or any other valuables.

He had a book of blank drafts with only one torn out and a ticket to Bliss, Ok. SCENES AT SNYDER. A Visitor Tells of the Conditions in the Storm-Wrecked Town. Oklahoma City, Ok., May 13.—Mayor J. F. Messenbaugh of this city returned from the storm-stricken town of Snyder Friday when asked about the conditions prevailing there said: "The dead will number 100 there and I think it will run beyond this number as many entire families are missing and cannot be accounted for, either among the dead or injured, and besides the reports from the surrounding country are very meager and will undoubtedly add later many more to the awful list of victims. I should judge that the injured will number nearly 200, as there are many whose injuries are pronounced fatal by the attending physicians. "Every building in the town is damaged and three-fourths of them are good only for kindling wood and cannot be repaired at all. Everything north of the track is completely destroyed, even the grass being killed. The ground looked as if it had been run over by a big barrow. "The track of the storm is about 22 miles but the dead and injured in its track will not be known for some time, as everyone in the vicinity is nerve-racked by the awful sights that they have seen, and are in a bad condition

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on the affairs of the canal he had discovered that, while the immensity of the project is likely to stagger even an enthusiastic supporter of it, the obstacles presented are by no means insuperable. Mr. Shonts left for Washington to resume his duties in connection with the canal. He goes to Panama to remain permanently about the end of June.

Small Cyclone at Marlow, I. T. Lawton, Ok., May 13.—At nine o'clock Friday morning the town of Marlow, I. T., was struck by a small cyclone and fifteen houses were destroyed. No injuries in town. Two miles north two families sustained injuries. Five members of the Hutchinson family were injured, one small child fatally and five members of the Long family.

Marquette, Kans. Needs Cash. Marquette, Kan., May 12.—Mayor Collier of this city received a telegram from Secretary Clemenning of the Commercial club of Kansas City informing him of his desire to extend assistance to the storm sufferers. The people of Marquette will ask for cash. There is plenty of food and clothing to meet the immediate demands.

Secretary May to Return. St. Petersburg, May 13.—Spencer F. Eddy, secretary of the American embassy, has returned here from Bad Nauheim. He found Secretary Hay greatly improved. After completing the cure the secretary will leave Bad Nauheim for Paris May 21 and thence will go to London, sailing for the United States June 7.

Fatal Explosion in Butte Mine. Butte, Mont., May 13.—Seven men were killed and one injured, probably fatally, in an explosion in the Corra mine, one of the Heinze properties, Friday afternoon. Injured in Freight Wreck. Waco, Tex., May 13.—In a wreck on the Cotton Belt railway Friday between Texarkana and Waco four persons are reported killed, including the fireman and engineer. The train was derailed. Details are not obtainable as the telegraph wires are disabled.

The Death List Now 22. Harrisburg, Pa., May 13.—Two more victims of the wreck of the Cleveland and Cincinnati express on the Pennsylvania railroad at South Harrisburg Thursday morning, died Friday, bringing the total number of victims to 22.

A Missouri Young Couple Eloped. Sedalia, Mo., May 12.—S. W. Gunder, a farmer living near Smithton, and Miss Laura Kipping, the daughter of a Pettis county farmer, eloped Wednesday. The couple obtained a marriage license here and then went to Smithton, where they were married late last night by the Rev. C. N. White.

Mail to More Kansas Farmers. Columbus, Kan., May 12.—Beginning Monday carriers of the rural routes will deliver mail once a day to every farmhouse in Cherokee county. In addition to this the farmers are installing telephones so that every part of the county can be reached from the county seat. The system will be finished by July 1.

Sold No Russian Cargoes. Paris, May 12.—The semi-official Temps Thursday afternoon published a dispatch from Saigon, saying that the statement that Vice Admiral Rojstevensky sold at Saigon cargoes of rice captured by Russian warships is incorrect. No prizes it is added, have yet been sent to that port by the Russians.

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NEW POLICY OF EMPLOYERS

Laying off Men in Manufacturing Industries in Chicago on Account of the Strike.

TO MAKE BLACKLIST OF THE STRIKERS

Authoritative Statement That Teamsters Will be Given a Week to Return. After That They Can Never be Re-instated Under Any Circumstances—2,400 Positions Already Filled.

Chicago, May 12.—Employers Friday began the execution of a new policy as to the teamsters' strike, men in various manufacturing industries being laid off because of the lack of business brought about by the strike. At the Employers' association office it was said the number of men laid off because of idleness in trade and consequent lack of demand for certain manufactured goods would run into the thousands and would continue unless normal business conditions returned soon.

Hundreds of wagons were sent out Friday by strike-bound houses, advertisements for teamsters filled the newspapers and on every side was evidence of aggressiveness of the employers. The department stores particularly caused large advertisements to appear simultaneously in the newspapers announcing that men were wanted to "fill permanent positions" as teamsters and drivers. Protection was promised to prospective drivers and the character of men the department stores desire to recruit was indicated by the fact that references are required from applicants. Most of the advertisements state that "union or non-union" men will be accepted.

Socialists of national reputation, including Wm. Malloy, former national secretary of the socialists party, and Seymour Stedman, prominent in the party, arrived in Chicago. It is said they came here to argue with the union labor leaders on the power of the ballot. Up to this time the socialists never have been cordially welcomed by the teamsters, who relying on strikes looked upon the ballot as something of a yoke in correcting their grievances. But as a result of the crises in the teamsters' affairs, the socialists were received cordially by President Shea of the teamsters and an amicable conference followed the arrival of the visitors.

"It is just such conflicts as the Teamsters' strike that prove that wage workers must control the powers of government if they would get justice," said Malloy. "Should the power of wealth and government in the hands of the capitalist class defeat the teamsters' organization the unions will be in a position to see that they must vote themselves into the power and conduct industry entirely for the benefit of the working classes."

It was stated authoritatively that early next week the Employers' association would make up a blacklist of all teamsters who have gone out on strike. These men, 2,400 in all, will be notified that they can come back to work any time during the week but if they have not returned by the end of next week they will never be reinstated under any circumstances. The blacklist programme is said to be more complete and definite than that which was followed during the A. R. U. strike in 1894. It was stated by the Employers' association that already 2,400 positions had been filled and that they were rapidly filling the others. It was asserted by the employers that only 275 colored men were now holding positions for which they had been imported. This was denied by the strikers, who say that 1,400 have been imported. The blacklist programme is said to provide for the placing of the colored men on the coal wagons only, while all imported white labor will be used on the general truck wagons. The blacklist will not be sent out by the association as such but the notification of the employees of each firm will be sent by the individual firm.

Injured in Freight Wreck. Lincoln, Neb., May 13.—Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific freight train No. 9 ran into an open switch at Meadows, near Louisville, Neb., Friday. The injured crew engineer Thomas Gravelle, Fairbury, scalp wound, serious; fireman Ben Stuart, Lincoln, cut and bruised; fireman E. E. Brown, Fairbury, Lyman Borham, Leslie Borham, G. W. Curtis and Guy Davis of Tekamah, Neb., were riding in a house car on their way to Wichita, Kan. They were all injured.

Korean Hangs Himself. London, May 13.—Yi Han Eung, the Korean charge d'affaires, here committed suicide by hanging at the legation Friday. He wrote a letter this morning to the Korean consul general, W. H. Morgan, asking him to come to the legation at once as he was going to die. A few minutes later Mr. Morgan heard from a neighbor that Eung had killed himself. The deceased had recently shown signs of mental trouble.

Missouri Man Chosen. Kansas City Mo., May 13.—Edwin Washington Stephens of Columbia, Mo., was elected president of the Southern Baptist convention at its 56th annual session Friday morning. Only one other name was mentioned for the honor, that of the Rev. T. J. Easton of Louisville, Ky., who, however, declined to be a candidate. There was no opposition to the election of Mr. Stephens.

NEGRO EXCELS IN SCIENCE

Trained by Noted Educator Colored Baltimorean Becomes Valuable Assistant.

John W. Widgerson, scientist, is probably the most interesting negro in Baltimore. He holds a position at the Maryland academy of sciences directly under the eye of Dr. Philip R. Uhler, which gives him a place of distinction among his race. He has accomplished, says a recent report, a wonderful amount of work of a scientific nature without any other training than that given him by Dr. Uhler, whose protégé he has been for many years, and he is engaged at present upon the arrangement of a collection of coral which he gathered last summer in and near Jamaica which is said to be the best in that part of the country.

Widgerson's life has been such an interesting one that at the suggestion of Dr. Uhler he has begun to write out the whole of it. He is the only negro in Maryland who has seriously attracted the attention of scientific men, and what he is doing now bids fair to make him even more widely known than before.

Widgerson was born of slave parents on the eastern shore of Virginia in 1850. After the civil war he went to Baltimore and got a position in the establishment of Kuhn & Cummings, photographers, where he learned a great deal about photography. Then he went to work for Sharp & Delme, where he remained 16 years. During his connection with this firm he learned a lot of chemistry, for he was employed in the laboratory ten years. Dr. Uhler gave him a position as a helper on one of his scientific corps after he left the drug firm, and he showed such marked ability in this line of field work that it was not long before he was sent out on expeditions by himself to gather geological specimens for collections or for study in the laboratory. He has been engaged upon this sort of work for 18 years, and in that time he has got together a valuable collection of fossils, rocks, minerals, Indian relics and birds and snakes, all of which are on exhibition at the Maryland academy of sciences.

The coral collection is excellent. Widgerson made two trips to Jamaica to get it. He did all the work himself. He stripped and dressed for the specimens he wanted, not bothering with the paraphernalia of regulation scientists and divers.

Dr. Uhler said that he would not dispense with the services of his colored helper for those of a highly trained scientific man, because Widgerson, being a negro, can and is willing to do certain kinds of work which a white man would not do.

"His endurance and patience," continued Dr. Uhler, "are unlimited. It seems to me, and his Indian blood, of which he has considerable, his grand-mother having been full-blooded, gives him the characteristic trait of wood and field craft. He is invaluable to me and the work he does is as complete and thorough as I could hardly get under other circumstances."

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They struggled on for four years, when a registered packet appeared one morning, and when opened it disclosed a "wad" of bank notes of the value of \$12,000. Imagining the notes to be either false or stolen, the fruiterer took them to the police. On that same day came a letter which stated that the sender, having robbed them of all they had four years earlier, had later on taken to an honest living and prospered. He had only lately discovered, with pain, what straits the old couple had been brought to, and begged to return the sum he had stolen, together with four years' interest at four per cent.

But prettiest of all was the case of the "man who was sorry," and who was tended by a physician in New York. The doctor was called to render aid in a street accident, and found a young man, neatly dressed, with both ankles broken by a cab that had run over him. The doctor had the victim taken into his house, where he set the broken bones, fed the patient, and attended to him for two hours, when he sent him to the hospital in his private carriage.

Three weeks later, the day after the patient was discharged from the hospital, the physician found in his back garden a large package containing \$200 worth of plate and valuables that had been burgled from his house the day before the accident.

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Japan Was Loaded for Bear. It was virtually admitted by the Russians months ago that they would not have treated Japan as they did in the negotiations preceding hostilities had they supposed she would fight. The lack of preparation proves that the Russian officials were bluffing. With an unbroken series of defeats in the far east, and strikes at home developing into a revolution, the regret of the Russian grand dukes that they did not know Japan to be loaded when they played with her can be imagined.—Philadelphia Record.

FADS OF BURGLARS.

POLITE PILFERERS HAVE THEIR LITTLE PECULIARITIES.

One Regretted His Attempt to Rob a Noted Angler and Another Complimented Carnegie.

If ever a burglar were a sportsman, it was the one who broke into the house of Laylie Hall, at Richmond, last year. The work was done in the most skilled way and there was upwards of \$1,000 worth of mailable valuables in the house; but all the burglar took was his leave, and a neatly written note left on the table explained why he had not looted the whole establishment.

The note ran as follows: "Dear Sir: It is with extreme regret that I find I have disturbed, professionally, the house of such a popular angler. Your name is well known to me, but I did not recognize it in the Mr. Hall, and only the inscriptions on the fine prize cups on your sideboard enlightened me. I had not the heart to take any of them, and beg to retire with apologies."

There was no signature. But not one of the heavy silver cups on Mr. Hall's sideboard—all trophies of angling competitions won at Newport and other places—was taken. The cupboard in the adjoining room, which was broken into first, had evidently been ransacked, but all the spoils had carefully been put back. The police could not trace the note, as there was no possible clew in it, of which the champion angler was glad, for he would have been sorry to see such a sportsmanlike burglar laid by the heels. It is said, however, that his identity is now known as one of the most skillful of modern cracksmen.

Mr. Carnegie, the philanthropist, always claims that the greatest compliment of his life was paid him by an expert burglar, the same who broke into his house near Glasgow during his sojourn in Scotland. As usual he had collected round him a big array of priceless old books and art treasures, gathered in England—at least \$5,000 worth of such things being in the house. A window was carefully and neatly cut out in the small hours of the morning, the house ransacked and every corner searched, while the owner and servants were asleep. In the morning Mr. Carnegie found on his study table a letter, which in pathetic tones described the burglar's sorrow at finding that he had been near "cleaning out" the residence of a man he greatly esteemed and admired. It was only the fame of Mr. Carnegie's philanthropy and charitable nature that saved the valuables.

"Millionaires," continued the letter, "are my natural enemies and prey—you are the only exception. I am thankful there are plenty more, about whom I have no scruples, and am sorry to have put you to the expense of repairing the shutters."

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A JEALOUS VOLUNTEER.

Because of Unrequited Love a Lincoln, Neb. Man Committed Murder and Suicide.

Lincoln, Neb., May 12.—Because of unrequited love Peter Kathelner, shot and instantly killed Miss Grace Tomasley, 13 years old, and a lieutenant in the volunteers of America. The tragedy occurred in a stairway leading to a rooming block. Miss Tomasley was going up the stairway and Kathelner was just behind her when he shot. After sending three bullets through her body he went outside and on the sidewalk in front of the place shot himself twice. He died a few minutes later. According to the statements of Mrs. Belle C. Hubbell, captain of the volunteers, who was with Miss Tomasley at the time, the refusal of the girl to return Kathelner's love was the cause. Kathelner had been playing the violin in the volunteers' street band. He was not a member but took part in the services in order that he might be near the girl who rejected him.

CHICAGO STRIKE.

Not Much Interference With Deliveries—Strikers Protest Against Policemen Riding on Wagons.

Chicago, May 12.—A number of teamsters were discharged Thursday for refusing to make deliveries to the boycotted stores. On the other hand, the drivers of food wagons refused to strike when ordered to make such deliveries, on the ground that they did not want to see the horses starve. The union officials have as yet taken no action regarding these drivers. Rain kept crowds out of the street and there was little or no interference with deliveries. The strikers have protested to Mayor Duane against policemen riding on wagons with driver, claiming that the police were being used as strike-breakers and not as preservers of the peace.

A squad of police had to be sent to a school where several hundred children struck because of a coal firm under the ban was delivering coal to the school building. About half of the boys and girls were induced to resume their studies but the others went home.

TROOPS WERE ENERVATED.

Emperor William Makes Statement Regarding Russian Troops—Would Take Up Task.

Berlin, May 12.—Emperor William, reviewing the higher officers after a address of troops at Strasburg, said, according to the Strasburg-Buerger Zeitung, whose statements may be taken with some reserve: "The Russian army which fought at Mukden had become enervated by immorality and drunkenness. Only in this way can its defeat at Mukden be explained. As Russia has shown weakness in the presence of the yet low danger circumstances might arise which would place upon Germany the task of opposing this danger. Officers and men must spend their time well so that they shall not fall into immorality and intemperance."

Armor Car Lines Hearing. Chicago, May 12.—Testimony of the complainants in the investigation of the affairs of the Armour car lines by the interstate commerce commission was concluded Thursday and as the respondents stated that they had nothing to say, the commission announced that briefs should be filed by the complainants within fifteen days, and by the respondents within twenty days. The arguments will be made before the commission in Washington.

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GREAT CHURCH GATHERING.

Southern Baptist Convention in Annual Session at Kansas City—1,100 Delegates Present.

Kansas City, Mo., May 12.—The fifth annual session of the Southern Baptist convention began in Kansas City Friday morning at 10 o'clock. The meetings of the convention are held in Calvary Baptist church, 9th and Harrison streets. It is probable that adjournment will be reached Monday night.

As a preliminary to the real work of the convention numerous meetings of organizations auxiliary to the convention and of the committees which have reports to make were held Thursday. These include the Southern Baptist Educational conference, the Woman's Missionary union and the Baptist Young People's union. About 1,100 delegates are expected to attend the convention, and there will be between 2,000 and 3,000 visitors in addition. The delegates will come from the District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Kentucky, Missouri, Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana, Indian territory and Oklahoma. These 1,100 delegates represent 1,500,000 white Baptists in the states and territories named. This number is about half the white Baptists of the world and about one-third of all the Baptists, both white and black.

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