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Trade With Your Home Industries and Make Fulton a Better Town

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FULTON, KY., APRIL 8, 1927

R. S. Williams, Publisher

First Train Over New I. C. Cut-Off

The delegation of Fulton citizens, members of the Chamber of Commerce, photographers and railroad men, who went out to the new yards to welcome and see the first official train come in over the southern division of the Fulton-Edgewood cut-off of the Illinois Central System from West Paducah, Monday, April 4, felt that a new era of progress had opened up in our city and sure enough it has. The train left Paducah at 12:20 p. m., billed "solid" through to Memphis.

It was the formal opening of the southern end of the new road which was recently completed on this side of the Ohio river, a distance of 42 miles.

Those who witnessed the arrival was given a real thrill as the train pulled into the Fulton yards at 4:05 p. m., drawn by locomotive No. 2963 of the 2900 class and contained 39 cars of coal from the Kentucky fields, 3,201 tons, and caboose. The train crew was composed of Engineer H. M. Harper, Fireman C. C. Fisher, Conductor O. T. Laws, Flagman J. L. Henson and Brakeman Herbert Lynn, colored.

The following officials accompanied: H. W. Williams, superintendent; J. J. Hill, train master; O. H. McFarlin, trainmaster; J. S. Rice, traveling engineer; J. W. Shepherd, traveling engineer; J. W. Kern, district engineer; S. J. Holt, road master; W. H. Purcell, track supervisor; R. M. Alford, night chief dispatcher; E. A. Dunn, train chief dispatcher; T. J. Travis, general yardmaster; Gid Willingham, resident engineer.

Motor car No. 16, in charge of W. A. Love, supervisor water service, and J. A. Purcell, track supervisor followed the train.

"The condition of the line was better than we expected, and it is probable that a regular schedule will be established over the new line about the first of next week," Mr. Williams said. It will be some time this fall before the northern end of the cut-off is completed and ready for service and until that time only south bound freight trains from Louisville and that section headed for Memphis and New Orleans will run over the new line. After the section from Edgewood, Ill., to West Paducah is completed south-bound freights from Chicago will run over the new line. All north bound freight will go the old way, across the Cairo bridge at East Cairo on through Mounds, Ill., which will be equal to a double track between Chicago and New Or-

leans. North and Southbound passenger trains between these points will also go the old way. The cut-off means a saving of approximately 22 miles between Edgewood and Fulton.

The sector which was opened Monday is a part of the cut-off between the Metropolis bridge and Fulton. The entire cut-off extends 163 miles from Edgewood, Ill., to the Illinois Central yards at Fulton. It has been constructed with a maximum grade of 3 per cent and with a maximum curve of 11 1/2 degrees. The reduced grade and light curvature will make possible the handling of much heavier freight trains than is possible over the old line which has 1.25 per cent grades and had numerous curves.

The Dominion Construction company of Niles, Mich., and the H. W. Nelson company of Chicago constructed the Kentucky line. Contracts were let in November, 1924, and the construction was begun in the early months of 1925. The Dominion built 22 miles of line, rock and 2,725,000 cubic yards rock and 2,725,000 cubic yards of earth. The Nelson company constructed 20 miles of line, moving 485,000 cubic yards of rock and 2,225,000 cubic yards of earth.

High School Notes

The trophies and medals for the big May Meet have been ordered and may be seen on exhibit soon. Will Fulton High School carry off as many honors as it did last year? It is a little early to judge yet but with Paducah, Murray, and Mayfield in the race together with several smaller schools the indications are that every one who wins distinction in the coming contest will put out a substantial effort for everything accomplished.

The junior class will sponsor a picture show to be given Friday evening, April 8th. The name of this picture is "New York," and is said to depict the many sided life of the metropolis.

The manual training department are planning a trophy case which will be placed in the down stairs corridor.

Baseball practice continues under the direction of Coach Maddox.

The high school faculty will present stories of famous grand operas, accompanied by appropriate music. The following is the order of the presentation, beginning Monday, April 11th:

Monday, "The Flying Dutchman," Mr. Myers.

Tuesday, "Aida," Mr. Alexander.

Wednesday, "Lohengrin," Miss Royster.

Thursday, "Tales from Hoffman," Miss White.

Friday, "The Bohemian Girl," Miss Crittenden.

ELKS INSTALL OFFICERS

Fulton Lodge B. P. O. Elks No. 1142 met in regular session Monday night, April 4, and installed the newly elected officers as follows:

H. H. Murphy, Exalted Ruler; Frank Beadles, Esteemed Leading Knight; O. C. Linton, Esteemed Loyal Knight; Heber Finch, Esteemed Lecturing Knight; P. M. Newhouse, Secretary; D. W. Smith, Treasurer; Ed Wade, Tiler; J. D. Davis, Trustee; R. E. Pickering, Representative to Grand Lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Si Cavender and family have returned home after spending the winter in Tampa, Florida. It is interesting to hear Mr. Cavender tell about Florida, and it is not all fish stories either.

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community. No man in our midst was more highly honored and esteemed.

He is survived by his widow and five children: Dudley, of Los Angeles, Calif.; Richard, attending school at Knoxville, Tenn.; Baxter, William and Rebecca; also four sisters: Mrs. Geo. Knox, Orlando, Fla.; Mrs. Jennie McDade, Fulton; Mrs. Louis Burke, Ruthville; Mrs. J. W. Gibbs, Fulton; two brothers, Horton and Charley Brann, of Fulton.

Funeral services will be held at the home this (Friday) afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, conducted by the Rev. J. V. Freeman, pastor of the First Methodist church, interment following at Fairview.

CROSS CROSSINGS CAUTIOUSLY

Students in the Fulton schools are invited to write essays on safety at railway crossings as part of a nation-wide essay contest conducted by the American Railway Association. The invitation comes from J. D. White, superintendent of safety of the Illinois Central System. The essay subject is "Cross Crossings Cautiously," and each essay is limited to 250 words. It must emphasize the need for caution in crossing railway tracks.

In grammar and high schools teachers will select the best essays from their classes and submit them to the principal, who will then select the best one from the school and send it to the county superintendent. The latter will choose the best one by a high school student, and the best one by a grammar school student in that county and send them to J. C. Caviston, secretary of the safety section of the American Railway Association at 30 Vesey Street, New York City, not later than June 1. In colleges and universities the proper officer will select one essay and send it direct to the American Railway Association. Three persons of a national reputation will judge the essays, selecting the best one by a college student, the best one by a high school student and the best one by a grammar student. The three winners thus chosen will receive \$250 each.

"This contest was arranged because of our great concern over the increase in crossing accidents," Mr. White said. "In 1926 there were 5,921 accidents at crossings in which 2,492 persons were killed and 6,991 were injured. In 1925 there were 5,479 accidents in which 2,206 persons were killed and 6,555 injured."

SMITH-WILLIS STOCK COMPANY MAKES BIG HIT IN FULTON

The Smith-Willis Stock company, with an all star aggregation of entertainers, is here this week under the auspices of the Fulton Fire Department.

The big tent, located near the Cigar factory, is packed to capacity every night and those in attendance are loud in their praises of the entertainment furnished.

The company is composed of 24 people and present plays of the better class—clean, wholesome comedy with high class vaudeville acts.

The company carries a band and orchestra and gives free concerts every afternoon and evening.

They close their week's engagement here Saturday night with the best play of all. Don't miss it.

BOY SCOUTS DISPLAY THEIR WORK

The display of handwork and artwork displayed by the Boy Scouts at the City National Bank, Saturday, was admired by all who viewed it. The boys are to be commended for the work they are doing. The display would do credit to much older hands.

Better Homes Week In Fulton

Mrs. R. B. Beadles has been appointed by Secretary Hoover to serve as chairman of a committee to conduct a Better Homes Campaign in Fulton.

Mr. Hoover is president of Better Homes in America, an organization which each year sponsors a nation-wide educational campaign for Better Homes. The campaign is sponsored locally by such organizations as Chambers of Commerce, Parent-Teachers Associations, Women's Clubs, Boy and Girl Scouts, and others having an interest in improved housing and home life. A committee of volunteer citizens is formed by the chairman appointed by National Headquarters, and the program is planned with advice and assistance from that source. The program consists of education through lectures, debates, discussions and demonstrations, and has its culmination in Better Homes Week, which in 1927 will be April 24 to May 1. During that week hundreds of new small homes will be shown throughout the United States which have been planned for convenience and comfort, and built and furnished to meet the needs and the incomes of families of modest means. Old houses will be reconstructed, and inconvenient ones remodeled to show how, at slight expense, such houses can be made into attractive, comfortable homes.

Better Homes in America has no commercial connections, being supported through public and private gifts. Headquarters activities are in charge of Dr. James Ford, of the faculty of Harvard University, as Executive Director.

The purposes of Better Homes in America are:

1. To make accessible to all citizens, knowledge of high standards in house building, home furnishing and home life.

2. To encourage the building of sound, beautiful, single-family houses, and to encourage the reconstruction and remodeling of old houses.

Although peculiar conditions in certain places, and the circumstances of certain families make it necessary that there shall be apartments and tenements, it is strongly felt that the happiest and most wholesome home life is possible for a family with growing children only in a detached single family house.

Now, therefore, be it known that plans have been perfected for a thorough Clean-Up Campaign in Fulton, beginning Monday, April 25 to May 1. The date to mark the opening of a real campaign of persistent and constructive effort in cleaning up and KEEPING IT UP! In this worthy movement of cleaning, painting, planting, repairing and general rehabilitation and beautification, we urge each citizen, the Chamber of Commerce, the Woman's Club, and all service clubs to do his, her or its best part to make our community clean, healthful, thrifty, safe and beautiful.

W. O. SHANKLE, Mayor.

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3. To encourage thrift for home ownership, and to spread knowledge of methods of financing the purchase or building of a home.

4. To encourage general study of the housing problem, and of problems of family life, and to help each community to benefit in good taste.

6. To supply knowledge of the means of eliminating drudgery and waste of effort in housekeeping, and to spread information about public agencies, which will assist housekeepers in their problems.

7. To encourage the establishment of courses of instruction in home economics in the public schools, and particularly the construction of school prac-

Proclamation

Clean-Up and Paint-Up—Hear This Ye People! Think! Act!

Know all men, women and children by these presents:

That, Whereas, the National Clean Up and Paint Up Campaign has resulted in many advantages to community life throughout the United States,

In safeguarding health;

In promoting thrift;

In furthering fire prevention;

In stimulating civic pride; and

In making the home and city beautiful.

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BILL BOOSTER SAYS

ON THIS SOME TIME TAKE A WALK THROUGH THE BUSINESS DISTRICT WITH A SOLEMN LOOK ON YOUR FACE AND SEE HOW FEW SMILES GREET YOU—THEN WALK THROUGH AGAIN WITH A SMILING CHEERFUL MANNER AND SEE HOW FRIENDLY AND SUNNY FOLKS LOOK! JUST TRY IT ONCE!

