

MURRAY SELECTED AS SITE FOR WEST KENTUCKY NORMAL; DEADLOCK ON EAST

Vote Is Divided Between Paintsville, Morehead, Reports Say

Frankfort, Ky., Sept. 2.—Murray won out in the selection of the site for the new Western Kentucky State Normal School at the meeting of the commission held in Judge E. C. O'Rear's office here yesterday. The vote stood five to three.

Chairman O'Rear, Sherman Goodpaster, secretary of the Kentucky Jockey Club; former Senator Thomas A. Combs of Lexington, County Judge E. W. Senff of Mt. Sterling, and Representative W. S. Wallen, of Prestonsburg, the commissioners appointed by Speaker James Thompson, voted for Murray. The three commissioners appointed by Lieut. Gov. S. Thurston Ballard, Alex. G. Barrett and Judge Arthur Peter of Louisville, and J. L. Harman of Bowling Green for Mayfield.

The commission adjourned in a deadlock over the location of the Eastern Kentucky school and no statement was made as to how the commission voted in the nineteen ballots taken. It is understood that the contest finally resolved itself into a division between Morehead and Paintsville, four of the commissioners appointed by the Speaker probably voting for Morehead and those appointed by the lieutenant governor, and Representative Wallen, who lives there, standing by the Sandy Valley where the educational survey said the school should be located.

West Liberty Gets Votes.

It is reported, too at one time that West Liberty received two votes. Chairman O'Rear had openly advocated the selection of West Liberty. Louisa also received some votes.

A delegation was here from West Liberty but no Morehead representatives were present and Morehead people express no doubt that they will get the five votes necessary to choice.

Chairman Rainey T. Wells of the State Tax Commission was on hand looking after the interests of Murray up to the time the commission entered into executive session. Princeton also had a few representatives on the ground.

Alex G. Barrett and Judge Senff were appointed a committee to arrange details with citizens of Murray who must convey the land in fee, make a gift of land or money to the value of \$100,000 satisfy the commission as to the purity and sufficiency of its water supply and meet such other requirements as may be imposed by the commission.

None of the Eastern contestants have been dropped from consideration and it is probable that before the commission meets again, more complete data about the various towns will be collected.

Meeting of the Normal School Commission for another ballot on the Eastern Kentucky site is expected within two or three weeks, certainly before October 1, according to a member of the commission who said that confirmation of the different towns' claims and elaboration of advantages offered will be under advisement in the interim. No formal committee was appointed for this investigation, each member agreeing to make it a matter of personal study.