

# Paintsville Optimistic; Feel Normal School Will Be Located In Their Town

The normal school commission visited Paintsville Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning. They arrived on the evening train and were met at the station by a large delegation of citizens with committees from the schools, the city and the Rotary Club and the Paintsville band. They were taken to the Van-Will hotel where a dinner was served to a large number of citizens and the commission.

From the hotel they went to the High School Auditorium where citizens of Paintsville met them. Mayor R. C. Thomas made the welcome address which was responded to by Prof. J. Lewis Harman, of Bowling Green, who is a member of the commission. Prof. Harman is a brother of Mrs. O. N. Wilson and Miss Josie Harman of this city. After the speeches the crowd was introduced to the members of the commission.

Wednesday morning the different committees accompanied the commission to the proposed site for the new normal school and drove them over the city. The commissioners left on the 8:20 train for Louisa to look that city over and from there they went

to Ashland and from Ashland to West Liberty.

The names of the commissioners are as follows:

Edward C. O'Rear, lawyer, Frankfort, Ky.; Earl W. Senff, County Judge, Mt. Sterling, Ky.; Arthur Peter, ex-county judge, Louisville, Ky.; Alex G. Barrett, lawyer, Louisville, Ky.; William S. Wallen, lawyer, Prestonsburg, Ky.; Thomas A. Combs, ex-state senator, Lexington, Ky.; Sherman Goodpaster, state treasurer, Frankfort, Ky.; J. Lewis Harman, president Bowling Green Business University, Bowling Green, Ky.

Paintsville citizens are very optimistic over the matter and feel that the school will be located here. After the site has been selected the other matters can be worked out. It is not likely that a decision will be made by the commission for some time yet. It is said the law creating these two normal schools will have to be amended before the schools can be built and this will have to be done by the Kentucky legislature when it meets in January, 1924.—Paintsville Herald.