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DEEDS AND MORTGAGES.

COMMON AND SPECIAL DEEDS, GENERAL FORM, IN THE EAGLE COUNTEING ROOM—ON FIRST FLOOR—CHEAP.

COMING LOCAL EVENTS.

The Wichita Choral Union will meet at the city building tonight for special rehearsal.

Regular convocation of Mt. Olivet Community No. 12, Knights Templar at 7:30 this evening. Drill afterward. E. J. Blackley.

Ladies interested in healthful improved dress are cordially invited to meet in Mrs. L. S. Carter's office this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Officers of the chapter of Sorority of Ivy Leap chapter, No. 75, O. E. S., will meet in Masonic hall Friday April 19, at 2 p. m. By order of the worthy master.

A meeting of the Daughters of the American Revolution will be held at Mrs. D. Lewis' at 5:30 p. m. Friday. Ladies intending to join the society are most cordially invited to be present. Mrs. Katharine S. Lewis.

Miss Jennie Sherman, a missionary from India, will speak at Lincoln Street Presbyterian church this evening at 8 o'clock. All friends of missions are invited to hear the description of the country and the work of the Presbyterian mission.

The missionary chapter of St. John's Guild will meet with Mrs. Dr. Richardson of 606 North Lawrence avenue at 2:30 o'clock. It is hoped that all members will be present in witness of importance will be transacted. Mrs. H. G. Ruggles, Secretary.

CITY IN BRIEF.

R. G. Glasier, formerly of this city, now in business in Medicine Lodge, is in the city for the first time.

Mr. Shields has arrived from New Mexico and is now at the home of Judge Glenn. For one so sick he stood the trip very well.

Miss Inez Crawford has gone to Winfield to finish her course in the business college. She has made great progress and will soon graduate.

Yesterday was Arbor Day at Eighteenth street Presbyterian church. The score of trees planted add very much to the appearance of the property.

The district court for the past two days has been occupied with a section line case from this township. The line in dispute is that between sections seventeen and eight. One party has the county surveyor's word for it and the other is trying to establish the government corner by the old settlers.

The annual meeting of the Seventh district, Kansas, Equal Suffrage association held its first session at Unity Church yesterday afternoon. After an interesting meeting they adjourned to meet with Mrs. L. S. Carter, 407 East Douglas avenue, at 1:30 this afternoon. All interested in this work are invited to be present.

Peblison's orchestra returned from El Dorado yesterday where they played for the first dancing party after the Lenten season. The party was a grand success. About forty-five couples tipped the light fantastic, after which supper was served at the Delmonico. A number of young people attended from Wichita.

The farmers are learning the importance of planting corn only and in addition many of them have planted corn varieties. Ex-Sheriff Hays has out sixty acres of early corn, the seed being obtained from Nebraska, and the cultivators are now at work in it. Mr. Hays also has six acres of potatoes up and growing nicely.

MERCANTILE—"Clare, why do you leave that yardstick lying in the sun? Didn't you learn in school that heat expands bodies?"—Fliegende Blätter.

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The history of the murder has often been told, but it will bear brief repetition. Mike Meagher was one of the early marshals of Wichita. He was a brave and nifty son of Irish parents who came here in the early days and settled on a claim. He took charge of Wichita with a revolver in one hand and his life in the other, for in those days the toughest men probably who were then in the city were his associates. He was from Texas and the great plains of Kansas and Oklahoma with cattle and horses. Besides the reckless cowboy, Wichita was the resort for bloodier criminals, horse-thieves, gamblers and black-legs generally. It was necessary then for the primitive city government to create a police force as a means of maintaining order and law. Mike Meagher was the man. His body now lies out in Highland cemetery with a bullet through his head. When the railroad was extended to Caldwell that became the border town, and Mike Meagher moved down there. It required a man with steady hands and a cool head to run the town, and Mike Meagher was elected mayor.

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