

CHARIVARI MAY COST \$10,000

Eighteen People Sued for Damages by Groom's Father.

NOISE-FRIGHTENED MOTHER

Crowd Is Also Alleged to Have Stolen Chickens.

Because they took part in a charivari in Valley Center on April 24, eighteen boys and young men have been made defendants in a suit for \$10,000 damages filed yesterday in the district court by John R. Gilchrist of Valley Center.

Mr. Gilchrist's son, Charles, was married about the date named above and brought his wife to the home of his parents in Valley Center. On the date named above so, the petition alleges, a crowd of young men "made an assault on the house" with guns, clubs, pans, bells and rocks.

They jumped up and down on the porch, made an uproar, shot off, shot off, shot off guns, broke windows and otherwise damaged the house to the extent of \$100 and damaged a tub and a coal bucket worth two dollars.

Mrs. John Gilchrist, so the petition states, was greatly frightened by the commotion, and as a result was sick for six weeks. Mr. Gilchrist was forced to employ physicians and lose a good deal of time in caring for his wife, and he estimates that he has been damaged \$1,000 by this.

In addition to doing all this damage the charivariers broke into the chicken house and stole or destroyed ten dollars worth of chickens, so the petition states.

The defendants in the suit are Park Kimble, Artie Clover, Rolla Caranahan, Abiluh Garrett, William Belden, Roy McPherson, David Kennedy, Samuel Wilson, Roy Wilson, Roy Chase, Frank Davis, Lewis McPherson, D. Shirk, Herbert Noble, John Walker, George Fisher, Alonso Walker, Lyman Swerthold.

The attorney for the plaintiff is J. R. Sits.

CHURCH TO COST \$30,000

Trustees of St. Pauls Church About Ready to Receive Bids.

At the board of trustees meeting of the St. Pauls M. E. church Tuesday evening there was a very enthusiastic meeting of the members of the church and the decision was made that before the first of the year that congregation will be sheltered in a new, up-to-date stone edifice to cost \$30,000.

About forty members of the church and trustees were present. Every one was in favor of building the church at once and the board of trustees was instructed to advertise for bids for material and construction work at once. The subscription committee will start out in a few days to solicit funds for the building of the church.

At the meeting Mr. C. L. Davidson voluntarily subscribed \$250 and W. C. Edwards \$100 to help build the church, and other members promised subscriptions of considerable amounts and the members feel that about one-third of the sum required is now subscribed.

The church will be built at the corner of Lawrence street and Thirteenth street, where the frame church now stands. The building has had many additions and at present is not arranged in the most convenient manner and some great changes are needed. The congregation has grown a great deal in the past few years and the building is not large enough. The plans for the church are now complete and the trustees are ready for the contractors to come and examine the plans and make their bids for the work.

DON'T FAIL TO TRY THIS.

Whenever an honest trial is given to Electric Bitters for any trouble it is recommended for a permanent cure will surely be effected. Electric Bitters acts on the stomach, regulate the kidneys and bowels, stimulate the liver, invigorate the nerves and purify the blood. It is a wonderful tonic for run-down systems. Electric Bitters positively cures kidney and liver troubles, stomach disorders, nervousness, sleeplessness, rheumatism, neuralgia and expels malaria. Satisfaction guaranteed by Gehring's pharmacy. Only 25 cents.

HOBART IS BOOMING

Said H. D. Bush, Who Arrived in This City Last Night.

Mr. H. D. Bush of Hobart, O. T., is in the city. He reports great things going on in Hobart. The Bee line last week finished laying track into his town and regular trains are now running into it. Two cotton gins have been established and an oil and meal mill with large capacity and a wholesale grocery business has just completed a fine warehouse and is now ready for business. Mr. Bush stated that all crops were in the best of condition. Copious rains have fallen within the last few days and everything is looking fresh. The cotton is blooming and a big crop is in sight. Mr. Bush is one of the prominent business men of the thriving little city and he comes to Wichita to buy goods. He said that Wichita was a sort of fatherland to Hobart and all other Oklahoma points as this was the base of supplies for all of their goods and they looked to Wichita for everything needed.

TO SOLICIT FUNDS

Chamber of Commerce Committee to Help Benetton Men.

IT BEATS ALL CREATIONS TO TURN DOWN CONFEREES



THE WAY PEOPLE PRAISE

The editor of one of the great daily papers says: "It's the finest ready-to-eat food I ever tasted. My family can't get enough of it, and the baby cries for it. One of the sweetest and most sensible young ladies says: 'I just love Per-foand eat it regularly. It is certainly a fine food.' A noted physician says: 'It contains the proper proportion of food nutrients and is thoroughly predigested. It is certainly a fine thing for expectants. Another reason why Per-fo is the best food for hot weather is that it does not heat the blood. It also quiets the nerves and stores up energy for any useful emergency. Try a package. Your grocer sells it. Made only by The Real Food Co., Ltd., Battle Creek, Mich.'

MURDOCK-ARMOUR NUPTIALS

Culmination of a Love Begun in Their School Days.

Marcellus M. Murdock, youngest son of Colonel and Mrs. M. Murdock, and Miss Mabel Armour, only daughter of Mrs. Cora Armour, were united in the holy bonds of matrimony yesterday by Rev. Mr. Lynch, pastor of the First Methodist church. The wedding was semi-private, only a few of their many friends being present. Their love and courtship dated back to their class days in the high school, whence they both graduated in the class of 1901. Both are 25 years of age.

When Marcellus graduated, he, like all the members of his family of two generations, chose the newspaper profession for his life work and was immediately installed in the Eagle office, as it was the wish of both himself and his father, on the same terms and conditions as an entire stranger would begin his business. He commenced as proof-reader, then as assistant telegraph editor, then as telegraph editor, in all of which departments he showed remarkable progress from the start and a noticeably keen instinct for news, and its value.

For the purpose of getting a more comprehensive knowledge of local affairs, he was, a few months ago, transferred to the editorial department, which affords a wide and a necessary field of experience for a young newspaper man. He was put up against the hard proposition of that department, which no newspaper man should be allowed to escape; for it is in the local department that speed and judgment must first be developed—two prime essentials in the profession. As to the other departments he showed good newspaper instinct in this and it rarely has happened that a young man entering the business has made such progress—progress such as he made at school, when he took the leadership in his class and studied more subjects than any other pupil. If any criticism of his newspaper work is justifiable or admissible at all, it is based on the fact that he is not fastidious in his face and smile in his nature as any bride in America. Both are young, but they have each a remarkable amount of good sense and enough ambition and life in their natures to assure them a very prosperous and happy union, which is the most sincere and eminent wish of their hosts of friends.

The young couple were the recipients of a number of very handsome presents. Miss Mabel Armour—now Mrs. Murdock—like Marcellus, was born and reared in Wichita and educated in the public schools. The writer has known her since she was a "wee little bit of a tot" and it is not flattery to say of her that there is as much sweetness in her face and sunshine in her nature as any bride in America. Both are young, but they have each a remarkable amount of good sense and enough ambition and life in their natures to assure them a very prosperous and happy union, which is the most sincere and eminent wish of their hosts of friends.

SMALL BOY ARRESTED

For Breaking Into Franklin School Building.

Roland McDonagan, 11 years old, was arrested yesterday for breaking into the Franklin school building on the West Side. It is also reported that this boy was persuaded by Roy Saunders to go into the building with him. They entered the building through a window that was left unfastened. They did not break anything or disturb any of the contents of the building. The Saunders boy was not captured by the officers and the other was turned loose with a good lecture.

ENTERTAINED SCHOOLMATES

Miss Myra Binford Gave a Lawn Party Last Night.

Miss Myra Binford of South hall, Friends university, entertained about fifty of her friends by giving a lawn social last night, which everyone present enjoyed very much. Very nearly everyone present belongs to the Friends church and all were requested to use the old form of Quaker addresses. Anyone caught speaking disrespectfully was compelled to perform some humiliating act before they entered the house. This caused much amusement, as a slip of the tongue occurred. The company enjoyed themselves with a few games, and later light refreshments were served. All seemed to be light-hearted and gay and glad to meet old friends again. Such midsummer gatherings as this during vacation bring the students together, thin any other means, and should be encouraged.

IF A MAN LIE TO YOU

And say some other false, ornament, let him, or alleged holder in as good as Burke's Arnica Salve, tell him thirty years of marvelous cures of piles, burns, boils, corns, freckles, sores, scalds, bruises and skin eruptions prove it's the best and cheapest. See at Gehring's pharmacy.

TO ATTEND FAMILY REUNION

Rev. and Mrs. Harmon Will Leave Today.

Rev. and Mrs. N. Harmon will leave today for Illinois where they will attend a reunion of the Harmon family to be held near Chester. They will be gone four or six weeks. There will be 150 members of the family at the reunion and Rev. and Mrs. Harmon look forward to a very pleasant time among the descendants of the Harmon stock.

TO DIVIDE COUNTY OFFICES

Populist and Democratic Conventions Will Appoint New Committee

"Insurgent" Democrats Have Not Lost Heart.

The Populist county convention will meet this morning at 10 o'clock in Garfield hall, and the Democratic convention will meet at the same time in Peersless hall. As soon as the conventions are organized they will take a recess and at 11 o'clock the representative conventions will meet. The delegates to these are also delegates in the county conventions.

It is well understood among the two parties that the Populists shall name the representatives from the two county districts, and that the Democrats can name the city representative. Theodore Osweiler will be nominated in the west district, and if W. J. Babb wants the place he can be nominated for representative in the east district. At a late hour last evening the Democratic leaders had not decided upon a candidate to run against A. C. Perry, the Populist can nominee in the city district. The next district Populist convention will also nominate a candidate for county commissioner, if the Democrats do not object.

When the two county conventions reconvene in the afternoon, the real thing will be begun. The joint confederate committee will be turned down and another conference committee appointed to arrange a division of the offices. It is even doubtful whether the old conference committee will be given a chance to make a report at the Populist convention.

Word was yesterday passed down the Populist ranks that the county committee had no authority to appoint a conference committee. Speaking of the matter, Secretary Rogers of the Populist committee said to a reporter for the Eagle:

"The appointment of a conference committee and the division of offices is work that properly belongs to the conventions."

The division of offices to be agreed upon by the conferees appointed tomorrow will probably be different from that agreed upon by the old committee. W. A. Ayers, who will be one of the Second ward delegates in the Populist convention, stated yesterday that there is dissatisfaction in both parties over the division that has been planned.

The search for candidates continued active yesterday, but apparently with little result. It was reported in the camp however, that P. L. Arnett, the ex-district clerk, would consent to take the nomination for county clerk. The name of Vermilion Harris has been suggested for county attorney.

The "insurgents" in the Democratic party have not entirely lost heart, even though they did suffer defeat at the city primaries. It will be the duty of J. G. Fitch, the organization man, to call the convention to order, but if no strikers try to work him in for chairman of the convention, the "insurgents" will strenuously object.

Judge Milton, a delegate from the Fifth ward, stated that J. T. Dorsey the Fifth ward delegate for register, had claimed too much in the Fifth ward and that the country will be against him.

Under what name the allied force shall fight is greatly puzzling the leaders. All along the talk has been strong for the ticket to be placed under the Populist heading, but yesterday a sentiment was at work in favor of placing the names of the candidates on both tickets and then filing both with the county clerk, leaving him to decide which one to accept.

The organization of the county committee will be an important part of the work today. Most of the Populist committee members are appointed at the delegate convention in May, but there are a few vacancies to fill. The new committee has not organized, however, but this may be done today. Theodore Osweiler, the present chairman, will not again be placed at the head of affairs. R. L. Caranahan and P. L. Arnett are mentioned for the place, but if Mr. Arnett is nominated for county clerk, he will not be considered available for the chairmanship.

SAVES A WOMAN'S LIFE

To have given it would have meant death for Mrs. Lela Craig of DeWester, Mass. For years she had endured untold misery from a severe lung trouble and obstinate cough. "Often," she writes, "I could scarcely breathe and sometimes could not speak. All doctors and remedies failed till I used Dr. King's New Discovery, which was completely cured." Sufferers from colds, coughs, throat and lung troubles need this grand remedy, for it never disappoints. Cure is guaranteed by G. Gehring's pharmacy. Price 25c and \$1.00.

MOTHER GIVES UP CHILDREN

After Brave and Unequal Struggle to Support Them.

After making a brave fight for eighteen months to support her four children, the oldest of whom is but nine years of age, and the youngest but an infant of eight months, Mrs. William Merron, finally consented to give her children up to the Kansas Children's Home society in hope that good homes could be found for them. And at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, Mrs. Ella Shields, the police matron, led the children from the desolate house they called home.

It was with difficulty that Mrs. Merron could be induced to part with her children, but after much hard work on the part of the officer of the Kansas Children's Home society, Police Judge Stanley and Mrs. Shields, the police matron, she finally consented. The story which she told the three officials is indeed a most pitiable one. Deserted eighteen months ago by her husband she was left with the care of four children. She then lived on the west side and did a hard washing for fifty cents in order to secure food for the helpless children. It seemed to her that the people for whom she worked were bent on paying her as little as possible and at last she was ordered to vacate the house where she lived. She then searched all over town for a house, but could find none but a small cottage on Tremont street. She then

secured a position as cook at one dollar a day.

This week Constable Voss came to her humble home and told her that he had papers instructing him to put her out in the street for non-payment of rent. He was compassionate, however, and managed to stay the execution of the papers for a few days.

Yesterday morning Mrs. Merron, with the three officials above named was in the office of Judge Stanley and signed the papers giving up the children. The officers deemed it almost a necessity that the children should be taken from her as she had deadly poisons in the house and had threatened to kill the children should any one come after them. She was also so destitute that she nursed the boy eighteen months old, for thus she knew that he would have food, but if she weaned him she might not be able to buy anything for him to eat. After signing the papers, Mrs. Merron made arrangements that Mrs. Shields should take the children at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, but when Mrs. Shields went after them at that hour the mother wanted to keep them two hours longer. At 5 o'clock Mrs. Shields returned and took the children.

A short time after that Mr. Stratton met the mother on the street and she appeared contented and happy. When he mentioned the children to her, however, she seemed heart broken and said she did not care what became of her. Mr. Stratton said to her:

"You have made a brave fight thus far, and you should not give up now. There are many people who will help you."

"I don't want any help," she replied. "I made a fool of myself when I married my husband, and I don't deserve any help. I don't care if I go to the devil."

Mr. Stratton stated last night that the woman was very deserving of help and that Judge Stanley had said that her character was high.

The names of the children are Verma, aged 5; Dallas, aged 7; Walter, aged 5; Robert, aged 18 months.

WANTS MORE MONEY

Mrs. S. J. Van Vliet Claims City Did Not Pay Her Enough.

Mrs. S. J. Van Vliet yesterday filed a claim with the city clerk for \$34. This woman was hired to take care of Mrs. Frank Lewis when smallpox was in the city. She was paid \$10 for her services, but she claims that she should have received \$34 for the work she did.

NEED MORE HELP.

Often the over-taxed organs of digestion cry out for help by dropping the pains, nausea, dizziness, headaches, liver complaint, bowel disorders. Such troubles call for prompt use of Dr. King's New Life Pills. They are gentle, thorough and guaranteed to cure. See at Gehring's pharmacy.

ABOUT EARL FOSDYKE

His Cousin Tells of His Actions Last Sunday.

Miss Olla Ross, a cousin of Earl Fosdyke who is now in the county jail awaiting trial for insanity, yesterday in a communication to the Eagle, stated that her cousin threatened suicide last Saturday by getting ropes and carrying them around and then he sharpened a large carving knife and was going out to cut his throat Sunday morning. She seemed all right and Mr. Ross let him have a horse and buggy and he went to a camp-meeting at Henton. Miss Ross and Worth Shaffer were at the campmeeting and Earl asked her for money to buy a gun saying that he would kill young Shaffer. He seemed to have a spite against his cousin and was very angry. He was on her escort. That evening when he got home he ran around in a circle talking to himself. He also got out his carving knife and sharpened it some more and then the neighbors were called in. The lad hissed and snarled like a wild animal and once he barked like a dog.

Mr. Homer Smith, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Ross and Mr. Shaffer ran after him to capture him as they did not like the idea of a maniac running at large and he was finally cornered. He was so weak from running around so long that Mr. Smith knocked him over with a long pole. He was tied hand and foot and Monday morning brought to the jail. While a prisoner he made a number of threats to kill people around him and wanted to be let loose, but his relatives refused to untie the ropes.

TWO ALLEGED BAD CHILDREN

Will Be Brought Into Court Saturday.

May Agnew, the fourteen year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Agnew, who reside at the corner of Rock Island avenue and Kellogg street, was arrested yesterday afternoon as a neglected child and spent last night with Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Stratton at their rooms in the court house. She will be brought before the probate court Saturday at 9 o'clock. The parents of the child object to giving her up and claim that the officers cannot take her. Speaking of that matter last night Mr. Stratton, who answers to the complaint, said to a reporter for the Eagle:

"Many complaints have been made since the child and the police have also complained about her. Those who claim that children cannot be taken without the consent of their parents are mistaken. The law is broad enough to cover cases like this."

REAL ESTATE DEALS

Former Dakota Man Will Build Residence in Wichita.

John Franks, through the agency of Smith and Irwin, has sold to L. P. Layton, 120 acres in the southern part of Waco township for \$12,000. Mr. Layton resides in Illinois.

James Dozier has bought six lots of C. Z. Quincy at the corner of Porter avenue and Harrison street for \$50 and will build there a fine residence. The sale was made through C. W. McCoy. Mr. Dozier has recently moved to Wichita from South Dakota.

DEATH FROM HEART FAILURE

Mrs. D. C. Foote Died in El Reno, O. T.

Mrs. D. C. Foote died in El Reno of heart failure. She was well known in this city, being a sister of Fred Wolfe and often visited friends and relatives in

GRAPES FROM ARKANSAS

Are Now for Sale on the Wichita Market.

Grapes of the Delaware variety and very luscious, came in from Arkansas yesterday and are now in the market. They retail at ten cents per pound and the supply will continue for about ten days or possibly two weeks. Arkansas peaches of the Elberta variety are coming in. They are of extra fine quality, but the quantity is limited and the peaches cost from twenty to thirty cents per dozen. Cantelopes are in good supply but not of the best quality and the prices are now within the reach of everyone. Two good-sized cantelopes, grown in Oklahoma from Rocky Ford seed, may be purchased for fifteen cents.

The commission men are having trouble in getting watermelons. The home crop is slow in ripening and they are not very large melons. The Oklahoma crop is short and for three days one commission firm has not had a melon in the house and most of the retail firms are out. The firm does not expect any more melons until next week. Reports from all parts of the watermelon growing section say that that crop will be rather short this year, especially the early melons. The late ones may come out all right, but the ice and wet weather has injured the crop.

Tomatoes, grown here, are in good supply and of fine quality. The growers do not look for a large yield this year, but they say the quality will be good.

The crop of summer apples in this section will be about this year and the commission men are experiencing some difficulty in getting enough stock to fill their orders. Wichita supplies a big demand

Advertisement for Zu Zu ginger snaps. Text: "When you see the grocer SAY Zu Zu A genuine snap with ginger in it National Biscuit Company". Includes illustration of a child with stars.

Advertisement for P. J. Conklin. Text: "Was You A Fool 1055 North Main Street A Two-story Frame House Of Ten Rooms 50 Feet Front, for only \$1,800 Think of it, and then Act Quickly. P. J. CONKLIN Rear Fourth National Bank 108 North Market I HAVE OTHER BARGAINS".

Advertisement for Sapolio Coke. Text: "A FAIR FACE MAY PROVE A FOUL BARGAIN. MARRY A PLAIN GIRL IF SHE USES SAPOLIO COKE. Now is the time to lay in your winter's supply of Coke while we have plenty and are making Mid-Summer Cut-Prices Parties who contemplate using Coke in furnace, grate or heating stove next winter should fill up their bins now. Our Coke is dry and light and we are now making special prices on five-ton lots. WICHITA GAS, ELECTRIC LIGHT & POWER CO. Phone 186. Office 116 East First Street".

Advertisement for Violating Prohibitory Law. Text: "Complaint Filed Yesterday in District Court. A complaint was filed yesterday in the district court against Lee Herndon, Frank Herndon and Henry Schmitter, charging them with violating the prohibitory law in Clearwater and with maintaining a saloon, the place where the license are sold. An injunction is sought restraining them from maintaining the saloon. J. F. Conly, county attorney, filed the complaint. MARRIAGE FINALLY OCCURS Mr. Harry White Weds Miss Elizabeth Stahl. Mr. Harry White and Miss Elizabeth Stahl were married last night at the residence of Rev. Mr. Wharton, 60 South Emporia avenue, by that clergyman, in the presence of immediate friends and relatives. Mrs. Ralph Robinson has suffered a relapse, but is now improving.

Advertisement for Prickly Ash Bitters. Text: "A CROSS WOMAN is a disagreeable creature to live with; she troubles in the stomach and bowels. Use Bitters. Prickly Ash Bitters THE SYSTEM REGULATOR. This great remedy restores at once the bilious impurities in the system, cures constipation and strengthens digestion. A few doses make a wonderful change: the first, pain, nervous, dependent woman become strong and happy, with easy sleep and cheerful spirits. PRICE, \$1.00 PER BOTTLE. AT DRUG STORES".

Advertisement for E. W. Grover. Text: "E. W. Grover. This signature is on every box of the genuine Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets the remedy that cures a cold in one day".