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FAIRMOUNT GETS SECOND PLACE

Result of State Oratorical Contest at Topeka.

TOOK PLACE LAST NIGHT

Cooper Defeats Friends in Baseball Game.

As a result of the state oratorical contest held at Topeka last night, Guy Findlay, Fairmount college's representative, of this city, was awarded second place. Ottawa was first and Winfield third.

Much interest was taken in the outcome of the contest and about thirty students of Fairmount were in attendance at the debate. About 500 students from the Baker university were present, also many from Kansas university and the Ottawa university. The contest was held at Washburn college, Topeka.

Yesterday also took place the annual baseball game and debate between the Friends university of this city and Cooper college of Sterling. In the baseball game, which was played yesterday afternoon, Cooper won by a score of 8 to 4. Both clubs played well, but the Coopers were too fast for the Friends. The battery for Wichita was Rich and Vals; for Sterling, McCarrol and Haas. The game consisted of only eight innings. The score by each follows:

Friends	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	—4
Cooper	3	0	0	2	0	1	2	0	—8

The debate last night was held in the United Presbyterian church at Sterling. The Cooper team consisted of B. F. Dobbin, Joe Edgar and J. S. Gilliland. The subject was, "Resolved, That the Extension of Negro Suffrage to the Negro Soon After the Close of the Civil War was Unwise."

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HOW SENATOR STUART GOT HIS DINNER.

Charles Stuart, one time senator from Michigan, was travelling by stage through his own state. The stage was nearly one hour late at the dinner station, everybody was more or less cross and in a hurry, and the situation uncomfortable to the last degree.

Senator Stuart sat down to his dinner with his usual deliberation, notwithstanding the word that was passed around: "Fifteen minutes for refreshments."

When he had finished his first cup of coffee the passengers were leaving the table. By the time the second cup arrived the stage was at the door. "All aboard!" shouted the driver. The senator hungered and called for a third cup of coffee. The crowd laughed and flung back chaff at the deliberate man at the table.

While the household, as was the custom, assembled at the door to see the stage drive away, the senator continued calmly drinking his coffee. Suddenly, just as the stage started, there was a violent pounding on the dining room table, and the landlord hurried in, to find that the senator wanted a dish of rice pudding. When it came he called for a spoon, but there wasn't a spoon to be found.

"That shock-headed fellow took 'em; I thought he was a crook!" exclaimed the landlady.

The landlord jumped at the same conclusion.

"Hustle after that stage; bring 'em all back!" he shouted to the sheriff, who was untying his horse rfo mthe rail in front of the tvaern.

A few minutes latr the stage in charge of the sheriff, swung around in front of the house. The driver was in a fury.

"Searc hthem passengers!" yelled the landlord.

But before the officer could move the senator opened the stage door, stepped inside, then leaned out, touched the sheriff's arm and whispered: "Tell the landlord he'll find his spoons in the coffee pot."—Boston Post.

City in Brief

Personal and Other Items of Interest to Wichitans.

J. H. Ackerman is in Kansas City on a business trip.

Mrs. H. T. Whitaker has been ill for the past week.

Miss Edna Taylor is still very sick at her home on North Emporia.

G. K. Spencer is expected home shortly from a business trip to Kansas City.

Dr. Outland was called to Lawrence on professional business yesterday morning.

Mrs. Anna E.Utt's daughter, Mrs. M. E. Wintz, of Bloomington, Ill., is very ill with heart trouble.

W. H. Grady representing the Snos F. Jones Chemical company of New York, was in the city yesterday.

There were seventen car loads of grain inspected in Wichita yesterday by George Koch, the inspector.

Elizabeth Gibbons, of Chicago, is in the city attending her sister, Mrs. M. Ward, who has been dangerously ill.

Mrs. M. Ward of 331 E. Douglas avenue, who has been seriously ill with penumonia, is on the road to recovery.

Miss Mabelle Kinger of the West Side will return soon to the Friends university after an illness of two weeks.

Mrs. Minnie Moore Latham has gone to Leavenworth where she was called on account of the illness of her mother.

George L. Israel is quite sick at his home 125 North Waco. Mr. Israel has been on the sick list for two weeks.

Mrs. Featherley, formerly Mollie Miller, daughter of David H. Miller, is in the city visiting. Her home is in Chicago.

Miss Harriet Stevens, who has been the guest of her sister Mrs. C. A. Rose, left yesterday for a three weeks' trip to Kansas City, Mo., and Aurora, Ill.

S. W. Cooper, who was seriously injured while driving in the country the other day is reported as improving. It will be some time though before he is again able to be out.

Secretary of Harmany Council P. A. A. yesterday received a check made payable to Mrs. Osborne for $2,000 by reason of the death of her husband L. D. Osborne.

F. B. Harris, Mr. Potts aond Mr. Gross, appraisers for the Bernberger stock recently damaged by fire, made their report yesterday and find the actual loss to be $216.13.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Norcross returned from St. Louis yesterday. Mr. Norcross is considerably improved in health and during his eight weeks' visit in that city he was wonderfully recuperated.

Dr. C. H. Philipot, vice president of the Des Moines Life Insurance company, is in the city visiting J. P. Kendall who is local manager of the company. Dr. Philipot is a frequent visitor to Wichita.

A change has been made in the office management of the Hotel Hamilton. F. M. Curtis with his family has moved to St. Louis. George H. Lawrence of the Rasbach hotel of Parsons will take his place.

For the first time since he was taken ill, David Leahy was able to sit up yesterday for a short time. Although he is still a very sick man Mr. Leahy is fast improving and it is now only a question of a short time when he will be able to be out again.

John Tracy, president of the Tracy Land Co., has returned home from a trip to the Texas coast country. He reports the farmers of that section gathering their strawberries, digging potatoes and marketing cabbage and garden truck. Mr. Tracy brought a head of cabbage that weighs 20 pounds home with him and says he bought it from a farmer who had a wagon load like it.

J. Needles, 139 West Williams street, in order to hold up the record recently established by the city hen, sent the Eagle a fine egg which was deposited by a yellow leghorn hen. The egg is about as large as any that have so far been entered in the contest and will make delectable eating for the reportorial force. Today is the last chance to show up the bugeness of hen fruit as the contest will be closed tonight.

Wm. Skinner, the harness maker, has opened a shop at 415 East Douglas Ave.

The Marquis of Gouvion Saint-Cyr, who died recently in his eighty-ninth year, was the last survivor of the peers of France.

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NEWS FROM ALL THE RAILROADS

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CABOOSE BADLY WRECKED

Items of Interest About Different Employes.

Caboose No. 67, of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient, was brought into Wichita yesterday on train No. 404 of the Missouri Pacific. It was in a badly demolished condition, and showed the effects of a good bumping received in Conway Springs, Wednesday night.

Train No. 404, with Conductor Jim Sullivan and crew in charge, were switching in the Conway Springs yards, and accidentally ran into the Orient caboose, which was knocked completely off the track and turned over. The boys say that it was very amusing to watch the crew, who were asleep on the inside when the accident occurred, make their "get away" from the over-turned car. Their slumbers were badly disturbed by the bump, and when the car turned over they began swiftly to find a place to get out. Some succeeded in climbing out of the windows, and some, after much trouble, were able to find the door. The inside of the caboose looks as though it might have been through a very interesting cyclone. This is the first accident of any kind that has occurred on the Orient since that line was put in operation.

ARE AFTER THIEVES.

Skeleton Tickets Are Stolen from Railroad Offices.

Railway officials are in possession of information which leads them to believe that an organized gang of thieves is at work stealing tickets of the skeleton form and selling them in all parts of the country. This form of ticket is more easily manipulated than any other, and the losses sustained by the roads through such manipulations are very heavy, indeed. The Railway Ticket Protective Bureau is at work trying to run down the perpetrators of the frauds, and have already succeeded in collecting much evidence which may be of interest in the prosecution of the thieves when they are arrested. The method employed, it is declared, consists of robbing small offices where access to the tickets is easy and disposing of them to scalpers at widely separated points. Tickets which have been taken up on different roads at different times recently have been found to be filled out in the same hand-writing.

LINK AND PIN.

A circular was received at the various railroad offices yesterday, stating that after April 1, the road known as the Choctaw, Oklahoma and Gulf line, will be out of existence. It was bought by the Rock Island some time ago. Hereafter it will be known only as a branch of that system.

In order to thwart the operations of a gang organized for the surpose of robbing its offices of transportation, the Santa Fe has issued orders for all agents to take no chance hereafter, but lock up all skeleton tickets in the company's safes at the close of business each day.

A dirpatch from Newton says that all of the Santa Fe section men who struck a short time ago, with one exception have returned to work at the old scale of wages. The trouble for the Santa Fe at that point is over, according to the dispatch.

Brakeman Parrott, of the Missouri Pacific, is filling the place of Homer Brown as brakeman on trains Nos. 407 and 408, while the latter is taking a few days' vacation.

Reports from the Wichita hospital announce that Dick Dorr, the Missouri Pacific brakeman who had both legs amputated last Wednesday, continues to improve.

W. E. Ogsten, a traveling freight agent for the Santa Fe Refrigerator Dispatch line, with offices at Chicago, was in Wichita yesterday.

Dave Moran, a conductor on the M. O. P., has been transferred from his old run on Nos. 107 and 108 to Nos. 89 and 90, on the east end.

W. J. Duval, traveling representative for the Missouri Valley Car Service association, is in the city. His home is at Hutchinson.

Conductor T. B. St. Dennis, of the Missouri Pacific, is taking a lay-off of a few days.

J. C. Shaffer, trainmaster of the Santa Fe, at Newton, was in Wichita yesterday.

Music and Drama

Coming Attractions for Wichita Amusement Lovers.

At the Crawford.

A fair sized audience attended the Crawford last evening to see the presentation of "Lost Rivers." It would not be safe to say that all were really pleased with the performance, for a great many had expected to see something out of the ordinary and were disappointed. Although the play has many strong and pleasing scenes there are a few that could be improved upon, for they were so draggy and uninteresting that the better scenes were given a bad effect. The scenery was good, the interior of Grandma Gates' house on Lost river was realistic, the dooryard at Orin's home was pretty, but the scene at the toll gate may have been something out of the ordinary had the managers of the company done their part to present it as it should have been presented. The idea of putting on a horse to make a run across the stage that had never seen a stage before, and of course the horse had a bad case of stage fright and the young lady who had attempted to make the daring ride did not feel at ease in her part in this trying scene. The management claim to have two horses trained for this special scene but were afraid to use them on this stage. This scene and the one of the bicycle ride for life which was done in the dark so that few of the audience in the front seats were able to see, were presented in such a maner that the audience was disgusted but could not help laughing owing to tre ridiculous manner in which they were given. The cast of the play were in no way to blame, for every member was exceptionally good in their respective parts and done everything possible to make every scene pleasing. Elwood Bostick as Robert Blessing was fine. He presented this difficult part in a manner that left nothing to be desired. Lettie Briscoe in the part of Ora received a vigorous applause which was justly deserved, for Miss Briscoe did some clever acting. Claude Middleton impersonated by Harry Webster was the favorite character. His pugilistic encounters and his love with the little Dutch girl were exceptionally funny. He kept the house laughing whenever he appeared. In fact every one in the company presented the different characters in a most satisfactory manner. If the management had done their part as did the actors the performance would have been a great deal more pleasing and those who attended last night would have left the theater in a better state of mind.

Monday, Faust's Minstrels.

The seven DeArvilles are making a tremendous hit in this country in their funny musical pantomime entitled "The Terrible Twins." This year this famous French family are one of the big features of the Ted E. Faust Minstrels that are to appear at the Crawford Monday, next.

One of the theatrical treats of the near future will be the first appearance in this city as a star of Miss Isabel Irving, who will be seen here at the head of her own company, under the management of James K. Hackett, in Winston Churchill's dramatization of his celebrated novel, "The Crisis." Miss Irving's engagement will be for the Crawford, Saturday matinee and night, March 19. She will be supported by a company of unusual merit while the scenic equipment with which her manager James K. Hackett, has surrounded her is said to be one of the most beautiful seen in many years.

At the Teler.

That much advertised and popular play "Sapho" will be given by the Holden Stock company, commencing Monday, March 14, and continue for three days. The play scarcely needs an introduction to the patrons of this playhouse as it has been seen here before. Mr. Preston, however, promises the best of casts and an artistic presentation of it and will be assisted by an enlarged company and special scenery and costumes. To the lovers of that famous author, Bauder, the presentation will have a double interest as none of the salient points of the story are omitted. Starting in the first act where Fanny Le Grand (Sapho) meets Jean, so on to the end the story is unfolded in a pleasing manner. The translator has instilled plenty of good comedy into it, making it palatable. And all of the objectionable features are omitted. For the latter half of the week a new adaptation of that famous story, "Jack Sheppard," will be the offering. Mr. Preston has been working on this play for some months and promises a play that will truthfully depict all the principal incidents in the life of that greatest of all highwaymen, who flourished in England during the reign of George III. The costumes of the period will enhance the attractiveness of the production and will be truthfully carried out. Criminal history shows no more deeds of daring than that chronicled by Ainsley. And few, if any, criminals enjoyed the distinction of having been painted by Hogarth. Lillian Mae Crawford will be seen in the title role, while Joe Blaeskie will be enacted by Mr. Preston. Seats on sale six days in avvance. Ladies free Monday and Wednesday nights.

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1 Bunch Large Envelopes	5c
6 Lead Pencils	5c
Towel Rollers	9c

2 Pair Men's Half Hose	9c
Men's Bow Ties	9c
Men's Large Bandana	9c
2 Men's White Handkerchiefs	9c
A lot of Silk Remnants, each	10c
1-2 Yard the latest Neck Ruching	10c
Fancy Waist Silk	45c
Ladies' Linen Collars	5c
A lot Ladies' Belts, worth up to 50c and 75c; your choice	9c
Ladies' Corsets	20c

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