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A GRAND JURY.

Barber County Will Have a New Jury at October Term of Court.

Judge P. B. Gillett came down from Kingman last Wednesday and ordered County Clerk Wilson to draw a Grand Jury at the time of drawing a petit jury, for the October term of court. The grand jury will be composed of 15 bona fide taxpayers and citizens of Barber county and will be drawn from the box in the same manner as petit jurors are drawn. Sheriff Haun, County Clerk Wilson, Justice of the Peace Collins and another justice of the peace to be selected by the county clerk from another township in the county, will officially draw the jury in September. Judge Gillett's order is as follows: In the matter of the petition for a Grand Jury for the October term of the District Court for Barber county, Kansas.

To C. W. Wilson, County Clerk of Barber County, Kansas.

You are hereby notified that a petition for a Grand Jury for the October term of the District Court for 1906, has been presented to me and upon the canvass of the same I find that it contains the names of 251 petitioners, and that 211 of said petitioners are resident taxpayers of Barber County, Kansas, and qualified petitioners for a Grand Jury and I find that a Grand Jury should be called upon said petition.

Now therefore, this is to command you that at the time you draw a Petit Jury for Barber County for the October term of the District Court, you do also draw a Grand Jury for said term in full compliance with the statute in such cases made and provided, and hereof fail not.

P. B. GILLETT, Judge of the District Court. P. S. Herewith attached you will find the petition upon which the Grand Jury is ordered and you will file the same in your office.

Under the law it is mandatory on a district judge to order a grand jury when a certain per cent of the resident taxpayers in a county petition it. In this county the requisite number is 200. The petition contains 251 names and after Judge Gillett and County Clerk Wilson examined the tax rolls and struck off the non-taxpayers, the petition still contained 211 names.

Ten of the eighteen townships are represented in the petition. In point of numbers they line up as follows:

Sharon	82
Valley	61
Hazelton	34
Kiowa	28
Medicine Lodge	20
Moore	16
Cedar	11
Nippawalla	5
Elwood	3
Mingona	1

The issue in Sharon, Valley and Hazelton, it is said, was more in the nature of a chance to slap the other parts of the county for voting railroad bonds than for any benefit that might be derived from a grand jury. It was argued by some of the citizens of those townships that since the other townships assisted in voting railroad bonds that it would be a good plan to put up a grand jury so as to give the county the benefit of more taxes. Yet, that sort of revenge does not seem sane, inasmuch as those townships will have to stand their share of the burden.

John Marshal, city attorney of Winfield and a prohibition lawyer of state reputation, has been in the county at intervals a year working with the local temperance people and it has been known that the petitions were being circulated but the promoters were shrewd enough to keep the papers from falling into the hands of those who opposed the movement.

The failure of the county and state officials to enforce the prohibitory law is what started the movement, but it is not clear to us how a grand jury will be of much assistance in that direction. As long as prosecuting officials, witnesses and petit juries are opposed to prosecutions there will be little accomplished. There is but one way to enforce the law and that is to vote for law enforcement. Many of those who signed the grand jury petition voted for our present officials and will vote for them again if the opportunity is offered.

The grand jury dies with the

October term of court unless a new petition is presented.

The following is a complete list of those who signed the petition:

MEDICINE LODGE P. O.
J. P. Hall
W. E. Skinner
J. T. Lewis
J. S. Haysan
W. L. Goryell
A. B. Shaw
W. S. Gant
Edwin Adams

ISABEL P. O.
J. F. Blackwelder
E. P. Shields
W. P. Silver
Ed Thornton
J. F. Durban
M. D. Roberts
J. M. Gibson
J. K. Hayes
Lester White
C. H. Reynolds
A. S. Colos
W. R. McGuire
A. O. McGuire
E. A. Alexander
J. A. Dorn
W. D. Miller
J. F. Huitt
John Potash
J. A. Tunnell
O. E. Valentia
W. G. Peterie
J. M. Robinson
J. A. Dorn
J. J. Bentley
E. Houghtaling
Geo Austin

NASHVILLE P. O.
V. E. Sleeper
H. C. Kaiser
Frank P. Lucas
Steve Bruner
J. D. Hill

HAZELTON P. O.
Jesse Ollinger
J. N. Westfall
H. R. Black
J. F. Hetty
J. W. Williams
T. E. Maithe
N. M. Burnett
J. M. Fullerton
H. D. Drake
M. E. Dicks
H. P. Waite
J. M. Dentist
L. M. Prossell
C. R. Walcott
J. T. Spicer
J. M. Robinson
H. F. Brooks
E. W. Elder
C. A. Hyatt
J. B. Miam
J. H. Matthews
E. E. Gates

SHARON P. O.
E. T. Herndon
H. L. Rudon
J. H. Warren
C. E. Brown
W. R. Wilson
J. G. Robinson
E. E. Bland
M. P. DeWitt
J. R. Newsom
A. T. Tinoher
D. B. Roderick
J. W. Adams
A. E. Ellis
A. O. Noyes
E. E. Blackmore
C. H. Cough
Geo Stewart
S. H. Hayes
A. F. Seaman
S. O. Ward
C. S. Hush
Wm Rush
W. S. Dollard
A. E. Steele
S. W. Alfred
W. J. McShane
James Hembree
Jas McGuire
T. G. Sparks
T. O. Owen
C. B. Stockstill
C. B. Shook
Neely Burgett
Geo Sulber
G. R. Harris
E. T. McMillen
S. J. Pirtable
R. A. Hall
W. F. Lindner
W. S. Williams
A. S. Huff
D. W. Brown

Wm Rule
KIOWA P. O.
J. S. Slate
J. T. Lewin
A. H. Zook
W. V. Hale
A. Lashout
Ira Stout
C. E. Hiltnerberger
Geo W. Fisk
G. T. Bowman
J. D. Smith
Warren Jones
Jno W. Wright
H. C. Hull
G. L. McKean
I. N. Vannaman
G. L. Graves, Jr
M. F. Wright
D. H. Hull
C. E. Hinkle
A. H. Callison
D. B. Schuyler

J. E. Faulconer
*Stricken from petition as non-taxpayers.

WRECK NEAR ISABEL.

The east bound Santa Fe passenger on the Englewood branch was wrecked three miles west of Isabel last Thursday afternoon but no body was injured. Spreading rails was responsible for the mishap. The two coaches and the mail and baggage car left the track and rocked over the ties a distance of about 200 feet before the engine could be brought to a standstill. The tender was turned over on one side and one side of the engine left the track. A freight extra happened to be at Isabel and it went out and brought the passengers. The cars were put on the track the following day, the track repaired and traffic renewed. J. D. Mathews of this city was on the wrecked train and he says it was the roughest ride he ever had although he escaped without the slightest injury. He says the passengers were thrown around very hard and it was almost a miracle that no one was hurt.

Good as Gold—Peoples Supply Co. cream separator, \$6 to \$8 according to size, cash or note Reuben Lake, General Agent, Lake City, Ks., Waldron Chase, Agent, Medicine Lodge; T. H. Trice, Sharon.

Guy C. Sparks has Pure Crystal Ice for sale, one-half mile north of Sharon. Orders promptly filled. Ice house open early in the morning and late in the evening.

A WHEAT SPECIAL.

The Santa Fe railroad will run a wheat special through the Kansas wheat belt two weeks, beginning next Monday, August 13th. The faculty of the State Agricultural College have volunteered to give two weeks of their time and make a tour of the Kansas wheat country on this special and talk to the farmers at every station on live agricultural subjects, giving information on how to select and obtain better and purer seed, how to prepare ground to grow better crops of all kinds, how to improve the herds and such general information that their years of study and research has given them. Of course, it is not presumed that these learned gentlemen "know it all" but they can and will tell the farmers some things that will be of great benefit to them.

The gentlemen who will accompany the train are Profs. Ten Eycke, Miller, Willard, Brown and Shoemith, all of whom are well versed and have had much actual and experimental experience. The train is scheduled to arrive in Medicine Lodge at 4:45 P. M., Monday, August 13th, and will remain about a half hour. Every farmer who can do so should be at the Santa Fe depot promptly at that time to hear these speakers. The train will make schedule time all along the route and it is therefore necessary for those who desire to meet the special to be certain to be on hand at the appointed hour.

JUDGMENT FOR PLAINTIFF.

Mrs. Olive Hoy got a judgment for \$5.25 against J. E. Farley in Justice Collins' court last Friday. Plaintiff pastured some cows for defendant last summer and claimed a balance for the months of August and September. Defendant claimed he had paid but plaintiff contended that the money paid by the defendant was in a different transaction. A jury was empaneled composed of the following persons, and they sustained the plaintiff's contentions after being out about a half hour: S. P. Garrison, A. L. Linton, C. A. Burney, C. W. Kritzmir, P. A. Pinkerton, C. N. Marshall.

NEW KANSAS RAILWAY MAPS.

The first installment of the corrected railroad maps of Kansas have been received by the state board of railroad commissioners. These maps for 1906 were made by a Buffalo concern and the first ones turned out were found to be incorrect, so they were returned and new and correct ones were made. The new maps show several new lines of railroad completed and proposed. One of the new lines is the Kansas City, Mexico & Orient extension from Wichita to Matfield Green, in Chase county. When the last map was put out the Orient had just reached Wichita. Another new line is the Kansas, Denver & Gulf, running from Springvale, Pratt county, to Kiowa, by way of Medicine Lodge. The Union Pacific line from Topeka to Onaga is also shown. One of the proposed lines is the Great Bend, Enid & Gulf. According to the new map this line is to run from Hays in Ellis county, southeast through Hoisington, Great Bend, St. John, Pratt and Harper to Arkansas City. The Orient from Matfield Green to Kansas City is also shown among the proposed lines as is the Union Pacific from Onaga to Marysville. The new map is very much like the map put out by the railroad commission a year ago, but the colors are better and the lines are more distinct.

ESCAPED FROM ASYLUM.

Probate Judge Gleason received a letter from the insane asylum authorities at Osawatimie warning him to look out for Elias Pelton. Elias escaped from the asylum on Saturday, August 4th. So far he has not been seen since he got out of the asylum and the wires are busy. At times Mr. Pelton is not badly affected while at other times he is regarded dangerous. If he is found he will be returned to the asylum.

The Medicine Lodge friends of Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Burgson regret to learn that they have decided to leave the city and reside in Kiowa.

G. O. P. CONVENTION SEPTEMBER 8TH.

The Barber county republican central committee met in this city on Saturday and set Saturday, September 8th, as the day to hold the county convention. The primaries were set for the previous Thursday, the 6th. All of the aspirants were present but aside from the pie eaters and the pie smellers the enthusiasm was in the neighborhood of zero.

The ticket has been practically agreed upon. In the sheriff race Hugh Rankin, Tom Kenny and Dr. VanNess have been entered. VanNess is already out of the running and unless he can make a deal with one of the others he will not even be a factor. Kenney and his friends claim they have everything by the appendage and a down hill pull but it appears to us that that ominous funnel-shaped cloud which destroyed his prospects at so many sittings just as he was about to walk away with the goods, is beginning to creep up on the western horizon again and he will lack just a few votes of making it at the home stretch. Tom is a good starter and a fair quarter horse but he can't finish. From the standpoint of party service he is entitled to the nomination and he is by far the strongest man of the three. If nominated, the democrats will try to defeat him but they would much rather "buck" either of the other candidates.

Bill Gesner has the nomination for representative in his vest pocket and no other has license to butt in. Clark Rackley for clerk of the district court and Frank Warren, treasurer, are on easy street. Their nomination is conceded.

J. E. Thomas of Turkey creek and Frank Frame of Elm Mills want to be superintendent. Thomas was brought out by the machine because they didn't want Frame. If Frame wins it, it will be a single-handed victory. In a republican convention that is next to impossible.

C. E. Thompson and G. F. Guthrie of this city and Murray Davis of Lake, are out for register of deeds. The candidacy of Thomas in the Third district for superintendent has put out Murray's glim, Thompson has a fighting chance but Guthrie has the machine.

It is hoos and hoos between Jake Walstead and Steve Ireland for county clerk, but if it is true that R. S. Crane of Deerhead is flirting with the brethren he is quite liable to stop both of their clocks.

W. T. Collins is nominated for probate judge now and Sam Griffin will be drafted again for county attorney although he says he will not stand hitched.

E. C. Davis will take the nomination for surveyor if no other patriot can be found and Dr. Moore will have a hard time to get away from the nomination for coroner.

B. E. Wadsworth says he will not take the nomination for commissioner of this, the first, district and some of them who seem to have a grudge against Capt. J. N. Titus want to add to his troubles by making a commissioner out of him.

W. S. DENTON DEAD.

W. S. Denton, one of the prominent members of the Medicine Lodge bar between 1880 and 1899, died at Enid, Oklahoma, July 28th from the effects of a stroke of apoplexy. Mr. Denton was a very successful attorney and had much to do with public affairs in Oklahoma. He was a middle aged man and prior to his being stricken had promise of many years of usefulness before him. He lingered only a few days after taking sick.

CATTLEMEN'S PICNIC.

The big event of the Southwest is the Cattlemen's Picnic at Kingman that is given annually by the cattlemen of Kingman county and the Kingman City Park Association. This year the dates of the big picnic are August 14, 15, 16 and 17, and there will be plenty doing all the time. There will be special attractions in the way of four bands of music, bronco busting, racing, fire-works, balloon ascensions, vaudeville and theatrical attractions and agricultural and live stock exhibits. There will be special service on all railroads going into Kingman, and there will be convenient arrangements for the people of Medicine Lodge to attend.

Pie plant, and vegetables of all kinds, delivered at your house or on sale at garden.—Thos. Carter.

TAX LEVY FOR 1906.

County Commissioners Riley Lake, P. W. Flanagan and B. E. Wadsworth met at the county clerk's office Monday as a board of levy. The following is the levy adopted for 1906:

State General	4 1/2 mills
County General	8 "
County Interest on bonds	6 "
County Sinking	3 1/2 "
	22 mills

The school levy of this district is as follows:

Teachers	15 mills
Building	10 "
Interest	10 "
Sinking	10 "
	45 mills

The Medicine Lodge township board made the levy last week as follows:

General	12 mills
Interest	2 "
Sinking	1 "
	15 mills

The mayor and council of Medicine Lodge, at their meeting Monday night, adopted the following levy:

General	10 mills
Judgment	30 "
	40 mills

The total levy for those of us who live in Medicine Lodge city is 122 mills or a little greater than 12 per cent. Of this amount the city and school district levies furnish 85 mills—about two-thirds of the entire levy. Our heavy municipal bonded indebtedness explains why it is thus.

Miss Bessie McCoy returned home from the State Normal at Emporia last Friday.

People say that the finest groceries in town are at H. T. Woodward's & Son's. Phone 38.

The new soda fountain and ice cream parlor at Luallen's will drive away the blues. Try the remedy.

Born, to A. A. Marchel and wife of Mingona township, on Saturday, August 4th, a daughter. Dr. VanDewalker.

Prof. W. D. Moriarty of the Oklahoma State Normal, accompanied by his wife and mother, spent a few hours in the city on Saturday.

When you are figuring on a sewing machine remember that the New Royal and the New Home are the leaders. No others as good. Adams & Co.

C. W. Kidd has secured the contract to build the People's Bank building. It will be a 25x50 brick with furnace heat and modern in every respect. It will cost when completed in the neighborhood of \$3,000. Work will begin next week.

W. S. Clement and son, Harry, completed a substantial 14x20x12 barn on their city residence lots last week. Mr. Clement and wife will move in from the ranch between Sun City and Deerhead in September to remain during the winter at least. Harry will take care of the ranch.

Clyde J. Binning and Miss Mattie Angell of Cedar creek were united in marriage by Probate Judge Cleason on Tuesday of last week. They are both popular among the young people of their neighborhood and start into the responsibilities of married life with the well wishes of all who know them.

With the advent of a grand jury in this county comes the rumor that Gov. Hoch and Attorney General Coleman have been prevailed upon to appoint an assistant attorney general. When the governor and attorney general hear from the local republican machine they'll call it off.

Fred Buck and George Kimball each received a new "Bluebird" motor bicycle through the Chase Hdw. Co. last week. They cost \$200 net and can cover a distance of 80 miles an hour if the rider wants to go that fast. Messrs. Buck and Kimball contemplate a trip to Colorado as soon as they become fully acquainted with the machines.

Clark Conkling and the children returned to their home in Lyons on Saturday. They spent a pleasant and profitable week among us.

It is best to get the best. Buy Red Star flour.

See V. S. Cook for bargains in shoes and slippers.

Plenty of good alfalfa honey for 20c per pound.—J. Q. Wheat.

Wall paper at Adams & Co's The very latest and all qualities.

Bill Gesner of Kiowa was in the city again Saturday on purely political business.

J. D. Mathews was doing business at Coldwater last week, returning on Thursday.

Guilford Davis departed on Monday for Dawson, N. M., to take a job as book-keeper for a big firm at \$75 per month.

Miss Florence Kauffman returned Monday to her home in Wichita after spending a pleasant week visiting in the city.

Marvin Williams and sister, Miss Grace, returned Saturday from their visit with their brother, Ernest, and family at Lipscomb, Texas.

Legal and advertising matter have crowded out several columns of reading matter this week and we can't conscientiously say that we're sorry.

It pays to advertise. Last week we called for volunteers to cut the weeds in front of our printing office, and before the paper got into the postoffice John White had them all mowed down.

Geo. R. Taylor returned home from his visit in Massachusetts on Friday. When we first saw him we hardly knew him. He looked more like an alderman fresh from Boston than a Kansas farmer.

J. B. and Mrs. Harding presented some fine onions to the Index Monday representing four excellent varieties. They measure four inches in diameter and are as finely flavored as can be grown anywhere.

Miss Hamilton of Wichita has been in the city the past week securing signatures to put in the lecture course the coming season. She started in with the odds against her but now has almost raised the required amount so that the course is practically assured.

Dr. VanDewalker has concluded to sever his connection with the ministry for the present and devote all of his time to the practice of medicine. Elder Bays of Conway Springs is filling the pulpit at the Christian church every Sunday and he may consent to take the charge permanently.

Prof. D. W. Major got out a folder last week making the announcement of the High School course adopted by the Board of Education. Parties interested in our city school should procure one of these folders. It contains detailed information regarding the approaching term's work.

Frank Frame of Elm Mills was here Saturday to attend the meeting of the republican central committee and talking up his candidacy for county superintendent. It's not our put in but it will do no harm to say that if party service counts for anything Frank is entitled to the nomination.

County Clerk Wilson and wife gave possession of their property to Sim Ewalt on Saturday and moved into one of Jas. Dobbs' new houses on Kansas avenue. Mr. Ewalt will build three rooms onto his newly purchased property. He gives possession of his former residence to Mr. Houghton Sept. 1st.

Do the people of Barber county want their children to have as good educational advantages as those of our neighbor counties. If so, they should talk up the county high school proposition which will be voted on in November. With a county high school all students in the county may receive a college education without paying tuition, and after graduating may enter the State University or other reputable colleges without examination if they so desire. The tax to be levied to maintain a county high school can not exceed three mills, and after the first year it is not probable that over half that amount will be levied, so that the cost to the average taxpayer will not exceed \$1 or \$2 per year. It's too good an opportunity to let slip away.