

Dam the Draws, Plant Trees and Summer-fallow.

This week will be the last week of 1916 that will furnish a good opportunity to successfully plant trees. Those who did not take advantage of this unusual good Spring to begin a grove or enlarge the one they have certainly missed a chance that does not come every Spring.

I doubt, if many of those who are not trying to raise timber fully understand their value. Though if you but stop and think, you cannot remember a place, where you could successfully grow crops that does not have its groves. Indeed the prairie countries that now yield bountiful crops, are dotted with groves. The tree besides its beauty is a source of much benefit.

Surface water and trees undoubtedly affect the rainfall. The production of rain fall from these sources is probably not plainly noticeable but that much influence over the rain fall is certain. There are other elements in the control of rains is not disputed, but it is just as certain that these things compose one of the elements comprising the complete whole.

Of course an Auto will not run without an engine to propel it, but it is just as sure to balk without wheels. Crops will not grow without water, but they will be just as sure to fall without sunshine.

Atmospheric conditions influenced by surface water and trees, either attract or repel rains as sure as the shade of a grove furnish a cool place to rest on a hot summer day, or a moderate place to seek shelter in case of storm. Therefore it is just as important and profitable to plant trees and cultivate them as it is to grow feed for stock.

It is equally important to conserve the rains that fall upon these western prairies and use all the known methods of conservation known to man.

Summer-fallowing, is one, planting trees is another, building dams another. It is also a certainty that anything that will be an element in production, and he who would build a home in Western Kansas and has in mind the present and future, will use all the elements of success that he can.

No private business in these times of competition, can be a success without conserving and utilizing of the by-products, Governments whether a Nation, State, County or Municipality ought to imitate and practise this sagacity and economy, and unless it does, it is behind the times and will not tend to inspire the confidence and loyalty of the governed. A Public office should not be a public snare, used as a boost for private gain, but a public servant should give his time and talent to the best administering of his trust, and use all the elements at his command for the benefit of his constituents.

Daming the draws on the Public Highways, is a by-product of a great system of necessary work. Roads are important and good roads are necessary for success. Every by-product created in its building is a step toward better and cheaper government, and the public servant who studies these questions and applies them to his public service is building for himself and his posterity.

It is no longer denied by even the bitterest enemies but what dam the draws is a real benefit, we may now argue the degree of benefit but there is no chance of argument against its usefulness. Then if they are beneficial, all that are constructed by the building of another service are simply one hundred percent profit.

To be sure the expense of construction is a thoughtful consideration, and a servant who does not count the cost in an administration of his business is a poor servant. No one I am sure would advocate putting in a dam that would entail prohibitive cost, and it is folly to argue such a proposition and fail to listen to it.

A careful thoughtful study will convince the most skeptical that a dam is cheaper than a bridge as a rule, there will be places where a dam would be disastrous in expense and just as much so in results, and the law very wisely provides for such conditions. But pray tell me the hard to put in a dam where it can be done reasonable in expense and reasonable in results. No one thinks it is detrimental to this soil of ours for the water thus stored to percolate through it, or will it do any particular harm if the two agencies of a hot summer day, viz the sun and wind should absorb this water in a thousand nay ten thousand places, we do not think such conditions would increase the heat or rapidity of the winds.

Every County in Western Kansas will miss a Golden opportunity if they fail to grasp the importance of Chapter 237 of the Session laws of 1915, and I hope those who are favorable to this law and who have not signed a petition to do so, will write me a request to be presented to the Commissioners the first of Next Month, and lets have all the Dams in Ness County we can get either on the public highway or upon the private farms.

J. C. HOPPER
Ness City, Kansas, April 29, 1916.

MARCY-ALLISON

On last Sunday afternoon at the home of Rev. Allison in this city Miss Faye Marcy was united in marriage to Mr. Harry E. Allison of Collyer, the pastor officiating. Only a few friends and near relatives were present to witness the ceremony which made them both one. The bride, a beautiful, modest, young lady comes from one of Trego's best families. She has for some time been one of our county's successful educators and has just recently completed a term as superintendent of the Collyer Public Schools. The groom, Harry, as he is known to his friends, is one of Collyer's respected young men and is the manager of the Collyer Lumber Company.

These happy young people will live in their new home in Collyer and will be pleased to see and welcome their many friends. The World joins in wishing them a long life of prosperity and happiness.

Fine weather for gardens, flowers, wheat and fishing.

Born to Mrs. and Mr. H. E. Tripp, Tuesday, May 2, 1916, a son.

The Ellis and Collyer base ball clubs cross-bats at the Ellis diamond Sunday afternoon.

We are glad to state that Cleford Kulp is now on the mend. He has been seriously sick.

Justice R. A. Burch of our State Supreme Court, will deliver the Decoration Day address in Wa-Keeney this year.

On Friday evening Mrs. Frank Blanche and her daughter, Mrs. Homer Bonebrake and baby, left for Topeka for a month's visit.

The directors of the Trego County Fair Association will meet at the office of the county clerk, Monday, May 8, 1916.

On Friday afternoon the ladies of the Locust club held their last meeting of the year at the home of Mrs. F. D. Wanner on Big Creek.

Miss Hattie Burnham of this city was granted an Institute certificate in the Domestic Science department by the state board of education at a meeting of the board held this week.

Mrs. Seely and children are expected to arrive in the city the latter part of this week from Jewel City, Kansas. She is building a nice cottage on the lots adjoining J. C. Milholland's place in the south part of town. Mrs. S. is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Milholland.

John J. Littlechild will hold a public sale on May 18th.

Left at this office—common door key with string attached.

Attend Henry Euler's sale at Cook's barn this (Saturday) afternoon.

Wanted—Lawn mowing, hoeing and other light work. J. C. Milholland.

The Wa-Keeney band will render several selections at Mrs. Steinberger's recital on Saturday evening at the court house.

A. M. Finley, manager of the Blue Front, was initiated into the mysteries of the Masonic order last Monday evening.

Rev. Allison will hold services in the Blue Ribbon school house, next Sabbath afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Everybody come.

Report says that trains Nos. 101 and 120 will be put on about June 4th. The discontinuance of the "Holstein" is being taken under advisement by the brass collars of the U. P.

Last Sunday both morning and evening Rev. H. Mac D. Thompson pastor of the Baptist church preached excellent sermons. He is a preacher of ability and the church is to be congratulated upon securing his services.

At the council meeting last Monday evening it was decided upon to extend the city water as far north as the Ray Shaw property. This is a good move as the people in that district have been promised frequently to have this done and they will appreciate it greatly. City bonds for \$7500 were sold to Dunne & Co. of Wichita, 4.5 per cent interest will be paid. At the next regular meeting the work of improving the machinery in the electric light plant will be taken up.

I. T. Purcell went to Topeka, Tuesday evening.

J. W. Phares left on Monday evening's train for Colorado.

The Blue Front has had an assistant this week. W. E. Carrier of Ellis was on the job.

William Wigginton, one of Quinter's live men, was in the city on business Monday.

Dan Rorbacker, sr. returned Friday on an extended trip to Hastings and other Nebraska points.

Mrs. Sam Shriver and son left Thursday to join her husband at Sharon Springs, Kans., their new home.

Charles Hillman has had a partition torn out in his store thus enlarging same and making a necessary improvement.

M. P. Miller, of Hutchinson, Kan., agent for the Banker's Life Insurance Company of Des Moines, Iowa, was soliciting business here this week.

Station agent Fritts reports outgoing shipments for the past week as follows: Voda—3 cars wheat, 2 cars corn; Wa-Keeney—3 cars cattle, 3 cars corn, 2 cars wheat and 1 car bones.

Wm. Shrenkler of Gorham, Kans., was mingling among his friends here this week. Since leaving Wa-Keeney he has traveled over much of Eastern Kansas but has not yet decided on a location.

John Jones, John Spena, W. B. Kelly and Ray Sparr of Salina made a good bass catch along the Saline, Thursday. Mr. Sparr expressed himself as surprised at the bigness of the water out in these parts.

Now that the Lincoln branch is to have heavier rails all the way from Salina to Oakley, it is time for some of the boys who have been in the harness longer than we to start something about the branch being made the main line. It ought to be done just to see what kind of fits "Shorty" Givler of the Wa-Keeney World, Nort Turner of the Russell Record and other main line pencil shavers would throw.—Hoxie Sentinel.

Let 'er go boys.

Robt. Woodard had quite a conflagration at his farm in happy township Thursday afternoon. One of the small boys was experimenting with matches and things became uncontrollable. The fire took his corn and granary, a large quantity of hay and grain and two sets of harness and a wagon. The fire spread to a load of feed by the silo and ruined the concrete work. Robt. feels the loss of these improvements and the inconvenience of doing without them until replaced. The insurance covered the loss except \$200 worth of grain.—Hill City Republican.

Miss Falkner, who had been visiting her brothers in the south part of the county, returned to Omaha from this station last Tuesday. The Falkner family was one of the first that settled in the south part of the county.—Hill City New Era.

E. L. Fike was the recipient of a beautiful good watch from his former employer, C. L. Horne, Tuesday. Mr. Horne always banked on Ed, considering him the best and most congenial clerk extant.—Grainfield Cap Sheaf.

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1 BUILDING

Wa-Keeney, Kan., May 2, 1916.
Hon. Board of Education,
Wa-Keeney, Kansas.

Gentlemen:
In compliance with your request, we herewith submit a report, on the condition of your Public School building in this City. We find the building to consist of a frame structure, approximately 60x80 ft., two stories high, with a small cellar under the northeast corner. The outside walls are composed of 2x6 studding, boxed and covered with lap siding. All floor joists are 2x10. The spans are 25 ft. and as a result leaves the building very weak and shaky, a heavy load, especially on the second floor, would be very dangerous, and likely to result in an accident that would endanger the lives of those within.

Danger from fire is very hazardous. The building being all frame and of such wood that a fire once started would sweep the whole structure like a timber-box.

We visited the school building again last Saturday, April 29th, and find a wind of the velocity on above date to have a very noticeable effect on this building. It is a very difficult problem to ascertain just the amount of wind necessary to wreck this structure we prefer that your Honorable body visit the school, and use your best judgment as to its safety, and the advisability of conducting school therein during a wind storm.

The whole building is in bad repair, but we will only take up the points most essential. The cornice is badly rotted in a number of places. The siding is loose and broken in many places, the larger part being cupped and cracked, offering very little resistance to the elements and allowing dust and wind to enter the building freely.

We find the windows and doors in the worst of condition aside from the noise created during a wind, they offer very little protection to those within. We find the roof of the building in fair condition. And with the exception of the cornice will need very little repair.

In concluding our report we will say that to our best judgment, after the experience of years in the building business, we would not advise that the present building be repaired. This building is about 31 years old, in dangerous condition, unsanitary, improperly heated, and very dangerous to those within in case of fire.

The spending of a large sum of money, that a repair would necessitate, in order to make the building safe, comfortable and substantial, but still leaving an old frame building, would not be a credit to the members of the School Board, or justice to the Citizens of Wa-Keeney.

Respectfully Submitted,
Frank Blanch & Co.

Mrs. W. A. Rhoden of Ogallah township, received a nine pound fish the first of the week from her brother who lives in California.

N. A. Saleen sold his farm in Ogallah township to Dr. Kidd of Ellis for \$30 per acre. He will hold a public sale next Wednesday, May 10th. Attend this sale as a lot of good cattle, horses, etc., will go to the highest bidder.

O. A. Lahnman was on the sick list for a few days and S. R. Powell, of Wa-Keeney, had charge of the furniture store for a few days.—Quinter Advocate.

The Collyer base ball boys won from the home team in a closely contested game Friday afternoon; the score being 6 to 7.—Quinter Advocate.

Miss Bean from Wa-Keeney arrived Sunday to spend a few days with her father, the photo man.—Grainfield Cap Sheaf.

For Sale—Registered yearling Gallo-way bulls. J. G. Hixson. Adv. 3tf

Stomach Catarrh Is Very Prevalent

In this climate catarrh is a prevalent disease. Catarrh affects the stomach as often as any other organ. Perhaps every third person is more or less troubled with stomach catarrh. Peruna is extensively used in these cases.

PERUNA THE RELIABLE FAMILY REMEDY

OBITUARY

Eva Myrtle Shriver, daughter of Calvin Shriver and wife was born March 8, 1882 near Memphis, Scotland county Mo. She departed this life after four weeks of illness due to a complication of diseases. April 21, 1916, at 8:30 p. m., aged thirty-four years, one month and thirteen days. She was converted at the age of fifteen years and united with the M. E. Church at Gorin, Mo. of which she has ever since remained a loyal member.

On January 14, 1909, she was united in marriage to J. H. Hocking of Banner, Kansas where they lived until October 16, 1911.

From here they moved to St. Louis, Mo. where they lived for a short time, coming to Gorin, in March, 1912 where they have since resided.

Deceased was of a cheery disposition always looking upon the bright side. She was patient in her suffering, never complaining and always ready to shield those who cared for her. She was a devoted wife, a lover of her home, and a true friend, many there will be who will miss her sunshine.

She leaves to mourn her departure her broken-hearted husband, her mother, Mrs. Mary Wiley, five sisters, Mrs. Nettie Radd, Mrs. Alice Stover, and Mrs. Ethel Saunders of Gorin, Mo., Mrs. Mattie Wilson of Kaboka, Mo., and Mrs. Eunice Mumma of Williamstown, Mo.; two brothers: William Shriver of Marysville, Mo., and Ennis Claude Shriver of Gorin, Mo.

Besides these many other relatives and friends mourn her death.

Funeral Services were conducted from the Baptist Church in Gorin at 2:00 p. m. March 23, 1916, by Rev. F. M. Baker of Wyaconda and her remains quietly interred in the Gorin cemetery. The large audience that came to pay their last tribute of respect was an evidence of esteem and confidence. The community in general extends sympathy to the bereaved. May God be gracious to them in their sorrow.—Gorin (Mo.) Herald.

The husband has the sympathy of his many Trego county friends in this his sad hour of trial.

Smoked meats at Bakers' adv
W. S. Gorrell, of Wa-Keeney, was a Quinter visitor Saturday.—Quinter Advocate.

Sannaman Bros. of Green, Kans., were the lucky contractors as they will build the new Y. M. C. A. building at Ellis.

Hon. Henry Houch, State Deputy of Public Instruction, Pennsylvania says of her: "Miss Grace V. Bonner has made a special study of her art. She is one of the most gifted entertainers before the public and is very popular with every audience." Adv.

L. S. Myerly's announcement for county treasurer will appear in next weeks issue.

John Franks, traveling representative for the International harvest company, was in the city the first of the week interviewing our implement men. John would like to move his family from Hays to this beautiful city, but he can't find a house to rent.

You May Find It Here!

Fresh pork at Baker's. adv

Pure Home Made Lard at Baker's.
For Sale—Seed Barley. J. T. W. Cloud, Wa-Keeney. Adv. 52.

For Sale—Kaifir corn seed. Wm. Walker, Wa-Keeney, Kans. R. 3. 94t.

For Sale—Millet seed 50c a bushel. C. D. Mayer, R. 2, Wa-Keeney. 8 3t.

Abstracts of title made promptly at reasonable rates. W. H. Swiggett. adv

Wanted—House cleaning, washing and ironing. Phone 146. Mrs. Weekly. Adv 8 4t

For Sale—Four good 2-year-old mules. J. T. Hutchnings, Collyer, Kan. Adv 8 2t

For Sale—Sweet potatoes, tomatoes, cabbage and pepper plants. H. B. Hudson, phone 819. Adv. 8.

The American Insurance company—old line, 70 years old.

Margaret Swiggett. adv. 9.

For Sale—White seed corn, took first prize at Manhattan. H. B. Hudson, phone 819. Adv. 8.

For Sale—Wa-Keeney city lots—plenty of them. Pick your location early. Inquire at this office.

For Sale—Tract of 640 acres pasture land, fine running water, well located, cheap. Inquire at this office.

For Sale—Siberian millet seed at 50 cents per bushel. W. R. Modine, R. 3, Wa-Keeney, Kan. Adv 10 4t

All the Merchant tickets are worth one dollar in trade in either large or small photos at Bean's studio.—Adv 1

Wanted—Cattle to pasture. Good grass and plenty of running water. J. J. Shackelford, Wa-Keeney, R. 1. 9 2t.

Lost—Friendship bracelet. Initial 1915, J. H. T. H. B. H., etc. J. H. Talmage, Wa-Keeney. Leave at this office. Adv 9 2t

I have several head of mares and geldings, good size and ages, and a few drivers for sale cheap. D. P. Reade, Ogallah, Kan. Adv 3 tf

For Sale—Americus Everbearing strawberry plants at \$1.00 per hundred at residence in east part of town. A. J. McCollum. Adv. 6 6t.

For Sale—100 bushels Japanese millet and 100 bushels Red cane seed (re-cleaned). See sample at this office. N. Dockendorf, Wa-Keeney.—Adv 3 4t

Strayed—Three calves, from 8 to 11 months old, 1 black steer calf, 1 red bull calf, 1 red white faced steer calf. Henry Fabricius Jr, phone 1069. Adv 8.

For Sale—Alfalfa and prairie hay from \$4.00 to \$5.50 per ton loose. Scales on ranch. 500 Ash posts. No phone. W. J. Skelton, R. F. D. No. 3, Wa-Keeney, Kan. Adv 4 9

REGISTERED ANGUS BULLS
For Sale—Six yearling bulls, top notchers. Joe Zeller, Brownell, Kansas. Adv 5 8t

LAND
I have a few tracts of land which can be bought on almost railroad terms. See me. W. H. Swiggett.

Notice to Stockholders
The annual meeting of the Ogallah Elevator company will be held Tuesday, May 9, 1916, at its office in Ogallah, Kansas. Ogallah Elevator Co.—Adv. 9 2t

\$100 REWARD, \$100
The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Address: F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, Ohio.
Sold by all Druggists, 75c.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

From the Ellis Headlight
R. H. Burns of Plainville was in Ellis on business Friday.

Miss Lura Icely was the guest of Miss Eunice Ramsey last Sunday.

Miss Alma Conyers spent Friday with her cousin, Miss Adeline Frost, in Ogallah.

Mrs. John DeBoer and Mrs. James Carter spent a few days last week with relatives in Wa-Keeney.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Nemecheck of Wa-Keeney spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ebert, sr.

Mrs. A. M. Finley of Kit Carson, Colorado, came down from Wa-Keeney on the "jitney" Friday and is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Perry.

The Collyer ball team will be here Sunday for a game with the Ellis boys. Don't forget it. Encourage the home boys by your presence.

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Public Sale!

I will sell at public sale at the W. T. Littlechild ranch 4 miles west and 5 miles north of Wa-Keeney, on

Thursday, May 18,

commencing at 1 o'clock p. m., the following described property, to-wit:

6 head Mules and Horses

Consisting of 1 team of horses, 8 and 9 years old; 1 team of mules, 4 and 6 years old; 1 team of mules 11 and 12 years old.

2 head of Cattle

Consisting of 1 cow 5 years old, and 1 calf 6 months old.

Farm Machinery

Consisting of 2 sets work harness new with collars, 1 set work harness good with collars, 1 set driving harness good with collars, 1 new Acme header, 1 header box, 1 hay rack, 2 wagons. (1 new, 1 old,) both Mitchells, 1 Emerson gang plow new last fall 14 inch, 1 Canton 2-wheel lister good as new, 1 Canton 2-row weeder new last spring, 1 Canton 1-row cultivator new last spring, 1 Osborne disk good as new, 1 Champion hay rake good as new, 1 McCormick mower in good shape, some hog wire, 1 good buggy, 1 sod plow good. A lot of chickens, ducks and turkeys; also a lot of other articles too numerous to mention.

TERMS—Sums of \$10.00 and under, cash; over \$10.00, a credit till November 1, 1916, purchaser to give note with approved security bearing 8 per cent interest from date; 2 per cent discount for cash.

JOHN J. LITTLECHILD

M. W. Mason, Auc. C. R. Hille, Clerk