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RAIL ROAD TIME TABLE.

Table with columns for West-Pr, East-Pr, L. Frt., and G. B. Branch.

From the Dispatch.

C. L. Jones has been granted a re-issue of pension.

The "Fan Drill" took in about \$40, and was an all-around success.

J. C. Baker lost three fine head of cattle last week by being poisoned with loco weed.

Two substantial stone street crossings have been put in across First and Main street this week.

Joe Degen has been through the country a good deal and says we can't depend on more than a half a crop this year.

Jim Quinlan and family arrived last night to visit his parents near

ELLINWOOD.

RAIL ROAD TIME TABLE.

Table with columns for West-No. 5, East-No. 6, No. 397, and McPherson Branch.

From the Leader.

Gus Kienzel is having an addition built onto his residence.

A young kid, son of Mr. Kidd, was kid-napped last week,—and that's no "kid" either.

Plant your sugar beets and then give them proper attention. Much depends upon this experiment.

The infant child of Wm. Helfrich, died April 7th, aged 3 months, 2 weeks and three days.

From the experience of members of the tie-walkers' brigade in this city the past week or two, tramps ought to be onto the fact that Ellinwood is a mighty poor place for them to stop.

Another tramp came to grief here Tuesday afternoon. He had acquired a fair-sized jag and was making himself somewhat obnoxious.

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ABOUT CLAFLIN.

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From the Banner.

All men have their weak points, the editor's weak point being his pocket book.

WARNING: Parties are not allowed to hunt or fish on the streets or within the city limits.

There is not a vacant residence house in town and several would be rented if they were to be had.

Andrew O'Bleness has rented a farm ten miles south of Great Bend and will move there this week.

More traveling men are "making" Claflin than ever before. Another indication of coming prosperity.

We failed to mention last week that Mr. and Mrs. Will Evans were the happy parents of a girl who arrived there last week.

Of course he don't do it himself but one of our merchants say's the modern "Golden Rule" is "do others or they will do you."

Two of our townsmen engaged in a fist encounter last Saturday in front of Barth's hardware store, both getting in their blows and counters in good shape.

One of our town girls sent her fellow word last Sunday that he need not call around in the afternoon as she had just eaten a meal of "greens" for dinner.

The young man immediately replied her word that she was just like

Great Bend township has purchased an improved road grader, and if Trustee Wilson receives the aid he should receive from the citizens of the township, a number of roads leading into this city will be put in a better condition.

A third ward man said the voters down there would not take Crow, because they were too Luse. See?

Guy Verbeck, of the north side, left on Monday for Utah. Guy promises to be back in a year or two with half a dozen wives—more or less.

OLMITZ AND VICINITY.

By "Straight Goods."

A lad well known by the name of "Gee Whizz," To put the last drop in his cup full of bliss.

Two hours after the sun had gone down, He returned, and on his face wore a frown.

He was riding his never tiring steed, Bound for Olmitz at a terrific speed.

The wind was blowing hard from the south, And he shut his eyes and closed his mouth.

Such was the speed that it made his horse grunt: He was left behind and his horse went front.

Dan. Honslick has quit working for Adam Hejery.

Joe Reimer was visiting with his brothers, Sunday.

Gus. Alug, of Odin, was doing business here Sunday.

Joseph Schneider was doing business in Albert, Wednesday.

Miss Anna Kreisel, of Denver, is here on a short visit with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Matal were visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Honig last Sunday.

Randolph Hopman has gone to work on a ranch 35 miles north-west of here.

Frank Hoffman is getting ready for harvest; he has his header barge in his west field—upside-down.

Mr. Boebek and Mrs. Buess of Great Bend, were visiting with Miss Tusitchkie Saturday last.

Quite a number of our young people attended the entertainment at the Dyer school house Friday night.

Frank Pospishell, Joe Nembloville and Adolf Stos are breaking prairie on the old C. P. Wunderlich place.

Mrs. Minnie Black is on the sick list this week, and R. R. Black was laid up with rheumatism last week.

Come, Jas. Barton Wigton, don't get disheartened and quit writing for the DEMOCRAT; we were only joking with you, and meant no harm.

Harry Sherer has rented John Shon's residence, and will go to batching. The place hereafter will be known as the Bachelor's Retreat.

There are some young ladies (one in particular living less than ten miles from here) who would not even chew a stick of gum if they knew it was purchased in our town, for fear it would run their sobriety. Now we will say that the girls here in our town are as good, and a banged sight better than some of you. So please give us a rest.

Joseph Meitner, Jr., expects to be a professional pugilist some day, and is already beginning to train to fit himself for that purpose.

The entertainment here last Saturday night was well attended, a good program consisting of recitations, dialogues, music by the Olmitz band, and such was listened to with marked attention.

Afterward the box supper took place, of course some of the boys felt pretty bad because some other fellow got the box they were wanting.

But boys when we were young and attended box suppers, the girls used to say, "the biggest bidders are the biggest fools," and we think (from what we have heard) the girls here have the same opinion of the boys who paid such high prices for boxes that night.

J. J. Boyle was doing business in Olmitz the first of the week.

Miss Mattie McAfee was visiting with Nellie Wigton Sunday last.

The entertainment at Olmitz last Saturday night was—well nothing extra in our estimation.

Ben. Speck was down on Blood creek visiting his grand-parents Mr. and Mrs. Silas Speck last Sunday.

People who planted corn and potatoes around here over two weeks ago will have to plant over again I think.

Who was it got disappointed at the entertainment the other night? C. Speck or H. Harper? Answer: Both of them; Charles bought the box, but Henry took it home.

As spring had arrived and it had become high time for me to begin my farm work I had concluded that after April the first the readers of the DEMOCRAT would hear no more from Hills and Hollows through me at least until the busy work of the summer was over.

But as you all know a man is liable to change his mind, and I will say before I go any farther that I have changed mine a wee bit, and will once more let the readers of the DEMOCRAT hear from the hills especially "Straight Goods" of Olmitz.

"Straight Goods" of Olmitz is very bold and the world over known for his wits, sir. He's no brains with some kind of it, sir. His days he passes in wandering about, believe me. He's subject to bellyache, phthisis, and gout, he surpasses all things I've heard, sir.

To let the world know just where he was, and his great ability show, sir. He wrote for the BARTON COUNTY DEMOCRAT, on his return to the west, sir. An egg in his office he has to show, of the dwarf variety genuine, sir.

Just like a whole lot of bad shape and as bristly as a porcupine, sir. Excuse me Mr. "Straight Goods" for changing my tune as my thinking apparatus has jumped a cog.

But read on, don't get discouraged; I am giving you this for your own special benefit.

"Straight Goods" of Olmitz is not very straight Or you'd not such woeful tales relate About Prof. Bue's frying fat From the tail of Nickie's Thomas cat, Or making a whole lot of a sign tall, And advertising the same for sale.

The wonderful egg you have on exhibition, Please, let us know its present condition. Or, if it is as rotten as you appear to be, I'll ver the famous egg wish to see.

Now, if you can't write better than that, Go crawl in a hole like a Norway rat, And never come out early or late Until you learn the truth by state.

The wickedest man that I ever did see Is one that from the truth did flee. Now in conclusion let me say, While in your hole don't forget to pray, For, while the lamp holds out to burn The vilest stammer may return.

Now, you have this almost read I hope you will heed what I have said: And whenever you write, be sure its true; So with kindest regards I bid you adieu.

Pumpernickle and Reporter. Wheat is looking quite well around here.

The ground is so wet farmers have had to quit planting spring crops.

Some of the Olmitz people are "out of sight." They cannot do work enough in the day time, so they work at night.

Wm. Bush moved into his new house, to give Alf Myers a chance to run the "coat tail." Says he has run it long enough.

J. J. Juttner borrowed Wigton's air gun, and broke it, so that Herbert Swartz had to be called on to fix it.

Jim says he will never loan it again.

Mr. "Straight Goods," you had better pad your nose before you ask anyone to put on their fighting clothes. Also, we advise you not to get that nose into other people's business so often.

Floreyn Zensinger of near Olmitz is going to quit the farm, because everybody is driving across his land and the law does not protect him enough; so he is going to be a soldier and learn to shoot, under the instruction of the grand commander, in room 14 grand street, Olmitz, Kansas.

Last Saturday night, after the entertainment broke up, J. Juttner and John Sobek Jr. started for home; were shaking hands, when something came tumbling out of the school house door and struck them amidships.

They thought it was a small tornado; but it had two legs and an unearthly screech, and scared the boys half to death.

BUFFALO TOWNSHIP.

From "Beze Tucker."

The Wet Walnut was on the boom last week.

Dan Miller has quit the milk hauling business.

Boyd Evers was on the streets of Heizer Friday.

Will Rube has struck a new job on the main line.

Joe Gruber and W. Miller attended the ball game at Heizer Saturday.

F. S. is preparing for a trick which two only can play, but one can tell the news.

Miss Mary Ridenour and friends were promenading the streets in Great Bend Saturday.

Jacob Alfe has just finished putting

Albion Township.

From "White Face."

Mrs. Cope is on the sick list.

Mrs. Carroll is planting trees.

Archie Boyle is on the sick list.

Ed. Dirreen was in the Bend Saturday.

Jim Quinlan was visiting McCaffee's Sunday.

Henry Boyle was in Hoisington Saturday.

Robert Boyle and L. Johnson are boring a well.

J. Lindsay and son, were in Great Bend Saturday.

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