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PAWNEE ROCK, KANS.

RAIL ROAD TIME TABLE.

Santa Fe—Main Line.

West—No. 5... 8:20 p m	East—No. 208... 5:30 p m
No. 267... 8:40 a m	No. 46... 11:37 a m
No. 45... 11:50 a m	

M. E. HEYNES, AGENT.
 Office with T. P. Nichols, Pawnee Rock.

Wheat is heading out. T. P. Nichols is handling bicycles now. Bert Bowman was in the Bend again Sunday. T. P. Nichols was in Larned on business. The farmers over the river are planting their corn again. A scissor and knife grinder did business here several days. A surprise party was given Miss Alti French Tuesday by her many friends. Bert Bowman has taken Henry Ratcliffe's place as clerk in E. W. Smith's. Miss Uden, of the C. N. C., and Miss Unruh visited Miss Uden here last week. For a bachelor Art Francis had a narrow escape last Friday, having a wedding in his yard. Geo. Dufford returned Friday from Grand Lodge K. P., at Wichita and reports a good time. Mrs. Ross, of Bronson, sister of Mr. Williamson, attended the Williamson Gano wedding last week. Rev. J. W. Ratcliffe preached an interesting Memorial sermon Sunday, in the Methodist church. Decoration Day will be observed in Pawnee Rock on Sunday instead of on Saturday as first reported. The Sons of Veterans instituted the camp here Tuesday evening. A number were here from Great Bend. Bert Bowman and Elmer Bloom

East Albion Township.

By "S. G. M."

Mrs. Cope spent Sunday with Mrs. Murdy. Robert Boyle went to Great Bend Thursday. R. B. thinks he is strictly in the push with B. T. Miss Beattie Carroll visited home, folks Sunday last. Ed. Dirreen and John Connor went to Hoisington Saturday.

were both drawn to the Great Bend college Sunday, May 16th, by some powerful attraction. No airships were reported seen by them. Mr. James Jamison, of Dodge City, and Mrs. Ada A. Gurney, of Larned, were married by Rev. H. Givler in front of the Francis residence last Friday. A large number of friends witnessed the ceremony and tendered the happy couple their best wishes. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ratcliffe and Henry Ratcliffe left Monday evening for Portland, Oregon. Frank has spent a pleasant month with his friends and takes his brother back with him to try his fortune in the west. We wish him success, but we are sorry to lose him as a citizen. The Occidental Mutual Benefit Association organized here last night with seventeen members. The officers elected were, Chief Pioneer, Ira B. Bartle; Sr. Vice Pioneer, W. W. Bowman; Jr. Vice Pioneer, H. C. Neal; Missionary, B. H. Bowman; Guide, Kelso Clark; Sergeant J. R. Ratcliffe; Watchman, E. E. French; Treasurer, E. W. Smith; Secretary, M. E. Heynes. They meet every other Monday night.

WILLIAMSON GANO.

Mr. Oliver M. Williamson and Miss Anna L. Gano were married at the residence of the bride's parents, May 19, at 2 p. m. The Gano residence was tastefully decorated with flowers for the occasion. Miss Nellie Lindas played the wedding march and the bride and groom marched in accompanied by Rev. S. H. Givler of Larned, who performed the ceremony. After the ceremony the assembled guests who consisted of the most intimate friends and the members of the Friday Night Club, of which the bride was president, partook of the tempting and sumptuous dinner which had been prepared. The few hours Mr. and Mrs. Williamson were to remain in Pawnee Rock were spent in social conversation with their friends and at 5:25 the happy couple took the train for Bronson, their future home. A number of valuable presents were received. Mr. Williamson is a highly respected citizen of Bronson where he is managing a hardware store. The bride is an accomplished lady and a favorite with all who know her. She took an active part in church work as well as in social and literary circles, and will be greatly missed in Pawnee Rock. The best wishes of the many friends here go with them.

G. McFarland and Mrs. Stevenson went to Hoisington Saturday. Hugh Boyle and son George went to Great Bend Friday on business. Mrs. Lindsay and son had bad luck the other day, they broke the tongue out of the spring wagon. Uncle G. Neff is driver and S. G. M. is holding the lister. If I was you Sam, I would hold the later and drive.

ELLINWOOD.

RAIL ROAD TIME TABLE.

Santa Fe—Main Line.

West—No. 5... 7:53 p m	East—No. 6... 9:23 a m
No. 267... 8:40 a m	No. 268... 6:22 p m

McPherson Branch.

Arrives—Fr... 7:25 p m	Departs—Fr... 9:25 a m
L. Frt... 8:20 p m	L. Frt... 8:50 a m

From the Advocate.

This year's grape crop promises to be the heaviest ever yet produced in this locality. If irrigation ditches always bring rain as it has in our case, Barton can afford to dig one every spring. Three miles of the Cheyenne irrigation ditch has been completed. This is the first three miles of irrigation ditch Barton county ever had. The only difference between the common herd and tramps, is that the tramps lie on the ground and the others lie on the least provocation. Mrs. Jake Daniel went to Stafford the first of the week to be at the bedside of her son's sick wife, who is suffering with a complaint that baffles the physicians. She is not expected to live. Frank Redfield and Percy Davidson returned Monday from an overland trip through southern Kansas counties. Frank will rest up for a couple

of weeks after which he will take his family for an outing trip, in which he will take in Oklahoma. August Weide is authority for the statement that eight inches of rain fell in this vicinity of the salt marsh from Saturday to Monday of last week. That's as much as we sometimes get in a half a year. From the Leader. Cut down the weeds early and your yard will not be covered with stubble later on. Geo. Best arrived this week from the eastern part of the state, and will act as day bartender for Charlie Bacon. Our crop prospects are gilt edge. Wheat is heading out nicely and with favorable conditions harvest will be in full blast by the 20th of June. Pete Doherty returned from Oklahoma Friday, looking hale and hearty. This has been Pete's longest stay in the Strip for some time. He reports crops booming down there. There was a very pleasant party at the home of Mr. F. Gilpin Tuesday evening, in honor of Mrs. Gilpin's birthday. Her many friends presented her with a handsome rocking chair. Dancing was indulged in and a good time was enjoyed by all.

AROUND GALATIA.

"By Colonel."

John Hester is fencing his pasture land. Charles Bucher has located in Hoisington. The rain of Thursday was a regular wheat saver. A blacksmith from Ellis county has set up shop here. Charles Gustin and wife are visiting in Harper county. Wheeler Racy is preparing to build a barn 80x80 feet square. The supply of airship whiskey seems to have been exhausted. Postmaster Childs has developed into a first class mail insurance agent. Measles and whooping cough have made their appearance in our midst. Messrs. Laidlaw and Johnson were driving over our country, on Wednesday, looking for stock. John Lowery, from south of Olmitz, made an unsuccessful search through here for millet seed on Thursday. G. H. Speck has 120 acres of wheat that, for evenness of stand, height and color, we have never seen equaled. A letter addressed to "Galishey, Barton county, Kansas," was received Thursday from a man, in Oklahoma, looking for work. Almost within the city limits of Olmitz is a road sign that reads: "No Rob." But why smile? Many strange things are seen there.

Needed in Olmitz—men with enough nerve and good sense to see that the property of its citizens is not wantonly destroyed and lives jeopardized. A prominent citizen of the county was passing along our roads last week and remarked: "You are not needing rain, the ground must be thoroughly moist. Why, see what heavy dews are falling." Brilliant idea, that. Mr. "Popocrat" of the Beacon has broken the shell that has heretofore hidden his mental and moral infirmities, and come out squarely in favor of mob law, murder and anarchy; all of which he wishes to see enacted in Albion. The worst man in a community is the first to cast reflections on it, or question the motives of its individual members. Did you ever notice that? The men who give our legislators hell during the winter are the first to meet those same legislators upon their return and extend congratulations for work and pledges well done and faithfully redeemed. Did you ever notice that? The double-faced clams who never have a decided opinion, who are ever to be found perched upon the topmost rail of the partition fence of every social, religious and political question, whose every move is directed by policy rather than principle and right, are the fellows who receive nominations and get the biggest vote of the "men who can't be fooled." Did you ever notice that?

Boyd and Vicinity.

By "Will-o'-the-wisp."

She's my Mattie, I'm her beau, She's my sweetheart, I'm her—Welter. Seed corn to give away; call on Dave Spires. Old ties for sale; call on Frank Phillips. "Cicero" was at Mt. Olivet Sunday. So was his cloud of bugs. W. Walls and sister Sarah of Prairie Center were at Mt. Olivet last Sunday. There is a lady clerk at Boyd. Wonder if that is the reason E. J. gets so much trade. Miss Lottie McAfee got tired of the Blood-creekites and is now staying with the Hickeyites, south of Olmitz. A large crowd was at Mt. Olivet last Sunday to hear Rev. James preach; but he (James) failed to connect. We read in holy writ there will be a time when there will be anti-Christians and false prophecies. I believe that

is already at hand. W. W. Boyle is still working for his Uncle H., more than two weeks are past. Wonder why Will Evelygh boards out? Think it must be because where he boards there is a pretty girl waiting on the table. David Spires was calling in this vicinity last week. Among those favored were Geo. Wilson and Levi Johnson, then he (David) went west. Some of our boys are trying to find out who the correspondents are by throwing out bait; some by calling certain of us "White Face," "Will-o'-the-wisp" and other cognomens. Think they are breeding scabs on their noses. Eh, "Straight Goods?" For working down the pie—and that's no lie—I surely thought they'd die, the way they went for pie. Henry laid his pie on a palm leaf fan; Will took a newspaper to lay his on, then good by pie. Robert doubled his up like a jack-knife then went for it tooth and nail. Pie—pie—any kind of pie.

ABOUT CLAFLIN.

RAIL ROAD TIME TABLE.

Mo. Pacific—Main Line.

West—Fr... 9:25 p m	East—Fr... 6:45 a m
L. Frt... 6:10 p m	L. Frt... 3:30 a m

From the Banner.

Mrs. Ohlmeier, of Hollywood, died Wednesday of last week from heart disease. Mamie Strothman, Ida Bean and Stella Stover received common school diplomas this year. O. S. White has rented the brick building on the east side of Main street and will move his barber shop into it soon. The Claflin Grain Company is preparing to move their office on the north side of the street from where they are now located. Rev. Blundon will deliver the memorial sermon on Sunday and F. Vernon Russell of Great Bend will de-

liver the oration on the Monday following. Almost the entire community attended the show at Great Bend last Saturday. So many in fact that to enumerate them would require a supplement to the paper. The young folks enjoyed a pleasant time at the residence of C. D. Montgomery last Wednesday evening, ice cream being the principal feature of the evening. The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Evans died Thursday morning May 13th, at 2 a. m. and was buried in the Montgomery cemetery Friday, Elder J. M. Wickham performing the last sad rites. Some of the small boys here are contracting a good sized bruised spot on the stern end of their anatomy by teasing the pet lamb belonging to M. A. Dowse. We teased one pet lamb once, but we'll never do it again.

HOISINGTON.

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RAIL ROAD TIME TABLE.

Mo. Pacific—Main Line.

West—Fr... 10:05 p m	East—Fr... 6:20 a m
L. Frt... 8:00 a m	L. Frt... 2:00 a m

Great Bend Branch.

Arrives... 8:45 p m	Departs... 5:25 a m
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From the Dispatch.

Edna Bowers has been very sick the past week with tonsillitis. D. J. Lewis' twin daughters have been quite sick the past week. Tom Moran is going to have about the prettiest place in town one of these days. The bottoms are furnishing excellent pasture this spring; in fact the grass is good all over. We understand that the G. A. R. Post of this city will not make any demonstration on Memorial Day this year. Those fellows who shoot quail and say they are shooting rabbit are a long

time finding the rabbits they shoot. Mrs. H. E. Reaick received word this week of the death of her grandmother at Denver, who was 84 years old. The treasurer of the Athletic Association requests that all members pay in their membership fee prior to June 1. The Great Bend High School graduates are guilty of sending away from home for their printed programs. They are old enough to know better. Grandma Bryant, near Verbeck, passed away Tuesday morning, May 18, at 6:40 after a lingering illness. Funeral services were held at the house Wednesday at 12:30 p. m. A co-operative creamery is talked of for Great Bend. If it is put in we'll warrant the projectors will be sorry that they spoke in less than a year. The co-operative business is not what it is cracked up to be.

Albion Township.

By "Billy Lizard."

Geo. W. Boyle is on the sick list. L. Wilson is working for W. D. Boyle. S. Harper was up in Albion tending corn last week. W. D. Boyle is breaking colts for Robert Benton this week. Geo. Johnson purchased a horse from Henry Boyle last week. Miss Millie Honie visited with Miss Minnie Swartz last Thursday. Mrs. Geo. T. Harper visited with Mrs. Fannie Wigton last week. Frank Juttner and Geo. Wigton returned home last week from Jewel county. What was the matter with Redge last Sunday, that he didn't go down to see Millie. Bake Boxwell, the Hoisington butcher, was out in these parts last week buying cattle. Rob. Boyle has applied for a

divorce. From his wife? Oh, no; just the batchelors hall. Alva Opie don't get jealous, C. S. will not hurt you, from the way he acted last Saturday night. A number of people were disappointed at Mt. Olivet last Sunday. Come again friends; James will be there next time. For base balls call on "Cicero," he made one out of his socks and covered it with his shoes. Stay with your patient, Sammie, it will make you a rich man yet. Quite an excitement was raised at church Sunday night. Mrs. Terrell's team broke loose and ran around the church then into the wire fence. No damage done. Frank Eveleigh, Jr. has gone into partnership with "Cicero." They have rented the largest building in town for their garlic nursery. Office first door south of E. J.'s chicken coop, Polecat St., Maherville, Kans.

About Heizer.

DIST. NO. 40.

From "Duke of Guise."

The wheat will soon begin to head out. There was preaching at No. 40, Sunday. Frank Seeber was seen in this vicinity last Thursday. Mrs. Mary Bement was visiting at A. J. Bird's last week. J. S. Compton, of Plezna, was visiting in this vicinity this week. Mr. Baldwin was visiting with Mr. McCaffery Monday and Tuesday. Willie Compton got his black mare out in the wire fence, show day. Fred Ewing and Miss Gillmore were visiting at C. R. Archer's Sunday. A good many who took the teachers examination from this vicinity failed. Reuben Bement is getting along nicely; will soon be able to be out again. Jno. Bird, from the south side of the river, was visiting his brother, A. J. Bird. There was a party given at Jim Baird's Saturday night. Ice cream and cake were served and everybody enjoyed themselves. There was a party given at Mr. Rhonde's last Monday night, the 17th. Ice cream and cake were served and a good time was reported by all. D. G. Bird and family, Charley Button and wife, J. S. Compton and wife, Jim Baird and wife and Mrs. Button, son Eld and daughter Alice, were visiting Mrs. Mattie Compton last Sunday.

From "Beave Trucke."

Jim Bell's little son was quite sick last week. Shake hands, "Buttermilk," we are old friends. The dance at Boyd Evers' barn last Friday night was a fizzle. R. Schweinop is helping attend to farm duties for Eesmiller brothers. The farmers are complaining about cut-worms doing much damage. Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Briggs went to Albert, Sunday, visiting friends. The band boys have been called to order and band is now again in session. Mrs. P. F. Schneck has been nursing a very sore hand for the last few weeks. Wm. Witte is suffering with a badly sprained back, which he hurt a few days ago. Will Everett is fitted with a new top buggy now; he and his girl will be "in it." August Fenn will retire from his position in the creamery in a few weeks, on account of poor health. It looks as though prosperity has struck some of the boys of this locality; they are thinking about sending for a car load of top buggies. Would not this make the girls happy though? "Straight Goods," since "Cicero" has discovered the black bugs, now is the time for the Olmitz boys to try their air guns. We think if these insects become abundant "Cicero" will probably pay a reward for having them killed.

OLMITZ AND VICINITY.

OLMITZ HOTEL,
A. H. Mayer, Prop.

Meals at All Hours.
 OLMITZ, * * * KANS.

To Whom It May Concern:

Olmitz, Kans., May 8, 1897. My son, Joe Hanslick has left me and I have given him his freedom. He is his own man and I have no farther claims on him and will not be responsible for any debts he may contract in the future.

JOHN HANSLICK.

Correspondents will please write upon but ONE SIDE of their paper. W. F. Putnam visited at Claflin Monday. He reports everything looking lovely over there. Register of Deeds Klein is about laid up with tonsillitis. The Masons and families had a great time picnicing on the Walnut, Wednesday afternoon.