

MORE OIL TESTIMONY.

Garfield Will Inspect the Standard Refinery This Afternoon.

Independence, Kans., April 20.—Luther Conant and three other agents of the Burein corporations took further testimony in the Standard oil investigation today.

AT KANSAS CITY.

Kansas City, Mo., April 20.—Commissioner Garfield, accompanied by Agent Caswell arrived today and proceeded immediately to the office of the Prairie Oil & Gas Co., to continue the investigation of the Standard's affairs.

The conference with Mr. Garfield gave Attorney Hadley the impression that he could hope for no aid from the investigation by the Bureau of Corporations.

This afternoon Commissioner Garfield will inspect the Standard's Sugar Creek refinery. His plans are to start for California Friday.

THIS HYDE WILL STICK.

Refuses To Resign From The Equitable, When Requested To do So.

New York, April 20.—Vice President Hyde, of the Equitable, refused point blank today to resign when so requested by a committee representing the agents, whom he met at his residence.

"I have no intention whatever of resigning. Such a course would be cowardly and disgraceful to the memory of my father. It is evident from your meetings that you have not the remotest conception of this controversy or the motive behind a selfish struggle for control.

Brigadier General Drew.

Topeka, Kans., April 20.—Charles Drew, of Burlingame, was today appointed Brigadier General of the Kansas National Guard.

Annual Feet Washing.

Vienna, April 20.—Following an ancient custom, the Emperor today bathed the feet of twelve aged men in the Hall of Ceremonies, in the presence of royalty.

H. U. MUDGE MOVES.

Will Go to the Rock Island The First of May, Hurley May Succeed Him.

Topeka, April 20.—H. U. Mudge, general manager of the Santa Fe today confirmed the report that he would leave the road. He will become second vice president of the Rock Island, and will assume his new position about May 1st.

J. E. Hurley, general superintendent of the eastern grand division of the Santa Fe, may be Mr. Mudge's successor. Mr. Mudge said the affair had been brewing for a long time, but final arrangements were made Monday.

JAPAN ENTERS A PROTEST.

Wants France To Cease Furnishing The Russians A Haven of Rest.

Paris, April 20.—Japanese officials here entered a protest that the continuance of the Russian fleet in Kamranh bay is a breach of neutrality, and asking to have ascertained if the information received is certain.

Girls Hurt in a Panic.

Kansas City, Mo., April 20.—The breaking of a pulley belt in a shirt waist factory this morning caused a panic among fifty girls employed in the Sylvester Judge hat factory on the next floor above. Five of the girls were injured.

Wheat Corner Busted.

Chicago, Ill., April 20.—The bottom dropped out of the Gates corner on May wheat today. It opened at 113 1/2 and dropped to 108 1/2 in a few minutes. The failure of Gates' hope to round out a corner was due to large accumulations of cash wheat by Armour.

Sells To Get a Hearing.

Topeka, Kans., April 20.—Governor Hoch today told the committee which applied for a pardon for Willie Sells that he would give them a hearing May 1st.

A picture show does not draw in this city. There are too many moving pictures of an exciting nature on the streets here every day, to make the film kind attractive.

E. Wright returned from Vaughn, Ark., Wednesday evening, and is looking for a house. He was accompanied by A. P. Keith, who expects to remain for some time.

You will see it in the RUSTLER from a day to a year ahead of any other paper published locally.

LOCAL NEWS:

Rev. Evers and family have arrived and are moving into the M. E. Parsonage.

Charles E. Matix and Hattie L. White, both of Great Bend were today granted a license to wed.

The necessary papers to make two hearts beat as one have been issued to Frank Stiner and Minnie Werner, both of Odin.

E. H. Wright, of Kansas City, called Wednesday to renew on the DEMOCRAT. He thinks some of locating here in business.

This office is prepared to furnish elegant calling cards in any style type or card. Your order placed with us will receive prompt attention.

Four hundred forty page books completed in three days, is pretty quick time. That is what the DEMOCRAT PRINTING HOUSE did this week.

We know of two large implement houses who would make this city a distributing point of some importance if they could get proper track facilities.

John Reinhart and family and Mrs. R. Manning and the younger children left on Wednesday evening for Silverton, Oregon to make their future homes.

Jeff Yancy contemplates a pleasure and prospecting trip to California and other western points soon. It's dollars to doughnuts he will not find a place that suits him better than old Barton.

Toot Dodge, city, W. M. Zimmer Kinsley and W. H. Thompson of route one, Olmitz, have remembered the DEMOCRAT with a renewal. Mr. Thompson says everything is looking well in Albion township.

J. A. Hass of Albert was in town Tuesday. He has just finished closing up a deal whereby he disposed of a section of land near Rozel at a good advance over the price for which he bought it only a short time ago.

John Berscheidt and wife of east Lakin township are in the city today. Mr. Berscheidt has filed a petition with the county clerk asking for the county jointly with Rice county to build a bridge over the river on the east county line.

J. J. Nelson and wife left this week for Burrton, where they will remain during the summer, and possibly longer. Mr. Nelson owns a farm close to the city. He will keep track of Great Bend by reading the DEMOCRAT every week.

John Dannebohm and wife, Mrs. Henry Fisher and daughter, and Mrs. Fisher of Comanche township, Gus Koch and wife of Ellinwood and Miss Martha Dannebohm of Lindsborg, all came up Tuesday for a visit with Chris Wagner and wife.

A little girl was heard talking to her rabbits as follows: "Five times five, six times six, seven times seven." Between times she shook the rabbit violently. "Dorothy," said her mother, "what are you doing to your rabbit?" "Well," replied the child, "papa says that rabbits multiply rapidly, and Bunny won't do it."

He told his son to milk the cows, feed the horses, slop the pigs, hunt the eggs, catch the colt, and put him in the stable, split some kindling, get in the wood, stir the cream, put some fresh water in the creamery after supper, and be sure and study his lesson before he went to bed; then he went to the Farmers' Club to discuss the question; "How to keep the Boys on the Farm?"

Members of Subordinate and Rebekah Lodges of the I. O. O. F. are requested to meet at their hall Sunday April 23rd, at 10 o'clock a. m. to attend service at the M. E. church. Brother F. M. McHale will deliver a sermon on Odd Fellowship. The public are cordially invited to attend. EDWIN TYLER, Secty.

W. G. Merritt was in Newton Monday and Tuesday.

G. E. Purkis was down from the north side Tuesday.

W. E. Durand was over from Hoisington Tuesday.

Frank Omer has accepted a position with W. F. Honnen.

C. R. Aldrich and Porter Young went west Tuesday evening.

Rev. L. C. Schnacke came in from McPherson Tuesday evening.

F. P. Roehr was in Reno county the first of the week on business.

W. F. Hoanen has changed things end for end so to speak, in his establishment.

Don Jordan has resigned his place with Honnen and is now a gentleman of leisure.

J. S. Schmalian called Wednesday to order the weekly sent to Mrs. C. W. Bish, at Leon, Kansas.

M. R. Alexander is back at Ellinwood again. He was calling on Great Bend friends Tuesday.

Miss Lizzie Komarek, of the Lundblade & Bolinger store, is taking a few days vacation and is down home.

Mrs. Susie Williams, who has been visiting the family of Thos. Leek for some time, has returned to her home in Illinois.

About seven thousand landseekers, more or less, each with a big bunch of credentials, came in on No. 5 Tuesday evening.

Jake Koelsch, accompanied by his father and brother, were in town Tuesday evening attending the Commandery meeting.

Mrs. Blanche Parker, accompanied by Will Martin's children, arrived Wednesday from California, and will spend a few months here.

Boyd & Talbot shipped two cars of cattle today. McNowen & Hayes shipped a car of hogs, and C. P. Ayers shipped a car of hogs.

The Knights of Columbus excursion which was to have been run a week ago, will go to Newton on May 7th. Get ready for it.

C. W. Williams of Horton, Grand Lecturer of the Grand Chapter, R. A. M., is in the city and will lecture to Mt. Nebo Chapter during the week.

John Younkin has purchased some lots in College Grove Addition close to where his father lives, and intends to begin the erection of a residence at once.

Mrs. Dorothy Wagner, mother of Chris Wagner, and Miss Brewer of Ellinwood left Wednesday evening after a pleasant visit with Chris and family.

There will be an entertainment given by the Dundee school, a Dundee, on Tuesday evening, April 25, beginning at 8 o'clock. A good program has been prepared.

For fine stationery of every description call on us. We have some excellent samples to select from, and can fill your order for anything in the way of stationery, fancy or otherwise.

The transcendent lightning rod fakir is in this county. He makes the farmer believe the rodding will only cost about \$3.00, and gets his contract for the work. The house or barn is rodded, then the bill is figured up, as per contract, and while the charge is for only, say five feet of rod, the braces, points etc. are figured in as so many feet, and the bill is up to the hundred dollars or so. Then the farmer is asked to sign a note for the same. If he does, he is stuck. MORAL—Sign no notes. CAUTION—Sign no contracts. ADVICE—Buy your lightning rods from home people where you know you will get a square deal.

Tom Ullery phones in that the social and box supper, at district 28 Wednesday night, was well attended and a financial success. \$65 were raised by the sale of boxes, for the church benefit.

Joe Hitschman was down from near Odin today.

W. B. Cornell came in from the west today.

R. B. Warren was in town this morning.

Frank Krestin was down from Grant township today.

J. H. Lynn and son are up in Ness City on a visit with relatives.

The teacher's examination will be held in the court house, Friday and Saturday.

John Heuseisen, of the west side, was a Thursday visitor to Great Bend.

Henry Remmert and H. F. Panning are Lakin township people in the city on business.

Dr. Morrison has been called to Shields in consultation with other physicians concerning the condition of John Bitner.

Don't forget the gun club tournament next Monday and Tuesday. It will take place on the grounds just across the river.

J. J. Klein is out from Chicago looking after his property interests in the east end. He called here today and renewed on the DEMOCRAT.

We have been informed that Miss Nettie Jones and Joe Coxedge, both of Hoisington, were married Wednesday evening, but have not been able to verify the news.

At eight o'clock Wednesday night Charlie C. Matix and Hattie S. White were married by the Rev. John Melmaker. A very pleasant evening was spent at the home of the bride.

The school board is having all the old mulberry trees taken out of the central grounds, and mapels and elms set out instead. This would indicate that the present board has no present intentions of selling these grounds.

Mrs. Holloway has moved from the fourth ward to the house next south of the west school building. Fred Hainline and family are occupying the fourth ward property vacated by Mrs. Holloway.

I. N. Wilhide and a crew of men are over at Jack Johnson's putting up one of the largest houses in the county. It is to be 32 x 32, two story, with a 16 x 22 addition, and porches on three sides.

A test is now being made with a motor car by the Santa Fe officials on this division, and if it proves satisfactory it is likely that the contemplated installation of one on the Ness City branch will be carried out.

The Easter bazaar of the Presbyterian ladies is in full blast. They have on hand an elegant display of articles, especially paintings. In the latter they have some very beautiful specimens, and it will pay you to visit them.

Two new suits have been filed in the district court. One the 1st. by National bank against, I. T. and N. L. Gooley, being a foreclosure and the other one being a suit to quiet title brought by E. O. Rowlett against J. M. Anderson.

Judge Torrey's room has been completed and he has moved in. It is a mighty nice one in which to get married, and we presume now that Lent is about over, he will have a heavy demand for authority to trot in double harness.

Governor Hoch has named Hon. Ansel R. Clark, of Rice county, as a member of an Advisory Board, to assist in an investigation of the state offices. The legislature put \$15,000 in the governor's hands to be used in making investigations.

Those who subscribed to the new M. E. church on Route 4 will please pay same to Rev. Huddleston or James Ewing, as we desire to pay all accounts as soon as possible. The dedication will take place May 14, 1905. There will be all day services with basket dinner.

O. HUDDLESTON.

WHEAT TAKES ANOTHER DROP.

Both Kansas City and Chicago Markets Show a Sharp Decline.

Grain and Stock Markets furnished daily by special wire to the A. M. McDermott Commission Co.—Office over Crescent Grocery.

Table with columns: CHICAGO WHEAT, May, July, Sept. Rows: Opening, High, Low, Close, Close yesterday.

Table with columns: CHICAGO CORN, May, July, Sept. Rows: Opening, High, Low, Close, Close yesterday.

Table with columns: CHICAGO CASH WHEAT, No. 2 Soft, No. 2 Hard. Rows: 113-114, 111-113.

Table with columns: KANSAS CITY WHEAT, May, July, Sept. Rows: Opening, High, Low, Close, Close yesterday.

Table with columns: KANSAS CITY CORN, May, July, Sept. Rows: Opening, High, Low, Close, Close yesterday.

Table with columns: KANSAS CITY CASH MARKET, No. 2 Soft, No. 2 Hard, Mixed Oats. Rows: 91-108, 99-108, 31-32.

Table with columns: LIVERPOOL CABLES, WHEAT, Closing. Rows: K lower.

Table with columns: NORTHWEST WHEAT RECEIPTS, Today, Last year. Rows: Minneapolis, Duluth.

Table with columns: CAR LOTS, Chicago, Kansas City. Rows: Wheat, Corn, Oats.

Table with columns: HOGS AND CATTLE, Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha, St. Joe. Rows: Hogs, Cattle.

Table with columns: VISIBLE SUPPLY, Total, Decrease, Increase. Rows: Wheat, Corn, Oats.

Great Bend Market.

GRAIN AND FEED. Great Bend grain buyers are offering the following today: Wheat, No. 2, 32c over test; Corn, 30c.

SELLING TODAY. Bran, 90c per 100; Shorts, \$1.00 per 100; Chop, \$1.00 per 100.

POULTRY AND PRODUCE. Butter, country, 17c per lb.; Butter, creamery, 30c per lb.; Eggs, 14c per doz.; Lard, country, 9c per lb.; Potatoes, 50c per bu.; Hens, 9c per lb.; Young Roosters, 6c per lb.; Broilers, 10c a lb.; Turkeys, 8c per lb.; Ducks, 7c per lb.; Geese, 8c lb; Old Roosters, each, 15c.

Liberty Township Statistics.

Table with columns: Population, Increase, Value of farms, Acres wheat sown last fall, Wheat on hand March 1st, Butter made by families, Value of poultry and eggs sold, Value of animals sold and slaughtered, No. of horses and mules, No. of cattle, No. of swine, Taxable value of personal property, Decrease over last year.

Holy Week Services In Catholic Church.

HOLY SATURDAY—9:30 a. m. Blessing of the new fire, of the Paschal Candle, Easter and Baptismal water, High Mass. At the "Gloria" ringing of the bells and organ. After Epistle singing of the "Alleluja." High Mass ends with the Easter Vespers and Benediction.

EASTER SUNDAY—High Mass 10 o'clock. The church will be closed at 6 o'clock every evening.

For Sale.

160 acres of land three miles north west of Jetmore, 150 acres of wheat, all goes; 50 acres fenced with wire and stone posts, stone two story house 18 x 36, good cave, chicken house, granary, well and windmill, plenty of good water, peach orchard, this is fine level wheat land, every foot tillable. A bargain if sold soon can be bought for \$2500.

Also 320 acres of raw land, three and a half miles from Jetmore, fine rolling wheat land, 200 acres of which is amply smooth enough for cultivation, balance fine pasture land. Price \$1700.00.

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