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Excellent Prospects in the Bargain Line Will Be Found In Our Advertisements In This Issue.

THE BASE BALL FANS.

Those Interested in the National Game Are Getting Enthused.

With the approach of warm weather and the opening of the base ball season with the big leagues, the boys about town who are fans are getting a little nervous and are biting the bit a little bit, anxious to organize a ball team and get to doing business again. The latest proposition that has been suggested is that a league be organized taking in McPherson, Lindsborg, Junction City, Salina, Abilene and Great Bend. This would be a nice bunch of towns to play, all of them could be reached any time by leaving here in the morning for an afternoon game, and all are sufficiently large and far enough apart to add considerable zest to the games. McPherson and some of the towns have raised a good sum of money for the teams, and we believe the same thing can be done here. With a long summer and a prosperous season ahead, Great Bend certainly should be in the running with a ball team. Let's get busy, and do business.

Ellinwood Corn Contestants.

As the party appointed to be at Ellinwood to distribute the seed corn to the boys, last Saturday, was unexpectedly detained, the boys are asked to call again at the Mangeldorf's Grocery Store on Saturday, April 25th. A Farmer's Institute man will be there with the corn. Farmer's Institute.

Mrs. Downey of near Seward visited with Mrs. H. King Sunday.

Dr. M. L. Daniels of Pawnee Rock who has been at the St. Rose hospital for several weeks went home Saturday evening very much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Morrison and family were up from Ellinwood Sunday and visited Mrs. Morrison's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Ewalt and family.

The South Liberty Base Ball team played the first game with Seward on the Seward diamond Saturday afternoon. South Liberty won. Score 5 to 4. Batteries Seward—Pelger and Reigel; Liberty, Williamson and Rohe.

Mel Zimmer, living up in Gray county, is having his run of hard luck. The fine rain we had the other day did not reach him, but an electric storm did and killed three horses for him. This makes six horses he has lost by being struck by lightning.

John P. Moran formerly clerk at the Briggs hotel was here Saturday evening. Mr. Moran is now clerk at the leading hotel in Garden City and is doing well. John has a host of friends in this city and there is no doubt that he will become popular in his new location.

School in the T. O. Cole district north east of town closed Monday with the usual basket dinner and hilarity, which was very much enjoyed by all, both pupils, as well as patrons. Mrs. J. H. Neeland has been teaching the past winter in this district and has had a successful term.

Miss Myrtle Ashpole has resigned her position as stenographer with E. R. Moses Mercantile Company. Miss Ella Smith of the first ward has succeeded her in the situation. Miss Ashpole, Misses Winifred and Ethel Kerr and Grace Kelly will leave Saturday for California on a two months vacation. They will visit Prof. and Mrs. Leseman and family at San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Doc Morgan of Horton are visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Cheney of south Homestead.

Industrial Trusts and the Commission.

President Seth Low of the National Civic Federation has asked the House judiciary subcommittee in charge of the Hepburn bill amending the Sherman anti trust law to allow the champions of the measure to make certain changes in it. The changes are of decided importance, though they affect the machinery provided rather than the principles of the bill.

Instead of placing industrial and commercial combinations under the bureau of corporations—that is, instead of providing that "industrial" agreements and arrangements in restraint of competition, actual or potential, shall be submitted to that agency, which is part of the Department of Commerce and Labor—it is proposed that such matters shall be submitted for examination and approval to the interstate commerce commission. The argument in favor of this change, concurred in by Mr. Low and his associates, was first made by Mr. Carnegie, and it is this, in brief, that to set up two investigating and quasi-judicial agencies for the purpose of controlling combinations would be to invite invidious comparisons and vexed controversies as to which was more competent or more liberal and progressive. "Imagine two Supreme Courts," exclaims Mr. Carnegie by way of illustration, and concludes that "there is no reason why the commerce commission should not deal with the whole subject." At present it is limited to questions affecting the instrumentalities of interstate commerce. The proposed amendment would make it the judge of the fairness and reasonableness of agreements and combinations as well.

The suggestion will in its turn raise some interesting and serious questions. One of them is as to the future size and organization of the commission. Some months ago it may be remembered, Commissioner Prouty ably contended that the functions of the commission had become too numerous and multifarious, and that the administrative one would soon need to be separated from the quasi-judicial ones and also from the inquisitorial duties constantly imposed by Congress.

The case for division and reconstruction of the commission, for an enlarged membership and new guiding rules, would obviously be even stronger if the commission should be empowered to deal with the "whole subject" of combinations in alleged restraint of interstate trade and commerce. It will be necessary to consider the proposal in question in every one of its aspects, and, above all, from the standpoint of efficiency and skill on the part of the agency entrusted with so many intricate and delicate problems falling into several distinct categories.—Record Herald.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to extend our thanks to the many friends for their acts of kindness and words of sympathy in our recent bereavement. Will Pfeister and family.

C. H. Mayer, formerly of Olmitz but for the past year or so at Rozel, has disposed of his interests in that locality and taken up his residence in Denver. He wishes to be remembered to his old friends, and wants to be looked up when they come to Denver.

F. H. Schrepel, the well known horse man of Ellinwood, has just added to his bunch of horses a fine three year old Percheron, imported, which he purchased from Watson, Wood & Kelly of Lincoln, Neb. The animal is a half brother of Casino, the stallion which took the first prize at the St. Louis World's fair.

FOR A SEWER.

Agitation is on to Vote Bonds For the Construction.

The continued wet weather and the approach of warm weather, has revived the agitation for a special election to vote bonds for a sewer system. Dr. Briggs and several others have been talking the matter over, and a petition is being circulated asking the council to call a special election for that purpose. There is no denying the fact that a city as large as Great Bend should have a sewer system. In the opinion of the medical fraternity it is essential to health, and for the prevention of fevers at least. Just what it would cost to construct a sewer system no one is in a position to say, but as to the benefits derived, we are all about of an opinion.

There certainly could not be a better time, all things considered, to make a move of this kind, than there is right now, so let us get busy, and have a meeting with the council and see what can be done.

Initiated.

The elegant new home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Zutavern on Forest Avenue, into which they moved a few days ago, was duly initiated by them Sunday when they served a family dinner to all their relatives. This of course meant a very large party. An excellent dinner was served and a delightful afternoon indulged in by the guests.

John Hester and daughter of Fairview returned Tuesday evening from Sedgewick after several days visit with L. W. Brunson and family.

The Rebekah lodge had a very pleasant session Tuesday evening, several candidates were initiated and after the regular work an elegant banquet was served. This order is making a steady growth in membership.

At the M. E. Sunday School yesterday collection for missionary purposes was taken from classes. There was an attendance of 825 scholars and the collection amounted to \$113.60. We understand that 40 per cent of this is for Foreign Missionary and the remainder for home Missionary work.

Edward Pool, of Seward township, was a Tuesday visitor in St. John. While in the city Mr. Pool made a business call at this office. He is one of Stafford county's wealthiest colored men. Mr. Pool owns several hundred acres of well improved land in his township.—St. John News.

\$1,000 For a Woman.

There may be nothing new under the sun, but "When the Mummy Moves" is certainly an original title for a story. It is, of course, a story of mystery and it is so ingenious and interesting a mystery that The Chicago Record-Herald in which it appears serially, offers a first prize of \$1000 to the woman who makes the best solution, with 115 other cash prizes for women and girls who make the next best solutions. The story begins in The Record-Herald Thursday, April 23, and the conditions of the contest will be found, accompanying each installment in that paper. Those who have been unable to get The Record-Herald containing the early installments by writing to the Prize Mystery Editor, The Record-Herald, Chicago. While the masculine sex is not eligible in this competition it is probable that it will interest the whole family circle and there is no reason why men should not help their wives, daughters or friends to a successful solution.

The Lanham Lectures.

"The World's Battleground," a lecture delivered at the opera house Monday evening, was listened to by an attentive audience, and they were well repaid for their attention. Dr. Lanham handled his subject in the best possible manner, and none who were present could fail to hear him without receiving some benefit and some new ideas. His lecture really deals with the child and what influence should be brought to bear, and action should be taken by the parents during the time that the mind of the child is forming its ideas of surroundings, and how to secure the best results. In his opinion it all depends on finding the point of contact, and then acting accordingly. It is to be regretted that not more fathers and mothers, as well as young men and young ladies could have heard the lecture. It was certainly very fine.

Ask your grocer for "Demce."

Wednesday Writings

L. D. Hyter of Seward was a caller this morning.

John Case came in this morning from Chanute, Topeka and Emporia.

E. L. Patterson has sold his city property and will move out on his farm.

R. B. Carr is now in the employ of the W. J. Sams Monument Co. as a solicitor.

Jacob Rediger returned from a visit with his sons, John and Earle Rediger at Rozel today.

J. W. Slaughter, formerly a resident here, now of Scott county is here visiting friends.

Clark Coss is in from Heizer today and leaves this evening for Kansas City on a business trip.

Miss Florence Zutavern left this morning for Weatherford, Texas for a visit with her brother Chas. Zutavern and family.

Mrs. Nella McNear left for her home in Grand Fork, North Dakota this morning after a visit of several days with Mrs. Emma Kellar of this city.

Miss Lena Krienbring went home to Garfield Tuesday after several days visit with Mr. and Mrs. Max Hirdler and family. Max Hirdler, Jr. went home with Miss Krienbring for a visit with relatives.

A hobo who gives his name as F. McDowell was caught coming out of the Cyclone store at Ellinwood early this morning with two suits, 2 pairs of shoes, 1 shirt and 3 belts. He had broken a window and was caught as he was coming out. J. W. Clarke, county attorney went down to Ellinwood this morning and the preliminary was held before Judge J. C. Meyers and the prisoner is now in jail awaiting trial at the June term.

S. J. Williams and William Warner were visitors this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Wilkinson were over from Hoisington this afternoon.

Mrs. Lena Saer left for her home at Armourdale this morning after a visit here with Mrs. Fred Ludwig and family.

There were ninety pupils who took the common school examination Friday and Saturday. 36 from Great Bend, 17 at Pawnee Rock, 16 at Ellinwood, 15 at Hoisington and 6 at Ellinwood. The names of those who graduated will be published later.

Jacob Beer, a man of about 55 years old died at the St. Rose hospital last night. No one here knows anything about the man except that he came from Hoisington and wandered out to the hospital where he has been taken care of for about a week. He will probably be buried in the potters field.

WHY NOT TO GREAT BEND.

If an Electric Line is Run Great Bend Should be on One End.

We have noticed considerable discussion in the press of the western part of the state for several days concerning an electric line to extend from Canon City to Dodge City, with a branch from Garden City to Scott City. With us the question arises, if a line can be built and successfully operated between Canon and Dodge, why can it not be built and operated on to Great Bend. From Dodge this way the population is larger, and that in itself would be a reason why it should be extended. The question has been considerably discussed, and seems to be taking some form in the west. As we understand it, a meeting of the cities interested will shortly be held, and we would suggest that Kinsley, Larned and Great Bend, all good sized cities that certainly could be hooked onto this line with benefit to the company as well as to themselves, should get into the game and at least investigate the matter. Let the Commercial Club get busy on the deal.

You can't guess what "Demce" is.

Read the ad of the Great Bend Hdwe & Impl't Cos. in this issue.

John L. Beightle, Ralph Chandler and Bennie McMullen went to Hutchinson this morning to attend the state shoot.

Make mopping easy by getting one of the Eagle mop wringer buckets for sale by the Great Bend Hdwe & Impl't Co.

Deputy Sheriff Joe Sprnker brought a negro prisoner from Ellinwood this morning and turned him over to Sheriff Dalziel.

Miss Beulah Bain, who has been at Kansas City learning to be a trained nurse, left there Monday and will be employed as a nurse at one of the large hospitals in New York.

Makes no difference whether you are in the market or not for a cream separator, it will pay you to see the demonstration of the New Iowa cream separator at the Great Bend Hdwe & Impl't Co's. Saturday April 25th.

A Surprise Party

Neva Brown gave a party last Saturday afternoon at her home in the east part of town, in honor of Miss Fern, the twelve year old daughter of Bert Dawson. There were twenty two little people present and a most enjoyable time was had in playing out of door games. The one most enjoyed was a hunt for rabbit eggs and a price was given to Miss Winnie Dawson, she finding the largest number of eggs. Refreshments were served and the children went home declaring that they had had a lovely time, especially Fern who was very much surprised as well as pleased to find a number of nice presents, and to learn that they were for her.

Uncle Tom's Cabin.

The bill boards and fences are all ablaze with paper of many colors announcing the coming of Andrew Downie McBee's big eastern show. Downie's Uncle Tom's Cabin which will give their performance at Willner's opera house April 27th and every little boy and girl is looking forward to this event more than they have looked or longed for a circus and it is safe to say that when the show arrives with its ponies, donkeys, dogs, little carts, cages, floats and bands etc. they will all be there to see it. The company number fifty people white and colored a genuine pack of Siberian bloodhounds and a grand free street parade will be given at noon, watch for it.

First Hing.

The first township nominations filed in the county this year were filed from South Bend Saturday and are the Democratic township ticket for that township. The petition nominates the following candidates. Trustee, Wm. Rogers; clerk, Geo. Tucker; treasurer, Louis Asher; justices, Justus Sandrock, Grover, Wright; constables, Dennis Weathers, John Cook, committeeman, Fred Witte.

Open S. of V. Meeting.

The officers of Fort Zarah camp Sons of Veterans have been notified that W. J. Patton, former chaplain in chief of the order, and at present President of the S. V. Memorial University at Des Moines, would be in the city to visit the local camp on the evening of May 4th. All members of the order should bear this in mind, and get ready to make this a big meeting and help to boom the work along.

"Demce" is sold by most grocers.

You will find Deming spray pumps for sale at The Great Bend Hdwe & Impl't Co.

The kind of gasoline stove to buy, is the Reliable, which you will find for sale at the Great Bend Hdwe & Impl't Cos.

Chas. Cummins left for his home in Portland, Oregon Tuesday evening after a visit here with his aunt, Mrs. A. D. Buckland and family.

Mrs. D. A. Banta came home from Des Moines, Iowa Tuesday evening after several days visit with her son Dan Banta, Jr. Dan is attending Drake University at Des Moines.

Mrs. O. J. Brown left for her home in Garden City Tuesday after a visit here with J. Wesley Brown and family. Mrs. J. D. Brown accompanied her home for several weeks visit.

Chas. Seivert, Frank Roesler, Jr., Ed Childs, Mr. Scott and Mr. Wagner of Hoisington came up from Cedar Point on their way home Tuesday evening. The boys had a nice lot of fish. In fact they know how to fish.

The Firemen's ball Tuesday evening was well attended and a very pleasant affair. Quite a number of people attended from Hoisington and Ellinwood. All who attended are highly pleased with the management and are loud in their praise of the music furnished by the LeValley orchestra of Hutchinson.

The New Iowa cream separator is the easiest machine in the world to keep clean and sanitary. Can be washed in three to five minutes time for there is just four parts and the bowl cylinder. Call and see the demonstration of this cream separator at the Great Bend Hdwe & Impl't Co's. next Saturday.

The Bible Study Club of the Epworth League of the M. E. Church met with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Milligan Tuesday. Ice cream and cake were served during the evening.

Notice.

To my old friends and to the public in general. I am now with the E. R. Moses Mercantile Co., at the head of their Musical department. I am still selling the old Reliable, Ivers & Pond, the Fischer, Farrand and Straube pianos and the Farrand organs; and all kinds of small musical instruments; will be pleased to have you call on me at any time and will be pleased to call on you at any time. Word left at the E. R. Moses Merc. Co., will reach me at any time.

I am very truly yours,
A. B. Riddle.

Mrs. J. V. Brinkman, who suffered a stroke of paralysis Sunday evening, passed away Thursday morning.