

Plan To Attend The Big Picnic May 27th--The Business Men Will Entertain You Right.

District Court Docket, June Term.
State vs. Frank Porter.
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State vs. Albert Weigel.
State vs. Oscar Gallimore and Art Dick.
State vs. Peter Krause.
State vs. S. F. Blanchard.
State vs. Frank McDowell.
State vs. Robert Smith.
State vs. Ed. Beckemohle.
Fred Walker vs. Jos. B. Howard.
Eva Koop vs. William Koop.
The Howard Oil and Grease Co. vs. L. B. Davis.
Virra E. Cutler vs. Katie Morris et al.
Dowlagac Mfg. Co. vs. G. H. Hulme.
New England National Bank vs. J. C. McCracken.
Joseph H. Deal vs. Lena Deal.
Emma J. Swift vs. John Pries et al.
Howard C. Pack vs. John Brack.
Joseph Degen vs. J. B. Prose.
Oscar Straub vs. W. S. Vincent et al.
G. W. Logan vs. B. E. Hughes and Bank of Ellinwood.
W. V. Williams vs. E. R. Moses et al.
The J. V. Brinkman Co. Bank vs. Tilden J. Bemore et al.
James G. Smith vs. Peter Maus et al.
Geo. Bicknell vs. J. E. Altman et al.
The J. V. Brinkman Co. Bank vs. Peter J. Schmidt et al.
The State of Kansas on relation of F. S. Jackson, Atty. General vs. Bank of Ellinwood.
Bradley Alderson vs. J. G. Schreiber et al.
H. J. Webber vs. M. A. Gustin.
New England National Bank vs. Mat Dick et al.
Florence M. Norris vs. John E. Norris.
C. L. Moses and E. W. Moses vs. Caroline E. Buckland.
Etta Frederick vs. Andrew Frederick.
J. Geo. Brinkman vs. The Vermont Marble Co.

The Quick-an-Ezy washer by agitating the hot suds and driving them through the clothes instead of using friction on the clothes to wash them. Have one sent down and try it. Great Bend Hdwe & Impl't Co.

Michael Marx of New York is visiting Ed S. Marx of this city.

J. H. Flick and son, Jesse were here from Pawnee Rock this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Killion went home to Ellsworth this morning after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. R. Vancii.

Marriage License issued May 19. Joseph J. Suchy, Otis age 21. Josefa Hampel, Olmitz, age 23.

Capt G. F. Herman was here today from Ness county on his way to Ossawatimie with an insane woman.

Mrs. F. F. Davis of Emporia has been visiting her brother, Harold Sanderson, and family for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schneider, Louis Schneider, Carl Schneider jr., Fred and Miss Louise Schneider attended the picnic at Ellinwood today.

Charles Roxell is here from Hutchinson today visiting old friends and selling some harness. Charley was a member of Great Bend's first ball club and brass band.

Miss Maude Rader of Boise City Idaho, is visiting Mrs. T. P. Fair. Miss Rader formerly lived at Ellinwood and will make an extended visit with relatives and friends.

The south side of the park does look rough and more uneven than it did before it was plowed, but we are informed that this will all be leveled up, smoothed over and sown in grass about September.

Peter Brack is down from Olmitz today. This is Mr. Brack's first visit since his return from Germany and Russia and he is mighty well satisfied to get home again. Mrs. Brack was sick nearly all the time they were away but is improving since her return home.

Buy a Majestic range before harvest and make your cooking easier. Let us show you the Great Majestic, the range that leads them all. Great Bend Hdwe & Impl't Co.

A FARMER'S VIEW. Why the Mail Order Houses Gain Their Greatest Advantage.

The following is a letter which was written by a farmer to the Englewood Tribune last week. It gives a farmer's idea and also agrees with the method that many Garden City merchants have taken for competing with mail order houses. "Almost every farmer will trade at home, but you have to let him know what you have and the price and invite him to come and see you. That is the way to effectively fight the mail order business.

"If the mail order houses get \$2000 out of the county each month that belongs to the home merchant, as you say they do, the fault is with the merchants themselves. The big Chicago houses give us prices on everything they offer for sale. They tell us what they have and what they want for it. Of course we get soaked once in a while, and if we do we try some other house. Most of the home merchants who advertise at all don't quote prices. They neglect to tell us what we want to know, the prices and the goods they have. Of course, we can go to the store and ask the price of this and that article but you don't know how it is, one does not know what he wants to buy exactly when he gets in a store, and here is where mail order houses make the hit. They send us their advertising matter in our home, and we read it when we have't anything else to do and every member of the family who reads this stuff usually finds something he or some other member of the family wants, and many orders are made up and sent in at just such times.

"Right here is where the home merchant falls down. If he talked up his business to us in our homes the same as our mail order houses do the people would be in to see him the next time they come to town, and in many cases extra trips would be made to get the things at once we didn't know we wanted until they were brought to our attention."

"The home merchant can save the expense of getting out a catalogue. We people read the home papers more carefully than we do the catalogue, and read them every week, and if the merchants want to talk in the papers they must put their ads in so we can know that he sells times of ten sells his goods as cheap as the mail house, and on many things he is much cheaper, but how are we to know if he does not tell us about it. A merchant must not think that even his best customers know his goods so well that they can tell what he has without being told.

"It is none of my business how the home merchant runs his business, but I don't like to see those roasts in the paper about us who have a little stuff shipped in once in a while and never anything said on the other side.

"There are always two sides to a question, and I have given you mine, if it is worth anything you can tell it"--In Garden City Telegram.

The "Wonder" will freeze the finest quality of cream in five minutes. Why buy an old style out of date freezer that takes fourteen times as long? Get the "Wonder" Great Bend Hdwe & Impl't Co.

Mr. R. W. Emmerson returned today from an extended visit about Lawton and other towns in southern Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wharton of Ottawa are visiting with her sons, Claude and Ralph Wharton of the C. Samuels Store.

The children cry for it and the older folks like it just as well so you might as well buy the Snow steel lawn swing which the Great Bend Hdwe & Impl't Co sell.

Mrs. A. Nicolet and sons Fred and Eddie Nicolet are home from a visit with Fred Nicolet and family of Cimarron. The country is very dry out there and they must have rain very soon in order to have any wheat crop.

Whew! Isn't it hot! We won't dispute you because you are telling a summer truth. Would'nt it be a wise idea while it is hot to buy a Reliable gasoline stove and a Stone White Mountain refrigerator. The Great Bend Hdwe & Impl't Co.

Arrangements For Decoration Day. Headquarters Pap Thomas, Post No. 52, Department of Kansas G. A. R. General Order No. 1

Comrades--The day is near at hand when all over this Republic of ours, and even in foreign lands veterans of the civil war, with their friends, and with solemn ceremonies scatter beautiful flowers on the last resting place of each of our fallen comrades.

Therefore, in obedience to orders received from national and department headquarters, you will on the morning of Saturday, the 30th day of May, at 9:30 o'clock, assemble at these Headquarters, and under the direction of the Officer of the Day, proceed to our cemeteries, there to place upon the graves of our departed comrades, the beautiful tribute of love and remembrance and perform the ceremonies established by our Order for this occasion.

All of the Republic, Sons of Veteran and all patriotic citizens, especially the pupils of the public schools, are earnestly invited to join us and take part in these exercises.

The details and formations will be under the direction and under the supervision of the Officer of the Day and he will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

You are urged to assist in procuring and arranging a bounteous supply of flowers, and see that they are delivered at these Headquarters by 9 o'clock a. m., in order that they may be conveyed to the cemetery under the supervision of the Quartermaster.

At 2:30 P. M. you will reassemble at these headquarters, from which you will be escorted to the place provided for the public exercises by the pupils of the public schools, and urge all patriotic citizens to join with us in this our Memorial Day service. Lay aside your business and also your pleasure and devote an hour or two to this patriotic service. Let us not forget the debt the nation owes to the brave boys who offered their lives if need be that our country might be kept undivided and our flag maintained unsoiled. Let us not forget that four hundred thousand brave and loyal men, our countrymen, laid down their lives that we might enjoy liberty, equal rights and national unity.

You are earnestly requested to assemble at these headquarters on Sunday, May 24th, at 1:30 P. M. to take part in Memorial Sunday service at 2:30 at the Methodist church in this city, by Rev. F. F. McGuire, be sure to bring your Memorial badges to each of these patriotic services.

By command of A. G. Thorpe, Post Commander.
Attest--Ira D. Brougher, Adjutant.

PROGRAM
Call to order by Post Commander.
Song, by pupils of Public schools.
Prayer by Rev. H. W. Nicholson.
Song, by children.
Reading, Lincoln's address at Gettysburg by Will Townsley.
Song, by children.
Address, Judge E. C. Cole.
Song, America, Audience.
Benediction.

Walnut Township Ticket.

The nominating petitions for the following candidates on the democratic ticket have been filed with the county clerk:

Trustees, Jos. Schneider, Committeeman, M. B. Hickey; Justices, G. H. Ehlers, R. J. Hlaverty; Constables, C. H. Keller, O. Reed; Treasurer, Jos. Bahr; Clerk, R. E. Mauler.

Stone is a superior retainer of cold. Our provision chambers are of pure white solid stone, mortised joints and air tight. No metal strips giving opportunity for collection of dirt and impurities. Stone is practically indestructible stone is almost ice cold itself, the Stone white gleams and gleams, these are found only in the white White Mountain Refrigerators. The Great Bend Hdwe & Impl't Co.

D. W. Humphrey of Homestead was a visitor this morning.

James W. Clarke returned this morning from Kansas City and Summers Arkansas. Mr. Clarke visited a cousin whom he had not seen for thirty six years. Mr. Clarke says that they have not got their corn planted on account of the wet and it is now too late. The apple crop will not amount to anything but they will have a crop of peaches.

Common School Graduates.

Of the 124 applicants for common school diplomas, 51 were successful. The highest average was made by Lester Walker, of Hoisington. Following are the names of those who receive diplomas:

Ethel Connor, Ira Prindle, Anna Poor, Nannie Boxwell, Freda Krenagal, Emma Kregar, Beula M. Butler, Ralph Campbell, Irma Robinson, Helen K. Holmes, Pearl Semans, Leo J. Unruh, George L. Hagen, Rollie Tindall, Nada Clark, Walter Logan, Edna Ladenberger, Otto Paustian, Ella Paustian, Emma Koochel, Willie H. Meyer, Anna C. Teten, Gail Smith, Max Smith, Norman N. Converse, Frieda E. Tieman, W. Russell Young, Roberta Heald, Lester Walker, Maurine Vincent, Willie Ernesting, Della Reynolds, Mollie W. Mecklen, Katherine M. Spaniol, Louis Howard, Clara Bicknell, Samuel Dirks, Ralph Archer, Harry Unruh, Hazen Coy, Clara Heald, Mary Fitts, Louis Ernesting, Otto Janzen, Charlie Herold, Lena Barnes, Frank M. Leighty, Augusta M. Rodenberg, Katherine M. Moos, Elmer Jantz Fred Archer.

Notice.

All persons having lots in the Woodlawn Cemetery will please set Mr. Younklin or leave word at the Great Bend Furniture Co., if they wish their lots in the Woodlawn Cemetery cared for before Decoration Day.

By order of Board of Directors
Lester Cox, Sec'y.

Board for Normal Students can be had at the residence of Mrs. G. L. Bryant, 919 O'Dell street.

The "Wonder" is the new up to date freezer, strictly first class in every respect. It is a double motion freezer with the addition of a double scraper, which hastens the process of freezing. Great Bend Hdwe & Impl't Co.

Conrad Tammen of near Albert, was a caller today.

Misses Dorris and Viola Stephan of Ellinwood are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Steuri and family this week.

Mrs. Vandiman returned to Hoisington Wednesday evening after a visit here with her parents, D. M. Woodburn and family.

G. L. Sterling, wife and daughter returned to Pittsburgh today after a brief visit here with Geo. Boshel and family and J. J. Hiss and family.

R. B. Gardner in addition to cutting all the weeds down around half of his block, also cut the weeds on the vacant lots north of him and across the street. Nothing like being industrious--

The rain of last night extended north to and including Eureka town ship, Buffalo, Pawnee Rock, Liberty, South Bend, Seward, Lincoln, Lakin and Comanche townships. It rained up the river as far as Kinsley and south fifteen miles, but not far north, west or east. Out about Henry Schwier's in Buffalo there was a heavy rain, some hail in the south but did no damage.

We were informed this morning that J. W. Soderstrom had sold out his real estate and insurance business to William Ferger. Mr. Soderstrom will probably go to Nevada to look after the buildings to be erected in connection with the putting in of the machinery, crusher, separator and everything needed on the Harris Mining & Milling property at Washoe, Nevada. Mr. Ferger who succeeds Mr. Soderstrom in the real estate business needs no introduction, he has been here almost long enough to be called an old settler and will make a success in the business.

There are several reasons why you should buy the great majestic malleable and charcoal iron range, for it lasts longer, heats more water and heats it quicker, uses less fuel, bakes better, and gives better general satisfaction than any other range on the market. Great Bend Hdwe & Impl't Co.

Watterson on Bryan.

In an editorial printed in the Louisville Courier-Journal and entitled "The Political Outlook," Henry Watterson says: "The time has passed for 'some one else,' Mr. Bryan retaining the field; it is too late for 'some one else,' the conditions what they are and I confess that I am in sympathy with Mr. Bryan in refusing to be ruled off the track by a group of New York politicians, whose motives are, to say the least of them, suspicious, which will support no ticket except one framed by themselves and which do not agree with one another touching the ticket to be named. Whatever his claims may be, or may not be, Mr. Bryan has his rights, and no thoughtful man can, or will say, that he can not be elected, the issue is equally of the unthinking, the interested and the prejudiced to the contrary being of no weight whatever. But among democrats who know why they are democrats, there ought to be other and higher considerations; some arrest of the break neck speed on the highway toward the centralization of power some real and not spurious purpose toward tariff reform; some sure separation of the politics of the country from its high financiers; some breaking up of groups and rings, of wheels inside wheels, always involved by a change of parties, even when made only for the sake of a change. The Courier-Journal is a democrat, not a republican, and standing by the sincerity of its record, it will support the ticket to be headed by Mr. Bryan, as actively and as earnestly as if it and opinion."

Secretary Taft on Trusts.

Secretary Taft is rapidly disclosing his ignorance on the trust question, for to believe him ignorant is more charitable than to believe that he does not intend to interfere with the trusts, although his language would justify even this belief. He takes Mr. Bryan to task for favoring the extermination of trusts and says that to exterminate trusts would be to exterminate industry. The Secretary desires to regulate and control the trusts. But has his party not been "regulating" and "controlling" for some eleven years now? And have we not more trusts now than we had when the regulating and controlling began? The trust family is a family big enough to satisfy the president's ideas of the size of a family, and the birth rate is greater than the death rate. The administration has commenced suit against a few trusts, but not against many, and the trusts are still gentle enough to come up and eat out of the hand of the administration. What has been done in regard to the steel trust? Did it not swallow up the Tennessee Coal & Iron company? And was it not given out that the swallowing was done after the administration had been consulted? Is the steel trust fighting Secretary Taft? And what about the International Harvester company? Have the farmers secured any relief yet? And what about the paper trust? The steel trust has something like a billion dollars of water in its stock; it can afford to contribute ten millions to the republican campaign fund, because it can get back many times that out of a republican victory, and this is only one trust out of the many. How can the people hope to regulate or control trusts when the trusts by the election of their favorite to office, are able to control the government?

The extermination of trusts is not the extermination of business. If, for instance, a single corporation has a monopoly of the production of a necessary of life, and has ten factories in different states for the production of this particular article, the extermination of this trust would mean the selling off of enough factories to reduce the production of this one corporation to a point where it would no longer have a monopoly. But this would not mean the closing up of the factories. The people would still need the article and the article would still have to be produced. But the independent factories are coming into competition with the original corporation--now no longer a monopoly-- would reduce the price of the article, and the people at large would get the benefit of the reduction. With a reduction in price, the people could buy more of the article produced, and this would increase the demand for labor, and new factories would spring up or existing factories would be enlarged. With a number of factories competing for laborers, the laborers

chance of employment would be better, and his wages would be higher. Then, too, with a number of factories competing for raw material, the price of raw material would increase. In other words, the extermination of the trust, instead of destroying business would restore business to a healthy condition, while it reduced the price of the product, increased the price of raw material, and improved the condition of the laboring man. Competition is the natural condition, and the extermination of the trust would restore competition. Monopoly is an unnatural condition, and the republican party has fostered monopoly and thus built industry upon a false basis to the detriment of all the parties concerned except the monopolist, and he has been demoralized by his unearned wealth while the rest of the people have been victimized by the practice of monopoly.

Secretary Taft ought to study the trust question a little more, or discuss it less, for each speech reveals his lack of sympathy with the people at large.--Commoner.

Sons of Veterans Elect.

Kansas City, Kas., May 21.--The election of officers was held in the encampment of the Sons of Veterans of the Kansas division this morning. C. B. Martin of Parsons was re-elected division commander, and C. H. M. Vancii, of Great Bend, was elected senior vice division commander.

Eikleberry-Dirks.

Married:--At the Methodist Episcopal parsonage at Seward, Kansas, on Monday, May 18th, at noon, Mr. H. M. Eikleberry, of Great Bend, Kansas and Miss Anna M. Dirks, of Pawnee Rock.

Rev. L. W. Kamp pronounced the magic words that made these two splendid young people one. They then took a trip to Hutchinson and Arlington, where they will visit the groom's parents. They will live in Great Bend. Their many friends join in wishing them a long and prosperous journey through life.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION, Clerk-Carrier.

An examination for clerk and carrier will be held at the school house in this city on June 18, 1908.

Age limits, 18 to 45 years on the date of the examination.

A. J. Hickman and wife are here with Mr. and Mrs. Newkirk, of South Liberty.

Mrs. C. W. Munger, of Larned, was here this morning, and went to Dighton to attend a district meeting of the Christian church.

Married women will not be admitted to the examination. Unmarried will be admitted to the examination, but are eligible for appointment only as clerk.

Applicants must be physically sound and male applicants must not be less than 5 feet 4 inches in height, without boots or shoes, and weigh not less than 125 pounds without overcoat or hat.

For application blanks and for full information relative to the examination, qualifications, duties, salaries, vacations, promotions, etc., address immediately

Ernest E. Eppstein, Secretary, Board of Civil Service Examiners, Post-office, Great Bend, Kansas.

Frank McGinty and Frank Downey, of Seward, were callers this afternoon.

S. J. Williams went home to Pawnee Rock Tuesday evening. The commissioners have adjourned for the term.

Mrs. Grace Graham left for her home at Lawiston, Montana, Wednesday evening, after several weeks visit here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Woodburn and family, and friends.

The Sunflower Oil Co. is unloading a tank car of oil and also one of gasoline. This is the first shipment here in car tanks. The company now has storage tanks and warehouses near the Missouri Pacific depot.

The two year old child of Mr. and Mrs. Needles, of Otis, was brought here Wednesday and taken to the hospital for treatment. The child had been severely scalded by falling into a wash boiler full of hot water.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling and their daughter, of Pittsburg, are visiting with J. J. Hiss and family. Mr. Sterling is a partner in business with Robert A. Allison, a brother of our C. S. Allison, and formerly a resident here.