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OFFICIAL PAPER OF COUNTY.

SCHOOL ITEMS.

BY W. A. McClure, agent for Jones & Co's publishing house...

The attendance in the high school last week was a fraction over ninety-nine per cent...

On the day the bonds were voted for, in the back part of the school building a loud crash was heard...

THE COUNTY CONVENTION. In spite of the inclemency of the weather, there were seven townships represented...

DR. OTTERBOURG. By reference to our advertising columns it will be seen that Dr. Otterbourg, of the Kansas City Medical Dispensary...

COUNTY NOTES.

FROM REGISTER REPORTERS.

What is Being Done Throughout the County—Events and Gossip of the Week.

LaHarpe Locals.

We had quite a snow storm for the 21st of April. It beat anything we ever saw in Kansas.

Our farmers are almost done planting corn, but judging from the weather they may have the opportunity of re-planting.

Mr. Fox's aunt has gone back to New York and left him all alone to hatch it. If I were you Mr. Fox, I would make an effort to get a housekeeper; that house is too large for you to occupy all alone.

No school at Elm Dale last Monday on account of the inclement weather.

The meeting at Elm Dale last Sunday was well attended, considering the weather. We heard a good sermon, one which was appreciated by all. Mr. Martin left an appointment for a week from next Sunday, at 10 o'clock p. m. All are cordially invited.

The Misses Brown, of Iola, were out to preaching last Sunday.

Our Sunday-school last Sunday was not very large. Three weeks ago we had a re-election of officers which resulted as follows: Mr. F. M. Davis superintendent, Mr. J. Patterson assistant superintendent, Miss Mary Ollif secretary, and Mattie Pressler and Frank Travis librarians. We have a good set of officers and a library consisting of several volumes, which afford an abundance of reading and we would be glad to see our school increase in number. It would be almost miraculous if the old folks would go to Sunday School. They seem to have the impression that S. S. is especially for young people, but they are badly mistaken. Our school is quite interesting if the number is small. If you don't believe it come and see. I feel an abundance of reading and we would be glad to see our school increase in number.

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Mr. Reeler affords a new spring wagon; and his brother sent him a Newfoundland dog from Illinois.

Attra Eco.

Moran Matters.

Well, what next in the way of weather? We are prepared for almost anything. A thirty

hours' snow in Kansas the latter half of April is something unknown in the history of Southern Kansas.

Some of the farmers are uneasy for fear their corn will not come up. I think they are scared before they are hurt.

Mr. G. W. Mathews boarded the train Monday to canvass the southern half of Kansas in the interests of the Friend Tobacco Factory, located in Lynchburg, Virginia. Mr. Eben Daughters, who has been traveling for the same house, is in town for a short stay.

Miss Rhoda Burns, of Iola, is visiting friends in town.

Rees & Osborne have just put in a fine line of clothing.

J. W. McNaught will soon take the road in the interests of the Cook nursery. Jim is the boss tree peddler, and don't you forget it.

The first quarterly meeting of the M. E. church will be held at Montevale May 19th and 20th. The Rev. Sparks, presiding Elder, is expected to preach Saturday and Sunday.

The farmers living on the head of the Osage, 15 to 25 miles north of town, are losing pigs and chickens from the depredations of a wolf. He has been frequently seen by parties living in the neighborhood.

The shoe shop has been moved to the south side of the railroad, in the carpenter shop at Berkeley and Merrill, our Jeweler, has moved into the post-office building, where he can be found at any time.

Our Trustee reports a large increase in the property list of the township.

R. A. O. mean business—One price to all.

The following is the program of the Sabbath School concert: Devotional exercises; Song by school, "Greeting Glee." Introductory, Louy Collett; Address, "Sunday School Work"; D. B. Higgins; Essay, T. F. Baker; Song by the Infant class; Recitation, Chas. Thompson; Class exercises; Select Reading, Mrs. H. Steele; Song by class, "Lead us Shepherd"; Recitation, Eva Armstrong; Address, W. H. Collett; Class exercises; "The Eternal Open Door"; Essay, Mrs. Pearl Steele; Address, Dr. J. E. Jewell; Solo and Chorus, School; "Iniquity," Carrie Strong; Address, Rev. H. B. Butherford.

Our Postmaster reports the office business increasing. The office sent out 366 letters and cards Monday, and 300 Tuesday, many of them being cover weight. Len attributes this to the increased space required to give a description of the snow storm.

Some of our citizens are attending court this week.

Fine line of book stores at Mitchell's.

J. W. Mathews came in Tuesday and said he came after his overcoat.

Go to Rees & Osborne's for your clothing. Miss V. Featheringill returned home for a short vacation.

Best line of pocket knives in town at Mitchell's.

D. Dawson is buying a carload of hogs. I stepped into D. H. Mitchell's store today and he was opening out a large assortment of pocket knives.

Rees & Osborne buy their goods where they can buy the cheapest.

A run on sugar has got the best granulated sugar down to twelve pounds for a dollar.

If you want a good cook stove for a little money, to go to D. H. Mitchell's.

The Jackson Bros., Mont and Joe, caught seven or eight over the last week on the Osage. Mrs. E. A. Johnson is going to take them back with him to the Zoological gardens, in Cincinnati.

Pencil.

Humboldt Happenings.

The families of Mr. Kimball and Mr. Nichols have moved into the old Humboldt House.

The ladies' society of the Presbyterian church gave a social at that place last Thursday evening.

An election of officers for the ensuing year was held which resulted in the election of Mrs. Higginson for president and of Miss Anna Torbert for secretary.

The terrors of the storm kept a great many from coming and took a few of those present home at an early hour.

Those who did remain, however, in order to prevent any waste of the eatables, did double duty to the elegant refreshments, and report a fine time otherwise.

The main part of the Woolen Mill has been re-modelled and enlarged making it just twice as large as before. The company is making its plans to operate very extensively this season.

The S. A. Brown building begins to have a finished appearance now. The inside work, counters, shelves, etc., is about finished, and the painting is done.

The plate glass front will be put in at once, when the work of unpacking will begin. Many of the goods have already been received and are stored in J. B. Young's building.

We are sorry to announce that George Squires an "old timer" and one of the best farmers in Allen county, has sold his farm southeast of town and with his family will in a few days bid adieu to friends and connections here, to try the delights and advantages of California.

Mrs. E. Higginson has been unusually happy for the past few days in the enjoyment of a week's visit from her brother, Mr. John Glover and his bride, of Indianapolis, Indiana.

The little company given by Mrs. Higginson in their honor on Tuesday evening was indeed one of the most delightful occasions of the season.

Some exquisite music was rendered by Mr. and Mrs. Glover, Mrs. Higginson and Mr. Herz.

At the last meeting of the Q. A. M. it was decided that the weather had become so warm as to destroy the pleasure of dancing, so in all probability one more meeting will close for this season the series of delightful entertainments, that all have enjoyed so immensely this winter.

Our ex-postmaster, W. W. Patterson, now of Newton, made us a call last Tuesday. He expressed great pleasure at the many and valuable improvements that have been and are being made in Humboldt.

The late P. O. election held here, resulted in the almost unanimous election of Mrs. E. C. Kimball for post-mistress, the vote being 26 to 1.

We are glad the question is finally settled and have no doubt that Mrs. K., who is thoroughly acquainted by long experience with the business, will make as deserving, efficient and accommodating post-mistress as could be found anywhere.

Harry Gardner, so long the proprietor of the Park and Belmont, has sold out his business to Mr. Alderman and Lem Park. Harry, we understand, expects to make a specialty of the creamery business.

The good people of our place were very much shocked on last Thursday night by the flying report that a brother to Mr. G. Hawkins, who has been a short time, had committed suicide. The rumor was soon proven to be entirely untrue as Mr. R. had hanged himself in an upper room of the house, by means of a silk handkerchief tied over the upper hinge of a door. The cause of the act is attributed to sickness.

On last Thursday evening the wind which blew so furiously carried Mrs. Park from the back store of the Dayton & Boyle building down a distance of fifteen feet, breaking one limb, knocking out some teeth and injuring her badly otherwise. With good care and attention she is improving slowly. "Kexx."

Salem Sentences.

Some quite heavy work was done last Monday, especially when the dust was so thick one could not see more than a rod or two ahead of him.

Mr. Edward Marshall and Miss Clara Moore were married two or three weeks ago. We did not hear of it in time for our last.

Maple Grove school closed the 11th. We are sorry for "Benny Ben" if he really has the "fluenza."

Mr. Rich, from Elm township was taking a cow and calf home last week when the calf got partly untied, it being in the wagon and Mr. Rich got in to tie it, when it gave him a boost and both fell out, the calf on top. This scared the horses and they ran away and were not caught until they reached Mr. Keifer's. The wagon ran over Mr. Rich, but did not injure him much.

Joseph James is quite sick.

Mrs. Blessing is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Douday.

Corn planting will be nearly over this week. Some of the farmers of Salem plant extensive fields of corn.

Mr. David Byrum has 300 acres of corn sown

of which is up, Mr. Diamond the same and Mr. Flynn 125. There are plenty of others that range all the way from 50 to 100 acres.

The Democrats down this way seem to feel quite bad because they could not vote for postmaster. But what right had they? The Republicans elected Mr. Fanson and had he done the usual way he would have recommended some one for that office but instead he decided to let the stipendiaries of Humboldt township vote on the question. The ones that elected him would certainly be the ones to do the voting. The Democrats would be very likely to do the same under the circumstances.

Phil Fabley.

Osgood Notes.

[Received too late for publication last week] Boys, I am at some loss as to what to say first, as there is a terrible sight of racket in the old man's pound to-day, and I am uneasy as to whether it will be worth printing or not.

We heard a splendid funeral sermon yesterday at the Osage Valley Baptist church, delivered by Elder J. W. Sage, of Lacygus, on the death of Miss Lucilla Blunt. The house is a large building, and looking at our country, it is a hardy standing room for the great crowd. We will have to build a larger church soon as there is getting to be too many people in this vicinity for our present church facilities.

I met a Christian minister at the church, he is a brother-in-law of Jordan Dodge. He is visiting his friends and looking at our country. He likes Southern Kansas. Yes, everybody that comes from the East and North likes our country. It is strikingly strange how ignorant some people that live in Illinois, Indiana and Ohio are. Every one that comes to Kansas is surprised and well pleased with our country. They generally say, "Well, you have a splendid country here and certainly, I am glad to see you as to our farming and planting, we are all right. Several are done planting, and nearly every one has planted some corn.

Friday night and Saturday gave us a nice rain which makes grass and oats boom.

We experienced a young cyclone the other evening the wind was the most intolerable but did no material damage.

I was over to Bronson Friday and every farmer along the road was at work with from one to four teams. I don't think I remember the time when everybody was so intently busy at farm work as they are at the present time; and the land is working up so nice and mellow all kinds of crop produce are going into the ground in good shape. And one very grand feature is so much mixed farming. Just think a few minutes. Oats, potatoes, flax, castor beans, broom corn, corn, sorghum, wheat, millet, and tame grasses. Wheat and rye are looking fine, and our timely rain makes it boom, you bet.

The widow that I am stopping with at present is moving along with her work. She sent me to Bronson with a box of eggs to get some back with. The eggs did not hold out according to the widow's count. She thought she counted right, I thought may be some of them got broke. There was a deficiency of twenty-five cents any way, and I found that some one had stuck a long, black bottle of sea foam into my overcoat pocket and I guess they must have taken out that missing twenty-five cents. I didn't bring any bottle home with me, but that night she said she thought she smelled something like beer about me. I told her there was a lot of barrels standing on the side walk and may be I had rubbed some of the barrels onto my trousers. She said a-hem! and well went to sleep. Why is it that women are so suspicious? Why, sir, if a man walks along the street past a drug store, his wife (or widow) can smell drug store about him. I am sometimes worried when I get home from town, and when I lay down I get away back against the wall so I can rest better, and then the widow says: "What makes you lay so far away?" I say, don't bother me I am sleepy and worried and want to go to sleep.

Well, everything is pleasant and agreeable except the assessor. He is very inquisitive. He generally wants to know what you own and why you own it. It don't make any difference whether it is paid for or not, he says "It is all the same to him."

This has been a pretty hard week on the old man. The widow has been cleaning house and I had to help catch the largest bed bugs, and those old chaps are powerful crafty. When you yank down a bedstead and they hear the racket they scamper off to hunt new pasture. And they don't leave any marks on the road that you can track them by. Well it is astonishing to see how big a man can get into such small cracks or holes, yet they do that very thing, and you cannot find but one end of them at a time, and just as like as not that is broke off. It was a big, fat bug I don't think I would like to see spring time come so early.

Well I reckon patents and new ideas will never stop. Every day something new turns up. The idea of a man sunbathing himself, and while yet crazy and dumb, buying a railroad ticket and coming home all safe, is a new thing to the voters of Osgood. Mr. editor, can you tell me where there is a sand bag factory? I want to have one made to order. This widow that I am stopping with needs logging occasionally and I want a long one made that will reach further than a broom handle, for I am nearly worn out with that devilish long handle. Will some gentle reader please tell why all women are such experts with the broom handle? I never heard of a broomhandle school yet, and yet they all use them just as though they had graduated with the highest honors. I did a very unwise thing last winter. I bought twelve brooms at one time for the widow. Well, I have learned to buy one broom at a time after this and I shall adhere to the plan sure and certain.

Well, another nice rain Thursday night keeps wheat, oats and grass looking.

Mrs. Brown got out of jail the other day and made the Osage a visit. She says "John has a sure thing on all his boarders so long as other hotels are concerned, for they can't take any of his customers away, and no one goes away and leaves his bills unpaid."

The Methodists are divided and are making lots of racket. Stanley wants the house built on the corner of his land and claims the matter was settled last winter and he circulated a subscription paper and got eight hundred subscribers. Now the south wing wants to move it south, either one or two miles.

Mrs. Brown has got the widow up on her ear to go out to Iola to squander some of her kale seed at O. P. Northrup's dry goods house. Whole head of sheep skins for sale for only \$1.25. O! it is awful cheap. Lon is the boy that knows how to do such things you bet.

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