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LOCAL BREVITIES.

The song of the wood saw is heard in the land.

The thermometer registered 37 Monday night.

The ice man shipped in a car from St. Louis last week.

St. Joseph's Chapel, Arcadia, is now lighted by electricty.

The rainfall Sunday night and Monday totaled 1.61 inches.

The light service has been much improved the past week.

W. D. Fletcher shipped a car of sheep to St. Louis Sunday.

A little cool September has been—but the fall is glorious, for all that.

Stovewood for Sale—Cut any length.
L. A. PAULE, Phone 111.

The State Fish Commission will put some more fish in Lake Killarney this fall.

Now it is said that the name of Bismarck will not be changed to Loyal, as had been proposed.

Mr. E. L. Cook is arranging to move to his lately acquired home on Shepherd Mountain side.

"Pershing's Crusaders," next Monday night, is a wonderful war picture. You can not afford to miss it.

Miss Sarah F. Russell writes from Fredericktown: "We could not get along without the REGISTER."

For Rent—Cottage on Main street; phone and electric lights. Apply to Mrs. A. C. Lindsay, Ironton, Mo.

For Sale—Surry and two sets harness. Call at once.
MRS. H. O. DAVIS.

Mike Madigan took us out for a drive in his new Dodge car last Wednesday evening. It was fine and very much enjoyed.

A Ford tractor has been at work at Iron Mountain night and day the past week or more pulling a plow and it is said has turned over an immense amount of soil.

There were 953 men registered in Iron county last Saturday under the new draft law, aged 18 to 45. The registration at Ironton was 152.

Dr. G. W. Farrar is now in Barnes Hospital, St. Louis. His condition is about the same as it was a couple of weeks since when he left here.

We are indebted to Mr. Wm. H. Delano for some of the most delicious persimmons we ever tasted, presented last Saturday. They were exquisite.

We had the heaviest rain in months Monday, and the night was cold with some slight frost, but no great damage done. Tuesday was an ideal fall day.

Rev. V. O. Penley will officiate at St. Paul's church, Ironton, the coming Sunday. Morning prayer, with sermon, at 11 o'clock. The evening service at 7:30.

It is announced that the mines at Iron Mountain have been sold to New York parties for $250,000, and mining on an extensive scale will be inaugurated there at once.

Our old friend, J. W. Alcorn, was an Ironton visitor Monday. The Judge is now saw milling on Logan's Creek, in Reynolds county, and is getting along very well, we are glad to know.

Remember that no subscribers who are more than three months in arrears on subscription November 1st can remain on our list after that date. That is the order of the War Board and we have to obey it.

Sergeant Jerry Wick, just returned from "over there," will make a talk at the picture show next Saturday night. Come and hear him. He is an Ironton boy, so to say, and his talk will be well worth hearing.

The force of men that has been employed north of the Arcadia station the past three months, changing the course of a water-way, will complete the job this week probably. It is said the railroad company has expended $25,000 on the job.

Recorder Hawkins issued the following marriage licenses the past week:

William Shrum of Redmondville and Elizabeth Cofer of Shepard.

James Arthur Oelsen and Alma Blankenship of Roselle.

Mrs. M. J. Webb, of Black, Mo., came here Sunday for a visit with her sons, J. M. and Geo. A. Webb, and her daughter, Mrs. Albert Nipper. She came here from Ironton, where she had visited her sister, Mrs. Jasper Anderson, who is seriously ill.—Lead Belt News.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stricklin and wife recently sold their home, between Ironton and Pilot Knob, to Mr. and Mrs. Len Sutton, of St. Louis. Mr. Stricklin bought the Walter Miller property in Pilot Knob and is now domiciled there. Mr. Sutton will continue to reside in St. Louis for a while at least.

National Lecturer Thomas H. Duffy, M. W. A., will deliver a lecture to the Woodmen of Iron county in Ironton, Wednesday afternoon, September 25. That evening there will be a free moving picture show in the Academy of Music, "Who is My Neighbor." Everybody is cordially invited to attend the picture show, but Woodmen and their families in particular.

Judge M. L. Harrison is over on Mill Creek this week overseeing the work of the convicts that are employed in this County on the building of the State road. Ten of the convicts have been loaned to the Glover Special Road District in Iron County, which of course pays for their services, and the remaining twenty Judge Harrison has at work on a pick and shovel job along the rough hillside near the Medlin Farm. It is said that the convicts are doing excellent work.—Centerville Outlook.

Mike Kelly, of Des Arc, was brought to Ironton last Saturday morning by Luther Daniels and R. H. Stevenson and lodged in jail. Kelly was found in Mr. Stevenson's residence the night before. He said he was hunting the key to Mr. Stevenson's store, as he was hungry and wanted something to eat. This is not Kelly's first offence. He will be held for circuit court.

Miss Helen Wilkinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Wilkinson, of Alton, Ills., departed last Friday for Wellesley College, Massachusetts. The young lady anticipates a year of profit and pleasure in her association with sixteen hundred girls in attendance. Master Robert Wilkinson, of whose affliction recent reference was made, is slowly improving under a specialist's care.

Flat River News in Farmington Times: "Mrs. R. C. Love and daughter, Miss Florence, of Edgehill, Mo., and also a daughter from Austin, Texas, Mrs. J. D. Blackwell, and her little daughter, Edith, arrived Monday to visit the former's daughter, Mrs. J. M. Webb, until Thursday, when Mrs. Love will return home and Miss Florence will accompany her sister, Mrs. Blackwell, to the latter's home in Texas."

Dr. R. W. Gay has received advice from the Surgeon General of the Army at Washington that in his recent examination for appointment in the Medical Corps, U. S. Army, he had been found qualified and his name would shortly be submitted to the Adjutant General of the Army with recommendation that he be commissioned as a member thereof. This probably means that the Dr. will soon be engaged in army work.

Excellent offers, soon to be withdrawn, in magazines: Pictorial Review, Delineator, McClure's, Everybody's, World's Work, (withdrawn the 20th), Woman's Home Companion. Why not give your magazine subscription to the Baptist Ladies? They will attend to the business promptly and guarantee your receiving the first copy and will trace them if lost in the mail. They deal in periodicals of all kinds. Phone 23.

Gilbert Goff, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Goff, of Glover, Iron county, had his right thumb blown off when a dynamite cap which he was handling exploded on last Sunday. He and Luther Scoggin's son had been working on the road where they were using explosives and while they were doing nothing on Sunday we suppose they decided it would be a good time to explore the inside with the above unfortunate result.—Centerville Outlook.

The War Board says we shall not mail the REGISTER to subscribers who are more than three months in arrears on their subscription account after November 1st. This means that all subscriptions, without exception, will have to be paid in advance. It is the ruling of the War Board and we will have to obey it. The names of all subscribers who are three months or more in arrears on November 1st will have to be taken from the list. We do not want to lose a single name and trust that all who are in arrears will settle up before the date named.

There was a flag raising at Arcadia College last Thursday, registration day. An iron flag pole, 65 feet long, was donated by Mr. G. A. Buckey, and a handsome flag, 12x18 feet, was furnished by the young lady students. Rev. Father Wernert made some appropriate remarks and the students sang patriotic songs. There are now, at the beginning of the school year, 65 students enrolled and quartered in the handsome new buildings, just completed. About the middle of October Archbishop Glennon will be here to dedicate the new edifices, a special programme will be arranged for the occasion and the people of the valley, and the public generally, afforded an opportunity to view the structures.

DIED.—After an illness of several months James Preston Barger, an old and esteemed friend, last Thursday, at 4 o'clock A. M., surrounded by sorrowing relatives and friends, passed from time into the limitless realms of eternity. His funeral on the afternoon of the succeeding day was attended by a large concourse of citizens, and his body laid to rest in the Masonic Cemetery. The haze of years intervenes as I look back to the days when first I knew him, but not a break is there in the mutual friendship attending our intercourse. Of sturdy integrity and manly purpose, his life was one of devotion to duty. He cared for them dependent upon him and filled every requirement of a good citizen and kind neighbor. May attach to his disembodied spirit the blessing promised him to whom the Master shall say, "Well done, good and faithful servant!"

From the Fredericktown Democrat-News: "Developments during the past week add considerable encouragement to those interested in the mineral development of Madison county. Mr. Henry Knox of the Madison Mining Corporation arrived from New York for a brief visit. He is now in St. Louis but expects to return within a few days and make arrangements for opening up the fine tungsten mine at Silver Mine. He tells us that Mr. Tower, the gentleman who will manage the property, is detained by some government work in the way of locating chrome deposits but that within a few weeks he will reach the property and that work will then be rushed. Mr. Knox says the government is very anxious for the tungsten that the mine is known to contain and that the resumption of work will not be postponed any longer than is absolutely necessary. Mr. Tower is a tungsten expert, having developed several mines in Portugal for a New York syndicate. He has patented processes for tungsten separation which he will use here. He expects to mill fifty tons of ore per day, which is at least five times as much as was milled before. In order to secure the volume of ore several new shafts will be opened."

Mr. J. W. Clarkson writes from Clarks, Louisiana: "I enjoyed my trip to the valley very much, indeed, and will come again shortly. I have been from the Lakes to the Gulf and from Van Conver to Chesepeake Bay, and it's the loveliest spot I have seen. I dislike to see the denudation of the forest on Shepherd Mountain, however. It is a devastation that should not be permitted. I think my old friends, Tony Roehry, Bill Trauernicht and Wm. R. Edgar, should buy this mountain and stop the cutting of the trees. Then, when they get old, they can sit on their lawns and enjoy their beauties. It is their chance to do their 'bit' in conservation. All of Southeast Missouri, via Cape Girardeau, Ste. Genevieve and Farmington is lovely as a park. Best wishes and regards." Mr. Clarkson appends the following most appropriate lines from a popular author:

I think that I shall never see
A poem lovely as a tree.
A tree whose hungry mouth is prest
Against the earth's sweet flowing breast;
A tree that looks at God all day
And lifts her leafy arms to pray;
A tree that may in summer wear
A nest of robbins in her hair;
Upon whose bosom snow has lain,
Who intimately lives with rain.
Poems are made by fools like me,
But only God can make a tree!

"Pershing's Crusaders."

With the praiseworthy object of showing the people of America what this country is doing in this war, depicting the activities of the nation both at home and in the battlefields of France, the United States Government, through the Division of Films of the Committee on Public Information, George Creel, Chairman, has become a moving picture producer. The stage is all of the great out-doors, the actors number among the millions. Through a series of screen productions the people of this nation will be told the truth about the war.

The first United States Official War Films, "PERSHING'S CRUSADERS," will be shown at the Academy Theatre, Ironton, Monday evening, September 23d. Pursuing the object of showing the patriotic millions of the country what has been accomplished by the Government with the vast sums received from many sources, this screen production pictures every phase of the country's tremendous war activities from the munitions and other industrial plants of America to the front line trenches in France. Cantonment scenes and activities are shown in detail. green rookies become efficient, determined fighters before your eyes. You see great ships of steel and wood in the building, aeroplanes, massive guns and tremendous projectiles, millions of khaki uniforms, shoes and other equipment as they are being manufactured. You see your own boys in the trenches, wintering in the French villages, marching to the front, occupying observation posts watching the Huns; you see the first German prisoners captured by Americans; you see Secretary of War Baker and General Pershing at the front.

PERSONAL.

Fred Kindell, Jr., is in St. Louis.

J. H. Keith was in St. Louis last week.

Rev. Chas. King was in St. Louis last week.

Wm. Trauernicht was in St. Louis last week.

Joe Breitenstein of Belleview was a caller Tuesday.

A. M. Madigan and family spent Sunday in Roselle.

Mr. G. W. Clarkson's family have returned to St. Louis.

Hon. A. T. Brewster attended the fair at De Soto last week.

Geo. Crocker of Goodwater was a caller Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Ringo and Bryan motored to St. Louis Sunday.

Miss Alta Kindell of St. Louis spent the week-end with her parents.

Mrs. A. Roehry and Mrs. Marks left last Friday for Fort Worth, Texas.

D. E. Fletcher and family of Arcadia went to St. Louis last Thursday.

Miss Clara Albert visited friends in De Soto and attended the fair last week.

Miss Zola Chaney of Piedmont is visiting her friend, Miss Blanche Evans, in Arcadia.

Mrs. Major Frank G. Delano of Camp Jackson, S. C., was a valley visitor Thursday last.

Former Postmaster M. W. Daugherty returned to Ironton Tuesday night from his trip to Montana.

Miss Marie Gratiot is in St. Louis arranging for a trip to Central America, to spend some time with relatives.

Mrs. H. J. Frey, of Palmyra, Mo., and Mrs. J. Janssen, of St. Louis, spent several days last week with their sister, Mrs. Jake Dinger.

S. P. Ringo, wife and son, Bryan, motored to St. Louis this week, where the latter goes to register in Washington University and resume his studies in electrical engineering.

Our Soldier Boys.

Those who are in the habit of attending the Methodist Assembly have come to know and admire Dr. Elmer T. Clark, of St. Louis. For some months he has been a special correspondent for the Republic in the battle zone of Europe. He meets many of our soldier boys, and this is what he has to say of some of them from Missouri: "The more the traveler sees of these boys from Missouri the prouder does he become of them. Perhaps it is imagination but they seem better than the others, they can almost be selected from a crowd. Just the other day I strolled into the A. P. M. office. A handsome fellow was at the desk, looking very serene and happy, and he stamped the permit very readily. He was such a fine-looking chap, and so courteous, that I thought he must be a Missourian, so I asked: "Where do you hail from, friend?" And he smiled back, "From Ironton, Mo., sir." His name was Alfred M. Smith, and he holds down a big job in a big town on a certain sector of our front. He is not afraid of the Boche guns—nobody is, except myself!"

Private Walter L. Hammond, 252d Co., U. S. M. C., was transferred last week from Paris Island, S. C., to Quantico, Va. His last three weeks at Paris Island were spent on the rifle range. Upon completion of his training there he received the medal given for marksmanship. He says:

"I have received my over-seas uniform, of olive green, and a two-dollar raise in salary, and am no longer a rookie, but a full fledged marine, and ready for anything Uncle Sam wants me to do."

Miss Celia Martin received word last week that her nephew, Robert Harvey Martin, 312th Engineers, 87th Division, had arrived safely in France.

Everett Percy, Co. E., 136th Infantry, Camp Dix, says he met Jerry Wick there a few days ago and they certainly enjoyed talking over old Ironton days.

Private William Walker Keathley writes: "I am still at Funston, and like my job better every day. When we went on our long hike we carried 55 pounds, and it sure took the hump out of our backs. While at the rifle range we worked pretty hard. Were out marching before daylight and came in after dark. I had a letter from Allie Henson today; he is a cook and he says he likes the army fine. We are assigned to another camp the 21st. We are going to the Phillipine Islands. Tell dad not to worry, for I'll be home to use that new plow next spring."

Mrs. Wm. Hurst, Arcadia, is in receipt of the following:

FRANCE, August 15, 1918.

Dear Mother—I will drop you a few lines today to let you know that I am O. K., and I hope this will find you all the same.

What are you all doing? I am doing all I can to help win the war. I was up in the front line trenches yesterday. Our Lieutenant was going up and he let Jason Hughes and I go along. It is quite exciting at times up in the front lines, and it gets very lively here every few nights. Jason and I were on an outlook post yesterday with a machine gun man, and I was looking at his gun and I guess he knew I wanted to try it by the way I was looking at it. So he told me I could shoot it if I wanted to; so I stuck it over the trench and pulled the trigger and it commenced barking at the Germans trenches, and they answered immediately with one of their machine guns, and you should have seen old Jason and I getting our heads down when the the bullets began to sing over us. And there was a very funny thing happened last night. I and he and another fellow were working out and the shells were flying over us, but they were high and were going far past us before they exploded, and we weren't paying any attention to them, when all at once we heard a noise, right at us, like a shell coming, and before you could have snapped your finger we all three were lying flat on the ground waiting for it to explode, when we heard someone say, "there goes that dam air hose busted again!" But it sure was funny to see us go down so quick.

Well, do you hear from Ethel and the girls often? It has been over two weeks since I have had a letter from her or the girls, and I am anxious to hear from her. I have been looking for a letter for over a week.

Well, mamma, Jason and I both enjoyed reading the clippings out of the county paper and I would like to have any that is enteresting. They are like a letter from home. How is Harve? I wrote to him again Sunday. I guess Dad is busy in the hay now.

Well I will close for this time, hoping to hear from you all soon again; sending you all my love and best wishes, I remain, as ever,

OSCAR HURST.

In the Doniphan Prospect-News of last week appears the following, referring to a brother of our fellow townsman, Mr. J. H. Keith: "Sergeant Al Keith was slightly hurt this morning as a shrapnel struck him in the side, just brusing a large place."

Notice to Our Customers.

Beginning Sunday, October 6th, 1918, and ending April, 1919, we will not open our shops for business on Sundays.

IRONTON MEAT MARKET.
M. NICHOLS.
Ironton, Mo., September 10, 1918.

FOLLOW THE FLAG TO FRANCE

First U. S. Official War Film

Taken by U. S. Signal Corps and Navy Photographers and the French General Staff

Presented by COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INFORMATION, George Creel, Ch'n
Through Division of Films, Charles S. Hart, Director

At Academy Theatre, Monday, September 23d

ONE NIGHT ONLY

A graphic panorama of America's progress in the first year of war against the Imperial German Autocracy. How our boys are making good on the biggest and most blood-stirring job they have ever tackled.

First Show, 8:00 P. M.
Second " 9:45 P. M.

"Scenes of Staggering Immensity."
—Cleveland Press.

ADMISSION—
25c and 50c.

GOLDWYN PRESENTS
Mabel Normand
The Snuggly Girl
in "DODGING A MILLION"
One Million Dollars
A Beautiful Heiress
A Handsome Lover
A Mysterious Stranger
All the Clothes in the World
Two Dozen Mahnequins
A Trunkful of Jewels
A Bottle of Slow Poison
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19
Admission, 10c and 15c.

Wallace Reid
—IN—
"THE HOSTAGE"
A Thrilling Story of Military Life
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21
Admission, 10c and 15c.

DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS
—IN—
"Reaching for the Moon"
A Story of Ambitious Endeavor
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH
Admission, 11c and 17c.

In Memoriam.

On the 13th of April, 1917, James Preston Barger suffered a paralytic stroke from which he never entirely recovered. The fourth stroke came a few days ago; and although he remained conscious until within a few hours of the end, he very peacefully entered the beyond at 4:45 A. M., September 12, 1918.

He was born November 12, 1844, at Christiansburg, Va., from which place his parents, Hallard H. and Mary Keister-Barger, emigrated to Missouri in 1860 and settled in Belleview Valley in Iron county. Finding this country good enough for them, they spent the remainder of their lives here. His father was a veteran of the Revolutionary war, and he of 1812. One of the descendants now living in Virginia, says of them that they "are all Democrats and Presbyterians."

James also seems to have been satisfied with Iron county, for he never tried his fortune elsewhere. In 1869, he married Miss Mary Sloan of the same community, who lived only ten months. On December 22, 1881, he married Miss Ella, the daughter of S. M. and Mary Maynes-Wilson, of Huntsville, Randolph county, Mo., who survives him. To them were born a son, Robert Lee, and a daughter, Mrs. W. D. Fletcher, all of Ironton.

Mr. Barger was a prosperous farmer, and postmaster at Montana, Mo., ten miles west of Belleview, until 1904, when he moved to Ironton where he made his headquarters as agent to look after the timber interests of the estate of the late Tom Allen, for many years president of Iron Mountain Railroad Co. This position he held until he received his first stroke of paralysis.

Mr. Barger took a lively interest in the affairs of his community, and for many years served acceptably as a member of the school board in his district, and commanded the respect and esteem of his neighbors and friends everywhere. He was a good man, guided by lofty ideals. As a husband and a father, his memory will abide in the hearts of those he leaves behind. His loved ones have the profound sympathy of the entire circle of friends. We shall all miss him for a while—until the summons comes to us. May the blessing of our loving heavenly Father ever rest upon them in comforting power.

NELSON B. HENRY.

Card of Thanks.

To our friends we extend our heartfelt thanks for the many acts of kindness, the expressions of sympathy, and the beautiful floral offerings bestowed in our sorrow, occasioned by the death of our dear husband and father.

MRS. ELLA BARGER AND FAMILY.
Ironton, Mo., September 17, 1918.

Methodist Mention.

All the services were well attended, and the interest manifested at each was very satisfactory. There were a number of visitors at both preaching services, very much to the satisfaction of the pastor and members.

The sermon by the presiding elder Sunday night was highly commended for the matter it contained and for its appropriateness to the condition of the church. Certainly it will awaken the sleeping members if anything can awaken them.

The quarterly conference made the best showing of any final session during the quadrennium, save the first year.

G. W. Hanson, B. P. Burnham, J. M. Hawkins and Earl Radley were elected stewards for the next year. The P. E. declined to recognize the nomination of two women to the stewardship on the ground that they are not yet eligible, and the pastor declined to make further nominations.

J. H. Keith was elected to a vacancy on the board of trustees; J. M. Whitworth was elected Sunday school superintendent for Fort Hill, and Mrs. Ethel Hanson for Union; Lyle Marr confirmed as president of the Epworth League, and Prof. McKinney elected lay leader.

Both preaching services next Sunday will be at the Union. The choir will furnish special music. The Juniors will sing at night. By request, the subject of the morning sermon will be: "The Church in the War." The night service will close the work of the quadrennium, and make it necessary for another pastor's appointment to this charge next year.

The pastor avails himself of this opportunity to thank the editor of the REGISTER for his uniform courtesy to him during his pastorate, and for the generous placing of the columns of the REGISTER at the service of the church.

The League topic for Sunday evening will be, "Lessons From the Hymns." Acts 16:22-25; II Chron., 5:11-14. Leader—Elmer Forshee.

80 Acres for Sale.

I have for sale the west half, southwest quarter, section 29, town-33, north, range 4 east. This land is 5 miles south of Ironton and 3 miles east of Hogan and will be sold at a bargain and on liberal terms.

D. D. STEINER, Quincy, Ill.

Henry L. Simerman.

I received word last Saturday that my old friend and comrade, Henry L. Simerman, had died Thursday, September 5th, at Hopewell, Pennsylvania. He passed in the fullness of time, being in his 88th year.

Deceased was born at East Freedom, Blair county, Pennsylvania, May 1, 1831, and came to Missouri in 1853, locating at Pilot Knob, following his vocation as carpenter and pattern maker for the Pilot Knob Iron Company. Here he remained until the breaking out of the civil war, when he enlisted in the 31st Mo., Infantry, being honorably discharged at Louisville, Ky., at the end of three years' service. After the war he came to Ironton and established an iron foundry which he operated for eight or ten years. Then he retired from active business, but remained a citizen of our town. His acquaintance here was very extensive and he was held in honor and esteem by all. He was an ardent Mason—one of the oldest in the State—and in heart and conduct exemplified the principles of the order. Blessings upon his memory and peace to his ashes!

Belleview News.

About 93 registered here on last Thursday for the new draft.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Bell were shopping in St. Louis the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Love of Edgehill visited Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wood the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Logan and son, J. L. Logan, attended the funeral last Saturday of Mrs. Carson at Belgrade.

Loran Townsend and George Farrar left last Sunday to enter the S. A. T. C. at Cape Girardeau. That adds two more stars to our service flag.

Miss Elpha Kamholz has been elected to complete the school vacated by the resignation of Mr. Townsend.

Miss Grace McColl left Saturday for a few weeks' visit with relatives in Chaffee, Mo.

Rev. Henry Bollinger of Belleview was called to Potosi last Saturday to officiate at the marriage of Wm. Maxwell of Belgrade and Miss Johnson of Potosi.

G. G. Henderson and son, Joe, were business visitors in Ironton Saturday.

We had a much-needed rain Monday.

ALPHA.

MARE STRAYED—Dark brown, almost black, about 4 years old, about 15 hands high, small saddle lump on back, shod in front. Reward for information leading to her return to Jeff McDowell, R. F. D. No. 6, Farmington.