

**THE DODGE CITY TIMES.**

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**RAILROAD TIME TABLE.**

Table with columns for 'GOING WEST' and 'GOING EAST'. Lists train numbers, departure times, and destinations like 'Passenger', 'Second Class', and 'Way freight'.

**POSTOFFICE NOTICE.**

OFFICE HOURS. Week days, 7:50 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. Sundays, 10:00 a. m. to 1:00 p. m. etc.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY.**

METHODIST Episcopal—Rev. W. J. Elliott, pastor, at Union church, 2nd and 4th streets, at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. etc.

**A. F. & A. M.—St. BERNARD LODGE.**

Meets in Odd Fellows Hall, on 1st St. and Chestnut street, second and fourth Fridays of each month, at 7:30 p. m.

**K. O. P.—APOLLO LODGE, 62.**

Holds its regular convention every Thursday, at 7:30 p. m. corner First and Chestnut streets.

**I. O. O. F.—CORONA LODGE.**

Meets at their Hall corner First and Chestnut street, Wednesday of each week at 7:30 p. m.

**LOCAL NEWS.**

Tuesday was another scorcher.

Monday was a Kansas day—the warm wind and dust being "old-timers."

The boys contemplate drilling a few old Texas steers for a Christmas festivity.

R. M. Wright is in the east on business connected with the house of R. M. Wright & Co.

Mrs. Sheldon left Tuesday to visit her daughters in the east. Mr. Sheldon went with her as far as Topeka.

Thos. Ferrier, of Harper, Kas., was in the city last week. He is locating in the southeast part of Ford county.

M. B. Wright has purchased a fine Hereford bull, costing \$500, which he has placed with his herd on Duck Creek.

The Fourth of July was an extremely hot day. The thermometer was in the hundreds. Saturday was a cool day.

N. Mendelhall has assumed entire control of the Iowa House, and will be pleased to serve his customers as usual.

The honor of having named the "bull fight" as a Fourth of July attraction has been fixed upon Ex-Mayor Webster, so we are informed.

Rev. Elliott will preach in the Union church next Sunday at 11 a. m. and 8:30 p. m. Sunday school at 3 p. m. Prayer-meeting on Thursday evening.

Dr. A. W. Brown, resident dentist of Larned, Kas., will practice his profession in Dodge City from July 14th, until the 20th. Office over F. A. Dunn's furniture store.

Fowler City is the name of the new town laid out 40 miles south of Dodge. P. Wilden and J. K. Hopper are establishing a store at that point. Some town lots have already been sold.

Catt. H. Booth, Receiver of the Land Office at Larned, was in the city Monday. He had just returned from a few weeks visit to eastern cities. He says the Republican ticket is bound to win.

It is stated that Gov. Glick would have been present at the bull fighting had the great event occurred a couple of days later. The Governor is to be congratulated. His tardiness saved a disgrace to the State.

Parents must caution their children from entering the school house building. Windows are broken and building defaced by careless children. The virtue of the law will be tested to prevent further depredations.

Repairs on the Presbyterian church are now complete at a cost of five hundred dollars. The church has been painted out side and with new pews, new shutters, papering and carpet, making it now as nice and cozy a looking church as there is in the state.

Miss Caldwell and her aunt, of Philadelphia, arrived on Friday, and have gone to visit D. Caldwell, at Crooked Creek, father of Miss Caldwell. The aunt is a lady over 80 years of age. J. F. Caldwell, of Camp Supply, is a brother of Miss Caldwell.

Gorman & Reamer, grocers, in the postoffice block, have our thanks for a large and delicious watermelon. This firm handle fruits and vegetables, and besides keep a choice lot of staple and fancy groceries. We appreciate the present of the watermelon. The melon was grown in Florida.

One of the bulls made a fierce assault upon the chief "bull fighter" at the fair grounds, and the spectators stood in fear of the life of the fighter. We understand a few broken ribs from the horns of the infuriated beast was the injury sustained. The goring animal was dispatched.

S. B. Williams, who has been in Canada for two years past, was in the city for a few days. Uncle Sammy formerly held sheep south of this place, and he is well known to many of the old-timers. He was on his way to Colorado and expects to return to this county with a view of engaging in cattle raising. His many friends in Dodge were glad to welcome him back again. He was in excellent health.

**Last Week's Storm.**

The storm of Tuesday night of last week was more damaging to the railroad company and put the public to more inconvenience by detention of trains and mails than we at first supposed.

No regular mail train passed here until Friday, though a passenger train was made up on Tuesday afternoon for the west, passengers having been transferred at the wreck three miles west of Spearville and thirteen miles east of Dodge City. The railroad track was swept away at many points along the line between the wreck and Kinsley, and the work of repair was necessarily slow.

The mail and express cars were considerably torn up in the ditching which took place near Spearville. The express contained a lot of fruit and other delicacies for Dodge City merchants, but these things were destroyed in the wreck. The mail car did not fare better than the express car, though perhaps no mail having been lost it was put in a damaging condition. The Dodge City mail for that morning having been made up was brought here in a sound condition. The mail matter for western points was left at the Dodge City postoffice until the first regular train going west on Friday.

Mr. Kelley, the Postal agent in charge of the mail car was considerably shaken in the precipitation of the cars, but his "partner," N. C. Boles probably received the worst shaking. He was in the city Wednesday evening and reported to be suffering with a slight internal derangement. The man who was killed in the wreck was coming to Dodge to attend the bull fight, and his fun was unceremoniously cut off by a rail road accident. His name is still unknown.

The rain of Tuesday night, which caused this sad disaster, and no less sad detention of mails and interruption of travel, is said to have been the heaviest rain that has fallen in this region since the roaming buffaloes disappeared and white man came upon these scenes.

The quantity of rain which fell is variously estimated at from two inches to two feet. At any rate, "dry ridge" was no longer dry, but inundated. No rain fell at Dodge that evening, except a slight shower, the fearful storm, however, was plainly visible in the northeast, and the sequence since became evident to all. It is said that the "cannon ball" was slightly behind time at the time of the accident, and was endeavoring to make up the lost time.

**The Murder.**

The city of Dodge was startled Sunday morning over the report of the killing of Bing Choate, a cattle man, by Dave St. Clair, a gambler. The cause of the shooting grew out of some words in regard to gambling. There is a good deal of conflicting testimony and it is impossible to form a correct opinion of the sad affair, but the belief is general that the murder was premeditated though there are circumstances which justify the accused. A coroner's inquest was held Monday and the jury returned a verdict that the deceased came to his death from a pistol shot fired by Dave St. Clair, but the jury disagreed in fixing a conviction. The bloody affair created considerable comment Sunday, but the matter has subsided. Choate was a young man about 25 years of age and leaves a wife and child at their home in Texas. St. Clair is a gambler who has been in the city for some months and he is an acknowledged "game" with a pistol. His victim in this assault was struck in the heart and death resulted immediately. Perhaps after the gambling table has offered a few more victims some efforts may be used to stamp out the sources of so much blood, disorder and crime.

The body of deceased was taken to Texas for burial. A preliminary examination of St. Clair was commenced yesterday before Squire Cook, and after hearing the evidence the prisoner was discharged.

The Indian Territory is to have another railroad line. The bill granting the right of way to the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Company has passed both Houses, and goes to the President for his signature. The line of the road is to begin at a point to be selected by the company on Red river north of the northern boundary of Cook county, Texas, running thence by the most practicable route through the Indian territory to a point on the southern boundary of Kansas, the line to be approved by the Secretary of the Interior before the way is to be one hundred feet in width, and a strip of land two hundred feet in width with a length of three thousand feet in addition to the right of way, is granted for stations for every ten miles of the road. This road will probably strike the southern line of Ford county.

The following item concerning cholera will remind the old frontiersmen. The Larned Chronicle says: The oldest inhabitants of this country can well remember a time when the Asiatic cholera swept like a black scourge over our fair land, sparing hardly a city and desolating thousands of homes. The same dread visitor is again on its rounds and may again visit us. The old trail which passes only a mile or so north of the town was once lined with the graves of victims who fell by the wayside and were left to their fate. Eternal vigilance is the price of safety in this case, and the utmost precaution should be taken by the city authorities and in the home to keep the surroundings pure and wholesome, else the doctor's harvest will be the richest one of all.

Clara Bell, the little daughter of Geo. B. Cox, came near meeting with a fatal accident Monday evening. The wheels of a heavily loaded two-horse wagon knocked her down and passed close to her side. At first it was supposed she was fatally injured, but the child is getting along well, and we are glad to know she is recovering.

A death occurred at the dance hall Monday. One of the musicians died of pneumonia after an illness of three days.

**HEAVY RAIN STORM.**

**A Man Killed by Lightning.**

Tuesday was an uncommonly sultry day, the thermometer indicating 102 degrees, and was one of those extreme days that usually precedes a violent atmospheric disturbance. The compensation for Tuesday's excess terminated the night following, when a heavy wind and rain storm came up about midnight from the northwest, and continued over an hour, the rain falling the balance of the night. It is believed that the storm was the severest one of the year and the rain the heaviest. The water came down in torrents for a short time, and the trembling and fear-stricken citizens stood abjectly in fear of the second deluge. The terror of the thun- der bolts and the vividness of the terrific lightning flashes struck across the partially prostrate form of the average Dodge citizen, and brought him to his knees, making him pray for the mercy of Him who controlled the angry wind and the deluging water.

No particular damage was done to property, but the lightning killed a cattle man and horse. The name of the unfortunate man is B. F. Conrad. The body of the man and horse were found lying close together on the hill north of the stock yards. He was holding 400 head of cattle which he had sold the day before to Geo. C. Gray, of Crooked Creek. The deceased leaves a family who reside at Buffalo Park, Kas.

Conrad was unfortunate when he came to Dodge a few weeks ago, losing 17 head of cattle which were killed by a railroad train. The deceased had no wife, but leaves a mother and sister in Gove county. Judge Beverley telegraphed the sad intelligence to them yesterday.

Dr. McCarty's residence was struck by lightning, but no serious damage was done. The shock affected the family and the house was filled with balls of the electric fluid and smoke. The lightning struck the kitchen also.

The house of Thos. C. Owen, south of the river, was moved five feet from its foundation by the wind. Mr. Owen and son were inside when this freak occurred, and the sensation was no doubt unpleasant.

John T. Metcalf was cut severely on the wrist by broken glass while putting in a window during the prevalence of the storm.

A few small out-buildings and sheds were blown down, but no serious damage was done anywhere.

Reports were circulated about several men being killed, but they lacked foundation.

**Good Roads.**

Dodge City people ought to be looking after the thoroughfares leading into the city. Good roads will certainly help the transportation of merchandise from the city, and they will certainly induce people to come to the city. Sawlog creek needs a bridge and the road south of the Arkansas river bridge to the bluffs should be graded up so that the shifting sands would not impede travel. Wagons heavily laden cannot, as a general thing, pull through the sand, without great difficulty. A few hundred dollars judiciously applied might render this portion of our main wagon road passable at all seasons of the year. Over this road hundreds of people travel yearly. Garden City and Cimarron are aiming to secure the southern trade. Dodge City cannot afford to let such an important matter pass by. We hope the road commissioner will have the necessary assistance to prosecute the work.

**The Weather in June.**

Officer J. E. Lanoette furnishes us with the report of the weather in June, as recorded in the U. S. Signal Office in the city. The highest temperature was on the 30th, the thermometer indicating 92 1/2 degrees. The lowest temperature was on the 9th, showing 52 degrees. The highest velocity of wind was 36 miles per hour, from the southeast. Total rainfall 7.67 inches. This is the greatest rainfall in June since the establishment of the Signal office. The following is the comparative precipitation: 1875—0.44 inches. 1880—1.59 inches. 1876—2.53 " 1881—1.77 " 1877—3.92 " 1882—1.51 " 1878—2.19 " 1883—4.31 " 1879—4.40 " 1884—7.67 "

**Cholera.**

The cholera has become an epidemic in some portions of France and Europe and the authorities in the United States are realizing the importance of preventing the spread of the scourge to this country. Sanitary measures must be adopted in Dodge City. Cleanliness should be the order, and streets, alleys, privies and out places should be kept clean and fumigated. The most rigid sanitary regulations should be adopted and enforced. Old frontiersmen remember how the scourge swept over the trail in this region some years ago, and the garrison at Fort Dodge was reduced considerably by the fatal malady. The city government ought to take the precautionary measures.

Morris Collar is becoming tired of merchandising and intends going on a farm. He says he will loan money as a means of making a living, this was told to us in strict confidence for three days—this is the fourth day.

M. W. Sutton sold three houses to Fred Wenie. The houses are located south of the Presbyterian church. Mr. Sutton intends investing his money in the banking business.

Dr. Galland is going to put up an ice house that will hold 2000 tons for the benefit of the public, regardless of the politics or religion of the public aforesaid.

**Branding Corral.**

The undersigned has a large and convenient corral for the branding of through Texas cattle, one mile south of the Arkansas river bridge. Apply at the residence south end of river bridge, or at my place of business in the city. J. H. CRAWFORD.

**SPEAREVILLE ITEMS.**

We have an American Eagle placed in our care by the Gilbert Bros., their men having captured it on the hills, north of Cimarron, after having a desperate encounter with the parent eagles, being compelled to use their revolvers, though not fatal to the old birds. The sound of fire arms being sufficient to intimidate them and cause their retreat. Without some such intimidating influence brought to bear, the aggressing party would have suffered a defeat, clearly demonstrating the power and determination of that monster of the air, a representation of which figures so conspicuously in the emblem of our National arms.

MARRIED—On Thursday evening, July 3d, 1884, at the M. E. church parsonage in Kinsley, Kan., by the Rev. Romine, Anna Bell Taylor, eldest daughter of Josiah Taylor, of Spearville, Ford Co., Kan., to T. K. Stedeman of Kinsley, Kan. The bride is a highly esteemed lady, being quite accomplished in music. Her numerous friends wish her happiness and prosperity in her new departure in life. The groom is an honored and respected citizen of Edwards county, where he has numerous friends to congratulate him as his recent matrimonial alliance.

The Union Sabbath school concert for the quarter ending July 1st, took place on Sunday evening last, and was a very enjoyable affair. Recitations were given by the scholars, illustrating some prominent truths in the lessons of the quarter. God is love by the infant class was especially enjoyable; also, the ten virgins by the young ladies and recitation, and song representing life from infancy to old age by the choir.

The M. E. church festival on the evening of the 4th, was liberally attended. The gross proceeds amounting to \$85.00. The net proceeds of that sum will be applied towards finishing their church building.

Railroad trains running on time again.

Business in the city is remarkably good.

102 degrees in the shade Tuesday. The day was a scorcher.

Vegetables are being furnished cheap by our home hucksters.

Mrs. Geo. S. Emerson has gone to Crooked Creek on a short visit.

The Board of County Commissioners were in session two days this week.

Two hundred houses have been built in Dodge City within the year past.

Elder Collins will preach in the Presbyterian church Sunday morning and evening.

O. Marsh having sold the flouring mill to G. M. Hoover, intends returning to Las Vegas, N. M.

R. H. Norvell is yardmaster since H. T. Drake assumed charge of the stock yards at Caldwell and Dodge City.

George Reed, of La Junta, has taken the place lately filled by J. Q. Adams, as foreman of the railroad shops in this city.

Geo. C. Gray was in the city this week and reports his sheep in good condition. He brought a lot of wool to market.

L. K. McIntyre and family and ye editor and his wife, went to Crooked Creek Saturday last and enjoyed a pleasant trip.

The Arkansas river is still up—and is still full of water. The river promises to remain full as the mountains are full of snow.

D. Thayer informs us that one of the trains has been taken off of the road south of La Junta. Railroad washout is shortening travel.

The flag on the Democrat office yesterday was floating at half mast. The Dodge City Democrat is promising defeat before the nomination is made.

Geo. M. Hoover has purchased of O. Marsh, the Dodge City Flouring Mills, and will bear hereafter the cognomen of an "honest miller"—who never told a lie.

Machine Oil, a fine article, for sale by J. H. CRAWFORD.

Why does the majority of the city people trade at Wilden's? Because he sells goods cheap and always has fresh goods.

The finest stock of triple and quadruple silver plated castors in the city is at WILDEN'S.

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Good lunches at the Ice Cream Parlors for only 25cts.

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Notice of Special Election. Notice is hereby given that a special election will be held on Monday, July 21st, 1884, for the purpose of voting on the proposition of building an addition to court house with cell room, steel cells, and a fire proof vault for the safe keeping of county records, according to plan and specifications on file at the county clerk's office. And voting six per cent bonds of the county to the amount of \$15,000.00, to pay the expenses of the same.

By order of the Board of County Commissioners of Ford county, Kan., this 8th day of July, 1884.

SAM'L GALLAGHER, JR. County Clerk. By AUG. CRUMBAUGH, Deputy.

J. H. Crawford is establishing a general merchandise store at Belle Meade postoffice, 35 miles southwest of Dodge City. A number of settlers have lately located in that section, and the land is nearly all taken. John Schmoker took out a load of goods this morning for the new store.

The rain of Tuesday night extended many miles south and southwest. Fresh berries at Wilden's every day.

Oh, oh, Johnie, have you seen those candy bananas at Wilden's, they are so good.

Lunches at the Ice Cream Parlors.

House Plants, a fine assortment, call at Mrs. Lemert's millinery store.

Hot coffee at all hours at the Ice Cream Parlors.

Chas. Shields has opened a full stock of tinware and hardware at the red front in postoffice block.

Furnished rooms to rent, enquire at the Ice Cream Parlors.

Removal. R. R. ROBIBBS, Tailor, has removed to the building on Front street, in the block west of postoffice block, where he will be pleased to meet his customers. He has a fine lot of samples.

For Sale or Trade. 160 acres of choice bottom land just across the Arkansas river, lying one mile from Front street, Dodge City. There are regular laid out roads on two sides of this land, and the very best of water is obtainable at a depth of ten to fifteen feet. For particulars call on or address PERRY WILDEN, No. 56 Front street, Dodge City, Kas.

If you want a hot or cold water bath go to the Opera House Restaurant. A nice bath house has been put up in connection with the restaurant.

REDDY & COVERT, Prop's. Butterick's Patterns are on hand and for sale by Mrs. Lemert, millinery store north of the Wright House.

To the Public. For one week only I will sell glass and queensware at cost, must sell to make room for other goods. Come all and get a bargain at F. C. ZIMMERMANN'S Store.

The South Side Hotel Has been repaired, refitted and refurbished, and is now opened to the traveling public. Everything home-like and pleasant.

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