CLUES, BUT NO ROBBERS

DETECTIVES AND COUNTY MARSHALS STILL AT SEA.

The Daily Assortment of Theories and Rumors Given Out, but No Evidence of Progress Is to Be Seen—Tired Marshals.

The jails of Kansas City are still barren of train robbers. Just how long this state of affairs will continue depends solely on chance. No nickel-in-the-slot machine ever operated here had such a losing percentage as have the police and their allies, the detectives and "Farmer" Chiles' deputies, in the game in which they are now trying to win out. The train robbers evidently have a full hand of trumps and have not yet allowed the sleuths to peg a point. Men suspected of having knowledge of the robbers and the details of the holdup of the Missouri Pacific train and the blowing up and looting of the express car at Leeds last Friday night, have been "sweated," cajoled and tempted with offers of money, but in every case, and they number more than a score, a "waterhaul" has been recorded.

But the police are hopeful and the marshal's deputies are disgusted. The former have, they say, just got into sleuthing trim, but the latter are anxious to discard theirs as soon as possible. Midnight rides into the country are not relished by the featherbed detectives in the citadel of the Democratic gangsters, but the energy of their chief, Marshal Chiles, compels them to show some semblance of interest in the chase. They no longer indulge in predictions as to the capture of the gang, and are content "to pass" the matter up to the police.

Yesterday there was a scattering of the railroad detectives. Several points in the county were visited and among them independence. Disappointment met them there, for sensational reports concerning Jack Kennedy were refuted and he was given a character the opposite of the desperate man he is alleged to be.

Usual Mysterious Conferences.

There was the usual deep shroud of mystery hanging over and enveloping police headquarters last night, shutting out the officials from an information-loving public. Mysterious persons who did not care to leave their names behind them would glide into Inspector Halpin's private office for a whispered consultation and then glide out again into the night. Detectives would drop into headquarters, hold a private conference with their chief and then out again, intent upon some clue that might land a train robber behind the bars.

"We are pretty well satisfied with the way things are running," Chief Hayes had remarked earlier in the afternoon. "Something may drop soon," and the chief rubbed his nose, a habit he has when preoccupied, and chuckled from sheer delight of the hunt. "We may get these men in a week; we may get them to-night," remarked Chief Hayes as he withdrew into his office for a little further talk with Inspector Halpin.

Detectives Sanderson and Bryant did not show up at headquarters last night, but the messages they sent in seemed to satisfy the inspector that his men were still "in hot pursuit."

From 7:30 o'clock to 9 o'clock secrecy fairly buzzed out of things. One of the mysterious messengers was J. D. Smith, of Halstead, Kas., who thinks that he knows one of the robbers who held up the Missouri Pacific train near Leeds last Friday night. John De Long, a Missouri Pacific detective, met Mr. Smith in Hiawatha and brought him to Kansas City yesterday afternoon. Last night Detective De Long brought Smith quietly to headquarters. He guided him into Inspector Halpin's private office and introduced him to the inspector and to Superintendent Schumacher, of the Pinkertons, who were closeted there together. A conference of a half hour ensued, and then Smith went away, but not before another meeting with him had been arranged for this morning at 8 o'clock at the Pinkerton agency at Seventh and Main streets.

Smith would not tell his business. "I have told my story to the detectives," he said. Smith acknowledged that he knew one of the robbers and that he could locate him in a certain town in Indian Territory. Further than that he would not say.

Hayes Is Sanguine.

Chief Hayes put in a busy day yesterday. Early in the day the usual conference was held with the railroad detectives and the head of the Pinkertons, and the daily programme of action outlined.

The chief was too busy to talk much, but he took time to say: "It is rapidly coming to a head, and we may make arrests at any time. It is hard to tell when, but we are on the right trail and are very hopeful of overcoming every obstacle that has presented itself."

The police are hunting for a shotgun which will fit the brown denim case found in the buggy hired from Liveryman Self by telephone by an unknown man at 7 o'clock on the evening of the robbery, and the Pinkertons are looking for the purchaser of two pint bottles of blackberry brandy, which E. C. Mason, of the Hedrick pharmacy, at Springfield and Holmes, sold to two suspicious looking strangers the same evening.

They are also looking for three suspicious acting men whom A. McCarthy, a Troost avenue cable car conductor, says boarded his car about 11 o'clock in the vicinity of Troost avenue and Springfield. They believe that the purchasers of the brandy used Self's buggy, and that on their return from the robbery they turned the outfit loose, and, in order not to excite suspicion, boarded the car singly and at different points. The pharmacy, the stable and the point where the first man boarded the car are not far distant from each other, and the detectives believe that from those points the best clues yet received lead. At the scene of the robbery was found a fragment of a bottle which had contained blackberry brandy. On the lap robe of Self's buggy stains were noticed after it had been returned to the stable by the driverless horse, which, it has been determined, were made by blackberry brandy. If the police can find the shotgun the detectives believe that, with the information they already have, the case, so far as their duty is concerned, can be brought to a speedy termination. for Mason is positive he can recognize the purchasers of the brandy and Conductor McCarthy is equally as confident that he can identify his three suspicious looking and nervous passengers.

But the clues are but three of over a hundred "tips" the officers have received, all bearing more or less marks of being straight and to the point. Investigation, however, has flattened them out completely, but as fast as one is disposed of another bobs up.

Kennedy's Father Talks.

John Kennedy, father of the reputed train robber of the same name, made the journey from his home to Independence yesterday for the sole purpose of finding how much truth there was in the report that Bill Mason had declared that he had seen Kennedy in the city on the night after the train robbery. Accompanied by Albert Hinters, a well known merchant of Independence and a member of the same church, the elder Kennedy drove out to the farm of Mason, about four miles on the Lexington road. Mason denied most emphatically that he had ever said that he had seen Kennedy in Kansas City, and he furthermore added that he did not know him at all, and would not have been able to recognize him under any circumstances.

The elder Kennedy spent the balance of the day in Independence, where he is well known, and talked freely about all matters pertaining to the implication of his son in the recent Missouri Pacific holdup. He was very positive that his son had nothing to do with it. He cited the testimony of many reputable people who account for his whereabouts up to 9:30 o'clock, and adds that he knows that John went to bed somewhere between that time and 10 o'clock. He also said that he knows that John got up in good time in the morning, and went to Glendale after the paper, as had always been his custom.

"Of course," said he, "I could not swear that he was in bed all of the night, although I think he was. But he certainly was in the house at the time the train was robbed. Why, it must be at least fifteen miles from my home to the place where the robbery took place."

John Kennedy, the "quail hunter," was in Kansas City yesterday, coming up for the purpose of finding out what the grand jury had done, or was going to do, in regard to the charge against him of killing Emma Schumacher. He also had other reasons for making the trip. He presented himself at the office of Marshal Chiles, but the marshal was out of the city, ostensibly attending the fair at Lee's Summit. Kennedy got no information as to the action of the grand jury for the simple reason that there was none to give. The jury has not yet taken up the case against him.

Kennedy talked very freely about everything that pertained to himself and his reputed connection with the robbery. He was very much incensed at the report which had got about which stated that he had been seen in the city Friday night after the commission of the crime.

"Quail Hunter" Is Sarcastic.

"It's just another of Chief Hayes' tricks," he said. "That man a thief catcher? Why he couldn't catch a blind horse in Market square. He has persecuted me right along every time he has had the opportunity. He kept me in the holdover after that little slipup of mine last February without the slightest grounds upon which to hold me. He said that he had all sorts of testimony against me, and already had me hanged. And yet, when the time came, the only evidence he had of any sort was that of the negro, Handy, whom he had kept locked up for months, and who this minute is under his protection.

"Everybody tells me what a great man this man Hayes is, and what a great thief catcher he is. What has he ever done? He gets a lot of these big cases on his hands, and then he goes around with a look of wisdom on his face, and the only thing he says that's right is that he don't know anything. I'm a Democrat, and so's he. But either he'll have to quit or I'll resign from the party."

Kennedy and Jim Cole, his attorney, spent the afternoon together. They think that Chief Hayes is making the talk against Kennedy for the purpose of influencing the jury against him in the Schumacher murder charge. Kennedy left for his home last evening.

AUDITORIUM WILL BE RUSHED

Architect Agrees to Have the House Ready for Occupancy by Christmas.

All the details between Mr. Alex Fraser and Messrs. Burgess & Woodward, of Omaha, relative to the rebuilding of the Auditorium, were agreed upon yesterday. The house will be rebuilt at once and will be taken by these managers for a term of seven years. The building, independent of the salvage in the ruins, will cost about $50,000, which investment should make it a substantial and attractive playhouse. Mr. Woodward said yesterday to a reporter for The Journal:

"The theater will be ready for occupancy by Christmas, and we hope to reopen on that day. Mr. Wood, the architect, who has had enough experience in theater building to make us rely upon his promises, has said that he can finish the house by that time. The walls now standing can nearly all be utilized, as they have been thoroughly tested and have been found to be secure. The auditorium and stage will occupy the same positions as before, but there will be only one gallery instead of two. The front of the house will be restored to its original condition and arrangement.

"We shall put in an excellent stock company, and may also conclude to continue vaudeville features as before. We believe we know what Kansas City wants, and we are going to try to meet the demand."

GOOD BUILDING MONTH.

Permits at the Close of Business Yesterday Amounted to $293,030 for the Month.

At the close of business yesterday the building permits issued for September amounted to $293,030, of which $122,400 was for brick buildings, $109,200 frame and $61,430 miscellaneous. This is an increase of $80,240 over the corresponding month last year, when the permits were $212,790, and the permits to be issued to-day will swell the increase several thousand, making the total for the month over $300,000.

Last month was an unusually heavy month, the August permits being $344,100, or $45,000 more than for the month which closes to-day.

Since January 1 the permits issued amount to $2,387,540, of which $1,002,900 are for brick buildings, $883,000 frame, and $495,640 miscellaneous.

The following permits were issued yesterday:

T. H. Brougham; brick residence, 1507 Milton, $1,000.

Moore Bros.; general repairs, 21 East Third, $500.

C. E. Louis; frame shed, 601 and 603 West Fifth street, $900.

Austin Eason & Co.; frame residence, 2434 Olive street, $1,500.

STATE C. E. CONVENTION.

Will Be Held in Kansas City October 21 to 23 and Will Bring 500 Delegates.

The annual convention of the Missouri Christian Endeavor Society will be held in Kansas City October 21, 22 and 23. The meetings will be held in the First Christian church, at Eleventh and Locust streets, and the First Congregational church, at Eleventh and McGee streets. At least 500 delegates are expected and meetings will be held simultaneously in the two churches.

Among the prominent speakers who will be present are J. W. Baer, of Boston, general secretary of the national society; G. B. Graff, of Boston, ex-president of the Missouri society; State President E. W. Clippinger, of Warrensburg; Rev. Dr. W. A. Quayle, of Kansas City; President Thompson, of Tarkio, Mo.; Dr. Albert Bushnell, of St. Joseph; Rev. Mr. C. B. McAfee, of Park college; Rev. Mr. A. B. Phillips, of the Fulton Christian church, formerly pastor of the South Prospect Christian church, of this city; Rev. Mr. W. J. Williamson, of Kansas City, state president of the Baptist Young People's Union.

MURDER CHARGE DISMISSED.

No Testimony to Show That Harry Gray and John Inze Killed Joseph Irwin.

After a trial lasting two days and completed Wednesday night, Justice Krueger yesterday dismissed the charge of murder against Harry Gray and John Inze. The men were accused of killing Joseph Irwin, a negro, in a fight in which Minnie Marshall, a negress, was the bone of contention, at Fourteenth and Main streets, on Sunday night, August 14. During the row, Irwin was hit on the head with a brick and so badly injured that he died five days later at the city hospital. Facts developed at the coroner's inquest led to the arrest of Gray and Inze upon a warrant sworn out by Deputy Coroner T. H. McNeil, but at the trial it was not shown that the men accused threw the deadly brick. Gray is the barkeeper at Davis' saloon, Eighth and Delaware, and Inze is en employe of Roach, Musser & Co., Twenty-first and Walnut streets.

THEY PLEADED NOT GUILTY.

Nineteen Indicted Prisoners Enter Pleas in Criminal Court—Jury Still on Jail Cases.

Prisoners in the county jail to the number of nineteen were taken before Judge Wofford of the criminal court yesterday to answer to indictments found against them by the grand jury. In every instance a plea of not guilty was returned. None of the cases was of especial note, and the dates for their trials were set for the latter part of the coming month.

Of the indictments returned by the grand jury Wednesday which were not given out, nothing has yet been heard, as no arrests have been made. It is not known whether "Dutch" Neal and Harry Disney were indicted or not, and it will not be known until they are arrested and brought to the jail for safe keeping. The jury yesterday continued its work on the jail cases, which will likely be finished to-day, and then it will take up for consideration the charge against John Kennedy, that of killing Emma Schumacher.

The Microbe of Baldness.

No medical subject has caused more discussion than the statement by a famous physician that he has discovered the microbe which causes baldness. There are other scientists who claim that there is no such thing as a microbe of this kind. Time alone must settle the question. It was not long ago settled that Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is a standard remedy for the common ailments of mankind. It is a true cure for dyspepsia and indigestion, a true medicine for the weak and nervous, a true strengthener and appetizer. People who take it feel happier, sleep sounder and look better than those who don't. Nearly every disease that afflicts the human family can be overcome with Hostetter's Stomach Bitters.

THOUSANDS AT STAKE

H. M. WALKER ARRESTED FOR ALLEGED CROOKED CATTLE DEAL.

The Tower-Doyle Live Stock Commission Company, of Kansas City, Kas., Claims It Is the Victim of Fraud and Deceit.

"It takes a good man to get away with $20,000, but that is what they said I did."

The speaker, Henry M. Walker, laughed loudly and merrily, although a prisoner at the county jail. He had just been booked by Deputy Marshal Matt Kenney on a charge of obtaining money by false pretenses, preferred by Albert L. Price, of the Tower-Doyle Live Stock Commission Company, of Kansas City, Kas.

For years Walker was a cattleman and had charge of the credit department of the Lone Star Live Stock Commission Company, of this city. Last July he quit the company's employ, and since then has been conducting a saloon and hotel at Appleton, St. Clair county. He also, he claims, deals in cattle and at one time had 1,100 head of choice steers in Elk county, Kas. Early in the present month he negotiated a loan of $20,000 from the Tower-Doyle Live Stock Commission Company and gave them a chattel mortgage on the cattle as security. Before paying over the money the usual methods were employed to guard against loss. The company's credit man visited Elk county, inspected the cattle and on his return made a favorable report. The money, which Walker represented he needed to meet obligations of $18,000 incurred by the purchase of the cattle, and $2,000 to place his business in Appleton on a firm footing, was paid over to him and the deal was considered closed until the cattle could be marketed and a settlement made.

Recently the company's managers arrived at the conclusion that they had been victimized and the claim is made that Walker deceived them when he represented that he owned the entire herd. The company declares now, after an investigation, that he really owned only a small portion of it.

Wednesday a warrant was issued for his arrest and given to Deputy Marshal Cass Welch for service. Walker has many friends in Kansas City and he was informed by telegraph of the action the company had taken before Welch had started for Appleton, and he immediately made preparations to meet it. He drew his money, $2,000, from his local bank and hastened to Clinton, where he consulted his lawyers, Campbell & Calvird, and then, accompanied by them, came to Kansas City, arriving here yesterday. The company he is alleged to have defrauded notified the county marshal and Deputy Marshal Kenney arrested him shortly before Deputy Welch returned from his fruitless trip to Clinton. He was arraigned before Justice Ebert and entered a plea of not guilty. His counsel asked that his bond be set at a sum not exceeding $1,000, but the request was vigorously opposed by Colonel Botsford, of Botsford, Deathridge & Young, attorneys for the company, who declared that $5,000 would be the proper amount. Justice Ebert determined on $2,500, however, and this amount Walker says he will be able to give this morning. His trial was set for October 8.

"You can tell them," said Walker last evening, that I am the happiest prisoner ever brought into the county jail. They got the cattle and I got their money."

"What did you do with the money?" he was asked.

"Oh, I paid it out."

"Did the 1,100 cattle belong to you?"

"Of course they did, but I can't help it if 700 or 800 head have disappeared, can I?"

"Have they disappeared?"

"The company says they have, at least I am told they claim so, but I don't envy the man who gets the job of finding them."

Walker, who is one of the best known men in this section of Missouri, and has an acquaintance with cattlemen in every part of the West, seemed to view his arrest as a huge joke, and every sentence he uttered was interlarded with the merriest of merry laughter. He intimated that a damage suit against the live stock company would be the sequel of his arrest, and declared that in his dealings with the company he was guided by strict business principles.

AT HARVEST HOME FESTIVAL.

Cubbison Will Go to Maryville and Speak for Benefit of County Affairs.

While in the city yesterday Editor Ed McJimsey, of Maryville, Mo., secured a promise from J. K. Cubbison, of Kansas City, Kas., to go to Maryville on Friday, October 7, and speak at the Harvest home festival that will be given that day. The speech will be for the benefit of the county affairs, and also for the congressional fight, which is developing very much interest. Mr. Brewster is making it very interesting indeed for Congressman Cochran, and is making speeches that are attracting great attention all over the district.

TRANSFERRED TO KANSAS SIDE

Postmaster Scott Assigns Three Postoffice Clerks to Duty in New Sub-Stations.

Postmaster Sam Scott yesterday received instructions from Washington to select three men from the service in Station A, to be transferred to Kansas City, Kas., October 1, to take charge of the three new sub-stations to be opened there. One man was to be paid $800 and two $900. In accordance with the instructions Mr. Scott designated George Youngclause, C. G. Patterson and H. T. Kouns as the clerks for transfer.

Have Your Carriage Photographed as Soon as It's Decorated for the Flower Carnival.

The Journal photographer will photograph your carriage as soon as it is decorated for the flower carnival. Send word to The Journal office where your carriage can be found and when it is ready.

PEOPLE IN SOCIETY.

Miss Mamie Eggleston has returned from a two months' visit to Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Howe Robertson are at home to friends at 1322 Tracy avenue.

The Misses Griffin, of 2900 Baltimore avenue, will return to-day from Excelsior Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Tenney and children are at the Bonaventure hotel for the winter.

Mrs. Irving L. Bunker went to Palmyra, Mo., on Wednesday to visit Miss Maud Bramlette.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Ellicott have returned from Manitou, where Mrs. Ellicott spent the summer.

Mrs. Charles Mister left yesterday for Chicago, where he will spend a year at the Art institute.

Miss Bertha V. Stiles left last evening for Chicago to continue her special course in English literature at the university.

Mr. James H. Garnsey and family have removed from the West side and are at home at 701 Munford court, on East Eighth street.

The New Century Club will hold its first meeting on Monday afternoon, at the residence of the president, Mrs. J. C. Merine, 2607 Olive street.

Mrs. Fred Dunham and daughter and Mrs. Will Newman and daughter, of Avoca, Ia., are visiting Mrs. G. C. Kaiser, of 1232 Campbell street.

Mr. and Mrs. James Woodrow, of East Twentieth street, are entertaining Mrs. Woodrow, Sr., of Fort Scott, Kas., and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cooper, of Plymouth, Ind.

Ladies who will attend the Priests of Pallas ball on Wednesday evening, October 5, are requested to send descriptions of their gowns to the society editor of The Journal before Monday, October 3.

The ladies of the Grand Avenue M. E. church will give a reception this evening in compliment to their pastor, Dr. Hancher, and to their former pastor, Dr. C. W. Parsons, at the residence of Dr. and Mrs. C. B. Hewitt, 718 Troost avenue. All friends of the honored guests are invited to attend.

The Missouri Equal Suffrage Society will hold its next annual meeting at St. Joseph, Mo., October 17 and 18. The president of the National Suffrage Association, Miss Susan B. Anthony, will be present, as will also Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, one of the most brilliant orators on the American platform. Miss Anthony is now in her 79th year, and this may be the last time Missouri will be favored with a lecture from this wonderful woman.

Wedding and reception invitations engraved in correct form. Send for samples. Jaccard's, 1034 Main.

Adriance Van Brunt, architect, has moved his offices to the Navajo building, 716 Delaware street. Telephone 1325.

THE NEWS AT LEAVENWORTH.

Volz Packing Plant Sold and to Be Operated—Stock Yards to Be Started.

A deal was consummated yesterday which means much for Leavenworth, as it will not only add to the city's capital, but inaugurate a business which, eventually, will furnish employment to a large number of men. Last week the Volz Packing Company's plant was sold at sheriff's sale and was purchased by the Union Savings bank and C. C. Kessinger, who held the claims. The property consisted of nine lots upon which was a packing house with all the latest appliances and machinery. The plant had long been idle, its proprietors having been unfortunate in some of their investments, which resulted in failure and the closing down of the plant. It was valued at nearly $100,000 by its owners, but only brought $7,500 under the sheriff's hammer.

For several days the purchasers have been negotiating with Thleudium Bros., of Lawrence, Kas., for the sale of the plant, and yesterday this was effected, the price paid being about double what it brought at sheriff's sale. The new purchasers are experienced packers and have abundant means to carry on the enterprise. The sale was no sooner consummated than the new owners put men to work at cleaning up the premises and machinery.

It is their itention to start in connection with the packing house a stock yards and thus build up a market for home stockraisers. Their ample means will enable them to hold the stock and packing house products until there is a demand or to ship to other markets as they see fit. The new venture will be gladly welcomed by the citizens of the city, and there is no doubt but what it will be a success from the start.

Federal Prison.

The federal prison will soon be turning out a fine quality of brick to be used in its construction. Yesterday Warden French received authority from Attorney General Griggs to purchase a dry press brick machine at an estimated cost of not to exceed $6,000. The brick yard is in readiness and as soon as the machine can be installed the work of making brick will commence. A sample brick was sent to the attorney general, and in his letter yesterday he expressed satisfaction at the quality. Brick similar to the sample and such as will be used in the new penitentiary would cost $20 per 1,000 on the market.

Work is progressing rapidly on the new prison, and the north wall and corner towers show off to good advantage.

Authority has been received to send Martin Ross, an insane convict, to the hospital for insane at Washington, and he will leave as soon as a deputy United States marshal reports for him. Ross is from Arkansas and his malady dates back to early in the year.

James C. Young, ex-quartermaster of the Twentieth Kansas volunteers, is working with the stone gang on the new penitentiary. He has secured the services of a Kansas City attorney and hopes soon to be out of prison.

The building formerly used as the tin and carpet shop is being renovated and remodeled for the use of the guards. The upper story is being fitted into a dormitory, with a comfortable reading room. A balcony has been built at the north and west sides, which will afford a good view of the entire yard. The second story will contain the guards' dining room and kitchen, while the first floor will be arranged as a large hall for the prisoners.

Yesterday the prison contained 556 convicts for whom there are only 488 cells. A building is now being fitted up with 200 tions. Of the 556 prisoners sixteen are millions. Of the 556 prinoners sixteen are military ones.

City Council.

The question of paving Fifth street was not settled at the meeting of the city council, as it is claimed that neither of the petitions is signed by a majority of the owners of the frontage. Both petitions were referred back to the committee on streets and grades.

George Herron presented a claim for $10,000 damages against the city for injuries sustained by being thrown out of his cart. He bases his claim on the ground that the streets were not in good condition. It went to the committee on claims. City Treasurer Beeler requested the city to reimburse him for salary paid assistant, and he was allowed $248.15 for that purpose. The city engineer, having been criticised for the work on the Sixth street bridge, asked that it be referred to the committee on streets and grades, which should report upon it at the next meeting. His request was granted. C. H. Boyd was awarded a contract to repair certain city bridges at $484.

Brief Mention.

E. H. Terry forfeited a $5 bond in the police court yesterday for violating the bicycle ordinance.

A horse belonging to Hahn & Reick ran away yesterday morning, and in an effort to stop it Constable Bucher was knocked down, but not badly hurt. The horse was caught by Fireman Bohler, and it was found to have cut its fetlock on the broken cart in a bad manner.

The fire department was called to Delaware nd Seventh streets yesterday morning, where a kitchen roof was on fire. It was put out with slight damage.

The district court heard and acted on a number of motions yesterday, after which it adjourned until Saturday morning. Naturalization papers were granted to Otto Wulfekuhler.

The Turners will run a special train to Topeka next Sunday to attend the district turnfest.

Sheriff Everhardy went to Lansing yesterday to serve divorce proceedings upon Charles Jones, a convict from Crawford county.

Real estate transfers yesterday amounted to $1,000.

The board of managers of Soldiers' homes arrived yesterday. To-day there will be an inspection and review of the old veterans.

INDEPENDENCE.

State Organizer Harber Delivers an Address on the Timely Subject of Good Roads.

Mrs. Rela C. Harber, state organizer for good roads, addressed a meeting of those interested in good roads at the rooms of the Commercial Club last night. Mrs. Harber advocates the idea of a systematic uniformity of roads in all counties and that the main trunk lines join one another. In this way continuous travel would soon be had on pikes from one end of the state to the other.

Independence News Notes.

Judge A. C. Millard left yesterday for Chicago, to be absent several weeks.

Mrs. Horace Sheley is visiting friends at Nevada, Mo., and will be absent for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Grogger have returned home from a bridal trip to Omaha.

Edward Fann, formerly an Independence boy, but now of the Fourth light artillery, U. S. A., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Fann, East Maple avenue. Corporal Fann recently returned from Santiago.

Q. H. Goodman was injured yesterday by being thrown from a buggy. A tap came off and the wheel ran off and the horse fcllowed suit, throwing Mr. Goodman out.

Miss Josie Sheley, who has been visiting friends and relatives at Jefferson City, is the guest of Dr. O. C. Sheley and family.

The installation of W. C. Hickman as pastor of the Westminster Presbyterian church took place last night. There was quite a large attendance, and the church was prettily decorated for the occasion.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary Schulenberg, wife of William Schulenberg, will take place this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence. Death was caused from consumption.

Miss Mary Breaker, formerly of this city, was married Wednesday in St. Louis to L. W. Baker, of Memphis, Mo. Miss Breaker is the daughter of M. J. Breaker, formerly pastor of the First Baptist church of this city.

Charles Kinsey, of South Osage street, has received from friends at Amarillo, Tex., a species of horned toad, which he prizes highly as a pet.

The water works ordinance has been sent to the president of the Independence water company for his approval. When approved at the St. Louis office of the company it will be returned and a special election will be called.

Police Suspicions Groundless.

On August 5 the police arrested a clerical looking man at the Union depot and held him twelve hours to investigate his record. He was booked at Central station as Gillesple Haworth, Ottawa, Kas. Afterwards he said his name was C. M. Haworth and that he was a minister. The police investigated his record and found a mistake had been made in detaining Rev. Mr. Haworth and he was accordingly released.

Leonard Imboden Goes Free.

Leonard Imboden, who was accused of embezzling a gold watch worth $45 from L. J. Marks, a Main street pawnbroker, early last August, was acquitted of the charge in Justice Krueger's court yesterday morning.

BABIES TO GIVE AWAY

TWO LITTLE TOTS NOW BEING CARED FOR BY THE CITY.

Clever Scheme Adopted by Two Women to Get Rid of a One-Day-Old Infant—Young Mother Tries to Give Her Child Away.

"Who will take my baby?" queried a young mother who was wandering about the Union depot platform yesterday morning. She was just a girl, 17 years old, perhaps, and she asked her question with piteous anxiety. She held in her arms a flannel bundle, from which a little pink face peered, a mute appeal to the hurried people who thronged from the trains to the entrance of the waiting room. The woman got but a careless glance from the crowd. An elderly gentleman who was looking curiously on at the passing show proved more sympathetic.

"Will you take my baby boy?" she asked impulsively, and this was the only response he got to his questions. The elderly gentleman led the woman into the office of the depot matron, Mrs. Van Landingham. The girl gave her name as Dora B. Merritt and said she had just come from Versailles, Mo., with her baby boy, 3 months and 6 days old. She wanted to find a home for her child, she said, for she had no money. She had paid what little she had to come a part of the way to Kansas City and the "owner of the train" had helped her the rest of the way. This is all the information she would give.

Dora Merritt and her charge were taken to police headquarters, where the mother was kindly treated by Matron Moore and Humane Officer Greenman. The latter found a place for her to work and her child was sent to the hospital, for he did not look well.

"Some one was duped when that little waif was left on our hands Wednesday night," said Humane Officer Greenman yesterday. He spent all the morning looking for the homes of the women who gave their names as "Mrs. Mary Baker" and "Mrs. Lucretia Highfield," and said they were neighbors and lived at the corner of Second and Wyandotte streets. There are no houses in that neighborhood where the two women could have lived, and no convenient doorstep upon which the little one-day-old waif could have been deposited. Mr. Greenman has doubts about the names given by the women as their own. He thinks their story a fairy figment of the imagination. At all events the women relieved themselves of the burden of the little one. The babe was taken to the city hospital yesterday. It was pronounced too young for the Children's home. In the meantime the police officers are curious to meet again "Mrs. Mary Baker" and "Mrs. Lucretia Highfield," whose names are not in the directory.

Cooler Weather Promised.

The promised "slightly cooler weather" resulted yesterday in a temperature six degrees lower than that of the day before. A big rain storm has been roaming around in the region of the Gulf coast and in the Northwest cloudiness and generally unsettled weather are the conditions. The decrease in heat will go on. To-day will be cooler in Kansas City and vicinity. The forecast for Missouri is, showers and cooler weather. For Kansas, cooler and showers in the extreme east portion. For Nebraska, cooler. The maximum temperature yesterday was 86 degrees, and the minimum 68 degrees. The hourly readings of the temperature were as follows:

8 a. m.	74	2 p. m.	85
9 a. m.	74	3 p. m.	85
10 a. m.	79	4 p. m.	86
11 a. m.	81	5 p. m.	85
12 m.	82	6 p. m.	80
1 p. m.	84	7 p. m.	78

Dr. R. C. Flower, of Boston, arrived at the Allmon house last evening, where he will remain two days only.

Births Reported.

Trainor, Thomas and Mary; 520 Hunter avenue; September 23; boy.

Fletcher, J. E. and Minnie; 1715 Michigan; September 25; girl.

Lahman, S. W. and Beatrice; 1229 Dripps; September 27; girl.

Boone, William and Minnie; 3813 East Fifteenth; September 21; boy.

Maiden, Charles and Mary M.; 2837 Mercier; September 27; girl.

Dodge, Asa J. and Lillie; 2915 Charlotte; September 23; girl.

Purple, Joseph and Agness; 1528 Euclid; September 22; girl.

Goodman, Harris and Annie; 1410 Grand; September 28; boy.

Loyd, Reeves and Anna; 1611 Spruce; September 27; girl.

Rose, Albert and Mrs.; Forty-fourth and Agnes; September 25; girl.

Fredstrand, Frank A. and Sophia; 2709 Vine; September 24; girl.

Connet, Frank B. and Vena Pearl; 3728 East Tenth; September 28; boy.

Lund, John E. and Hattie; 111 East Tenth; September 18; boy.

Harvey, Frank and Bertha; 2212 Indiana; September 19; boy.

Calaher, Gus and Elizabeth; 1912 Troost; September 17; boy.

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Names.	Age.
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Melinda Long, Kansas City	41
George Rudrick, Kansas City	23
Annie Alisky, Kansas City	18
G. Ries, Nevada	63
Johanna Ries, Nevada	63
Charlie Morrow, Kansas City	25
Maria Shorts, Kansas City	30
Tobias W. Fulghem, Alma, Kas.	59
Adaline Waddill, Topeka	38
George Johnson, Kansas City	36
Frankie Harper, Kansas City	26

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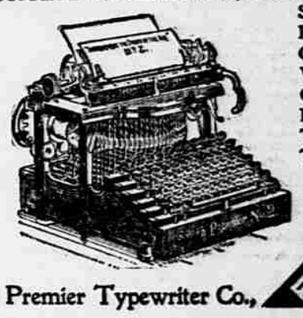

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