

KANSAS CITY

FORGER CAUGHT

Cashing a Worthless Check Here His Undoing. Lives in Style at the Hotel.

Tuesday, January 29, a man and woman accompanied by a little girl registered at the Nickell Home as Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith. Smith apparently had no special business in Lexington, and was a frequent caller at the saloons, where he made several attempts to cash checks. He was unsuccessful in this, but finally met Ed Lowe, a former acquaintance, whom he persuaded to identify him at the bank. The check was for \$20.00 which Mr. Lowe endorsed. The check being returned as worthless, helped the officers to trace him to this city. A detective of Kansas City for the American Bankers Association came to Lexington Tuesday night and found the man was Robert M. Hix, who was wanted in Kansas City for forging a dozen or more checks on his father.

The woman he was living with proved to be a Mrs. Woods, who had deserted her husband and three children in Kansas City. The little girl accompanying them was also Mrs. Woods.

Mrs. Woods and her little girl were returned to Kansas City Wednesday morning, and Hix was held for an officer from Kansas City, who came down Wednesday morning and returned with him in the evening. Hix is a man about 40 years old, and some ten or twelve years ago had worked for John Slusher on the farm. When arrested he had in his possession \$1.80, all that was left of the \$20.00 donated by Mr. Lowe. He had paid his board bill.

City Officials Appointed.

At a meeting of the city council Saturday night, Mayor A. E. Taubman appointed John Pollard City Marshal, to serve until the city election Tuesday, April 6, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of City Marshal Frank Haberkorn. Charles Kinkead, ex-sheriff of Lafayette county, was appointed calaboose keeper to succeed John Pollard, for the same period. The successful candidate for city marshal at the April election will serve only one year, the unexpired term of Mr. Haberkorn.

Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Baskett spent yesterday in Kansas City.

M. C. McFadin Injured.

M. C. McFadin was injured Saturday morning while on the road to town with his accustomed load of milk and cream. Owing to the slippery condition of the road the wagon slid and upset with Mr. McFadin underneath. While painfully cut and bruised, principally about the head, his condition is not serious. He was attended by Dr. C. T. Ryland.

Farm House Burns.

The farm house of August Semler, who lives about six miles southwest of Lexington, caught fire Friday morning about 3 o'clock and together with the contents was totally destroyed. The cause of the fire is unknown. The contents were fully covered by insurance, while the house was partially insured.

Public Sale.

Your attention is called to the advertisement of Marshall Tharp which appears on another page. He will sell at public sale, Friday, February 12, 1915, all of his horses, mules, cattle, farming implements, etc. Read the list, you may find something you want.

Walter Ellis, charged with assault to kill, was discharged in Justice Wright's court Tuesday. Prosecuting Attorney Aull then filed a charge of common assault against Ellis, to be tried in the criminal court. The case grew out of some difficulty between Ellis and James Stapleton.

Col. S. J. Houston went to Kansas City Friday morning, where he has brought suit for \$30,000 damages against the Metropolitan Street Railroad Company. The suit grew out of an injury sustained by Mrs. Houston about three years ago. She was thrown from a street car and suffered severe bruises and a broken leg.

Card of Thanks.

We want to thank our friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted us during the illness and death of our beloved daughter, Elphie Thorson, and also for the beautiful floral offerings.

Peter Thorson & Family.

The interior of the Missouri Pacific railroad station has been greatly improved by a coat or two of paint and varnish. The stoves have been polished and altogether the station has very much improved appearance.

A Letter From Jeff.

A bill to provide indemnity to owners of diseased stock ordered killed by the State Veterinarian has been introduced.

A bill offered appropriates \$1000 to each state normal school for a two weeks' course in agriculture in these institutions.

Representative Houx is the quiet member of the House. A lawyer of ability, he knows the value of silence. He speaks only when he has something to say, and therefore receives attention when on the floor. He is serving his third term, having been nominated without opposition and twice renominated without opposition. He is a working, rather than a talking member. During his terms of service the most important and beneficial legislation enacted has come from him.

Representative Dumm has introduced a bill giving cities of the third class a "manager." The bill provides for the election of a small city council at a non-partisan election. Instead of this council making up a commission to rule, the bill empowers the council to employ a city manager with authority to look after all city business. Lexington is a city of the third class and this bill is applicable, should it become a law.

A bill for the continuance of the system of contract labor at the penitentiary has been introduced. Under the bill the minimum wage is .75 a day for each convict hired out, and provides that 15 per cent of the convicts earnings shall be set aside for the benefit of dependant relatives.

An anti-elopement bill introduced requires a ten days' notice to county recorders before a marriage license can be granted.

A bill introduced authorizes county courts to employ farm advisers.

A bill as to assessment has been introduced requiring all property of the state to be assessed annually and the taxes fall due upon the assessment October 1. The bill, which, should it pass, would not become operative until January 1, 1916, provides for the valuations to be placed on property March 1, in place of June 1, and taxes to become delinquent after January 1.

A bill has been introduced providing for a "county adjuster" in all counties having a population of 25,000 and over, the aim being to do away with "petty" cases. The county adjuster would hear disputes where the amount involved is less than \$50. No witnesses would be summoned before the "adjuster" except the two in dispute. They simply would tell him their stories and he would try and settle the controversy.

The republicans since the beginning of this session have been playing to the "gallery" by yelling "investigate" this and that department. The other day one of them offered a resolution demanding that State Auditor Gordon make report as to the collection of collateral inheritance tax. It was amended by a democrat by adding that he report as to collections under his republican predecessor. When the vote was taken every republican voted against the resolution. But it was adopted. January 27 Auditor Gordon made the report and how he did smother the republicans.

The gain in collections of inheritance tax shows an increase of

COUNTY COURT

PROCEEDINGS

Commissioners Appointed. Other Matters of Importance Adjudicated.

County court met Monday in regular monthly session, with Presiding Judge Zach W. Wright, Judge Julius Vogt of the Eastern district, Judge Dan G. Wade of the Western district, Deputy Sheriff Ben McDowell and County Clerk Geo. W. Bates, present. The following business was transacted.

Court ordered that a warrant be drawn for \$150 in favor of Kleinschmidt and Grau out of road and bridge fund as first payment on graded road between Elm branch and Davis creek; the balance of \$50 to be paid when work is completed, according to first agreement.

Court ordered that Clarence Vivion be allowed the papers for a few days in the petition of Mary E. Waller vs. John J. Finch relative to an island in the Missouri river, the same to be returned in good condition.

Court ordered that Ike H. Noyes, county Treasurer, make a proposition to the Mississippi Valley Trust Company to pay 97½ cents on \$75,000 on county compromise bonds and interest to date of purchase if such purchase is made.

Court ordered that a warrant for \$650 be drawn in favor of G. W. Rabius, treasurer of Mayview Special Road District, out of the General Road and Bridge fund, this being granted owing to the fact that other special road districts received warrants in the year just past and none was received by them. The court further ordered that the requisition of the Mayview Special Road District be certified to County Treasurer Noyes for payment in the amount of \$1448.03.

Hugh Rogers, county highway engineer, presented his report of survey and plat of the County Farm and the same was examined and approved.

The following road districts presented requisitions and same were ordered to be certified to the county treasurer, Ike H. Noyes:

Odessa, No. 1.....	\$1144.85
Odessa, No. 2.....	1536.95
Odessa, No. 3.....	1212.37
Corder and Alma.....	3410.85
Higginsville.....	4036.23
Aullville.....	1582.06
Wellington & Napoleon.	1621.50

Claude Douthitt presented a wolf scalp and claimed bounty which is offered by the court. Court ordered that warrant for \$3.00 be drawn in his favor, but after March 1st, 1915, no bounties will be paid for scalps.

Frank Ashcraft presents petition to change road and pays filing and posting fees.

Dr. G. W. Fredendall appeared before the court with a petition to send Sadie M. Johnson to Mt. Vernon Tuberculosis Sanitarium.

Dr. C. T. Ryland appeared before the court with a petition to send May Hopkins, 14 years old, to the Mt. Vernon Tuberculosis Sanitarium.

Contract with P. B. Smith superintendent of County Poor Farm for year beginning March 1st, and lasting one year was approved and signed and ordered filed.

Lexington Special Road District files its requisition for money due said district, and same was ordered certified to the county treasurer for payment in the amount of \$21,295.83.

Dover Special Road District

Special 4 Day Sale

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Gossard Corsets

Feb. 4th, 5th, 6th, and 8th.

To make room for the new Spring Stock we will offer the following prices. Every Gossard in the house included in sale.

All \$3.50 Gossard Corsets at	-	\$2.75
All \$5.00 Gossard Corsets at	-	\$3.95
All \$6.50 Gossard Corsets at	-	\$4.95
All \$7.50 Gossard Corsets at	-	\$5.75

We are also offering for the same four days as an "EXTRA SPECIAL"

One lot of 50 house dresses in gingham, percales, and outing flannels, both light and dark colors, worth from \$1.00 to \$2.00,

"SLIGHTLY SOILED"

at a special price of
59c each

Lexington Mercantile Co.
THE QUALITY STORE

files its requisition for money due said district, and same was ordered certified to the county treasurer for payment in the amount of \$1498.17.

The court appointed the following commissioners for the special road districts:

Odessa No. 1, Marvin Wright.
Odessa No. 2, Wm. B. Grizzell.
Odessa No. 3, Frank Davis.
Concordia, Chris Cordsen.
Corder & Alma, Harry Rodekohl, Alma, 3 years, and F. C. Schmidt, Alma, to fill the unexpired term of Dr. Frischer, resigned.

Wellington, John Gau-man.
Lexington, W. B. Waddell.
Waverly, Henry Brews, 3 yrs., and L. W. Corder to fill the unexpired term of Harry Steele, resigned.

Aullville, R. C. Caplinger.
Mayview, Thos. McGirl.
Dover, T. J. Miller.

The court re-appointed the following road overseers: A. C. Skidmore, J. E. Strange, Ivan Wilkinson, H. C. Henning, Geo. Prock, Frank Stoner, John Prigge, Jr.

The court re-appointed Hugh C. Rogers highway engineer.

The poll tax for the ensuing year was fixed at \$3.00.

Courtin' Month.

February is the busy month in the various courts of the county. The county court convened Monday morning with the full quota of officers present, viz: Judges Wright, Vogt and Wade; County Clerk G. H. Bates, and Sheriff W. H. Waddell.

The Probate Court and the Circuit Court will convene next Monday, February 8th.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Reno and little daughter, Dottie, left Wednesday evening for the Panama Exposition at San Francisco, California. Lon Kelly spent Wednesday in Kansas City.

Walter Belt Killed.

Yesterday afternoon about 2:30 o'clock, Walter Belt while clearing ice from the bottom of the shaft at the East mine, was struck on the head by a chunk of ice and instantly killed. He is survived by his wife and one son.

Mrs. James Bryant of Kansas City, accompanied by her niece, Miss Irene Anderson, of Los Angeles, California, arrived Tuesday night to visit at the home of her cousin, C. L. Glasscock. Miss Anderson has matriculated at Central College for a course in piano and voice.

Noted Evangelist Coming.

Evangelist O. E. Hamilton, now in a successful evangelistic campaign at Independence, Mo., will come to Lexington's Christian Church for a lecture on February 15th. Mr. Hamilton is one of the more widely known general evangelists of the Christian Church and has held meetings in every part of the United States and has twice circumnavigated the globe, holding meetings in New Zealand and in Australia on the way. He will use pictures, most of which he himself took to illustrate his popular lecture "Twice Around the World." The Stewarts, his veteran singers, will accompany him here and will contribute a musical concert to the evening program. This will be a rare treat to Lexington people, especially for those who are the apostles of "The wider horizon." Tickets will be on sale at an early date. The Christian Endeavors will be in entire charge.

W. M. A. 24; Beavers 17.

Saturday night the Wentworth basket ball team entertained the Beaver Athletic Club basket ball team of Kansas City in the academy drill hall. The game was a most spirited one from beginning to end. A good sized crowd was in attendance.

THE PERFUME INDUSTRY

"Grasse, in Southern France, is the center of production of fine perfumes. Forty factories, employing thousands of men and women, are in operation all the time. Surrounded by mountains on the North and fanned by the Mediterranean breezes on the South, the location is ideal for flower culture. Violets are gathered from February to April, Jonquilles during March and April, Orange Flower and Roses during May and June, Reseda and Carnation during June, Jasmine from July to October, Tuberosa in August and September, and Cassia from October to December.

Thousands of tons of Mint, Geranium, etc., are also distilled at Grasse. Each year workmen are sent up into the lower Alps with apparatus to effect the distillation of the Alpine flowers—Lavender, Spike, Thyme and Rosemary."

We have an excellent line of French Perfumes—and American Perfumes that are the equal of any.

WESTERMAN & RANKIN
DRUGGISTS

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