

CEMETERY COMMITTEE HARD AT WORK

Plans For Permanent Foundation Nearly Complete.

Throughout the Fall and Winter, while outside work goes slowly, the committee on Machpelah Cemetery has worked steadily, getting things in shape so that much can be done when Spring comes. The work actually accomplished on the cemetery grounds, has been to survey and grade part of the roadways; but many hours have been spent on things absolutely necessary as a foundation for all lasting work. Contracts and deeds have been made; constitutions and by-laws gone over and studied; lists made of all lot owners, both citizens of Lexington and those dwelling elsewhere; and many other things done toward establishing a satisfactory and permanent foundation for correct management and control of the grounds. Every one approached has shown, not only willingness, but eagerness to help and things will soon be in a condition where much assistance, in many ways, will be needed and solicited.

David A. Slusher Given Surprise.

Uncle Dave Slusher was given a surprise at his home last Thursday night by Mrs. Slusher and Mrs. Earl Kensler who gave a supper and invited some of Uncle Dave's friends to enjoy it with him. The following were present: Dr. C. T. Ryland, Dr. W. R. Eckle, Messrs. F. Lee Wallace, E. N. Hopkins, Jackson Bradley, Chas. Glasscock, M. C. McFadin, J. G. Crenshaw, Lee J. Slusher, M. P. Slusher, J. C. Cooper, and W. C. Slusher of Malta Bend.

Sells Business in Boonville.

Fred T. Wilson last Saturday closed a deal disposing of his mercantile business in Boonville, Mo. The sale was made after a two weeks' special sale to parties operating stores in Sedalia. Mr. Wilson has announced no plans for the future.

R. E. Rogers, formerly night-watchman, has accepted a position as special officer for the Missouri Pacific Railroad at Pacific, Mo.

Nearing the Championship.

By defeating the Concordia High Friday night the Lexington High quintet rose one notch nearer the championship of Lafayette County. This game was the third consecutive win for Lexington and the boys from eastern Lafayette were defeated easier than any of Lexington's preceding opponents. The final score was 55 to 29.

The "Central Powers" made a good fight but they were completely outclassed in speed and teamwork.

The visitors were the first to score, immediately after the whistle blew, but the locals soon tied it up and then took the lead, which they never lost.

The most effective work for the home team was done by Lundberg, Larberg, and Cross.

Elks Have Big Night.

Last Friday night the members of Lexington Lodge No. 749 Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks treated themselves to a 6:30 o'clock dinner, after which they adjourned to the hall and initiated three candidates into the mysteries of Elk life. The bounteous spread before the more serious work, put everyone in fine fettle to do justice to every detail in the instruction of the aspirants for animal wisdom. The following were fitted with antlers: Irvin Morris, Capt. V. C. Wright and John R. Vaughan.

Death of Mrs. Jennie K. Shidy.

Mrs. Jennie Kennady Shidy died Tuesday at 9:45 o'clock at her home on Sixteenth street. Mrs. Shidy was born in Philadelphia, Penn., February 2, 1845. She is survived by three daughters.

The funeral services conducted by Rev. R. N. Allen were held at the home yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Geo. Nasser's Store Robbed.

Some one Thursday night had the "nerve" to force open the front door of George Nasser's general store on Main street and help himself to the cash in the cash register, amounting to \$20.00, and a quantity of merchandise. Mr. Nasser is unable to determine how much of the latter was taken.

DEATH OF WM. P. KEITH

Suffered Paralytic Stroke on Saturday, Unconscious to the End.

William P. Keith, one of Lafayette County's most highly respected citizens, suffered a stroke of paralysis Saturday about 1:30 o'clock and though never gaining consciousness lingered until 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon when death ensued.

Mr. Keith was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, March 25, 1836, and was nearly 80 years of age. He was a miller by trade and had learned it in that severe but efficient school of apprenticeship where wages were practically nil, but where the thoroughness exacted made masters of the trades. He lived in Lexington from 1869 to 1871, and was in charge of the Marshall & Eater mill located on the river front. He afterwards moved to Mayview and ran a mill there until he took up farming, continuing this vocation until his death.

Mr. Keith was a splendid character. His honesty and integrity was as rugged as the country in which he was born. He took an active interest in everything pertaining to the welfare of the community. He served the Mayview school district either as director or clerk for forty-four years, and it is recited by those in position to know, that he kept apace with modern methods and was ever an advocate for whatever seemed best regardless of monetary consideration. He was a member of the Mt. Hebron Cumberland Presbyterian church and an elder for more than forty years.

Mr. Keith is survived by his wife, who was formerly Miss Annie Cumming, also a native of Scotland; three sons, William C., of Mayview, John, of Odessa, and Chas. A., of this city. He is also survived by three grandchildren of a deceased daughter, living in the west.

The funeral was held at the Mt. Hebron church Thursday morning at 11 o'clock.

Dies From Injuries.

George Short, the one armed news butcher, on the Missouri Pacific branch between Kansas City and Sedalia, was run down by a switch engine at the Missouri Pacific terminal Friday afternoon and had his left leg cut off. He died an hour later at the German hospital from his injuries. He was 50 years old.

Both Teams Lose.

The Lexington basket ball teams were unsuccessful Saturday as Odessa defeated the High School 30 to 17, and Wentworth was beaten by St. Paul's College of Concordia 30 to 25.

Presbyterian Tea.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will give a tea at the home of Mrs. Nannie C. Steele, on Saturday afternoon and evening, Jan. 20th. Cakes and candy on sale.

Admiral Dewey Dead.

Admiral Dewey, the hero of Manila Bay, and the ranking naval officer of the world, died Tuesday night at his home in Washington. He was in his 80th year.

Otto Stalling Marries.

Otto Stalling, formerly of this city, and Miss Nellie Willfraud of Sweet Springs, secured a marriage license Monday in Kansas City, Kansas.

Death of Mrs. Sarah Julia Tevis.

Mrs. Sarah Julia Tevis, widow of the late D. W. B. Tevis, a life long resident of this city, died at 9 o'clock Sunday morning at her home in Kansas City, after a few days illness of paralysis. She was stricken Thursday morning at 10 o'clock.

Mrs. Tevis was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William B. Waddell, and was born in this city June 6, 1841. She lived in Lexington until November, 1911, when she moved to Kansas City. Mr. Tevis died February 5, 1905. Mrs. Tevis is survived by one son, Irving; one daughter, Mrs. Chas. M. Williams, both of Kansas City; two sisters, Mrs. Laura Chapman, Kansas City, and Mrs. Alice W. Slayback, St. Louis.

The body was brought to Lexington for burial. The funeral was held at the Baptist church Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. G. Garland Riggan conducted the services.

The body was accompanied to Lexington by Mr. and Mrs. Irving Tevis, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. M. Williams, Mrs. Dorothy Waddell Russell, Mrs. Robt. Durnham, all of Kansas City, and Mrs. George W. Chapman of Independence.

Is Oldest Legislative Employee.

John P. Collins of St. Louis, a Junior in the School of Law of the University of Missouri, is the oldest employee in point of service of the Missouri Legislature, having begun his work there as a page when 9 years old. He is now assistant reporter. He will serve under his fifth governor this year, having been employed in the terms of Dockery, Folk, Hadley and Major. He maintains his position in the legislature and works during the week-ends in the School of Law.

Police Court.

Herbert Arnett, was fined \$54.75 for carrying concealed weapons, and his brother, Edwin was assessed \$5.75 for disturbing the peace. When Herbert and Edwin were being arrested, Herbert drew a pair of knucks and threatened the officer. Both plead guilty in the police court Saturday morning.

Teichmann-Kroll.

Mr. Fritz Teichmann and Miss Margaret Kroll, both of near Winton, were married Tuesday afternoon by Rev. J. C. Bierbaum at the German Evangelical parsonage.

Accepts Clerkship.

Miss Mattie Marquis having accepted a clerkship under Representative Henry W. McNeel, left Sunday morning for Jefferson City to take up her duties.

Next Sunday will be observed as Fathers and Sons Day at the Methodist church. Let every boy or young man invite his father to attend Sunday School with him and let every father invite his son or sons to attend the 11 o'clock church service.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Sims went to Higginsville Friday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Sims' cousin, Miss Lillian Lay, who died in that city Wednesday morning. Miss Lay was 14 years of age, and her death resulted from Tuberculosis.

John J. Wedge returned the first of the week to the Chillicothe Business College to resume his school work in the Commercial Department.

DOVER.

Tom Holman returned Sunday to Nebraska, after a visit here with homefolks.

W. V. Straight made a business trip to Oklahoma last week. Miss Elizabeth Graves of Lexington met her music class here Tuesday.

Mrs. George Wheeler was called to Lexington last week on account of the illness of her daughter, Miss Ella, who was suffering from inflammatory rheumatism at the home of her brother, Will Wheeler.

Chris Slusher of Malta Bend was the guest of his brother, David Slusher, last week.

Walter and Tom Holman had business in Higginsville Saturday.

Mrs. R. P. Cherry and Mrs. John Davis spent several days last week in Kansas City.

Edmond Vaughan, Jack Cooper and R. L. Yokley attended a Masonic meeting in Higginsville last Thursday night.

The Dover High School building is almost completed. It will be ready for occupancy about the first of February.

Miss Mildred Cole, Garner Groves, Menefee Redd, Eugene Eagan and Lloyd Weedon, who attend school at Lexington spent the week end at their homes here.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Chanselor spent Sunday in Lexington with relatives.

There will be preaching at the Christian church here on Sunday, Jan. the 28th, morning and evening.

Mrs. Charlie Chrisman of Mt. Leonard visited last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Trent.

Mrs. James Corbin and children spent last week in Waverly with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Williams.

C. L. Cox spent several days last week in Kansas City.

Mrs. Nannie Littlejohn, who has been quite sick at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Webb Cole, is improving.

Mrs. Bettie Dinwiddie received a box of citron fruit last week from her friend, Mrs. Ellen Asbury, from Florida, among which was a Ponderosa lemon which measured 17 1/4 in. in circumference.

Mr. and Mrs. Marsh of Kansas City were guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Straight.

Mr. and Mrs. Harmon Wahl, and Mrs. W. H. Dysart motored to Lexington last Tuesday afternoon.

Jessie Cole had business in Lexington Friday evening.

Miss Ethel Bates, a trained nurse from Kansas City came down last week to nurse Mr. Wilson Malone.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Farmer and two children of La Harpe, Kan., were guests last week at the home of Mrs. Farmer's aunt, Mrs. J. H. Holman and Mr. Holman.

Mrs. Mason Little who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Blackwell, left Monday for her home in Oklahoma City. She was accompanied as far as Kansas City by Mrs. Blackwell and niece, Miss Katherine Davis, of Central College.

Dr. W. R. Eckle, J. W. Sydnor, H. T. Phillips, G. H. Bates, John Toner, Wm. Aull, Sr., E. N. Hopkins, Lee J. Slusher and W. W. Schwartz went to the Mt. Hebron church near Mayview yesterday to attend the funeral of Wm. P. Keith.

COUNTY FARMERS' ASSOCIATION FORMED

Adopted Constitution and Elected Officers. Will Meet Twice a Month.

Last Saturday pursuant to a call sent to all the farmers' clubs throughout the county three hundred farmers met in Higginsville and formed the Lafayette County Farmers' Association. A constitution was adopted and the following officers elected for the ensuing year: John R. Dryer, president; Ernest Schowengerdt, vice-president; H. E. Slusher, secretary, and Ed Walkenhorst, treasurer. These four together with four more to be elected at the next monthly meeting will compose the executive board.

The association will meet the second Saturday in each month at Higginsville.

Dr. M. E. Gouge of Sedalia, veterinary inspector U. S. Bureau of animal industry, who has started a campaign looking to the eradication of hog cholera, and Dr. D. F. Luckey, state veterinarian, were present and addressed the members.

Change in Business.

Mrs. Marie Marshall has bought from Mrs. Wm. Stonestreet her dress making parlor equipment and good will, possession given February 1st. The parlor is located in the Hix building and has long been the center of fashions in the dress makers art of this community. Mrs. Marshall, no doubt, will continue the high standard of workmanship so long maintained by Mrs. Stonestreet.

Mrs. Stonestreet will go to St. Louis and live with her son, William, who is sales manager for the Skinner-Kennedy Stationery Co.

Death of Henry Sneed.

Henry Sneed died Sunday evening at 5 o'clock at the home of Mansell Trent near Page City, where he was employed. His death resulting from pneumonia. Mr. Sneed was a native of Indiana, and was about 68 years of age. He had lived in Lafayette county about thirty years.

The body was brought to Lexington Monday evening and taken to the home of Charles Payne on North Twenty-fifth street, where the funeral was held at 2:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. G. Garland Riggan.

State Auditor in Trouble.

State Auditor George E. Hackmann, formerly county clerk of Warren County, Missouri, has been indicted by a Warren County grand jury on the charges of false swearing as an official and perjury and fraud in office. The charges are based on the four quarterly reports and the annual reports of the office of county clerk for the year 1916 and up to January 5, 1917.

Mr. Hackmann was elected state auditor last November, defeating his Democratic opponent, John P. Gordon.

Interments in Machpelah 1916.

Number of burials.....	84
Number less than 1915.....	18
Returned for burial from a distance	14
Total deaths and burials as reported from the Winkler Undertaking Parlors which includes the three cemeteries	143

Respectfully,
T. J. Green, Supt.



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