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IN THE DISTRICT COURT

Judge Maxwell Upholds the Dr. R. D. Gardner Will, which Gives the Entire Estate to His Widow.

Judge Maxwell has been grinding away every day with cases in the district court, and more business is being transacted at this term of court than for many years.

The trial of the contest over the will of the late Dr. R. D. Gardner, occupied the attention of the court for several days. The controversy was over the construction of the will of Dr. Gardner, the will providing that one-half of his estate should go to his wife and one-half to his son, C. E. Gardner, with the provision that in case of the death of C. E. Gardner without children, that the entire estate should go to Mrs. R. D. Gardner, and the guardian of Mrs. C. E. Gardner contended that the bequest of one-half of the estate to C. E. Gardner, and the fact that he survived his father, gave him title to one-half of the estate, and that Mrs. C. E. Gardner was entitled to a share of the estate, which amounts to about \$100,000. The case was fought to a finish, V. R. McGinnis and Miles & Steele appearing for Mrs. R. D. Gardner, and E. H. Sharp and C. W. Hoffman for the guardian of Mrs. C. E. Gardner. The case was finished on Friday after lengthy arguments and much quoting of authorities by the attorneys, and to the surprise of everybody, counsel included, Judge Maxwell did not take the case under advisement, but immediately decided that the will should be upheld, which gives the entire estate to Mrs. R. D. Gardner. Notice of appeal was at once filed by the attorneys for the guardian of Mrs. C. E. Gardner, and the case will be taken to the Supreme Court at once.

The case of Gustav Gust vs. O. L. Vantres, an action to quiet title to a farm in the possession of Gust, developed into a four cornered fight, as the result of a land trade in which the farm figured. The case was tried to the court, and yesterday morning Judge Maxwell signed a decree quieting the title to the land in Mr. Gust's favor, and decided that A. M. Babb and wife were not liable on the counter claim of O. L. Vantres, but has not as yet decided in regard to the controversy between the other parties.

The case of Wm. H. Young vs. Grant Young et al., was tried to the court and taken under advisement. The case of Phillip Williams vs. John and Earl McDowell, growing out of a claim for rent of a farm, and the counter claim for work and other things filed by defendant, is on trial to the court at the time this paper went to press.

The grand jury finished their work for the term last Thursday, returning four indictments, three of them against Claude Bevans, for selling liquor and the fourth indictment has not been made public, as the party has not been arrested. Bevans was arrested at once by sheriff Lorey and placed in jail, but gave bond Tuesday in the sum of \$500 and was released to appear at the next term of court.

An extra panel of twenty trial jurors was ordered drawn Tuesday by Judge Maxwell so as to secure juries for several cases to be tried at this term of court, the following being drawn for service:

- Walter Snyder, Center. James Hazlet, Eden. Glass Finch, Woodland. A. C. Dale, Leon. Fred Elliston, Fayette. Charles Porter, Decatur. David Turpen, Hamilton. J. D. Young, Long Creek. C. H. Wilson, Leon. C. H. White, Fayette. Eric McDonough, Center. S. H. Covington, Decatur. Sam Garber, Center. J. L. Dillon, Fayette. O. J. Gustin, Leon. H. L. Osborn, Burrell. George Jones, Long Creek. A. S. Millsap, Decatur. Wm. Kimpert, Leon. A. W. Stearns, Garden Grove.

The following cases have been disposed of since our report last week:

- LAW AND EQUITY James Eurrill vs. Henry Phillips. Dismissed without prejudice, each party to pay his own costs and one-half the court costs. W. H. Bronson vs. Peter Shambo. Settled and dismissed. Lottie Sheppard vs. Eliza Miller. Dismissed by plaintiff without prejudice. Lottie Sheppard vs. Alva Miller. Dismissed by plaintiff without prejudice. Lula Nelson vs. Oscar Nelson. Decree of divorce granted. Nancy Jane Rohr vs. Syntha Susan Sipes et al. Report of sale and deed to Stella F. West approved. F. A. Greenland vs. C. B. & Q. R. R. Co. Settled and dismissed. John Morehead vs. Martha D. Morehead. Ordered that plaintiff pay to clerk of the court \$250 as temporary alimony for defendant within five days. James Pazderka vs. G. C. Ramsey et al. Judgment. T. M. Riddle vs. F. Beavers and wife. Judgment on three promissory notes. Employers Mutual Casualty Association vs. Estate of Manuel Balleteros. Order approving commutation of death loss. Florence Haynes vs. Roy Haynes. Dismissed. Exchange National Bank vs. R. A. Sigler. Decree of foreclosure. Nettie Boyce vs. Homer Boyce. Decree of divorce. Ella G. Warner et al. vs. F. E.

Fisher et al. Decree of foreclosure. Globe Machinery and Supply Co. vs. W. J. Latta & Son. Judgment on account.

PROBATE

Estate of Louis Trisler. Final report approved, administrator discharged. Estate of Polly A. Clark. Final report approved. Estate of Wm. Lampkin. Widow's allowance fixed at \$300. Estate of Wm. A. McCormick. Marion Woodard appointed administrator with bond of \$1500. Guardianship of Bryan and Chloe Akes. Hester A. Akes appointed guardian with bond of \$2000. Guardianship of E. and L. M. McCormick. Marion Woodard appointed guardian with bond of \$1,000. Estate of Geo. H. Hilliard. Report of sale and deed to Clara Dickey approved. Estate of Wm. Woodard. Order approving sale of bank. Estate of Sarah A. Smith. Hugh T. Smith appointed administrator with bond of \$1,500. Estate of Samantha J. Woodard. Claim of Mary B. Rains allowed in sum of \$646.25. Claim of M. C. Woodard allowed in sum of \$102.00. Estate of G. W. Rudibaugh. Executor authorized to expend not to exceed \$200 for monument.

Child Injured in Unknown Manner.

Archie, the little two year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Hamilton, of Eden township, was seriously injured last Sunday while visiting at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Gammon, who live a few miles south of Leon. Just how he was injured is unknown, as he was found about 12:30 in a horse lot crying and was carried to the house and cared for. It is thought that one of the horses in the lot may have stepped on the little fellow, but this can not be told for certain. On Monday his condition was much worse and he was brought to Leon and taken to the Leon hospital and a physician called, and it was found necessary to operate upon him as there was a perforation or rupture of the small intestines and he was in a very serious condition. The operation was successfully performed and the little sufferer rallied from the operation in fine shape, but his condition is considered very critical with not much hope for his recovery.

"Freckles" at Lamoni Coliseum Friday Night.

"Freckles," Gene Stratton's big song play success, will appear at the Lamoni Coliseum on Friday evening, Nov. 5th. This unusual play is a dramatization of the famous novel of the same name, and each of the familiar characters in the book are retained in the dramatization which closely follows the book story. "Freckles" is a great book; "Freckles" is a better play. It is clean and wholesome and appeals to every man, woman and child. It is a wonderful story of the Lumberlost region, and tells of the struggles of a brave lad working against tremendous odds. It is full of heart interest, tender pathos, bright wit and delightful humor, interspersed throughout with beautiful music and tuneful song numbers. Special attention will be given to telephone and mail orders, and good seats will be reserved for out of town people by addressing -an Anderson, at Lamoni.

Last Installment of "The Goddess" Tonight.

The final installment of the popular serial, "The Goddess," will be shown at the Idle Hour theatre this evening and also at the regular afternoon matinee. If you have seen any of the installments of this entrancing serial you will want to see how the story ends. The first show tonight starts promptly at 7 o'clock. The new serial, "Neal of the Navy," will start on Thursday night, Nov. 11th, and it promises to be the best serial yet shown in this city.

Leon 62-Lamoni 0.

There was a one-sided game of foot ball played on the Leon grounds last Friday afternoon, between the Alumni of the Leon High School and the Alumni of the Lamoni High School, both teams being made up of a bunch of husky young men who have finished their school work, but Lamoni was no match for the speedy Leon boys, and the game ended in a score of 62 to 0 in favor of Leon.

Marriage Licenses.

- Walter F. Overholzer, Grand River.....22 Gladys Boles, Grand River.....21 Loren Booth, Cainesville, Mo.....29 Gertrude Melson, Cainesville, Mo. 28 Oliver W. Curtis, Blythedale, Mo. 32 Beulah Walton, Blythedale, Mo. 21 Willard R. Beck, Grand River.....20 Amy L. Downey, Lamoni.....19

High School Musical.

The High School chorus will give a musical at the school building next Tuesday evening, Nov. 9th. The program will include some of the numbers given at the last musical. Be on the lookout for further announcement and an opportunity to purchase a ticket. Admission 10 and 15 cents.

Farm For Sale.

Ay farm known as the Randolph Perdue land east of Leon, fine land, well improved, good system water works. Liberal terms to right man. L. P. VanWerden.

For Sale—A first-class Belgian 2-year old colt, at a bargain, J. C. Stockton. 10-11

BIG MEDICAL MEETING

Decatur County Medical Society Held a Very Successful Meeting at Leon on Last Thursday.

One of the best attended and most successful county medical society meetings ever held in southern Iowa, was that of the Decatur County Medical Society held at the library building in Leon on last Thursday, when about fifty doctors and their wives were in attendance. There was a splendid program following the business meeting which commenced at one o'clock, at which a number of excellent papers were read on topics of interest to the profession, the program being as follows:

- "Some Phases of Cardio Vascular Disease," Dr. Walter L. Biering, of Des Moines. "Care of Pregnant Women," Dr. J. B. Horner, of Lamoni. "Pain in Back as a Symptom of Appendicitis," Dr. F. Rosenblatt, of Des Moines. "Sinusitis as a Source of Infection," Dr. T. A. Minassian, of Des Moines. "Consultation," Dr. B. L. Eiker, of Leon.

There was a general discussion of the papers which were of exceptional interest to the profession. The visitors and their ladies were guests of the Leon members at a five o'clock dinner served at the Christian church by the Ladies' Aid Society of the church, and they had prepared a sumptuous dinner which was greatly enjoyed.

The following is a list of those in attendance:

- Dr. K. R. Huff and wife, Lineville. Dr. Enos Mitchell, Cainesville, Mo. Dr. G. P. Reed and wife, Davis City. Dr. Con R. Harken, Osceola. Dr. F. S. Bowen, Woodburn. Dr. G. I. Armitage, Murray. Dr. T. A. Minassian, Des Moines. Dr. C. H. Mitchell, Leon. Dr. R. F. Throckmorton and wife, Derby. Dr. F. W. Sells, Osceola. Dr. F. Rosenblatt, Des Moines. Dr. Bertha A. Greer, Lamoni. Dr. B. L. Eiker and wife, Leon. Dr. Geo. F. Niblock, Derby. Dr. H. Dill Greer, Lamoni. Dr. W. F. Schmaltz and wife, Mt. Ayr. Dr. C. E. Lovett and wife, Lineville. Dr. Paul F. Stookey, Lamoni. Dr. H. M. Hills, Lamoni. Dr. T. S. Duff, Cainesville, Mo. Dr. Fred A. Bowman and wife, Leon. Dr. J. W. Robinson and wife, Leon. Dr. Walter L. Biering, Des Moines. Dr. J. S. Coontz, Garden Grove. Dr. W. E. Lyon, Garden Grove. Dr. H. R. Layton and wife, Leon. Dr. B. W. Hales, Davis City. Dr. J. B. Horner, Lamoni. Dr. B. S. Walker and wife, Corydon. Dr. G. H. Sollenbarger, Corydon. Dr. C. T. Leasan and wife, Mt. Ayr. Miss Mamie Lane, Leon.

There was a jolly doctor and he had a trusty Ford

That could carry all the people that a man could pile aboard; And he had an invitation to a meeting in our town

For to hear some talks on tummies and decided to run down.

Then to a fellow doctor did he telephone a bid

To ride with him to Leon, and you bet the fellow did;

For to miss a meet as good as that he knew would be a sin,

So they bought a quart of gasoline(?) and started on their spin.

They autoed by the river and they autoed by the lake,

Through mud and sand and valley where an auto's apt to break;

And they saw a crippled Chalmers and a Buick Number Six,

And a Paige and Hup and Franklin in a dickens of a fix.

But this jolly country doctor had a very kindly heart,

And a trusty little auto that would never pull apart.

So he gave some consolation to the wounded where they lay,

And tied their autos 'hind him as he hustled on the way.

Thus he carried his fellows, did this noble-hearted man,

In his trusty little auto over miles of mud and sand;

And we all saluted Henry and its driver true and kind,

With the Chalmers and the Buick and the others tied behind.

Mules Ran Away.

Last Saturday afternoon a span of mules being driven by Joshua Vandell got frightened at Joe McLain's car, just as they passed the corner at Dr. G. P. Reed's residence. One of the mules shied and started to run. Joshua got out of the back end and Joe Vandell, his father, stayed with the runaway mules and halted them north of Latta's blacksmith shop.

Earl Newton had just come in from carrying the mail on the route and had tied his horse in front of Hill's produce house first door south of the postoffice and the team ran into the horse and knocked it about thirty feet, killing it almost instantly. The accident is to be deplored for all concerned.—Davis City News.

Celebrated Golden Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McIntosh, of Davis City, rounded out fifty years of married life last Friday. On account of the failure to receive half tone cuts of this worthy couple which were ordered from Des Moines, we omit a writeup of the happy event until next week.

NEW WAY TO TRY LAW SUIT.

Damage Case at Creston Being Tried Before Church Arbitration Board.

Over at Creston a unique law suit is being tried, as a sequel to an auto accident, and it is being tried before an arbitration board chosen from the Creston M. E. church. The parties to the case are G. H. Russell and R. S. Williams. Both are members of the Creston M. E. church and when Russell decided to bring suit against Williams, demanding \$1,036 for personal injuries alleged to have been sustained by his daughter, Miss Vangel, as a result of being struck by Mr. Williams' auto some months ago, mutual friends of the parties to the suit got busy and as a result the men entered into an agreement to try the case before a board of arbitration selected from the church membership, both of the men having agreed to abide by the decision of the arbitration board. Three men have been chosen as arbitrators, G. H. Compston, W. S. Jennings and W. F. Busby. The plaintiff is acting as his own attorney and the defendant is represented by his son, Rev. Mr. Williams, pastor of the M. E. church at Perry. Witnesses in large numbers have been summoned to appear and give testimony, and they are examined and cross-examined just like in a regular court. The case is not being tried in this manner to save expense, but to prevent the men who have always been good friends from becoming estranged from a bitter law suit in the regular court. This is something new, but it is pretty hard on the Creston attorneys for they will not get any of the money usually paid out by both sides. It will take several days to try the case and the outcome will be watched with considerable interest, for it may open a new way of settling much expensive litigation.

Boys Entered in Corn Acre Contest Must Have Their Corn at County Superintendent's Office by Saturday.

The judging of the corn grown by Decatur county boys in the big corn acre contest conducted in this county this year, must have the required ten ears of corn from their acre at the county superintendent's office in the court house in time to have it judged on Saturday of this week. The corn will be judged by Fred Woolley, of High Point, who will be assisted by other competent judges, the corn being judged and marked according to the rules in the contest. The test for moisture will be made at the Leon elevator by the Biddison Coal and Grain Co. The five samples scoring the highest in the judging and testing made Saturday will be forwarded to Ames by Nov. 10th, for the final judging, and the boy which is given first place will be given a free trip to the Panama Exposition at San Francisco, the value of the trip being estimated at \$135. The award will be made by the judges at Ames shortly after Nov. 10th. The boys who entered the contest in Decatur county have all worked hard, and they have raised some mighty good corn, but of course only one can win the big prize.

Surprised by Their Friends.

A number of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Keim, of northeast of Leon, tendered them a surprise last Saturday evening, the affair being gotten up by their son Earl, to dedicate the new home which they recently completed. Pumpkin pie, cake and other refreshments were served and all present had a fine evening. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Vasson, Mrs. Mattie Johnson, Glen Petticoat and family, Alva Petticoat and family, Lew Merrill and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Plummer, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Watson and sons, Albert and Oscar, Otto Vannepit and family, Oscar Rex and family, Misses Addie Caster, Anna Duffield, Edna and Pauline Sears and Mr. Edgar Caster.

What Do You Think of This?

Last Sunday there was quite a little scrap down in south Leon between two of the old boys of Leon, one being only 86 years old and the other one only 83 years of age. It is reported that one of the boys was pasturing his horse in the street in front of the home of the other boy, who objected and told him to move on, and when he did not comply with his order he proceeded to wade right in to enforce his command. The combatants soon clinched and rolled over and over on the green grass, pummeling each other to their hearts content. The "boys" should have been in Sunday School so they would keep out of mischief.

Library Notes.

The library issued 1637 books during the month of October, and only 36 per cent of this was adult fiction.

Most of the November magazines may be found on the reading table.

Miss Moore, eighth grade teacher, and Miss Konklin, sixth grade teacher, have 35 books on the reserve shelf. Their boys and girls receive credits for a certain amount of reading.

Three hundred and eight students used the reference books at the library during the month of October.

Over 40 boys and girls attended "story hour" last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Hollister, who had been visiting at the home of his brother, E. C. Hollister, at Pleasanton, went to Lamoni Thursday evening and visited over night with friends at that place, departing Friday morning for their home at Sabetha, Kansas.

TWENTYFIVE YEARS AGO

Items Taken from the Files of the Reporter Published a Quarter of a Century Ago.

Last week Thomas Teale & Son's store was broken into at Weldon and about \$500 worth of goods taken, consisting of clothing, piece goods, cutlery, etc. Mr. Teale received a telegram Tuesday asking him to come to Chariton to identify part of the clothing which was found in a box car at Ottumwa. The goods taken were just received a day or two before the burglary.

The new Methodist church at Woodland will be dedicated on Sunday, Nov. 9th, the pastor will commence a protracted meeting today. The church is a fine building and an honor to the builders and one that Woodland may well be proud of.

J. H. Lighthill and A. C. Coppersmith, of near Decatur City, returned last Wednesday from their western trip. They report crops and feed of every kind very short in southwestern Iowa and southeastern Nebraska.

Fred Teale, the Weldon merchant, was visiting in Leon last Sunday.

Elder S. R. Akes goes east today. We wish him success.

Miss Libbie Woodbury, of Osceola, visited the Misses Lulu and Harriet Young the past week.

John W. Rush, of Kansas City, was visiting with his mother and other friends in this city over Sunday.

John Mowatt has returned from Jefferson, Iowa, and will again make his home in Decatur county.

Lew VanWerden and Ed Brooks, who are students at the State University at Iowa City, came home Friday and remained until after the election on Tuesday.

Mrs. Frank Slade, of Columbus, Ohio, came to Leon the first of the week to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Varga.

Lee Woodmansee, of Omaha, Neb., is visiting his sister, Mrs. J. W. Hornold. He is returning from a trip to Ohio, and stopped off to visit his sisters in Leon and Davis City.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Mayer went to Chicago last Saturday in response to a telegram announcing the death of Mrs. Mayer's youngest sister's husband. The funeral was held on Sunday and they returned home Tuesday.

Returns from every state from the Atlantic to the Pacific give enormous democratic gains everywhere at the elections held on Tuesday. The leaders of the high tariff party were without a single exception completely snowed under. McKinley and Foster were both defeated in Ohio, Joe Cannon was defeated in Illinois, and beyond any question whatever the democrats have carried the state of Illinois and this insures the election of that grand old man, John M. Palmer, to the United States Senate. Pattison, the democratic candidate for governor in Pennsylvania, is elected by 16,000. Wisconsin goes almost solidly democratic. Nebraska elects a democratic governor. So does Massachusetts and Michigan. In Kansas the republicans only elect one out of seven congressmen and this defeats Ingalls for re-election. Never before in the history of the country has there been such an upheaval of public opinion, and the black eye which the republican party has received will never be healed. In Iowa, that banner republican state, we elected six democratic congressmen out of eleven. The official count will be necessary to determine the results on the state ticket, but heavy gains over the vote for Gov. Boies are reported everywhere, and we feel confident that the entire democratic state ticket is elected. In Decatur county C. W. Hoffman was elected county attorney by 15 votes, and Uncle John Allbaugh, the democratic candidate for member of the board has a majority of 113. The republicans elected T. H. Schenck clerk of the courts and James Grandstaff county recorder.

State Inspector of County Homes Was Here.

H. H. McKee, state inspector of county homes, visited the Decatur county home last week, and it is needless to say that he found everything connected with it in first-class shape. He paid steward E. L. Shira a very high compliment, saying he had the most complete record and best kept set of books of any county home in the entire state of Iowa. He examined the new improvements recently made at the county home and pronounced them fine, especially the new tubercular cottage, which he said was as good as the one provided in Polk county, the largest county in the state. This cottage is almost ready for occupancy, but there have been no patients assigned to it as yet. Decatur county is indeed fortunate in having such an excellent man in charge of the county home as Mr. Shira.

One of the biggest real estate deals ever made in Ringgold county, was consummated last week when H. H. Wilson traded his 360 acre farm in Foe township to Theodore Creveling for a 690 acre farm near Lamoni, in Decatur county. Mr. Wilson then disposed of the Decatur county farm and purchased the Geo. S. Allyn farm consisting of 1084 acres in Washington and Rice townships. The deal was made through the real estate agencies of F. E. Sheldon & Co., of this city, and the Artie Allen Realty Co., of Kellerton.—Mt. Ayr Record-News.

A woman of experience knows that a man cannot be counted on when he professes to care for her; she waits until he proves that he does not care for anything else in the world.

NEW BOOK ON AUCTION BRIDGE.

With All The Recent Changes in The Laws and Rules.

A copy of the second edition of "1915 Auction Bridge" by Wynne Ferguson, 358 Broadway, New York City, has been received.

This little book of pocket size has all the new laws and rules of the game of Auction Bridge as it is played today at the New York Bridge Whist Club, and the Knickerbocker Whist Club of New York and all the leading card clubs of the country.

The book is full of suggestions and advice and contains everything of real importance that a bridge player wants to know. It is the first book on the game to sell at a popular price, 25 cents a copy, and the player who wishes to improve his game cannot afford to be without it.

Mr. Ferguson is a member of the Union League Club of New York and one of the original players of Auction Bridge at the Knickerbocker Whist Club of New York City.

Best Natured Baby in Chicago.

From the Chicago Examiner of October 23rd, we learn that at a big baby contest held at the Victoria theatre in Chicago, in which more than seven hundred babies were entered as contestants, little Dorothy, the four months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Vollman, of 1467 Cuyler street, was judged to be the best natured girl baby of the North Side, and in addition to the honor she was presented with two pairs of shoes. The proud mother of the prize winner was former Miss Myrtle Andrew, of Decatur county, who has many friends here and they will be pleased to hear of this honor.

Elmer Moore.

We are called upon to chronicle the death of Elmer Moore, which occurred at his home in Leon, Iowa, Oct. 28, 1915, resulting from a lingering case of typhoid fever.

He was born Nov. 10, 1890, being 24 years, 11 months and 8 days, and was taken in the bloom of manhood. It seems sad yet it is an all-wise God over all that knoweth best.

He is survived by his wife and two children. Funeral services were held at Bethel church Friday, Oct. 28th, conducted by Rev. Dale. The remains were laid to rest in Old Bethel cemetery.

A Good Show and a Good House.

A \$200 house greeted "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine" at the opera house Monday night, and it was a good house and a good show, everybody being pleased with the production. There were many persons in attendance from towns outside of Leon, and the big house shows that the people appreciate the efforts of manager Stuber to give them good attractions. If the people of Decatur county want good shows they can get them, and they can rest assured that when manager Stuber gives his personal guarantee to a show it will be worthy of your patronage.

Improvements at Idle Hour Theatre.

The Idle Hour theatre has been equipped with new and very comfortable opera chairs the past week, which adds greatly to the comfort of the patrons. The aisles have also been widened which makes it much more convenient for the people who attend this popular play house. Other improvements at the theatre will be installed shortly and the Idle Hour will be the prettiest and most comfortable theatre in this part of the state.

Tuesday's Elections.

At the general elections held Tuesday the result was split up, the republican candidate for governor in Massachusetts being elected by a majority of about 3,000. In Maryland the democratic candidate for governor was elected by about 7,000, and in Kentucky the result is in doubt, but the returns indicate the election of the democratic candidate for governor.

Woman Suffrage Defeated by Overwhelming Majorities.

At the elections held in New York, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania on Tuesday of this week, woman suffrage was defeated by overwhelming majorities. In Massachusetts the returns indicate a majority of more than 100,000 against suffrage, in New York the majority is more than 200,000 against it, and in Pennsylvania about 150,000 against it.

Of Guy Cauffman who plays at the Leon opera house, Thursday night, Nov. 11, in "A Royal Gentleman," manager L. J. Teeler of the Lone Tree opera house says, "Played Guy Cauffman to a good house, everybody pleased. Can truthfully say that his is the best show we ever had. Wish we could get more shows like Cauffman's." Of the same play Jack Fleak, manager of the Brighton opera house, says, "Had Guy Cauffman's 'A Royal Gentleman,' Oct. 23, to a fair house. This is absolutely the best attraction we have had this season. Every actor is an artist, and the wardrobe is complete, special scenery for each act and they sure did please our people. We sure want the company back next season. Seats on sale at Cherrington's, 75c, 50c and 25c."

J. V. Lemley, one of the assistant state accountants, came in Sunday from Burlington, where he is checking up the books of the county officers and visited until Friday afternoon with his family in this city. He will be at Burlington for several weeks yet.