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IN THE DISTRICT COURT

James Dunn Convicted of Incest, but will Appeal to the Supreme Court. Cases Disposed of.

District court is still in session, and a number of cases have been disposed of at this term of court. The grand jury completed their session on last Thursday, returning twelve indictments. Dan Downey, of Davis City, was indicted on two counts for selling liquor, and Arthur Campbell and M. E. Parsons, of Leon, were indicted on the same charge. All three have given bonds for their appearance at the next term of court. The names of the other parties indicted have not been made public as they have not yet been placed under arrest.

LAW AND EQUITY

F. L. Woodard vs. I. K. Fisher. Settled. Geo. T. Ogilvie vs. Marion and Jessie Woodard. Settled. Isaac Joseph vs. Isaac Toney. Motion for more specific statement sustained. Willie Ertz vs. Ford Paving Co. Settlement between plaintiff's guardian and defendant is approved. Walter G. Braden vs. John Heklebaugh. Tried to court, judgment for plaintiff for \$70 and costs. Hester A. Akes vs. Amanda Brown et al. Report of sale and deed to Hester A. Akes approved. John Brazelton vs. Franklin H. Rex et al. Settled. Guarantee Mutual Hall Assn. vs. J. H. Alldredge. Cause called for trial. Plaintiff is in default for failure to reply. T. U. McCrystal vs. R. B. Greenhalgh. Settled. Perry A. Worden adm. vs. John Heidebaugh et al. Judgment for plaintiff on account for \$250.51, and costs. Adrian Wire Fence Co. vs. James Bower and I. C. Walker. Judgment on account for \$405.20 and costs. Wm. I. Harrow et al. vs. Joseph S. Harrow et al. Final report of referee showing distribution approved. Geo. J. Spaeth vs. W. E. Newlin et al. Judgment against M. E. Newlin on three notes.

PROBATE

Estate of Thomas J. Graves. Annual report approved. Estate of Willis C. Woodard. Claim of Morrison Mfg. Co., settled by agreement. Estate of E. B. Haynes. Order as prayed for. Estate of Elsworth W. Rex. Administrator authorized to settle claim of John Brazelton at one-third of \$295.15. Estate of Wm. Woodard. Order signed. Estate of Wm. Lampkins. Report of sale approved. Order for payment of claims. Estate of Mary B. Rains. Order for sale of personal property. Estate of S. M. Kier. Order for sale of personal property. Guardianship of Cecil Dunn. Resignation of J. W. Sampson as guardian accepted, and E. J. Laird is appointed without bond. Estate of John S. Davidson. Will probated. Rebecca Davidson appointed executrix without bond. Guardianship of Joseph and Alice Hacker. Report of sale and deed to Geo. E. and C. P. Black approved. Estate of Jacob Rhoades. W. W. Wiley appointed administrator with bond of \$1000 and administrator authorized to sell personal property. Guardianship of Margaret E. Hatcher. O. M. Hatcher appointed temporary guardian with bond of \$60,000, and guardian authorized to expend not to exceed \$50 per week. Hearing on appointment of permanent guardian set for March 21st.

Small Fire at Moore's Cafe.

There was a small fire at Claude Moore's cafe Monday evening. Everett Bright was starting up the gasoline lighting system when in some manner the gasoline caught fire and communicated to the woodwork, and a fire alarm was turned in, but a few buckets of water extinguished the fire and the damage was slight, being confined to the kitchen.

Eastern Star Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Eastern Star will be held next Monday, Feb. 14th.

COLONEL W. P. HEPBURN DIED MONDAY.

Former Congressman From This District Was a Prominent Politician.

Colonel William P. Hepburn, former member of congress from this district, died at Clarinda Monday. Colonel Hepburn was near death last November, but after a time rallied, and a few weeks ago was so much improved that he thought seriously of returning to Washington to look after an extensive law practice which he acquired after leaving congress.

About a week ago his condition took a turn for the worse and since that time he has lost ground steadily. Besides the widow, a son and a daughter survive him.

Colonel William P. Hepburn, although twenty years in congress, became best known throughout the country during the Roosevelt administration. It was he who framed what was later called the Hepburn law, prohibiting rebate and discrimination by railroads. As chairman of the house committee on interstate and foreign commerce in the first session of the fifty-ninth congress he was the author of three acts out of five, which the then president Roosevelt afterwards declared would cause that congress to be memorable in history because of its constructive legislation. Of the five acts, four came from Colonel Hepburn's committee and three of them—the Hepburn law, the pure food act and the public health act—were framed by Col. Hepburn himself.

Mr. Hepburn represented the 8th Iowa district. He was also an efficient soldier and a lawyer of high reputation. He was a product of the early pioneer days in Iowa and got what little schooling he had in three winters at an academy near Iowa City. He was born in Columbiana county, Ohio, November 4, 1833, removing to Iowa City where his mother and step-father took up their residence on a farm, when he was eight years of age. After a brief experience in the schools the community afforded he got employment in a printing office where he worked for four years. Later he read law at Iowa City and Chicago, being admitted to the Illinois bar in 1854. He returned to Iowa in 1855, married Miss Melvina A. Morsemann, of Iowa City and settled at Marshalltown.

When the civil war broke out Col. Hepburn organized a company and became its captain. This company went to the front in February, 1862, as a part of the Second Iowa cavalry. He was soon advanced to the rank of major and in that position earned distinction at the battle of Corinth. Not long afterwards he was placed on the staff of General Sheridan, and in December of the same year became a lieutenant colonel and was put in command of the Second Brigade, Cavalry Division, 16th Army Corps. He was later transferred to other commands and served until the close of the war.

In 1876, Col. Hepburn moved to Clarinda, Iowa, which had since been his home, except for a part of the time when he resided in Washington, D. C. He was elected to congress in 1880 and twice successively thereafter. During the Harrison administration he was solicitor of the treasury department, which position he resigned March 4, 1893, to again enter congress from his old district. He was an unsuccessful candidate for United States senator in 1888.

Col. Hepburn was thirteen times the nominee of his party in the 8th Iowa district, his first contest in 1880 being the most remarkable. The convention was held at Council Bluffs and Congressman Sapp had received fifty-four votes—three less than a majority—without diminution 384 times. After a three days' session the convention took a recess of four days. Its second session covered two days and Col. Hepburn was nominated on the 385th ballot, receiving fifty-nine votes. His twelve subsequent nominations were practically unanimous. Two of them were by acclamation. During his career in congress which ended March 4, 1909, Col. Hepburn supported every measure that became law looking to the control of common carriers. Many of these bills were introduced by him.

Special City Election Tomorrow.

The voters of Leon should not forget the special city election which will be held in Leon on Friday, Feb. 11th, when they will be permitted to vote on the question of granting a new franchise to the Leon Electric Co., for a term of twenty-five years. The proposed franchise has been published each week for the past four weeks and voters should examine it carefully before voting. If carried it makes a contract for twenty-five years, and if you have any kick make it now as after the franchise is granted you will have no opportunity. The new franchise has been endorsed by the city council and there will probably be no opposition to it at the polls.

Rural Carrier Resigns.

Glen Rumley, the popular and accommodating carrier on Leon Rural Route No. 1, has resigned his position to take effect March 1st, when he will engage in farming. Glen has been carrying the mails for a number of years and was one of the best mail carriers in the state. A civil service examination will be held at Lamoni and Osceola on March 11th to fill the vacancy caused by his resignation.

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JEFFERSON HIGHWAY

Is Definitely Located by Board of Directors and Inter-State Trail Through Leon Is Selected.

The route of the Jefferson Highway which when completed will extend from New Orleans to Winnipeg, Canada, through Missouri and Iowa was definitely located at a meeting of the directors held in Kansas City last Wednesday which was attended by several hundred good roads boosters, and the Inter-State Trail which runs through Leon was officially selected as the route from Kansas City to St. Paul. There was a hard fight over the matter as four different routes were considered and each was represented at the directors' meeting by a big bunch of boosters. The routes were the Capitol Highway running from Kansas City to Chillicothe, Mo., then up to Lineville, Iowa, and through Leon to Des Moines, the Ayr Line which goes through Mt. Ayr, the Saints' Highway which passes through Bedford and the Inter-State Trail, which is already located and marked from Kansas City to St. Paul. A hard surfaced road fit for travel 365 days of the year is what the Jefferson Highway will be when completed. The Missouri representatives pledged that they would build gravel surfaced roads from Kansas City to the Iowa state line south of Lamoni and have it completed by Labor Day next year, September 4th. In Worth county, Iowa, there are already thirty-five miles of gravelled road on the Inter-State and Cerro Gordo promises they will have all the trail in that county gravelled this year. It is going to be a big thing for the Iowa towns which are located on the Jefferson Highway, for there will be a tremendous amount of transcontinental travel over it. E. T. Meredith, of Des Moines, is president of the Jefferson Highway and he has already issued the first number of a new magazine, known as the Jefferson Highway Declaration, and devoted to the interests of the route and the territory traversed, which will be published monthly at Des Moines, with Mr. Meredith as editor and Frederick J. Wright, his secretary, as associate editor.

The Iowa members of the board of directors are W. A. Hopkins, of Lamoni, E. C. Harlan of Indianola, and Hugh H. Shepard, of Mason City, a mighty good-trio of good roads boosters and workers. County clubs to further the organization will be organized in every county in the state of Iowa. In Missouri bond issues will be made for improving the road. Decatur county should be one of the first to get in line with this work and already plans are being talked of to gravel a mile north out of Leon commencing with the city pavement. We would like to see this project pushed, and if the first mile of gravelled road can be built in Decatur county, it will not be long until there will be many miles of hard roads in this county.

Making Good Roads Possible.

According to the Road Maker, Greene county recently let a contract for graveling two miles of the Lincoln Highway for \$900, or \$450 per mile. The county road system in Guthrie county amounts to 196 miles. At \$450 per mile it would cost \$88,200 to surface all of it with gravel. Suppose we allow for extra hauling and unsewn expenses \$11,800 more, making the estimated amount to complete the work an even \$100,000. How can we pay it without increasing the taxes? According to a table published in a bulletin form by the U. S. department of agriculture, it requires only \$8,024.16 per annum to pay in full both principal and interest on a five per cent \$100,000 loan running twenty years. Our share of the automobile tax in Guthrie county last year was \$8,290.56, and this alone if set aside for the purpose, on a basis of a uniform annual payment for twenty years, would more than gravel our entire county road system. After deducting the automobile tax, we would still have left \$90,000 per annum of tax and bridge funds to expend for further purposes.—Stuart Herald.

Shot His Thumb Off.

Will Sanders, the twenty year old son of Charles Sanders, accidentally shot his left thumb off while hunting near the Funktown cemetery last Thursday afternoon. The young man had a trap set and while pulling it out he set his shot gun down and his foot slipped and knocked the gun over and it was discharged, striking him in the thumb and tearing it off. He had placed a marble in the gun as part of a load for a wolf he was hunting, and the physician who was called found it necessary to amputate the thumb at the second joint.

Hamilton-Henderson.

Mr. Earnest Hamilton, formerly of Oklahoma, and Miss Sadie Henderson, of Hamilton township, were married on Wednesday, Feb. 2nd, by Justice Frank Cox at his home in Eden township. They will go to housekeeping at once on a farm which the groom owns in Hamilton township, having their house all ready furnished. That no cloud may ever darken their horizon without a silver lining is the wish of their many friends.

SALE DATE CHANGED.

On account of conflicting dates of the auctioneer, the public sale of Freeman & VanWerden advertised on page 11 for Thursday, February 17, has been changed to Friday, February 18th, one day later.

DECLAMATORY CONTEST.

Leon High School Held Declamatory Contest Friday Evening—The Winners.

A large audience was present at the opera house last Friday evening at the declamatory contest of the Leon High School to select contestants for the county, sub-district and quadrangular contests. There were twelve contestants, three in the oratory class, six in the dramatic class and three in the humorous. All of the contestants did fine, but of course all could not win. George Chastain was winner of first in the oratory class with "Spartacus to the Gladiators." The other contestants in this class were Michael Grogan with "Daniel O'Connell," and Forest P. Hagan with "Abraham Lincoln, the Man Called God."

In the dramatic class Nancie Kemp was awarded first place with "The Death Dice," the other contestants being Marjorie Shular with "The Story of Patsy," Maurine Penniwell with "How Old Folks Won the Oaks," Helen Gammill with "The Sign of the Cross," Goldeane Chastain with "The One Hundred and Oneth," and Merle Stephens with "Sombre."

In the humorous class Teresa Tullis won first with "The Village Gossip," the others being Doyle Brown with "Bill Smith," and Robert Beardsley with "A Case of Fits."

In the final marking Nancie Kemp was first over all, Marjorie Shular second over all and George Chastain third over all. Miss Nancie Kemp will represent Leon at the sub-district contest to be held at Bedford in March, at the quadrangular contest to be held at Corning and at the county contest to be held at Van Wert in April. Miss Marjorie Shular also goes to the county contest, and Miss Teresa Tullis and George Chastain will go to the quadrangular contest.

The judges of the contest were Rev. Tice of Osceola, Prof. J. E. B. Parker, of Corydon, and Prof. J. E. Prather, of Van Wert.

Death of a Promising Young Man.

Relatives in this city received the sad intelligence Tuesday morning of the death of Harold Lunbeck, who died Tuesday morning at 2 o'clock in a hospital at Ames. Two weeks ago Harold, who was a student in the State College at Ames, was operated upon for appendicitis, and he had been in a serious condition since that time. He was an adopted son of Miss Cora Lunbeck of this city, who has been with him during his illness. Harold spent the holiday vacation in Leon and made many friends among the young folks of this city, for he was an unusually bright young man, of very rugged constitution, and his death came as a great shock to his friends in this city. His remains were taken to Mason City, Iowa, for interment, funeral services being held at Mason City Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Mrs. C. M. Ketcham and Mrs. J. W. Rowell of this city, left Tuesday for Mason City to attend his funeral.

New Postmaster for Davis City.

Miss Emma R. Adkins was named as postmaster at Davis City last Friday. Miss Adkins was the successful applicant at the civil service examination which was held at Lamoni, P. E. Shirley has been acting as postmaster for the past several months since Burris Howell was removed. The ladies seem to have the call in holding postoffices in Decatur county, there being six lady postmasters in the county, at Davis City, Grand River, Van Wert, Weldon, Woodland and Leon, while the men have only the few which are left.

Another \$150 an Acre Farm sold.

Barbour Bros., of Garden Grove, recently sold their farm just north of Garden Grove to O. M. and O. C. Jordan at \$150 per acre. They took as part payment for the farm a half section of land in Canada in the Saskatchewan country, but have no intention of moving to that country, as they have since bought the old Sam Metter farm of 240 acres northwest of Garden Grove, which they secured at \$95 per acre, and the boys think they bought a mighty good bargain in it.

Sold \$400 Worth of Butters and Eggs the Past Year.

Mrs. W. W. Stiles, of near Crown, earned a little pin money on their farm during the year 1915 by selling butter and eggs and she kept a strict account of what she sold and how much she received for it. During the year she sold 1246 pounds of butter and 760 dozen eggs, which brought her the neat such of \$460, almost \$40 per month.

Death of Mrs. John Fishburn.

Mrs. S. C. Penniwell received a message Tuesday morning with the news of the death of her sister-in-law, Mrs. John Fishburn, at her home in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Monday night. Mrs. Fishburn was for a number of years a resident of Leon, but had resided in Oklahoma for several years.

Marriage Licenses.

John M. Nicks, Kansas City, Mo. . . . 32 Allie Howell, Centerville 22 Ancil Mitchell, Pleasanton 21 Loreta Estes, Pleasanton 18 Hessel Vanderlute, Chicago, Ill. . . . 34 Ruby Bagerley, Lamoni 31 J. N. Adkins, Chinoock, Mont. 45 Minnie E. Walker, Chinoock, Mont. . . . 39 Jesse O'hair, Van Wert 21 Violet Brines, Van Wert 20

Wall paper bargains this week at the Reznal store.

TWENTYFIVE YEARS AGO

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

Mrs. Lucy Harmon died at her home in Leon Monday night about 10 o'clock and was buried Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. She was 76 years old. Mrs. Marion Woodard is the possessor of a curiosity in the shape of an apple tree which is now in blossom. Some time ago she had a climbing vine among her house plants, and as it needed a support she broke a small branch from an apple tree and stuck it in the flower pot for the vine to train over. No attention was paid to it, but it has evidently taken root in the soil for it is now in blossom.

Easter comes early this year, March 28th.

A peculiar fatality seems to hang over the lady patients who are taken from this county to the insane asylum at Mt. Pleasant. During the last three months four patients have been taken there and all of them have died within a short time.

Millard F. Stookey has purchased an interest in the Bethany, Mo., Republican and will become editor of the paper on April 1st.

Prof. James Ballard, of Red Oak, the illustrious poet, is in the city, and will probably deliver one of his famous lectures this evening. Lew VanWerden and Jim Wharton have guaranteed the Professor a princely salary for his services.

The drug store of Chase & VanWerden has changed. The firm is now L. VanWerden & Co., they having purchased the interest of A. E. Chase from the administrator, Judge J. W. Harvey.

Uncle Billy Wharton was able to be down town Saturday.

Arthur Wharton went to Ft. Madison last week where he will work in a printing office.

Mrs. M. Mayer gave one of her elegant teas to about a dozen couples of the young folks Tuesday evening.

Miss Julia Heberner left yesterday for Chicago where she goes to select her spring stock of millinery goods.

Creed Bobbitt has resigned his position as engineer of the electric light plant at Afton and returned to Leon.

Mrs. Henry Phillips, of Neponset, Ill., a sister of Add Ausman, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Kohlman, who is very sick.

Isaac Skidmore, the rustling young democrat who was elected assessor of Long Creek township last fall, was in Leon the first of the week. He had finished his work of assessing the township, and did it in the remarkable short time of 14 days, and we will guarantee that it was never done in a more complete manner.

Mr. J. C. Gillespie and Miss Mollie McFarland were married at the home of the bride's mother at High Point on Feb. 5th.

The house on the farm of Silas Worden near Fairview, occupied by Lemuel Cheneyworth, was destroyed by fire on Feb. 5th, with all its contents.

The Davis City postoffice was robbed on Monday night, and a quantity of goods taken from Arnold's store.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Stearns, of Garden Grove, on Feb. 10th.

W. P. Brown purchased the Garden Grove cheese factory from George Reuce.

Announcements.

The Republican County Central Committee are requested to announce through the Leon Reporter the following names as candidates for the nomination for the various county offices, subject to the will of the republican voters as expressed at the June primary.

Representative

BERT S. BAKER, Richland Township

Clerk

ELBA SHEWMAKER, Grand River township

Recorder

HARL WILLIAMSON, Eden Township

J. C. DUFFIELD, Garden Grove Township

MRS. ORRA GARDNER, Leon, 2nd Ward

M. R. SANGER, Long Creek Township

Sheriff

R. W. CRAIG, Leon, 2nd Ward

CLEM THOMPSON, Center Township

Coroner

County Attorney

WILL J. SPRINGER, Leon, 3rd Ward

Supervisor Term Beginning 1917.

J. H. HILL, Decatur Township

Supervisor Term Beginning 1918

B. L. EIKER, Chairman.

Could Not See Eclipse.

Residents of Decatur county were not permitted to view the partial eclipse of the sun on last Thursday forenoon, as the sky was obscured by clouds all day.

Married Fifty Years or More.

The names of ten more couples are added to our Golden Wedding list this week. We hope to close the list shortly, and again request all who know of any couples whose names are not printed in the list to notify us at once.

Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Anderson, Lamoni, married July 5, 1857.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bryant, Grand River, married in England in 1864.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Brothers, Grand River, married May 1, 1855.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Bedier, Grand River, married Jan. 3, 1863.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bicknell, Pleasanton, married July 2, 1858.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Brown, Van Wert, married July 4, 1859.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bowsher, Leon, married Feb. 14, 1860.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Bright, Decatur, married July 25, 1865.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Clark, High Point, married April 14, 1857.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. Clark, High Point, married Jan. 1, 1863.

Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Cherry, Leroy, married July 4, 1865.

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Cherrington, Decatur, married, July 29, 1865.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Draper, Grand River, married Sept. 10, 1864.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Elliott, Leon, married July 4, 1860.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fuqua, Grand River, married August 16, 1857.

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Fullerton, Grand River, married July 6, 1863.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Frost, Leon, married Jan. 6, 1861.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Frazier, Davis City, married December 31, 1861.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Green, Grand River, married in 1866.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gammon, Leon, married April 26, 1849.

Mr. and Mrs. Kim Hickman, Leon, married Feb. 23, 1862.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hamilton, Leon, married Sept. 23, 1853.

Capt. and Mrs. A. A. Jenks, Leon, married July 8, 1864.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jenkins, Leon, married Feb. 7, 1861.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Johnston, Woodland, married Oct. 29, 1865.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Madden, Leon, married March 27, 1859.

Mr. and Mrs. M. V. McCleary, High Point, married Dec. 31, 1863.

Rev. and Mrs. Geo. E. Mitchell, Weldon, married April 7, 1864.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Massey, Woodland, married Dec. 22, 1863.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McIntosh, Davis City, married Oct. 29, 1865.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Norman, Davis City, married August 17, 1863.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Overholtzer, Grand River, married Sept. 6, 1855.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Pickering, Leon, married May 17, 1863.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Poush, Davis City, married May 28, 1861.

Mr. and Mrs. Royal Richardson, Pleasanton, married April 28, 1848.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Smith, Lamoni, married Nov. 3, 1864.

Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, Van Wert, married May 3, 1865.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Still, Woodland, married Oct. 6, 1859.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Toney, Davis City, married May, 1856.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. VanNostrand, Leon, married April 9, 1864.

Mr. and Mrs. John Woodmansee, Leon, married March 19, 1864.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wadley, Lamoni, married June 26, 1864.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Whittaker, Van Wert, married Feb. 14, 1856.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wells, Davis City, married over 50 years, but date of marriage not given.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Weld, Lamoni, married January 7, 1858.

Mitchell—Estes.

Last Wednesday evening at 6:30 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Farquhar, Mr. Ancil Mitchell and Miss Loretta Estes, both of Pleasanton, Iowa, were united in holy matrimony. The service was conducted informally, Rev. Raoul R. Moser, pastor of the local Methodist church, officiating. After the ceremony those present sat down to an elaborate wedding dinner. Mrs. Mitchell is a sister of Mrs. Frank Farquhar, and both she and her husband are counted among the esteemed and worthy young people of Pleasanton.

Will Sell Big Farm at Auction.

L. P. VanWerden will sell his 260 acre farm five miles east of Leon, known as the Randolph Perdue farm, at public auction on Friday, February 18th. This is considered one of the best farms in Decatur county, is well improved, and will be sold on easy terms with a small cash payment.

For Sale.

40 acres of land 3 1/2 miles from Garden Grove, 1/2 mile from school, 35 acres in meadow and cultivation, 5 acres timber, small house, barn and good well. Will take automobile, horses, cattle, cash or will carry some back on farm. E. O. Alexander, Leon, Iowa.

Death of Mrs. J. F. Cook.

Mrs. Morris Gardner received a letter yesterday from Mrs. May McKay, of Taloga, Oklahoma, telling of the death of her mother, Mrs. Frank Cook. Mrs. Cook was sick only a week with pneumonia. The Cook family were for many years residents of Leon, and have many friends here who will be sorry to hear of Mrs. Cook's death.