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SECRET ORDER MEETS

Five Hundred Odd Fellows and Rebekahs at Brunswick Last Friday.

The annual session of the Chariton county I. O. O. F. Association was held at Brunswick Friday of last week. There was a big attendance of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs and the decision was made to hold the next session at Salisbury, September 22, 1916.

The session was one of the best ever held by the association in both attendance and results. It is estimated that there were present fully 500 members of the organization and the auxiliary lodge and about 35 were there from this city.

In the afternoon the business session was held at the Isis theatre. The meeting was presided over by Ambrose Rucker, president pro tem. The first address of the afternoon was that of welcome by Mayor Kinkhorst. It was a good speech and the answer was given for the visiting Odd Fellows by M. S. Walther of Keytesville. Another address was given by Grand Master Boyd, of Paris. Music throughout the day was played by the Moberly band which was present.

The annual election of officers resulted in the choice of the following:

President - J. W. Grizwell, Salisbury.

Vice President - William Elam, Pee Dee.

Secretary - M. C. Smith, Salisbury.

Treasurer - L. Zimmerman, Brunswick.

Another feature of the afternoon meeting worth mentioning and thoroughly enjoyable was the exhibition of a five-reel feature picture by the management of the Isis theatre for the visiting Odd Fellows. At the conclusion of the picture show there was a parade by the Odd Fellows through the Brunswick streets headed by the Moberly musicians.

In the evening both the Odd Fellows and the auxiliary lodge devoted the time to the exemplification of the work in degrees. There were eight candidates for first and second degrees of Odd Fellowship and the first degree was put on by the Keytesville and the second by the Brunswick team. Those present say that not too much can be said for the degree work exemplified that evening. At the same time the Rebekahs were giving the work in their meeting place and this was given by the Brunswick team.

The places of sessions were: In the afternoon, the Isis theatre; in the evening, Odd Fellows at the Masonic hall and the Rebekahs at the I. O. O. F. hall. Those present express much pleasure as the consequence of their stay and report an unusually good session.

Bob White on the Road

S. M. White received a letter from his son Robert who is on the road with one of the Hart, Schaffner & Marx salesmen. While the salesman was making the big towns, Bob was given a chance to go out to the smaller towns with a couple of trunks to try his luck on the "dogs", in theatrical parlance. S. M. has not received word of the results.

The prohibition lecturer at the Methodist church Sunday had enough of it in Brookfield by noon on local option election day and took a train for other fields at that time.

Practical Oil Roads

While at home last week the junior editor of the Courier made an automobile tour of the county covering every town and hamlet in Logan county, Illinois over between 200 and 250 miles of roads. While on the rounds he found that the use of oil for bettering the roads is common in practically every town in the county. Not only was the oil used in the towns but at many of them the main roads for a mile and as far as three or more miles in some cases away from the town limits were oiled. A man with his eyes shut could easily tell the moment his car wheels struck the oil roads. They were universally smooth and if there were depressions and lumps, they were always gentle and rounded and appeared rather gentle swells in the ground than the abrupt ruts and knots that appear in the ordinary roads traveled elsewhere. Near one town where there is a strip of about four miles of the oiled road, the automobiles, after a hard rain, are taken out there for a country spin and when the rest of the road was soaked with mud, this road was fully used for automobiles.

No complaint was made of the cost and it seems that the oil in these cases was just poured on the road surface without any preparation of the surface whatever. With preparation of the road surface, the hardening process probably would have been more effective. In a place where there are many miles of oiled roads the people have nothing but words of commendation for them.

German M. E. Church

Next Sunday, Oct. 24th there will be Rally Day Service at the Dalton M. E. Church south Dalton. In the morning from 10 a. m. the Sunday school will have its session. An interesting program will follow the regular Sunday school service. In this program every department and organization of our church will be represented.

At noon a basket dinner will be served in the basement of the church. Everybody is asked to bring a well filled basket so we may be prepared to stay at church all day. Let everybody try to be as sociable as possible and to make the day a success.

Afternoon Rev. Moats, pastor of the M. E. Church at Moberly is going to preach for us. We solicit for him a large audience. Brother Moats is a good man and a servant of the Lord with a message. G. Korb, Pastor.

Nutting Time

It is nutting time in Chariton. The hickory and walnuts are plentiful and the youngsters and oldsters as well, have been forth. Some nuts have been marketed. The hickories are principally of the big variety and are in good shape with comparatively few wormy ones. There is a tang in the air that makes the trip one fragrant with odors of fall and leaves memories that remain always. Apple Blossom Time in Normandy may cause the Normans to sing but for us, give us Nutting Time in Chariton.

Sunday School Convention

The state Sunday-School Association will hold its fiftieth convention in St. Louis November 16, 17 and 18. The Third Baptist Church will be headquarters. Eighty five counties in this state are organized and will have delegates on hand.

There are 6250 Sunday-Schools in the state and about 600,000 students.

SUE UNION MEMBERS

Case Here from Randolph County - Many Divorces for November.

The November term of the circuit court will have its share of cases of those who have entered the matrimonial field and whose lives have proved failures in the capacity of husband and wife. The comparatively brief marriage of some of the couples would indicate lack of perception on the part of the contracting parties before the marital ties were consummated.

Minnie Hardin sues H. W. Hardin for divorce for a number of shortcomings. A bad temper, failure to support and what she says is an acknowledged fact that he formerly lived with a woman who had by him three children, born out of wedlock are some of the reasons for divorce. They were married in 1913 and he capped the climax by deserting her in March of this year.

Anna Morgan sues Harry Morgan failed to support her and her two children. They were married in June 1914. She wants a separation.

Laura E. Sterner sues John H. Smith for damages to the extent of \$10,000. She says that in April of this year she was riding in a rig when defendant, driving an auto, through failure to use diligent care caused her team to run off and throw her out breaking her leg.

F. A. Colyer who married Parthenia Colyer in Marion county, Kas., August 1912 wants a divorce. He says he treated her right but she went home in February of last year and remained there.

Augusta Shackelford sues William Shackelford for a separation. They married in 1901 and she left him in 1905 and returned to her home as she said he was an habitual drunkard.

Mike and Frank Petska have entered separate suits to quiet title to land. The first named suit involves w hf nw 17-56-18 and the last named is on the land described as the nw sw 20-56-18 and n hf se 19-56-18.

John Wilson sues Dixie, his wife, for separation. Married in 1903 he says she left him five years ago and indulged in immoral practices with other men. They have a daughter, Mary, aged 9.

Warner Furd enters suit against the Wabash for \$150 damage to his furniture he shipped back from Cubitas, Fla. He says it was injured in the car and also by being unloaded in the rain.

J. Kincaid files suit against A. J. Welch, for \$270 on a note.

Slater vs. Fifer et al is brought here from Randolph county on a change of venue. It is a suit for \$150 actual and \$5000 punitive damages against Fifer et al who, it is claimed by Slater, a contractor, injured him through their influence as union workmen causing him to lose a contract for a building they were working on. It is a suit that involves the liability of union men for conspiracy in a case of this kind.

Studies Embalming

Ola Herring expects to leave the last of this week or the first of next week for St. Louis where he studies embalming under a master of the business. When he returns about the latter part of November or the first of December he will be qualified to do embalming and all the necessary work for the proper care of bodies that can be done anywhere.

Salisbury Fair

In the face of threatening weather two days, Thursday and Saturday morning of last week, the promoters of the Salisbury innovation are to be highly congratulated on one or the most successful events of the kind in the county since the old Keytesville fair went out of business. The stock rings and displays in every department surprised every one who attended, especially that in the woman's department. Had there been a good half mile track on which to show harness rings, the occasion would have been practically complete in every respect, for the attendance exceeded expectations. In this particular, while each one of the three days showed a big crowd, Saturday the paid attendance was nearly two thousand.

We would like very much to give the names of winners of premiums in this issue, but even had they been available at this time, we would not be able to do so on account of space. However, in a future issue about November 1, we expect to publish the list.

Celebrate Unique Event

C. C. Littrell and wife, D. W. West and wife and John Westrup and wife were each married on October 12th, with five years between each wedding. On Tuesday they met at the home of Dr. West to celebrate the event.

The invited guests were J. M. Long and family, Dr. Buck and family, Orville Bridger and family and Wm. Ward and wife. Each brought a well filled basket and the table fairly groaned with the good things.

The day was most pleasantly spent in conversation and singing many good old songs, and came to a close all too soon when they adjourned to meet next year with Mr. and Mrs. Littrell.

Baseball Booming

Keytesville took a ball team over to Salisbury last week at the first day of the celebration and put one over on the Salisbury boys by the satisfactory score of 12 to 4. The hurling for Keytesville was done by Jim Lee Thrash while Shoemaker was the backstop. Jim Lee went over to Saline county with a Dalton team last Sunday and also was on a successful team. They went from Dalton to the river and then went five miles up and across the river in a motorboat and played a team made up of Saline county boys. The Dalton team came out with a score of 4 to 1.

School Fund Distribution

Elsewhere in this issue is the tabulated statement of the school fund of this county, showing amount and district it was paid to. The item of interest to every tax payer as well as patrons of schools and the directors. Cut it out and keep it for comparison with the fund in future years.

Russ Kneisly Killed

Returning from an automobile trip to Chillicothe last week, Russ Kneisly, one of the prominent lawyers and politicians of Carrollton was thrown from the car and his neck was broken by the fall. He is said to have stood up in the car to observe something, when it lurched with the sad result.

John Kline has found fine specimens of second crop apples. We have a cluster of three, somewhat smaller than eggs. He has as many as six in cluster, perfect fruit.

FALL WEDDINGS BRISK

Cool Weather Brings Many Matrimonial Ventures - Frost Nips Not.

Arthur A. Benner of south of town and Miss Hattie May James of near Higbee were married at 7:30 o'clock Sunday evening by the Rev. D. B. Clifton at his home in Oak street.

The joyful event for some time had been anticipated. The happy pair are well known and favorably throughout the county.

Mr. Benner is the son of C. A. Benner of Depot street and is an excellent young fellow. The bride is one of the prettiest and most charming of the Higbee vicinity. The Herald joins with many friends in wishing them great happiness. - Huntsville Herald.

Miss Laura E. Kaye, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kaye, was married Tuesday morning at Brunswick, Mo., to Mr. Louis H. Allen of Chicago, Rev. Bowles being the officiating minister.

After the ceremony the happy couple continued in their car on their way to Florida, where they will spend the winter.

They were accompanied as far as Brunswick by a number of relatives. - Sumner Star

We congratulate Mr. Allen and wish the newly weds a prosperous and happy life.

Ralph McKee, son of Dr. L. O. McKee, a regular visitor to this city, was married October 10, to a Miss Willa Baker, formerly of Moberly. They are living at Huntsville. The young man formerly lived at Salisbury and was a frequent visitor to this place.

The marriage of H. B. Glenn and Miss Nellie B. Robertson of Brunswick occurred at the home of Rev. George L. Glenn, at Milan, Mo., October 10. The presiding minister is a pastor of the M. E. church at Milan.

Marriage Licenses

Frank E. Coandall, Dean Lake Lavenia Watters, Wakenda.

P. Overturt, Brunswick

Georgia Hayes, Carroll Co.

Rudolph Blank, Brunswick

Edna Sole, Brunswick.

H. B. Glenn, Brunswick

Nellie B. Robertson, Brunswick.

R. L. Hayes (col) Shannondale

Della Cowell (col) Keytesville.

W. H. Stender, Keytesville

Susie Shively, Keytesville.

C. Pegelow, Prairie Hill

Pearl Mink, Prairie Hill.

P. J. Hecker, Prairie Hill

Mary Tubessing, St. Louis.

Lucius Eubank, Brunswick

Georgia Cason, Glasgow.

Anton J. Long, Wien

Kathryn Noll, Wien.

M. A. Richeson, Rothville

A. G. Veal, Rotnville.

Atbrey Jaco, col., Forest Green.

Willie Craig, col., Glasgow.

Louis Sleyster, Dalton

Mary A. Vornold, Dalton.

Local Option Haul

The drag net of the sheriff was set by deputy Gardner and Saturday night when he hauled it in there were four fish floundering therein. Dick Carter, Milan Richardson, John Smith and Jack Adams, all of Salisbury, are the alleged dispensers of the oh-be-joyful from bootlegs. All gave bond except Dickey; he will "languish", nit, in the county bastille until further notice.

Child Deserter's Excuse

O. P. Bell, now in jail for deserting a baby at Whitham about 2 weeks ago writes to the Courier and complains that the account given of the case in this paper does him injustice and further offers a very plausible explanation of his conduct. He admits leaving the baby there and that it is not his child. It appears from the letter written to us on the subject that except the statement that they left in a buggy after placing the baby on Mrs. Millikens porch, our account was correct. He says he and his wife walked from Whitham to Bosworth that night, and also that the baby was but about a month old.

We will refrain from further comment until after the case is settled. The letter is too long to publish and in addition to that objection to publishing it, there are some reflections therein which we do not care to repeat in print at this time. They are not on the Courier, however nor on its Editors.

Aunt Sarah Ball Dead

One of the familiar figures of the community for many long years died at her home in the south part of town Saturday afternoon and was buried in city cemetery Tuesday afternoon. It is said she was about 85 years old. Until last fall she did laundering and cooking about town. While everyone knew the old woman as Aunt Sarah Ball, her last married name was Ewing. She was a devout colored woman.

Baby's Mother Released

Mrs. O. P. Bell, the woman who deposited by proxy her 3 weeks old infant at the Milliken home in Whitham more than a week ago, was released from jail Saturday. She has four small children who are in destitute circumstances and it was thought only humane to let her go to them and provide. So long as O. P. is confined so that he can't add to her already overburdened existence, it is well.

Fox Hunters Meet

A camp has been established south of the old poor farm and fox hunters and hounds assembled thereat this week, in considerable numbers. Some splendid chases have been enjoyed. There are lovers of the sport from Macon and Livingston counties as well as from several sections in this county in the camp and a jolly good time is being had at Reynard's expense.

Democratic Rally

The big guns of the party will address all who will turn out and hear them at Marshall Mo. Oct. 26, next Tuesday. The best orators as well as most distinguished men in the state will be heard, and all should take advantage of the opportunity.

Hon. W. W. Rucker went to Kansas City Tuesday to the meeting of government engineers having in charge the improvement of the Missouri river. Congress made a large appropriation for putting the river in safe condition for boats, and the engineer sent to inspect and make recommendations, reported to his department that there was not business enough to justify the expenditure. Engineers in chief were induced to give those interested in our big water way a hearing and hence the meeting in Kansas City. Judge Rucker is greatly in favor of the river being put in shape for navigation and went to the city to use whatever influence he could to that end.