

SNEED COTTAGE BURNED

Mysterious Fire Baffles Fighters. Oldest House in Ashes. Wind Favorable.

Edgar Tisdale and an assistant had completed packing household goods but a short time for storing until they could be moved to whatever point desired and Tisdale then went for a rig in the barn at the rear of the premises in which he and Judge J. E. Montgomery went to the Chariton river for fish. Jimmy Taylor assisted in getting the rig ready and rode with Tisdale to the front of the premises where he got out and Tisdale proceeded to the home of Judge Montgomery and they at once left on their fishing jaunt.

Jimmy Taylor discovered the rear of the cottage to be burning perhaps before Tisdale was five blocks distant, and sounded an alarm at once. Those who were within a few feet of the building saw that the entire upper part of the kitchen was blazing and so rapidly did the fire gain headway that but few articles were rescued from the front rooms. The wind was from the southwest and carried the flames and embers directly across the street to the W. D. Vaughan cottages and the Methodist church, and the saving of these buildings was the best kind of work. Had the wind been from any other direction especially from the north, there is no guessing the destruction which would have followed.

The Mrs. A. L. Sneed cottage was partly of the oldest house in town, having been built by Old Master Redding some time during the 40s and formerly stood on the corner now occupied by the Vaughan hardware store. Chief Tisdale and his mother and sister had occupied the cottage until the death of his mother and the departure of his sister for St. Louis, and the household goods were packed and ready for removal.

James W. Bently

One of the land marks of the county died at his home in Dalton Mo. July 25 and was interred in the cemetery at that city, July 27.

James W. Bently was born Dec. 17 1840 and was married to Mary E. Boling Sept. 1 1867 and to the union there came seven children six surviving: William J., John J., George C., Crawley, Mary E. Blankenship, Minnie Sparks. A son, Charles born April 4 1871 died, and the wife who was the daughter of Joel and Polly Bowling, died March 9 1910. The clergyman officiating at the marriage of James Bently was Rev. Henry S. Covil, known to many of the older citizens. James Bently was a confederate veteran, and took much interest in the Sterling Price Post of this city and was always on hand when any demonstration was in progress. He was a handy man at any thing he undertook, conducting several sawmills during his life after he quit farmwork and during his later years devoted his attention more particularly to the manufacture and sale of a salve, the formula which he got from an Indian years ago.

Had his health and means permitted he would have realized a competence from the article of medicine.

There was a large number of the well known old citizens and friends of the family present to pay their last respects to the man who had seen so much of life's variable ways.

Roy McKittrick of Salisbury was in town Tuesday.

Schoew-Rucker

Miss Anna Parks Rucker a prime favorite here, was married at Lewisburg, W. Va. July 19 to Mr. Howard Strohmeyer Schoew, Rev. John Robertson of Glasgow, Scotland, assisted by Rev. Ian Robertson conducting the ceremonies at St. James Episcopal Church.

The church was splendidly decorated and the beautiful Episcopal service used, Miss Elizabeth Jane Rucker of this city bearing the ring, Mrs. Roy W. Rucker was matron of honor and a brother of the groom his best man.

Hon. Jas. T. Rucker, father of the bride, is a brother of Congressman W. W. Rucker and for several years a resident of this county.

Mrs. Howard Schoew is a young woman of exceptional beauty and attainments and during the few visits she made to relatives here, endeared herself to all. Mr. Schoew is a splendid young business man of Chattaroy, W. Va., where they will make their home after a tour of the east.

The wedding gifts were numerous and most elaborate and expressed the loving interest of their friends from every section of the country.

The heartiest congratulations of the Courier and its sincerest wishes for a long and prosperous and happy wedded life is truly expressed.

Mexico

Carranza still asking that we get out of Mexico. A commission is at work on the basis for settlement of our respective rights. No interesting changes in the republic on the border where troops are still being advanced for protection.

The European War

Russians and Italians have made considerable gain during the past week against Austrians. Important points and many prisoners have been taken. Germans are holding allies in the west in check to some extent.

John Bushnell

Another of the old land marks has passed away in person of John Bushnell who died at his home northwest of town Friday Aug. 4 and was interred at Mt. Pleasant cemetery Sunday, Rev. Meyers conducting services.

John Bushnell was born at Canton, Ills., and was 77 years years, 2 months and three days old.

He was married first to Miss Anna Shank and the two children resulting from the union have passed away. Some time in the 70's he came to this county and was married to Miss Missouri F. Stephens, five children coming to them, four of whom survive, James, John T., Steve M. and Mrs. John H. McNally of Kahoka.

Correct

Aug. 9th, 1916.

Well another Primary Election has come and gone. Some good men won, some lost, now there is but one thing left for us to do and that is to close up our ranks and stand firm for the right by the election of Woodrow Wilson and Marshall who have already done so much for us. No general ever took a victory over an enemy with broken ranks or with a straggling army. But we must close the ranks and present a solid front if we expect to win a victory over all opposing foes. Respectfully a true Jeffersonian Democrat.
R. P. Clarkson.

Please Notice the Blue X Mark on Your Paper. It Means

You owe us for subscription which we would like very much to have without delay. *Won't you favor us?*

Toured In Ford Car

Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Wood returned the latter part of last week from the west where they went for a general inspection of the country between here and Oregon. The objective territory was Wyoming and from what they saw of that section, they were well pleased. They say that as good crops as they ever saw was growing in Nebraska and Wyoming in parts, the crop of all kinds presented a fine appearance, but neither of them fancied what they observed in Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Wood returned via Cheyenne and Colorado, making the journey of several thousand miles in their Ford touring car which was that to be nearly worn out when they left but which, after traversing sand deserts, rocky causeways, up hill and down mountainous inclines, is performing about as well as ever. No trouble, tire or other kind, was experienced worth noting, and the roads everywhere are reported to be good.

Mr. and Mrs. Wood camped out a good portion of the time but got their meals at hoteliers and both returned much pleased with the trip of several weeks. Whether they locate in Wyoming or not has not been determined by them.

Republican County Committee

The Republican County Central Committee met here Tuesday and reorganized by electing F. Bion McCurry chairman, Otto Benecke secretary and Orbrey Sterner treasurer. There was a spirited contest over the chairmanship, the final vote being one majority for McCurry over Elmer Lewis.

There were 13 of the 16 township committeemen represented. The only resolution audibly expressed was one favoring Will Sweeney of Salisbury for a place on the Republican State committee.

Proxies in this meeting cut a big figure as they always do, but harmony is the watchword of the g. o. p. adherents this year, especially in connection with anything which might sprout antlers.

Westville Progressive

The bond election held at Westville carried two to one in favor of issuing \$2000 bonds to build a new school. This amount with what can be realized from the old building will give the district sufficient funds to build a modern two room house and equip it properly. The Westville School District will see a favorable change from the very start and will keep pace with other first class country schools from now on, an impossibility with a ramshackle house and insufficient equipment.

Mrs. Anna Longwell and Mrs. Lillian Westlake have purchased the Tisdale-Hurt millinery stock and opened up for business in that line at the old stand. These young women of splendid creative taste in matters of dress should succeed admirably, and we believe will merit a fair share of the trade.

Williams-Talbert

August 9th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Williams Mr. Thomas J. Talbert of Columbia was united in wedlock to Miss Mary E. Williams, a daughter of John P. Williams, former resident of this county, but now residing at Los Angeles Cal. Rev. W. L. Meyers performing the ceremony. After the ceremony at which few others than relatives were present and congratulations, a wedding dinner was served and the happy couple departed for southern Mo. to spend a portion of the wedding tour, expecting to remain for a short time on Lake Taneycomo.

Mrs. Talbert is a niece of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Williams who came last summer for a visit to them and went to Columbia for the fall season whereshemether husband. During her stay here Mrs. Talbert made friends of all who met her. A charming intellectual and graceful young woman, her husband is to be highly congratulated on winning her, and Mrs. Talbert congratulated on securing for her life partner a young man of exceptional attainments.

We failed to secure information concerning the event last week in time for publication.

Hundredth Anniversary

Howard County will hold a "Home Coming" celebration of her hundredth anniversary Aug. 16-17. Her anniversary was on Aug. 13 1916, but the weather during winter time was not to be considered for such an occasion as the sons and daughters of the county wished to make this one, hence the date was fixed as above.

When it is considered that at the organization of the county Jan. 13 1816 the territory comprised included Boone, Cole, Henry, Johnson, north parts of Miller, Cedar, and St. Claire, Morgan, Lafayette, Pettis, Cooper, Moniteau, Saline, Clay, Clinton, DeKalb, Putman, Sullivan, Linn, Ray, Caldwell, Carroll, Livingston, Mercer, Gentry, Worth, Harrison, Daviess, Shelby, Monroe, Adair, Chariton, Randolph, Macon, and Audrain, counties in in Missouri and Union, Ridgely, Clarke, Decatur and Wayne and parts of Taylor, Adams, Lucas, Monroe, and Appanoose counties in Iowa. it will be seen that old Howard county was at one time larger than many of the states of the Union, and if patriots from each of the counties formerly comprising Howard are present in any number, the Home Coming will be an event of pronortions. The program for the occasion is varied and all who can should attend both or at least one day.

Tom Oldham of Mud Creek but more recently of Larmar, Colo. writes and says that he wishes the Courier was twice its present size and filled accordingly. Tom tries to make it appear that it is not worth \$1.50 a year but he wont do without it if we have to raise to two plunks for 12 months.

Tom is thinking of coming to eastern Kansas in the near future and if so he will be close enough to run in occasionally as he has a fever.

Salisbury Scribbings

The sewer bond proposition failed to carry here Tuesday, not receiving the necessary two third vote. We need sewerage to make our water works available, but the voters were not quite ripe for it.

The continued hot dry weather is causing some sickness and our medicine men are kept busy.

Forrest Bailey has returned from Woodland hospital at Moberly, where he was operated for appendicitis, and W. S. Gallemore, Jr. will return next week.

The rain here Monday night was only a sprinkle, but was gladly received.

Autos are now parked in the center of Broadway instead of along the walk as heretofore, greatly appreciated by people who drive to town.

Mrs. M. L. Halloway is greatly enjoying a visit from her brother and little sister who live at Independence, Mo.

Dr. Joe Monday lectured to men only at the City Hall Wednesday night and we are sorry we could not hear all he said.

Sensational rumors of a wedding flew over town Tuesday afternoon when an auto drove to the 1st Christian church, but it was only rumor.

Miss Juanita Hackley, localizer for the P. S. spent a week visiting friends near Clark and Armstrong, but is back on the job.

Judge Lamb and wife and J. L. Ritzenthaler and wife left Thursday for St. Louis, thence by river to Memphis, Tenn., on a vacation trip.

A new girl brightens the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Brockman and being their first the parents are naturally proud of the arrival.

Miss Ella Jackson, daughter of Paul Jackson of Covina, Calif., is here on a visit.

Henry Henke was gored by a mad bull the first of the week, but is getting very well and will soon be himself again.

John Heddeshimer went to Moberly Wednesday after his son who is recovering from an operation for appendicitis.

Dr. G. A. Johnson of Weston W. Va., brother of A. W. Johnson, died suddenly at his home of cerebral apoplexy, Wednesday Aug. 2 and remains were buried at Holliday, Mo., his former home. Deceased was 59 years of age, a splendid physician, a member of the Baptist church, and leaves a wife, two children, six grandchildren and one brother surviving. Three years ago he moved from Moberly, to his present home and continued to practice until his death. He was on the street talking to two brother physicians when attacked and never spoke afterward. Funeral services were conducted at the grave by Rev. White of Fayette, Mo.

The visit of Mrs. Alle Gallemore and daughter, Genevieve, to friends in Pike Co. Mo., was cut short by the serious illness of the mother and they returned Sunday. Mrs. Gallemore is slowly improving, but is still confined to her bed.

W. C. Moredock who has been seriously ill a long time is gradually growing weaker and is greatly oppressed by the heat.

Jim Stevens, Chap Guthridge and wife and daughter, Will Hicks and wife, Luther Hicks wife and daughter all of Marcelline were in attendance at the John Bushnell funeral Sunday.

BUSY COUNTY COURT

Great Bunch Of Bills Allowed Roads Ordered Opened Inspections Made

The county court Monday and Tuesday got a double barreled hump on itself and did things. It heard road and bridge matters, inspected the infirmary, allowed accumulated bills and disposed of reports of county offices in a thorough business like manner. Read its proceedings.

W. G. Wright, presents statement of fees collected during the second quarter, which is approved.

Same as to W. W. White, Clerk County Court.

Same as to R. B. McKittrick, Prosecuting Attorney.

H. E. Tatum, Coroner, presents proceeding held on the body of Victor Moser, found dead at Brunswick, also presents bill of costs in the sum of \$10.00.

W. O. Patterson et al. files petition for the incorporation of the Forest Green Fair which is by the court incorporated and named, "The Chariton County Agricultural and Mechanical Society of Forest Green, Missouri."

Same as to the Salisbury Fair, which is incorporated and named "The Chariton County Agricultural and Mechanical Society of Salisbury, Missouri."

In the matter of the road petition of N. C. Field, et al. Petition filed and cause continued until the next regular term of this court.

In the matter of the Drainage Petition of Geo. J. Venable et al; Viewers and Engineer, file reports and court orders notice given that the hearing of said reports will be on Tuesday, September, 1916.

In the matter of the road petition of O. S. Guilford et al; Engineer files report which is approved: Road ordered opened and declared a public road; Engineer ordered to investigate the closing of the road and to order all land owners to remove fences.

Allowances Made
Chariton Courier, publishing financial statement \$85.00.
E. F. Hayes, money advanced for labor and supplies 870.11.
Standard Oil Co., supplies to county 11.35.
Grace Stuckey, stenographer salary 163.09.
Neb. Bridge Company, post for infirmary 243.82.
Horton Quality Printery, stoionary 12.50.
Eva Dunn, premium on insurance 67.50.
R. B. McKittrick, salary as attorney 500.00.
H. T. Brehmer, repairing typewriter 3.50.
W. H. Mayo, premium on insurance 3.00.
Thomas Parish, labor on bridge 9.50.
Jeff Gallagher, labor at infirmary 49.00.
Hamp Drew, coal for infirmary 8.40.
Jay Cousins, labor at infirmary 15.38.
Jas. Eastwood, same 8.00.
John Rodgers, money advanced for supplies 21.52.
Bank of Keytesville, same 20.90
Will Moore, ice for Infirmary 18.86
Union Carbide Co, supplies to Infirmary 22.50
Model Mill Co, supplies to Infirmary 34.40
Sam Allega, supplies to Infirmary 15.75
Jno. Stephenson, supplies to Infirmary 5.55

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