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TOWN AND COUNTRY IN BRIEF

Local Events of The Past Week Recorded For Busy Blade Readers.

A mandolin and a kodak for sale at Cash Route Store.

See Ingram & Watson for painting, papering and sign work.

Al. Willard has returned home from visiting his daughter in Colorado.

See Ben Thompson when you want fire or tornado insurance on your city property.

List your farms and city property with S. F. Thompson & Son if you want to trade or sell.

A good, gentle saddle pony for sale. Inquire at this office or address Box 66, Boomer, Mo.

Jack Osborn and family are here from Kansas visiting Mrs. Osborn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Bottinger.

Mrs. W. C. Alexander of Chillicothe has been the guest of W. S. Cotter and wife on route two the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Clark left Tuesday night to spend a week with their daughter and family at Allen, Kansas.

Ernest L. Libby and family are here from Camden county visiting relatives and friends. They drove through and report a fine trip.

J. A. Crowder, cashier in the internal revenue office at St. Louis, spent the past week with Linn county friends attending the Brookfield fair.

Good phaeton and single harness for sale. Would take part pay in good cordwood. Address "Z," care THE BLADE, or inquire at this office.

J. W. Lind, who will teach the Forker school the coming term, has erected a mail box at the school house and will receive his mail over route one, Laclede.

G. W. Diemer, Miss Jardine, Miss Daisy Rankin, Paul Jones, Paul Lomax and Misses Florence and Pearl Adams have returned from attending the summer term at the Kirksville normal.

Mrs. Jake Slingerland, a resident of Laclede some thirty-five years ago, was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hamilton last Tuesday. Mrs. Slingerland now lives in Los Angeles, Cal., and was on her way to visit her brother, Geo. H. Tracy, at Hale.

Prof. and Mrs. Sipple are chaperoning a party of young people at an outing at the Laclede club house on Grand river this week. In the party are Misses Eunice Thompson, Alice Hawes, Nellie McGrew and Daisy Rankin, and Messrs. W. E. Burke, N. E. Randall, A. J. Baum, Herbert Allen and Wm. McGrew. N. Byrne and Max Jones visited over Sunday at the camp. They are having a fine time and evidently catching some fish as they sent THE BLADE up a fine mess Monday evening.

Licenses for Missouri hunters were put on sale at the county clerk's office in Linneus last Monday. The fees are one dollar for county license and five dollars for state license. This is for residents of the state only. For non-residents the fee is twenty-five dollars and the state game commissioner only may issue permits of this class. The one dollar license will entitle the holder to hunt only in the county wherein such license is issued and any adjoining county. A man may hunt on his own or leased farm lands without obtaining a license at all.

M. E. Church Notes

We will miss Brother and Sister Clark from their accustomed place in Sabbath school next Sabbath. They are visiting a daughter in Kansas.

At a meeting of the trustees of Missouri Wesleyan college held this week, Dr. Debra of Cornell college, Mt. Vernon, Iowa, was elected president and Dean Minear vice-president.

The sacred concert was listened to by a fairly good audience, and appreciated by all. We take this opportunity to thank the Brookfield Glee Club and extend an invitation to come again.

Four teachers absent Sunday. Dr. Standly's class won the banner for attendance and H. C. Lomax's class for collection. The King's business demands attention and haste. Is it too much to expect two hundred average attendance? Two weeks from next Sunday will be rally day. The regularly prepared program will be used. It is expected that every enrolled scholar will be present.

Notwithstanding the extreme heat, the Epworth League was well attended last Sunday night. Miss Susie Benson led and gave us many helpful suggestions on the subject of "Slighted Mercies." Margie Englehart will lead next Sunday; subject, "Triumphant Faith," found in Matt. 15:21-28. During the heated spell the League have solicited money for the new walk, have sent flowers to the dead and living and have paid fifty dollars on the piano.

This "Drunk" Had a Razor

John Freeman, giving Milan as his home, was arrested by Marshal Wood Tuesday and locked up on the charge of being intoxicated. When searched he was found to be armed with a razor. Under the new law that went into effect Monday a person under the influence of liquor and carrying any kind of fire arm, knife of unusual size, dirk, razor, loaded cane, billy, knucks or any weapon of any kind, whether concealed or not, is committing a penitentiary offense. Under this law Freeman was arraigned before 'Squire Libby Wednesday, the information being filed by Prosecuting Attorney Gardner. Freeman was bound over to the October term of circuit court and, not being able to give bond, was committed to the county jail.

Funeral of Mrs. Boyd

The funeral of Mrs. Geneva Boyd, whose death THE BLADE mentioned last week, was held at the M. E. church Saturday afternoon, the remains, accompanied by Mr. Boyd, his father, John W. Boyd of Louisiana, Rev. and Mrs. Anderson, and H. T. Graham of the State Savings bank, arriving from Keokuk on the late train. The church was crowded with relatives and friends of the deceased, many coming from the various places over the state where she had lived. The sermon was preached by Rev. C. H. Johns of Maryville, which was preceded by a short talk by Rev. J. T. Pearce, district superintendent, also of Maryville. The chancel was covered with beautiful flowers coming from the numerous friends of the deceased at Memphis, Stanberry, Keokuk, Laclede and other places where she had lived and been loved and respected by all who knew her. Universal sorrow is felt throughout the community and the sincerest sympathy is extended the family in their great bereavement.

THINGS YOU MAY WANT TO KNOW

Pungent Paragraphs Picked up by Our Perambulating Pencil Pusher.

Four yearling steers—two red, one black and one white—were taken up by C. N. Jackson at his farm six miles southeast of Laclede Thursday and are being held awaiting the owner, who may have them by calling and paying expenses.

An effort is being made to stop the promiscuous discharging of firearms within the city limits that has become quite frequent here of late. Two fines have been collected recently and every case brought to the attention of the authorities will be dealt with in the same way.

A telegram was received by Mrs. Z. R. Kling Tuesday announcing the death of her brother, Henry C. Woollen, at his home near Huntington, Mo. She, with her brother and sister, Isaac Woollen and Mrs. W. O. Warner of Meadville, left that night to attend the funeral, which was to be held Wednesday morning. None of the particulars concerning his death were obtainable.

The Brookfield fair that began Tuesday is drawing large crowds each day and the displays and entertainment are all that were expected. The races are the best ever seen in this part of the state. In the 2:12 pace Thursday Silver H., owned by Wallace Bros. of Laclede, won three straight heats and took first money, the purse being \$1000. The horse is in excellent shape and is doing fine work.

Bills were printed at this office this week advertising a grand celebration and picnic to be held in Laclede on Thursday, September 23, by the colored people of the first Baptist church, to be participated in by the various colored lodges over the district. The Macon band has been engaged to furnish music, and there will be an address by Prof. Bruce. There is to be a ball game and other amusing features, the program to conclude with a big meeting at the hall in the evening.

Miss Della Foster, assisted by over twenty of her pupils, gave a recital last Saturday evening at her home near Forker. Seats were arranged on the lawn for about fifty invited guests. The piano and organ were placed on the large front porch, while the grounds were lighted by Chinese lanterns. After a good program which showed careful training, ice cream, cake and lemonade were served in the dining room. At a late hour all returned to their homes feeling that they had been well entertained by Miss Foster and her pupils.

Lew P. Seward, who located in Laclede with his parents in 1865 and remained until sixteen years ago, is visiting old friends here this week. Mr. Seward now lives in Alberta, Canada, having located there eight years ago and engaged extensively in farming. He left home last March, since which time he visited with D. L. Slingerland and family at Seattle, his sister, Mrs. Harvey, at Tacoma and another sister, Mrs. Elliott, at Kansas City, Kansas, and his married daughter in Nebraska. He will go from here to Alton, Illinois, to visit another sister. Mr. Seward's many friends are glad to see him looking so well and to learn that his family and other relatives are all well and prospering.

Some Evening Reveries.

Mind your own business. Those are just the words; four in number and refer directly to the grumbling, growling, fault-finding mischief makers. People who never mind their own business are like the street whiffet dogs that are always barking, biting, nipping and napping somebody. Can we presume that the great Creator made you especially to superintend His universe, and to be eternally prying, meddling and seeking to control and direct everybody's affairs?

It is enough to make one indignant to see what pains some people go to to ferret out the plans of others and start a bit of gossip. They leave their own gardens to grow full of weeds while they are trying to hold up before everybody the few they pull from their neighbor's. O, how they toil to rob these of their reputation, their peace, their prosperity and pleasure. They do everything but mind their own business. They never discern their own faults and follies. By the time the whole town is criticised and judgment pronounced they've not a moment left to do more than congratulate themselves on their own good works.

People who don't mind their own business bring more misery into families, societies and churches than everything else. They turn the pleasant, peaceful stream of good will into a loathsome pool; they intrude on ground where even angels would fear to tread.

Now, minding one's own business is the very best remedy for the itching ears that are never satisfied with hearing and the busy tongue that hurries to speak cruel words. Minding your own business will turn your attention to self and you will forget to watch so closely the shortcomings of others; it will make peaceful homes, happy neighbors and quiet consciences; and you will be able to realize and more fully comprehend the truth spoken in holy writ, "blessed are the peacemakers."

Learn to laugh. A good laugh is better than medicine. Learn how to tell a story. A well-told story is as welcome as a sunbeam in a sick room. Learn to keep your own troubles to yourself. The world is too busy to care for your ills and sorrows. Learn to stop croaking. If you cannot see any good in the world, keep the bad to yourself. Learn to hide your pains and aches under a pleasant smile. No one cares to hear whether you have the earache, headache or rheumatism. Don't cry. Tears do well enough in novels but are out of place in real life. Learn to meet your friends with a smile. The good humored man or woman is always welcome, but the dyspeptic or hypochondriac is not wanted anywhere and is a nuisance as well.

Keep near to your children. Do not let them grow away from you. Keep them close in your confidence and affection, so they will confide in and not be afraid of you. We know a lad who takes pleasure in giving his mother an account of his doings during the day, whether they are pleasant or otherwise. She laughs with him if they are funny and gently chides where he is wrong, but in a way that does not make him afraid of her. He will not relate a single instance to his father, because before the story is half through he will begin to scold him for doing so and so. It is plainly seen which can have the most influence with him.

SHORT PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Brief Mention of Those Who Come and Go During the Week

Lyman Jones left last Saturday for Walnut, Kansas.

Jno. C. Brown is home from a business trip to Texas.

Miss Hattie Bauer of Bethel is the guest of Miss Della Kraft.

Miss Violet Woods is home from spending several weeks visiting in Iowa.

John Pratt has been here from Kansas City for a visit the past week.

Rev. and Mrs. Hatcher have been here from Hamilton the past week visiting relatives.

Leonard Jones returned home Wednesday from spending several months in Kansas.

G. Oliver Dye has been here from Callao this week visiting home folk for several days.

County Surveyor Peery was in Laclede Monday on business connected with his office.

J. A. Dye of Los Angeles, Cal., is visiting his many friends here and at Brookfield.

H. J. Libby was up from Shelbyna and spent a couple of days with home folk the past week.

Mrs. Mattie Moyer of Excelsior Springs was a pleasant caller on Mrs. J. T. Hamilton last Saturday.

Misses Madeline Cotton and Bessie Frazier of Shelbyna have been guests of Miss Loreta Clay the past week.

Jas. A. Hunter came up from Carrollton last Sunday and spent a day here, guest of Miss Anna Lomax.

Miss Neva Thomas of Kansas City is visiting relatives and friends here, guest of the family of J. T. Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Mouser and little daughter leave next Monday to visit the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition at Seattle.

Carrier Baum of route two is taking his annual vacation and enjoying an outing with a party at Rocky Ford club house on Grand river.

Freeland Thompson, wife and little son of Ottumwa, Iowa, are here this week visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Thompson.

Miss Mabel Hamilton left Wednesday for a ten days' visit with relatives and friends at Browning and Unionville, Mo., and Burlington and Washington, Iowa.

Station Agent F. F. Pratt and wife and Mrs. T. E. Foreman and little daughter leave next Tuesday to visit the Seattle exposition, Yellowstone Park and other places of interest in the west.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Wells of Carlisle, Ark., visited the latter's brother, John Barton, and family in Brookfield the past week and met many of their Laclede friends at the fair.

J. V. Bumbarger, one of the publishers of the Memphis Democrat, attended the Mrs. Boyd funeral here last Saturday and in company with Hubert Pile made THE BLADE a pleasant visit that evening.

E. L. Joyce of Brookfield was in Laclede Monday on business connected with the public schools. Mr. Joyce had been to Linneus and filed his bond and is now superintendent of Linn county schools. His office will be in Brookfield.