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TOWN AND COUNTRY

About Local People and Events and Other Matters of Interest

Ice cream at Sherry's drugstore. Yellow Dent seed corn for sale. Call phone 62.

Good white oak posts for sale by Xillon White, phone 5511.

Brown Leghorn eggs for setting, for sale by Mrs. Z. R. Kling.

Good shelled corn 85 cents per bushel at Carothers & Allen.

A 3-year-old Shetland pony for sale. Call phone 126, Laclede.

Barred Plymouth Rock eggs for sale. Mrs. A. M. Walker, phone 704.

Heavy split baskets, special this week at 25 cents each. Carothers & Allen.

Good high wheel wagon for sale by O. E. Peacher, route one, Laclede, phone 204.

Noan Cotter is a new clerk at Kraft & Brenner's succeeding Orville Mahurin.

After April 10 we will not sell corn only in ten bushel lots or more. O. A. Talbott Co.

Just arrived! Shipment Clarinda lawn mowers. Don't buy until you see them. Carothers & Allen.

Save time and labor by tending your garden with a hand garden plow. Call and see them. Carothers & Allen.

Oil stove season is here. We sell the Perfection Blue Flame Cooker. The only perfect oil stove made. Carothers & Allen.

The Reading Circle will meet Tuesday evening, April 14, at the home of Mrs. J. W. Lomax. Leader, Mrs. E. E. Benson.

O. A. Talbott, head of the Talbott Grain Co., of Keokuk, spent last Saturday in Laclede with C. B. Talbott, superintendent of the string of Talbott grain houses in Missouri.

Thursday night of this week wild west show at the opera house—"Bronco Billie;" "The Cave of Death," two parts; "She Wanted a Car," comic. Wild West on Saturday night of this week.

Mrs. Jas. Davis was attacked by a cow at her home last Friday and quite badly bruised. The cow had a young calf and when Mrs. Davis went into the lot the cow became enraged, rushed at her, knocked her down and butted her repeatedly. Fortunately no bones were broken and Mrs. Davis was able to be out again in a few days.

L. B. Haley, the veteran section hand, is laid up with a broken arm. He was working with Foreman Joe Albin's gang last Monday and was working the lever that raises the track. The handle broke and he fell on the rail fracturing the left arm at the elbow joint making a dangerous wound which will no doubt keep him from work for some time.

The electric light bills for March are now in the hands of the treasurer at the Lomax & Standly bank for collection. Those who call at the bank and pay on or before the close of business on April 15 get a discount on their March bill of 10 per cent. No discount is allowed on bills paid after the close of business on the 15th. To the average user 10 per cent means one month free out of every ten. Better be on time.

Soldiers' Monument

The statuary for the union soldier's monument being erected in the Laclede cemetery by Phil Kearny post arrived the first of the week and is now in the cemetery awaiting the marble base. The statuary represents "The Color Bearer," being a soldier with a drawn sword supporting a ten foot flagstaff. The figure is six feet from base to top of head and the flagstaff extends four feet above his head. It is made of sheet copper and is mounted on a five inch base. This will be mounted on a marble base three feet and three inches high and the whole will rest on the solid concrete foundation put in some years ago. From the ground to the top of the flagstaff it will be about fifteen feet.

While this monument is being erected chiefly by the members of the Grand Army it will be a permanent memorial not alone to the old soldiers but to the people of Laclede and surrounding country as well. They are to have a part in its construction and when the post ceases to exist the care and custody of the monument passes to the city insuring it permanent care and preservation. On one side of the marble base will be the inscription: "Erected by the Post and People of Laclede, 1915."

The total cost of the monument will be about \$625.00. The post has a little more than \$500.00 and has undertaken to raise \$100.00 by subscription, preferring that small donations be made by a large number so that as many of our people as possible may feel that they have a part in this tribute to the memory of the dead soldiers. Those who wish to contribute may do so by calling on H. C. Lomax at the Lomax & Standly bank or by seeing A. P. Welsh.

The plan now is to have the unveiling on memorial day.

Tuesday's Elections

In the city election last Tuesday J. W. Moberly was elected alderman from the east ward and Joe Albin from the west ward. Very little interest was taken and a light vote was cast.

At the school election F. W. Burke and W. S. Savage were re-elected members of the board without opposition. The 100 cent levy and nine months school proposition both carried, there being but few votes against them.

For county superintendent Joyce received 51 votes, Bridwell 34 and Powell 17. In the Forker consolidated district Joyce received 37 and Powell 3.

Methodist Church Notes

By the Pastor

Sunday school at 9:45. It is Missionary Sunday and every officer and teacher with all the scholars should be promptly on time.

The morning service will consist of singing, a short sermon and the Holy communion.

The evening subject will be, "Christ the Teacher."

Junior league at 3:00 o'clock. Epworth league at 6:45.

Official board and Sunday school board will meet Monday evening at 7:45.

Prayer meeting and teachers meeting Thursday evening at 7:45. Choir practice Friday evening at 7:45.

Remember our motto: Every Methodist at church every Sunday.

Friends of the church and the public cordially invited to all public services.

ON LOCAL SUBJECTS

Local Items and Interesting Bits of News of All Sorts

Clean your carpets and rugs this spring with an electric vacuum cleaner. It is much the easier and cheaper way and is a big saving to the life of the rug. If you don't want to buy a cleaner you can rent one of Caywood & Baum.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Peacher delightfully entertained a group of young people at rook at their home on route one last Saturday evening. During the evening charade menu cards were handed out that afforded lots of fun as to what their refreshments were to be. All present are unanimous in saying Mr. and Mrs. Peacher know how to entertain young people and show them a good time.

After removing a glass from the back window thieves entered the Love variety and jewelry store last Thursday night and ransacked the place for valuables. While nearly every box and showcase in the store was gone through but a small amount of goods could be missed. The thieves no doubt were after watches and jewelry but as Mr. Love carries that part of his stock home with him each night they got nothing in that line.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Warner and son Guy and Mrs. Lappine were here from Meadville last Saturday in Mr. Warner's car. Mr. Warner is a persistent good roads booster and isn't afraid to denounce the office creating and nepotism gang down at Jefferson City that eats so heavily on the automobile tax that a very small per cent of the fund actually reaches the road dragging. There is a general complaint of this character over the state.

Electric lighting is cheap and a great convenience and pleasure. Very little muss is made in wiring a house and it is not necessary to wait until housecleaning. Have it done now and be ready for a fan when the hot weather comes. Electric irons save many steps. Ironing is done in half the time and the expense is no more than wood or coal. See Caywood & Baum for house wiring and all kinds of electrical appliances.

Mrs. James T. Hamilton was hostess to Chapter R of P. E. O. on Thursday evening of last week and the members present were most delightfully entertained. The occasion was made memorable by the addition of a new star to the chapter, Mrs. Lee E. Hamilton being initiated into the mysteries of the sisterhood. During the evening delicious refreshments were served by Miss Edith Hamilton assisted by Mrs. Byrd.

The juniors of the Laclede high school very pleasantly entertained the seniors and faculty with a banquet at the Rest Room on Friday evening of last week. The rooms were very tastily decorated with the colors of both classes and the arrangements were complete and well made. In the course of the evening an elaborate four course luncheon was served. There were twenty-three present. During the evening Miss Lena Mendenhall furnished excellent music. Games furnished diversion and all spent a most delightful time.

Recital at the Rest Room

A home talent recital will be given at the Rest Room Wednesday evening, April 14, to begin at 8 o'clock, in behalf of the public library. The Y. W. C. A. has been trying to build up a town library and quite a few books have been accumulated either thru gifts or purchase. In addition books have been borrowed from the state library at Jefferson City. These come in a box, 50 at a time and can be kept three months or longer. No charge is made for the use of the books, except the cost of shipment, which is about \$1.50 each way per box. The object of this recital is to pay the transportation of the box now on hand and secure a new box, also to purchase some additional books for the library. So far the public has not been especially called upon to aid in this undertaking and it is hoped they will take opportunity to help the town library. Admission only 10 cents.

Returned From Florida

Geo. W. Estes returned last Friday night after spending a month in Florida. He didn't find things down there just as the real estate men and booster literature represents it. Not by a long shot. He found that the three and four sure crops a year without much expense or labor was a dream of the real estate fakir. To raise anything at all it is necessary to use about a ton of commercial fertilizer to the acre, and it costs about \$35.00 per ton. Most of the farming is done in the winter months and while it is possible to plant three and four seedings it is rarely ever that more than two crops are gathered, the others being destroyed by frost or long hard rainy spells. The fertilizing, however, must be repeated with each seeding, making it very costly farming. While thousands are being attracted to that country through big promises by the promoters of land schemes, but few are locating and none are finding the easy road to wealth that they expected.

Statement From School Board

The school district of Laclede receives a state aid of \$600.00 to \$800.00 for the purpose of raising the standard of our school, for supplying sufficient equipment to properly aid in the teaching facilities and to enable us to have a nine months term for the high school.

This state aid is entirely independent of the regular amount paid by the state at so much per diem for the whole number of days attended by all scholars during the school year, and in no way influences the usual allowance. In order for us to get this state aid we must do certain things, chief of which is to have a nine months term in the high school.

The district is financially able to have nine months in the high school but have not the funds to go farther than eight months in the grades.

So, after careful consideration, the board has decided that the first six grades be closed after eight months, and 7th and 8th grades and the high school after nine months.

Done by order of the board of education this 7th day of April, 1915.

F. W. BURKE, President.
W. S. SAVAGE, Secretary.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Brief Mention of Those Who Come and Go During the Week

A. E. Welty was in Chillicothe last Saturday.

B. F. Thompson made a business trip to Tina Tuesday.

C. B. Talbott made a business trip to Milan last Saturday.

Orville Mahurin went to Quincy Monday for a visit with relatives.

Clarence Stapleton spent last Saturday with relatives at Chillicothe.

Mrs. R. T. Dye is spending the week with relatives in Clarence and Anabel.

Mrs. Lucy Drew returned Monday from a short visit at New Cambria.

Sell us your cream, butter, eggs and poultry. Our price is always the top. Carothers & Allen.

Mrs. Anna Nelson of Kansas City came Wednesday to visit her sister, Mrs. J. M. McDonnell.

J. E. West returned home Monday from spending a couple of weeks at Cripple Creek, Colo.

P. F. Weaver was in Bucklin Monday on an automobile deal connected with his Metz agency.

Mrs. M. J. Williams has gone to Bolivar to spend the summer with her daughter, Mrs. Archie Patrick and family.

Mrs. Stafford of Chillicothe spent the first of the week here visiting her daughter, Mrs. Clarence Stapleton and family.

Paul and Victor Lomax came up from the state university at Columbia and spent Saturday and Sunday with home folk.

Mrs. Della Glenn and little son of Quincy visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Smith, the latter part of last week.

Mrs. C. C. Bigger went to Savannah Wednesday to attend a meeting of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society.

Fred Clinefelter came home from the state university to spend Easter with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Clinefelter on route one.

Mr. and Mrs. O. I. Fay spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Wood and left the first of the week for Kansas City where they expect to remain a while before going to Colorado for Mrs. Fay's health.

Mrs. J. E. Marsh came from Utica Wednesday and will spend the summer here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Duckworth on route three. The public school at Utica of which Mr. March is superintendent, will close in two weeks.

The sympathy of all Laclede goes out to Mrs. J. T. Hamilton who had the misfortune to fall at her home last Friday in such a way as to fracture the hip bone. Her eye sight has been failing for some time and with this added affliction her burden is indeed a heavy one.

George Barnes, who was a citizen of Laclede in 1866-7, spent Tuesday here among old time friends. H. C. and J. W. Lomax were about the only ones he remembered very well. He was a cousin of the late E. M. and Geo. Tracy and while located here clerked in the former's dry goods store. He now lives in Nebraska and with his wife and daughter was returning from spending the winter at Citronelle, Ala.