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TOWN AND COUNTRY

About Local People and Events and Other Matters of Interest

Salvia, (scarlet sage) for sale. Rest Room.

C. W. Neal spent Sunday with relatives at the old home near Linneus.

O. A. Potter took a car of fat lambs to the St. Louis market Monday night.

Mrs. A. J. Linn spent Monday afternoon at Linneus with her daughter, Miss Lillian.

Mrs. Lewis Henderson of Syracuse, Kans., is the guest of Mrs. C. B. Talbott this week.

O. G. Tooker is remodeling and building new porches to his residence east of town on route three.

Mrs. L. F. Moore and Mrs. C. C. Bigger spent Tuesday with Mrs. H. E. Bundren and family in Kansas City.

F. M. Alexander of Laclede is paying the highest market price for wool. Don't sell your clip until you see him.

Miss Bessie McAllister of Linneus is spending this week here visiting her sister, Mrs. Carl Sayles and family.

J. W. Brown, who has spent the winter here with his daughter, Mrs. E. R. Barton, went to Macon Wednesday to visit relatives.

Mrs. Chris Eyman left Tuesday noon for Colorado Springs, Col., on receipt of a telegram announcing that her mother was ill and not expected to live long.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist church will meet at the home of Mrs. W. E. Shell next Wednesday, May 16, at 2:30. Every member is urged to be present.

E. B. Allen is to install a heating plant in his apartment and office building. He has contracted with Carothers & Allen for the furnace and work on making a basement will begin soon.

Miss Belle Welsh accompanied by Mrs. Roy Welsh and Miss Bernice Welsh were up from Chariton county Tuesday and spent the evening with friends and attended the Dixie minstrels.

F. M. Alexander is in the market and paying the highest market price for old iron, rubber, rags and paper. The present price on country mixed iron, free from boiler plate, is 30 cents per hundred.

There is an opening for a teacher in the Bruner district northeast of Laclede and the board would like to receive some applications. A. H. Farrar is president of the board, Chas. Frazier, clerk and D. E. Stark the other member.

John C. Brown came in Tuesday night from attending a gas convention at Roanoke, Va., spent the day here and left that night to join his wife at Princeton. He says the war spirit is running high in the east with soldiers everywhere.

The board of managers of the Forker co-operative shipping association have elected the following officers: Fred Miller, president; L. T. Ringland, vice president; Lyman Andrews, secretary-treasurer. A meeting attended by 55 was held Tuesday night at which time constitution and by-laws were adopted as planned by the board. The board will meet next Monday night to consider the appointment of a shipping manager.

Reading Circle Meeting

Mrs. A. J. Caywood was hostess to the Reading Circle Tuesday evening. Members and visitors responded with interesting current events at roll call. Mrs. M. P. Benson gave the lesson from 'Training for Citizenship,' Chapter 32, 'The Founding of the Nation,' chapter 33, 'The National Executive,' chapter 34, 'Aids to the National Executive.'

Mrs. J. W. Lomax's lesson was from the Magazine: 'Learning by Reel;' 'Sharing the British Empire,' and 'Temperance in South America.'

Mrs. Lewis Henderson of Syracuse, Kansas, favored with some excellent music.

The guests of the evening were Mrs. C. B. Talbott, Mrs. D. H. Hall, Mrs. A. J. Baum, Mrs. P. F. Weaver, Mrs. Anna Walters of Los Angeles, Calif., and Mrs. Lewis Henderson of Syracuse, Kans.

The hostess served delicious refreshments assisted by her daughter, Miss Vivia.

Next regular meeting with Mrs. J. Clair Lomax. Leader, Mrs. E. E. Benson.

Was Not a Deserter

It seems there is no truth in the report that is being widely circulated in this county that Cecil Molloy, whose body was shipped to his parents in the northwest part of this county for burial two weeks ago, had been court martialed and shot for desertion from the army. From an obituary of the young man published in the Linneus News last Friday we quote: "His commanding officer states that he never shirked a duty and passed his gunner's examination in much less than the usual time required for such work. He was a member of the Coast Defense Corps and stationed at San Diego, Cal. His death certificate states that death was caused by pneumonia of the right lung and the continuation of his illness covered a period of 17 days."

To Observe Memorial Day

At their meeting last Saturday afternoon it was decided by the Grand Army veterans to observe Memorial day in the usual way this year. The sermon will be on Sunday, May 27, at the M. E. church and decoration on Wednesday, May 30. While there are 22 civil war veterans residing in this township the post has a membership of only 16, about one-third of what the membership was some years ago. The program will be published in a later edition of this paper.

P. E. O. Meeting

Miss Edith Hamilton was hostess to chapter R, P. E. O. Wednesday afternoon. The members were delighted to have an opportunity to meet Mrs. J. T. Hamilton at P. E. O. Mrs. L. F. Moore gave an excellent lesson, "Nature Wonders of Missouri." Mrs. Ralph Neal of Linneus was present and furnished music on the gramophone. The hostess served dainty refreshments, being assisted by her sister, Mrs. Neal.

Ready For Hot Weather

As will be seen by an advertisement on another page the Boyles Pharmacy, first door south of post-office, is now prepared to serve ice cream and soft drinks of all kinds, as well as fruits. It is here you will find the famous Longacre ice cream served in the various forms.

ON LOCAL SUBJECTS

Local Items and Interesting Bits of News of All Sorts

The Laclede baseball association has renewed contract for the use of the grounds at Highland Ball Park now owned by F. F. Dresser. The work of organizing a team is well under way and it is expected that practice will begin soon after the close of school.

Geo. W. Anderson, township trustee, L. T. Rowland, member of the board, and Adolph and Emil Brendahl were before the county court at Linneus last Monday asking for a new bridge across Muddy creek west of Laclede. The bridge has been in bad shape for some time.

The Parent-Teachers' Association held their final meeting for this school year at the assembly room of the high school Tuesday afternoon. The program which was published last week was carried out in full with short talks by Rev. Dueker and Rev. Stratton. At the close of the business session they adjourned to meet again in September.

Elsewhere in this paper will be found the program for commencement exercises of the grammar school which will be held at the assembly room of the high school next Friday morning. A splendid program has been prepared under the careful direction of Miss Cassie Heath whose well directed efforts have prepared a large class for promotion.

The Lomax & Standly Bank, ever and always up-to-date and in the forefront with business methods, has recently installed an electric posting machine. It is one of the latest devices for accuracy, neatness and rapid work in banking. The machine will date, add, subtract, debit and credit and give balances and seems almost human and in some transactions is more than human as it refuses to make wrong entries or falsify its records. It is a live machine, getting its energy from an electric motor and is easier to operate than the average typewriter.

The baccalaureate sermon to the senior class of the Laclede high school will be given next Sunday evening at the Methodist church by Rev. H. J. Dueker. Commencement exercises will be held at the opera house on Thursday evening, the address to be given by Rev. A. F. Zeigel of Kirksville, his subject being, "Ideals of Life." A class of ten is to be graduated, namely: Mercedes Mouser, Dorothy Harris, Hazel Rankin, Ruby Walker, Arthur Glover, Stanley L. Whitaker, Roy M. Luyster, Thomas H. Wade, J. Paul Carothers and Sub E. Thorne of Linneus.

We publish today by request a call for a farmers' meeting here for next Monday afternoon at which time a representative of the agricultural college will explain certain things in connection with the campaign to increase crop production. Agitation is a good thing but the time for discussion is past and the time for actual work is here, therefore we do not believe any number of farmers will feel like leaving the field to attend a meeting at this time. However, these farm meetings are being held with the best intentions and those who can should attend them.

Death of a Young Man

Walter J. Burnett passed away at the home of his step-mother, Mrs. Lucinda Burnett in the northwest part of town last Sunday morning, after an illness of several months from lung trouble.

He was born October 14, 1890, and was therefore 26 years, 6 months and 22 days old. Was born and reared in this county, the only son of the late James and Mary Burnett. He had resided in Laclede for the past fifteen years. Those surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Chas. W. Green of Brookfield and Miss Louise Burnett of Kansas City and the aged step-mother, all of whom were present at the funeral held at the Baptist church Monday afternoon, the services being conducted by Rev. R. L. Stratton. The remains were taken to Brookfield for burial.

School Exercises at Forker

Rev. J. D. Mendenhall of Brookfield will deliver the baccalaureate sermon for the senior class of the Forker consolidated high school at the Forker church next Sunday morning at 11:00. The class play will be given on Wednesday evening, the 16th, and the graduation exercises will be held on Friday evening. There are three in the senior class this year. It will be noticed that none of these dates conflict with Laclede exercises and no doubt many from here will take the opportunity to mingle with the good people of that district on these occasions.

Mrs. A. S. Byrd Entertains

At the spacious home of Mrs. A. S. Byrd last Saturday evening were entertained a number of friends. The evening was spent in social games and music making one of the most enjoyable evenings of the season. The guests were Mrs. J. W. Lomax, Mrs. F. F. Pratt, Mrs. H. W. Lomax, Mrs. J. E. Welsh, Mrs. C. B. Talbott, Mrs. J. Clair Lomax, Mrs. Max Jones, Mrs. H. H. Bonds, Mrs. A. J. Baum, Mrs. C. E. Tracy, Mrs. N. Byrne, Mrs. M. F. Clay, Mrs. Anna Walters and little son of Los Angeles, Calif., Miss Laura Love, Miss Edith Hamilton, and Wm. Byrd.

The hostess served a delicious three course luncheon, assisted by her daughter, Miss Allene.

Farmers' Meeting Monday

Every farmer in the Laclede community should make it a point to attend the meeting here next Monday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock. A representative from the agricultural college will speak. A delegate will be elected to the County Council of Defense. Mr. Gifford Pinchot, formerly chief forester for the United States, thus speaks of present world conditions: "The war will be won or lost on two great battle fields—the one in France where arms are used, and the other in this county where we must produce sufficient food to feed ourselves and our Allies."

It is up to the people on farms to win the battle in this country. The purpose of the local meetings and of the the Council of Defense is organization that we may hold our part of the line in this country. Victory in France depends upon the maintenance of the food supply. Organization will be a help in increasing production, in getting additional farm labor where needed and in getting products to consumers with least possible waste. How these things can be done will be explained at the meeting next Monday.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Brief Mention of Those Who Come and Go During the Week

Squire Cushing was in Linneus last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Stoddard spent Sunday with relatives in Brookfield.

Ward Stutsman went to Kansas City last Friday to work at the carpenter trade.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Hall went to St. Joseph for a short visit Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Jas. Booth and two children visited relatives in Bucklin the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Brott of Brookfield spent last Friday evening with E. B. Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. J. Finney and Clyde Finney spent Sunday with relatives in Brookfield.

J. A. Crowder of Milan made a short visit here Sunday with E. B. Allen and J. D. Boyles.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Drake of Linneus visited relatives in Laclede last Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Stella Thompson of Chillicothe was the guest of Laclede friends last Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Dora Mitchell was over from Meadville last Saturday, guest of the family of A. J. Harter.

Chas. Hatfield and Miss Bessie Hatfield of Argentine, Kans., visited over Sunday with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kraft visited over last Sunday with his brother, Geo. Kraft and family in Kansas City.

J. F. McAllister of Linneus visited his daughter, Mrs. Carl Sayles and family here the latter part of last week.

Misses Roxana and Hazel Rankin and Ida and Marie Welsh were Sunday guests of Mrs. J. B. Patrick in Brookfield.

A. E. Johnston spent Sunday in Kansas City accompanying his mother that far on her return to her home at Fulton.

Mrs. A. J. Caywood daughter Miss Vivia were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Morgan in Brookfield Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Julia Hendricks of Fort Scott, Kansas, came last Friday to be with her sister, Miss Kathryn Harter who has been quite sick.

Mrs. Dora Watson came over from Brookfield Sunday and was accompanied home Monday by her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Edwards.

Mrs. O. E. Weaver was over from Brookfield and spent last Saturday afternoon with friends and called and renewed for THE BLADE.

Rev. W. R. Shane of Kansas City has been here this week, having come down Monday to attend the funeral of the late Walter Burnett.

Mrs. Geo. Denbo and daughter, Miss Frances, Mrs. Helga Butterfield and Miss Christina Johnson spent last Monday afternoon in Chillicothe.

Miss Ethelyn Mossbarger enrolled Monday morning in the Chillicothe Business College for a stenographic course. She made the trip to Chillicothe Sunday afternoon and was accompanied by Orville Mahurin who after visiting the college returned to Laclede the same evening.