

"NATURAL SELECTION"



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"NATURAL SELECTION" means a good deal in science. It means a good deal in clothing, but more mistakes are made in picking out a suit on account of mistaken judgement. A man naturally picks out a pattern that "takes his eye," and rather overlooks the points that he ought to consider—quality—the inside parts. A great deal depends on the man who is selling the garment. The purchaser isn't supposed to be a judge. He doesn't always know whether the suit fits. He considers the price; but price is not always a certain indication of quality. Better come where you're told honestly about these things. K. N. & F. made clothing is honestly made inside and out, and is the natural selection of the man who knows good tailoring quality. Prices are consistent with the quality.

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JOE MEYER,
THE CLOTHIER.

County Court Proceedings.

School loan of J. E. Chambers for \$500 approved.
Midland Bridge Co. two bridges \$4.14.
Kansas City Steel Bridge Co. contract for steel bridge across Mound branch, east of Butler, \$800 approved.
The resignation of T. H. Roach, justice of the peace of East Boone township, accepted.
W. A. Howard was appointed trustee and member of township board of Spruce township, vice Walter McCown removed.
\$50 appropriated to Spruce township board for grading at Ballard creek bridge.
\$75 was appropriated for work on road in East Boone township at the corner of sections 27, 28, 33 and 34 in said township.
School loan of Sarah Snow for \$400 approved.
W. L. Shelton was ordered to make new bond to protect his school loan.
Bridge commissioner was ordered to procure lumber for bridge near Foster.
A number of warrants presented by W. T. Johnson were cancelled.
Contract of Kansas City Bridge Co. for repairs on bridge over Marias Des Cygne river, approved.
Dram shop license granted A. C. Teft, Rich Hill.
School loan of W. H. H. Duke \$5,720 approved.
Ordered that \$50 be appropriated to West Point out of road fund for making rock ford crossing the Miami on twp. line between West Point and Elkhart.
Ordered that \$50 be appropriated to Elkhart twp. out of road fund for making rock ford across the Miami in sec. 31 Elkhart twp.
Ordered that Henry Reinheimer put a telephone in the county clerk's office for the use of the county officers, said telephone to have connection with all the Reinheimer system and its connections. Agreed that the court pay \$3.00 a month for use of said telephone and also \$3.00 per month for phone in sheriff's office.

I J Conklin mdee prisoners	14.80
Eli Henderson repairs at jail	2.40
Geo Barnard & Co supplies	29.30
Vantrees Bros work on fence	10.00
W O Jackson stamp	9.34
J Y Whitsitt tank for cess pool	21.00
Bennett & Hupp glass for jail and court house	2.65
Deacon Bros mdee court house and jail	14.75
J A Patterson fees for Feb'y stamps and expenses	27.20
C M Harris temp sup	3.10
G W Pollock extra services as janitor	40.00
Hayden Ray work at jail	10.00
Arthur Bankston convey Shay and Aiken to Butler	6.55
W T Johnson stamps for Feb	2.90
T K Lisle "	4.07
John F Herrell stamps and expenses for Feb	5.35
John F Herrell fees for Feb	11.15
Harve Johnson expenses bringing Henderson to Butler	108.48
B Light Plant light for Feb	2.55
E A Porter lumber for Deer Creek bridge	27.00
H M Booth 2 pauper coffins	18.90
Nichols & Son mdee prisoners	12.45
Logan-Moore Lum Co lumber	2.25
Sam Dodworth Book Co books	4.30
Sam Walls mdee	47.85
W T Johnson back pay on school apportionment	4.65
J C Hayes 40 abstracts	80.25
R E Johnson fees bridge com	12.25
R E Johnson expenses	18.00
Joe T Smith board bill for prisoners for Feb	7.50
Joe T Smith waiting on proct	282.00
Joe T Smith stamps	50.00
Joe T Smith waiting cir crt	7.00
J R Angle guard at jail	217.75
Dr O F Renick inquest over body of Bollo Smiley	43.50
Dr O F Renick quarter co phys	23.15
Everett Crook work on Willow Branch bridge	20.00
Chas Haas groceries furnished quarantined family in Adrian	7.00
T K Lisle temp sup Wray	5.25
G W Pollock janitor at crt hse	5.00
B Co Democrat stat & adv	25.00
J D Stewart cleaning cess pool	10.75
J W McPadden attending crt	30.75
" " 5 days	25.00
J J March " "	25.00
P A Bruce " "	25.00

GOVERNOR DOCKERY ORDERS PRIMARY INVESTIGATION IF POLICEMEN ARE FOUND GUILTY THEY MUST BE DISMISSED

State Executive Declares He Has Not Interfered in Democratic Factional Fights and Does Not Countenance Police Intimidation.

Post-Dispatch, 14th.

Gov. Dockery this morning issued the following order for a meeting of the police board of St. Louis to investigate the charges of interference and neglect of duty by certain police officers at the Democratic primary Saturday:

"Hon. William G. Fry, president Board of Police Commissioners, St. Louis, Mo.:

"I note in the columns of the press charges of interference and willful neglect on the part of certain officers at the primaries last Saturday.

Please convene your board forthwith, investigate fully and impartially each of these charges, and if any police officer is found guilty of intimidating voters or willful neglect of duty, or violation of duty, dismiss him from the force at once. Kindly report to me the result of your investigation at the earliest practical moment.

A. M. DOCKERY,
Governor.

Governor Dockery gives out the following statement relative to the Kansas City and St. Louis primaries:

"In spite of my statement, made early in this campaign, that I would not take any part as between the candidates for nomination in my party, and in spite of the further fact that it is well known that I have not taken any part whatever in these contests, either for state or municipal nominations, the Shannon convention, which nominated Mr. George M. Shelley for Mayor of Kansas City, Saturday, passed a resolution declaring me to be wholly responsible for "alleged" police outrages upon the rights of the people of Kansas City.

"Personally, I care nothing for this attack, but it is due my party and the people of the state that I should expose the absolute falsity of this unwarranted assault. For some days previous to the Kansas City primaries, one of the Republican papers of that city was charging that there would be police interference with the rights of voters.

"And this same paper, fully a week before the convention, was able in some mysterious way to forecast at least one plank of the platform, charging police interference.

So often repeated were these publications, I determined, out of abundant caution, to leave nothing undone that would guarantee faithful and impartial enforcement of the law so far as it rests with the police control of that city.

"To this end, on February 27, I first called the attention of Police Commissioners Stewart and Dean to the absolute importance of protecting the rights of every voter and the necessity for police non-interference, except to maintain order and prevent violations of the law.

"This instruction was renewed on several occasions prior to the primaries, and directly urged upon the attention of Chief of Police John Hayes during the day on which they were held.

"If in the primaries held in Kansas City or St. Louis there have been any misconduct or offensive interference on the part of the police it has been in violation of this express instruction, and in violation of the instructions of the commissioners themselves.

"The commissioners at Kansas City took the precaution of having the chief of police specifically instruct the police force as to the necessity for a strict and impartial enforcement of the law. This order was made public prior to the primaries.

LAYS CHARGES TO REPUBLICANS.
"I know nothing whatever as yet of alleged disturbance at Kansas City or elsewhere except from newspaper reports. However the Democratic city convention at Kansas City, which nominated Mr. Kemper for mayor, denounces the charge of police interference, in that city, as false, and asserts that such charges are made by republican newspapers and irresponsible factional politicians for political effect only for the sole

purpose of injuring the Democratic party.

"The same precautions to insure an honest and fair primary last Saturday were observed in the city of St. Louis.

"The duty of enforcing the primary and election laws in St. Louis and Kansas City rests jointly upon the police department, grand juries, courts and prosecuting officers. There should be the most vigorous prosecution of every violation of such laws; and if there has been repeating or police interference in either Kansas City or St. Louis, it is the plain duty of the prosecuting officers to take prompt legal steps for the punishment of the offenders. If any police officer has been guilty of either intimidating voters or willfully neglecting his duty, he will be promptly dismissed from the service. And in this position I am confident I have the hearty approval of the police commissioners of both these great cities."

Virginia Items.

We heard it and jotted it down, What happened in and out of town.

Mrs. Charley Wolf has been quite sick for nearly one week. Her grandson, who was sick last week under the doctor's care, is around again.

Miss Meda Cuzick will commence her school at Grand View Monday, the 21st.

Miss Maggie McCanns is getting ready to start to school in Butler next week.

Robert McCanns is down with his back again.

Dee Wheeler, of Kansas City, spent Saturday and Sunday at home.

C. P. A. have a notice up. No hunting on Sunday. They have taken up the work of the church.

The farmers are very busy plowing and getting ready for spring crop.

Elder Sharp will preach at the Christian Church Sunday, the 20th, at 11 a. m. and night.

Virginia school closed last week.

M. Wirt came back from Nebraska to help his son, Charley, farm this summer.

Omer Drysdale is fixing up his postoffice and getting ready to receive the office.

The scaffold fell last week with two carpenters on. No one hurt.

Mrs. Oldham suffered with a severe attack of rheumatism last week.

Many of our people are doing a large amount of coughing at present.

About fifty people of the surrounding neighborhood assembled at the home of Grandma Cope, where they celebrated her 72th birthday Wednesday, March 9. All took well filled basket, and a bountiful dinner was served. Grandma, although very aged, enjoyed this very much and at the hour often tolled the bell seventy-two times. She received several presents. After dinner all went to the front yard, where Mr. Nestlrode took a picture of the crowd. Before leaving we sang several songs, the last being, "God be with you till we meet again." All departed wishing Grandma Cope many more happy birthdays.

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Order of Publication.

In the Circuit Court of Bates county, Missouri, May term, 1904. State of Missouri at the relation and in favor of the revenue of Bates county in the state of Missouri, plaintiff vs. Eli Griggs, the Johnson Land Co, a corporation, the unknown heirs of Robert Belcher, deceased, and their unknown husbands and wives, and the unknown heirs and devisees of Thos. E. Belcher, of John N. Belcher and Edward Rhodes, all deceased, and their unknown husbands and wives, defendants.

Now on this 10th day of March, 1904, comes the plaintiff by W. O. Jackson, her attorney, before the court in term time and it appearing that the allegations of the petition, which said petition is duly sworn to and verified by the affidavit of the relator in this cause, that the following defendants above named are non-residents of the state of Missouri, to-wit: Eli Griggs, the unknown heirs of Robert Belcher, deceased, and their unknown husbands and wives, and the unknown heirs and devisees of Thos. E. Belcher, of John N. Belcher and Edward Rhodes, all deceased, and their unknown husbands and wives; and it further appearing from the allegations of said petition, that there are persons whose names cannot be inserted in said petition, because they are unknown to the relator herein, and that so far as the relator's knowledge extends said persons claim and derive whatever interest they have in the lands hereinafter described, by the laws of devise, descent, and intestacy from the said Robert Belcher, Thos. E. Belcher, John N. Belcher and Edward Rhodes, respectively, deceased.

It is therefore, ordered by the court in term time aforesaid that all of said unknown defendants, and all of said unknown defendants be and appear at the next term of this court to be held at the court house in Butler, Missouri, on Monday the second day of May, 1904, and on or before the third day thereof, if the term shall so long continue, and if not then, before the end of the term, to answer said petition, and that if they do not so appear, the same will be taken as confessed, and judgment rendered against each of them, as prayed in said petition, the object and general nature of which is to enforce the lien of the year 1902, and the penalty, interest and costs thereof, against the following described real estate in Bates county, Missouri, to-wit: The northwest quarter of the southeast quarter and the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter and the north half of the southwest quarter of the southeast quarter, all in section 16, township 28, range 5.

And it is further ordered that this order be published for four weeks successively in THE BUTLER WEEKLY TIMES, a newspaper published in Bates county, Missouri, and designated by plaintiff's attorney, as most likely to give notice to said defendants, the last insertion to be at least fifteen days before the commencement of the next May term, 1904, of this court.

A true copy from the record. WILHELM [REDACTED] attorney at law and seal of the circuit court of Bates county, this 10th day of March, 1904. J. A. PATTERSON
C. M. Barkley, Deputy. Circuit Clerk

5 Prizes 5

\$88.⁵⁰ Eighty-Eight and 50c. \$88.⁵⁰

Will be given away by the
Butler Cash Dpt. Store
IN PRIZES
JULY 2nd. 1904.

Get your tickets with each purchase of \$1.00 you get a ticket for the drawing July 2nd.

- ### List of Prizes.
- 1st Prize, Cabinet Sewing Machine \$45.00
 - 2nd. Prize, Fine Velour Couch : : \$20.00
 - 3rd. Prize Golden Oak Center Table \$12.50
 - 4th. Prize set solid gold alumnium knives and forks : : : \$7.00
 - 5th. Prize Set of solid gold alumnium table spoons : : : \$4.00

This applies to all purchases of \$1.00 in any department in the house. The goods will cost you no more on account of this plan of turning part of our advertising money to some of our customers, some one will get the different **PRIZES FREE** not one cent will they cost them.

Remember we are closing out
Stoves, Hardware, Glass and Queens-ware and Shoes.

You can save money on anything you buy here. About 15 rolls of Henley Hog Fence wire left at 23c per rod for 26 inch with barb on bottom. Cash or trade for produce, the only house in town where your produce will buy anything in Furniture, Carpets or Groceries, Hardware, Shoes, Dry Goods and Notions. Just a little out of the way but it will pay you to go that little and pay you well

Get your tickets you may get the
\$45.00 Sewing Machine.

Butler Cash Dpt. Store

BLIZZARD AND BIG FIRES IN SOUTHWEST.

High Wind Fans Flames and Many Farm Buildings Are Destroyed.

Guthrie, Okla., March 14.—The thermometer dropped 40 degrees during last night, with a norther blowing. In some portions of the territory the storm became cyclonic. The town of Craft, in Woods county, was completely burned during a strong wind. Many farm buildings, live stock and crops were also burned. Near Gage a prairie fire, in connection with the wind, destroyed ten houses, crops and a big pasture and wheat acreage. At Mutual fire destroyed the Vand-Densen general store and Bolton's mill, a total loss of \$12,000.

Near Erick, in southwestern Oklahoma, the wind demolished the residences of W. A. Hammond, James Sutton and Alex. Taylor. Hammond's family of ten members was carried several hundred feet and left uninjured, the house being entirely destroyed.

Eggs! Eggs! Eggs!
Eggs from thoroughbred barred Plymouth Rocks \$1.00 a setting of 15
17-11 R. A. ATKINSON, Butler, Mo.

FOR SALE OR TRADE—One and one-half acre of land, 4 room house, small barn, well of water, small fruit trees, joins city of Butler. A team will be taken on the trade. Price \$700.
14-11 J. W. PORCH, Butler.

For piano tuning and musical instrument repairing, address F. M. Skaggs through the postoffice or leave orders at the Endres restaurant. 46-11

glection on County School Supervision.
Notice is hereby given that at the regular term of the county court, held on the 2nd day of February, 1904, an election on the question of County School Supervision was ordered. The qualified voters of Bates county are therefore notified that the election will be held at the same time and place of the annual school meeting. The chairman and secretary of the meeting will immediately certify the vote of their respective districts to the county clerk.
J. F. HERRELL,
County Clerk.
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