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All roads will lead to Butler on July 5th for the big celebration.

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J. A. Warford was a pleasant caller and favored us with renewal.  
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Wear Douglas "Gilt Edge" shoes.  
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Mrs. Ina Cassell, (nee Ina Mount) arrived in the city the last of the week from St. Louis, to visit her aunt, Mrs. Will White.

Wear only "High Art" clothes.  
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Rev. Earl D. Sims orders his paper changed from Orlando to Key West, Florida, where he is pastor of the Eaton Street Baptist Church.

Mrs. Laura Lamme, of Minier, Ill., demonstrates her continued interest in the people of Butler and Bates county by renewing for THE TIMES.

Fruit jars—pints 45 cents, quarts 55 cents and halves 65 cents per dozen at J. E. Williams.

Mrs. M. R. Johnson, of South McAllister, Okla., arrived in Butler on Friday to visit her daughter, Mrs. Will B. Weeks.

I have a number of inquiries for farms. If you wish to sell, list with me.  
C. W. HESS.  
28tf Butler, Mo.

The ladies Wednesday Club were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Sam Walls, at their Adrian home last week. Thirteen members went up and all report a good time.

The Peoples Elevator Co. have filled their large coal bins with an extra steam coal for threshers. This coal will only cost you 10 cents per bushel.  
34-5t.

County court met in called session Friday and after a full hearing adjudged Charles Bradford insane, and ordered him to the State Hospital for the Insane No. 3, at Nevada, Mo.

New suits, straw hats and oxfords for July 4th. Black & Arnold Clo Co.

George Knight, the faithful carrier on Rural Route No. 2 out of Butler, returned from a weeks vacation with friends at Weaubleau, Mo., and resumed his route on Monday.

We have an extra good steam coal that will give entire satisfaction to the thrasher man. Only 10 cents per bushel—Peoples Elevator Co. 34-5t

Charles Chambers, a successful young Democratic farmer out on Butler No. 4, called and had his name enrolled for The Times. He is a son of James Monroe Chambers, of Elkhart.

Hammocks built for two—at Smith's.

Pierce Hackett, mayor of Amoret, was in Butler on Thursday. He was on his way to Rich Hill, where he was called by the illness of his brother, Sam'l. Hackett.

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At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Bates County Sunday School Association in Butler last week, it was decided to hold the next county convention at Sprague, on August 5th and 6th.

H. H. Harshaw shipped three of his fine Big Bone Poland China hogs to I. H. Bingham, at Eugene, Oregon, on last Saturday. Mr. Harshaw has customers for these hogs from nearly every state in the Union, besides he has shipped several to Mexico and Canada.

Hot time—hammock time—get one at Smith's.

It has now been more than two weeks since the Siegel girl was murdered in New York by the chinaman, and neither of the Nevada, Mo., papers has laid claim to Leon Ling, the murderer having once been a citizen of that town. Have the newspapers of Nevada grown over modest in such matters.

Fireworks at Smith's Book & Stationery Store.

Sam Alfree lost a valuable mare in a peculiar manner last week. He was leading the mare, followed by a colt, behind his buggy. He stopped to talk to a neighbor, when the mare became restive and tried to break loose. She reared up, the hitch rope broke and she fell over backwards and broke her neck.

John Streich, the East End gardener, predicts the largest yield of potatoes seen in this country for many years, and he thinks the price will be very low within a short time. He will have in the neighborhood of 1200 bushels, and many others have potato patches equally as large.—R. H. Review.

Celebrate the 5th with Smith's fireworks.

George B. Dowell was in Butler Saturday and made us a fraternal call. He is a bright and progressive young newspaper man. He recently retired from the management of the Rich Hill Tribune at the expiration of his lease, and he is now looking up a location. He has several offers, and thinks he will locate in Harrisonville.

July 4th oxfords \$2.50 up.  
Black & Arnold Clo. Co.

When the Joplin and Kansas City train stopped at the railroad crossing, south of the Rich Hill depot Friday night, a stranger, thinking he had reached the depot, gathered up his grip and proceeded to alight. He stepped off into the night, and landed in the bottom of a ravine, ten feet below, but fortunately without injury except to his feelings. He said if this was the kind of landing at the depot the company should furnish parachutes for the convenience of its patrons.

Fireworks—the new things—at Smith's

The heavy rains visiting this section appear to be somewhat local in their nature. While all sections are getting sufficient rain and some even too much, it is not falling on all localities at the same time. Some will have heavy showers, while a few miles away plows and binders will be running. Every indication points to a bumper crop in Bates county this year.

Misses Alta and Ethel McCracken planned a delightful surprise upon their parents, June 19th, that being the twenty-fifth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Allie McCracken. About twenty-five relatives gathered to enjoy the occasion. At the appointed hour those invited met in Spruce and wended their way to the beautiful home of this excellent family. Mr. and Mrs. McCracken were taken completely by surprise but soon regained their composure and with their usual kindness and hospitality made all feel that it was good to be there. A most sumptuous dinner and an abundance of music and merriment made the day one long to be remembered by those present.—From Spruce Items in Appleton City Journal.

The Mexico Ledger thinks Leon Ling, the Chinese murderer of Elsie Siegel may have been in that town last week, as two strange chinamen spent Sunday there, one of whom, in a general way answered the newspaper descriptions of Leon Ling. All chinamen look alike to us, and we imagine it will be a hard matter to ever find and positively identify Leon, with all chinamen trying to assist his escape.

H. H. Harshaw of the county east of Butler departed yesterday for points in Western Kansas, where he goes to look over the country with the intention of purchasing land. Mr. Harshaw is one of Bates Co.'s most prominent farmers. He has made a success as a breeder of Poland China swine and his name is known throughout the country in connection with this breed of porkers.—Rich Hill Review.

The demands for horses would indicate that the horseless age is still in the dim future. In fact, at the present time the horse is behind with his dates, there being more places for him than there are good horses. A few years ago buyers were particular and made bids on only the best in a grower's herd, but now they are willing to buy anything in the shape of horse flesh and are paying as much now for a "plug" as a good horse brought a few years ago.—King City Democrat.

"The Moberly Democrat says that Mexico is cursed with too many self-satisfied people. About the most no-account fellow we know of is the man who thinks he has enough money to live on but who just "lays down" like a big fat hog and refuses to do anything for anybody. Just waits to die. Some people ought to be knocked in the head anyhow. The Lord don't want 'em, the devil won't have them and goodness knows they are too common to be looked after here on this earth."

Judge Hill this morning sentenced a negro girl to pound rock. Probably there never was a female to join the rock crackers' brigade. Chuck Colbert, who has been in trouble plenty of times, was the unfortunate female. She was fined \$5.00 for vagrancy. There are a number of worthless negro girls around town and the officers have decided to break up their lewd practices. They come into court, enter a plea of guilty and receive a sentence which they serve in the cell. It is believed that by breaking rock, the girls will learn to behave in such a manner as will preclude them from these fortnightly visits to the police court. Fort Scott Tribune.

Some of the enemies of William J. Bryan who imagine it would be something of a joke to see him elected to the senate, thinking it would be an effectual way of "sidetracking" him and putting him in a place where he would be ridiculed and probably gagged by some of the present administration bosses, are due to suffer a revolution of ideas if Mr. Bryan does go to the senate. What is needed in the senate is a leader for those who are imbued with the sentiment of right, and such a man as Bryan would bring order out of chaos. He would undoubtedly get the aid of all right-minded Democrats and Republicans alike, for between the Western Republicans and Democrats there is not such a big difference of opinion as to reforms. The main difference is the manner of accomplishing it.—Harrisonville Democrat.

It can rain here lately with out any effort and on the least provocation.

Go to Payne Bros.' for 4th of July fireworks, roman candles, torpedoes, balloons, etc.

A large number of friends dropped in during the week to take a squint at our new quarters.

Go to Payne Bros.' for your dinner the 4th. They will make special preparations for you.

Dr. Newlan, the popular practitioner of the Ballard country, was in Butler Tuesday and favored us.

B. F. Jeter went to South Coffeyville Monday to look after some lots he purchased in that new town.

Harper Hull, of Carlsbad, New Mexico, stopped off in Butler Saturday for a short visit with his cousin, Dr. J. T. Hull.

We have just received a nice lot of 4th of July fireworks and want you to get your share, so come at once.—Payne Bros.

For all kinds of nice cool, mild drinks, candies, fruit and your dinner. Come to see us at Mrs. Endres' old stand.—Payne Bros.

Harley Wade and wife, of Kansas City, visited his aunt, Mrs. T. L. Harper, the last of the week. They were married in that city last Wednesday.

Squire F. M. Taylor and Jason Deardorff, of Shawnee, were county seat visitors on Tuesday and report things flourishing in their "neck-o'-the woods."

J. E. Bledsoe came in from California on Sunday for a visit with his sister, Mrs. Jno. M. Coleman. Mr. Bledsoe was formerly a citizen of Spruce township.

Captain V. L. Johnson, wife and son Verney, jr., went out to Mrs. Johnson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Batchelor, in Deep Water to make a protracted visit.

LOST.—Smoke colored dress coat, between old New Home and three miles north, size 18. Will pay suitable reward. Address or phone R. E. Hensley, Foster, Mo.

D. H. Arbogast and J. H. McCollough, of Foster, were business visitors to Butler on Tuesday and favored us with a pleasant call and Mr. McCollough had his name enrolled for The Times.

Our esteemed friend Jas. G. Walker, the big farmer and stockman southeast of Butler was a pleasant caller on Saturday. He said he had all his wheat in the shock and the indications are the yield will be bountiful.

J. B. Carpenter, of Peru, was a pleasant caller on Tuesday and had his name enrolled for The Times. Mr. Carpenter said the wheat in his neighborhood gives fair promise of an abundant yield, and he never saw better prospects for corn.

Alex. Cameron is showing with considerable pride an egg, the size usually credited to the pigeon family, but Alex. says it is the first of many laid by a three months old pullet of his raising. He is husbanding the eggs with great care and expects to soon have a full setting and thinks he can breed pullets that will even beat this one.

A. B. Stone, assessor and Charles Perry, treasurer of Osage township were in Butler Monday and favored us pleasantly. The township board made a wise selection in appointing Arch Stone assessor, vice J. R. Miller, dec'd, as he is well posted on values and knows every piece of property in the township and is thoroughly competent.

W. H. Charters a substantial farmer and fine hog man of Spruce was in Butler Saturday for medical treatment for a bad eye which was injured while he was stretching barbed wire on his place Friday. The wire broke and a portion flew back in his face, a sharp barb penetrating his eye. While the sight is not injured it made a painful wound.

The Post says that J. S. Cheny and James Drew, in jail at Nevada, charged with burglarizing the McCrady Mercantile store at Swartz, have made a full confession of guilt to the officers, following an application of the third degree. They secured about \$80 worth of jewelry, some shoes and a shot gun. The jewelry has been recovered, they wore the stolen shoes.

A large tower will be erected on the vacant lots, southeast corner of the square from which the fire works will be displayed on the night of July 5th closing the celebration. In addition to the large amounts of rockets and roman candles and other lighter works, about forty set pieces will be shown, all of them of specially selected and of great beauty.

The deadly clothes line in the backyard got in its work on Harve Hutton, a prosperous contractor of Rich Hill, Sunday afternoon, reports the Review. Mr. Hutton was trying to avoid the peculiar sensation of having ice slipped down his shirt collar by a playful sister, and ran into a tightly stretched wire clothes line, which struck him across the eyes. He was thrown violently to the ground and rendered unconscious in which condition he remained over two hours. His face was badly lacerated. Moral, you had better accept the ills resulting from, ice down your back by a practical joker, than flee to others you know not of.

Two men were killed by the M. K. & T. train, near Deerfield, in Vernon county Monday. Papers found in their clothing showed one was named Chas Brown, 21 years old, of Wichita, Kansas, and the other Allen Wilson, 20 years old, of Chicago. They are the same young men who were put off the Sunday evening passenger train at Deerfield. It is supposed, they stopped on the track to rest and went to sleep. The bodies were taken to Ft. Scott, Kansas.

Thos. J. Wheeler, the veteran school teacher of the west part of the county, was a pleasant caller while in Butler Saturday. Mr. Wheeler had just been notified by Superintendent Allison that one of his pupils Miss Ruby Isaackson, at Willow Branch, in West Point township, had been awarded the silk flag for the best grades made in the rural graduates class. Mr. Wheeler is very proud of the work of his pupil and well he may be, as she is an exceptionally bright young girl and shows the effect of good training.

G. W. Sealey, proprietor of the old Hoagland farm, near Nyhart, cut and saved 80 acres of wheat last week in two and one half days. He had a galvanized iron box made to completely encase the working parts of the reaper, to protect them from the mud, and used four horses. In places it is said the water followed in the track of the big wheel. The plan used by Mr. Sealey to prevent the mud from clogging up the machine is a good one, and many farmers who have ripe grain in muddy fields would do well to investigate it.

A freight wreck occurred near Archie early Sunday morning, which blocked traffic the entire day, the morning mail did not reach Butler until 5 o'clock in the afternoon and then was transferred. The train while running at a lively clip went into the ditch on a reverse curve, owing to the sinking of the track, caused by the continued wet weather. About a dozen cars loaded with valuable merchandise, lumber, etc, were derailed and the goods scattered over the right of way. The property loss will be severe on the company.

Afton C. Edrington, of the firm of C. D. Darnell & Co., a prominent real estate firm of Kansas City, was in Butler Sunday seeing his old friends.

The report reached Butler Saturday that the streets of Rich Hill were inundated by back water from the bottoms, but later it was learned that it was surplus water running off after a heavy shower, and water being little used in that old town, its appearance in any considerable quantities caused a commotion.

Rich Hill Tribune, the Republican paper, owned by George Huckleby, has changed managers, George Dowell retiring and Bert Mattison and Luther Fry, Jr., taking control. These young men have both been connected with The Tribune under Mr. Dowell's management, they are Rich Hill boys, active and energetic, they promise to make the paper a hummer.

The body of Edna P. Cason, who died at the St. Mary's Hospital in Kansas City Sunday afternoon, was brought to Butler on the noon train Tuesday, and interment was made in Oak Hill cemetery by the side of her mother. Deceased was a daughter of J. L. Cason and niece of Wm. Young, formerly in the livery business here. She was at one time telephone girl in the Butler exchange. She was 31 years old.

The Eldorado Sun tells a beautiful story with a moral of how a Joplin man on July 4th, 1908, while in the vicinity of that health resort, lost a valuable watch, and how a poor but honest youth found the watch the following March, undamaged and still running, and how he spent his good coin of the realm in calling the Joplin man up over the long distance telephone, who was so overjoyed at regaining the valuable time piece, and finding an honest youth at the same time, that he bought the boy a new gold watch and had inscribed in the case "For Honesty." Wonder what kind of mineral water Bro. Smith is drinking these sultry days, to make him have such beautiful Sunday School dreams.

Another Daniel has come to judgment in the person of a Minneapolis judge who has sentenced a wealthy automobilist to the workhouse for five days for reckless driving. "A man who owns an automobile can easily pay a fine, therefore a straight workhouse sentence is the only remedy to stop excessive speeding," said the judge and the millionaire defendant was fair enough to admit the logic and accept his sentence with good grace. Imposing a fine of a few dollars on a wealthy man is neither punishment for past offenses or deterrent from a repetition thereof. The man in this case is a lumber dealer and going to jail for even five days works a hardship on him and his business, but a lesson has been taught him and other drivers, one they have needed for some time to learn.—Ex.

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