

SHORT STORIES

Of Local Interest—Clipped from Our Exchanges.

Several barns in this vicinity were destroyed by lightning during the storm Friday night.—Amsterdam Local.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan'l Cresap departed Wednesday noon for a visit with relatives and friends at Sheridan, Wyoming.—Rich Hill Review.

Hugh Nestlerode is enjoying his annual vacation. He went over to Butler for a visit with his sister, Mrs. Eli Phillips.—Amoret Leader.

Mrs. C. A. Burke and two children, Francis and Charles, returned the first of the week from an extended visit in Bates County.—Cass County News.

Col. M. S. Brady has sold the Richards Progress to W. M. Miller, of Kansas City, and will retire from the business after seventeen years of service.—Border Telephone.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram White returned from their harvest trip to Great Bend, Kas., Friday. They sold their team and came home on the varnished cars.—Amsterdam Local.

A. J. Smith and family returned last Saturday from Altamont, Mo., where they have been visiting C. H. Wallace and family. They made an overland trip.—Adrian Journal.

Rev. and Mrs. Geo. Haggard came in from Preston, Kansas, Thursday night for a short visit with relatives and friends in and near Adrian. They formerly lived here and their many friends were pleased to meet them.—Adrian Journal.

Dr. J. W. Choate and son, Leslie, of Butler, motored to this city last Sunday and visited relatives. The next day they made a business tour of the county in the interests of the Walton Trust Company of Butler.—Cass County Democrat.

Charles W. Fulkerson, a member of the bar and court reporter in this circuit for many years, was in town Monday. Mr. Fulkerson expects to be a candidate for judge of the circuit court to succeed Judge Andrew A. Whittitt.—Belton Herald.

Mrs. O. G. Grandstaff entertained the members of her Sunday School class of the Altona Baptist Sunday School at her home last Sunday in a delightful manner. Of the twenty-six members of the class twenty-five were present.—Adrian Journal.

Dr. Courtney and family moved into the new Methodist parsonage last week. The building is one of the very best residence properties in the city and is built on the site of the old parsonage building. It is a two story structure 28x30 feet, the first story is brick veneer, the second story is frame. The building cost approximately \$2300, and was built by the Deffenbaughs, who are numbered among the very best workmen in the county.—Adrian Journal.

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The long drawn out fight over the hitch racks has at last reached a climax. A settlement being made by the parties on both sides of the controversy giving in a little. The county court has given permission for the racks to be placed on the east and west sides of the square on the inside of the curbing, and the north and south sides will be left for the parking of automobiles.—Cass County News.

Another accident Sunday afternoon might have been much more serious than it was. The Misses Mary Allen, Geraldine Thompson of Hume and Nellie Hazen were in the buggy with Troy Barton, Nell Hazen was driving when the horse became frightened and jumped; the sudden jerk on the lines threw her out of the buggy; one wheel ran over her ankle, and she was bruised but not seriously.—Amoret Leader.

The annual Bates County W. C. T. U. convention will be held at Hume, August 18. At this time the gold medal oratorical contest will take place, which will be quite a feature of the convention. Hume will be represented by Miss Josephine Coon who holds a silver medal. Hume will be glad to entertain this assembly of Christian temperance workers, and extends them a cordial welcome to the "white city."—Border Telephone.

The citizens had a big meeting Thursday night and elected an executive committee of four to handle our Big Street Fair Sept. 29-30. The committee consists of W. W. Thornbrugh, John H. Braden, J. D. Sage and W. W. Rubel, whose duty it shall be to make final arrangements, appoint the various committees, and attend to all matters with the object in view of making this fair bigger and better than the last.—Amsterdam Local.

Few more oxfords to close out good numbers, Black & Arnold.

A Free Week at the Missouri State Fair for Two Bates County Boys.

Two boys from this county will be given free admission and free board and lodging for the full time of the Missouri State Fair at Sedalia, September 25 to October 2, 1915.

In order that the Fair may better serve the state in informing the young men as to her vast resources and teaching them how to use and conserve the same, the State Board of Agriculture is offering the above opportunity to two boys from each county in the state.

On the Fair Ground during the week of the Fair may be seen 114 small tents in each of which will be an outfit for two boys, two cots and mattresses, washbasins, combs and towels. In this camp will also be seen a large mess tent in which the boys will receive three square meals a day, cooked by experts and served under the most sanitary conditions, and a large lecture tent where in the forenoon will be given various lectures and demonstrations for the instruction of the boys. The State University, the Department of Agriculture, the State Poultry Association and various individuals will give these young men the best they have. In fact the entire educational force of the State will be concentrated at the camp for the purpose of giving to the most impressionable part of the state those facts which will count toward making Missouri a better Missouri.

There will be at the disposal of these instructors the best stock, the best poultry, the best grain, the best fruit, the best silos, the best machinery, the best of everything to be used as concrete material with which to work.

In addition to the above one-half day will be spent in an auto ride over Pettis county under the direction of Sam Jordan, the Farm Agent, and the boys will see the results of some practical work done by the best farmers of the State. This will be a great week for the boys.

The examination to determine who will represent Bates county will be given by Prof. L. S. Wright and myself at Butler on Friday, September third. It will consist of five questions on each of the following subjects: Arithmetic, geography, and agriculture, and a 250 word essay on "Leguminous Crops." All boys between the ages of 12 and 17 are eligible. I trust that some of the teachers from the various districts will strive to arouse an interest in this work.

A. C. Moreland.

Dog Kills Snake, Saves Child Dies.

New York, Aug. 7.—The life of little Agnes Miller, 6 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Miller, of Fairfield avenue, West Caldwell, N. J., was saved by her faithful collie, Don, when he attacked and killed a big snake which was about to strike her. The dog, which was a fine specimen of his breed, was bitten twice by the snake and died two hours afterward.

The little girl with her elder sister, Miss Clara Miller, and the dog were playing on the lawn of the Miller home. She had tagged her sister and was running toward some stones which ornamented the lawn. As she reached them she was horrified to see a large copperhead snake at her feet. Too frightened to move, the child screamed.

The dog sprang to her side and seeing the snake attacked it. A battle between them followed. The dog was buried with honor.

Ohio Street M. E. Church.

The pastor will preach at 11 o'clock on Sunday morning. At eight o'clock this church joins in the union service to be held in the Christian church, and by appointment of the Minister's Alliance the pastor of this church will preach.

On Tuesday night, August 17, the Epworth League will conduct its ice cream social at the home of Miss Mabel Smith. The public is cordially invited to attend.

The State School Fund.

Jefferson City, Mo., Aug. 9.—The certificate just made by State Auditor Gordon to Superintendent of Schools H. A. Gass apportions the magnificent sum of \$1,613,479.80 to the public schools out of the state revenues. The Democratic State Administration in addition to the above named sum has appropriated from the state revenues for town village and rural high schools, and for supervision of district schools, the further sum of \$395,290.03. From the same source this year, the state administration has appropriated the further sum of \$250,000.00 for the rebuilding of the normal school, which was burned early last spring, at Warrensburg. This makes a total of \$2,258,769.83, which is far more than one-third of all the revenue put into the state treasury. This unusually large sum is \$326,680.98 more than was ever before given to the public schools at any one time. In the foregoing, no account is taken off the many hundreds of thousands being given for the maintenance of the State University, Normal schools, Lincoln Institute and schools for the deaf, dumb, blind and the morally and mentally defective.

The record made by the present democratic state administration in behalf of the public schools surpasses all previous liberality, notwithstanding the representations being made by a hostile and mendacious partisan press now working over time in a vicious effort to discredit the Democratic party of this state. Missouri Democrats knowing the truth will be proud to proclaim it.

War to Last Three More Years?

New York, Aug. 2.—The Allies are preparing to continue the war for at least three years more, if necessary, according to William Ellis Corey, former president of the United States Steel Corporation, who arrived today on the French liner Espagne from Bordeaux.

Mr. Corey said it was problematical as to whether the Allies would like to see the United States enter the war, but he thought they would rather have the financial than military aid of this country. He added that Russia would require some time to reorganize and that much material, especially manufactured iron, was needed in that country now. This condition, he said, would make good business in the United States.

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J. E. Williams, Postmaster.

New Church Dedicated at Adrian.

The fine new Christian church at Adrian was dedicated Sunday with appropriate ceremonies. According to the Adrian Journal the church cost over \$5,000 and will seat 300 people in comfortable opera chairs.

Rev. Paul Henry Packard, of Pittsburg, Kas., preached the dedicatory sermon and Rev. E. M. Talbert of the Butler Christian church had charge of the music. The following were among those who attended from Butler, John Stone and family, Mr. and Mrs. Len Shubert, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Argenbright and etc.

W. G. T. U. Meeting at Pampa.

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