

Fair Mount News.

We had a little rain the past week, but not enough to do much good. Trade with the "boys." Johnnie Marquardt and wife had dental work done in Appleton City last Wednesday. Trade with the "boys." Mrs. Joe Bracher and daughters, Elsie and Josephine, spent the day last Wednesday with the former's sister, Mrs. Lewis Fleischer and daughters, Mollie and Lena. Trade with the "boys." Mrs. Fred Vogt, jr., and baby visited last Wednesday with her mother and sister, Mrs. C. M. and Lydia Rapp. Trade with the "boys." Mrs. August Bohm and Mrs. Louisa Fischer called on Mrs. John Marquardt and mother, Mrs. Hintz, last Wednesday afternoon. Trade with the "boys." Rev. Zscheiche spent last Friday with Rev. Heinke and family. Trade with the "boys" at Black & Sons Clo. Co. Joe Baur purchased a Maxwell car last week. Mr. and Mrs. William Bolte took dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Gotlob Durst. C. M. and Frank Rapp and their families, Carl Bracher and daughter, Frieda, and son, Edwin, and Paul and Arthur Fischer spent a very enjoyable evening last Thursday at the John Yoss home. Rev. Heinke and family entertained at dinner Sunday Frank Rapp and family and Nora Rapp. Herman Leiner, who was looking for a car in this vicinity has left, but we understand he bought the Honck farm south of Prairie City. John Yoss and family spent Sunday night with her sister, Mrs. Johnnie Marquardt and family and another Grandma Fischer. C. M. Rapp and family called on Rev. Heinke and family Sunday night. Mickle Seider, Mrs. Schellman and son, August, and daughter, Mrs. Joe Hirnie, and husband, motored to Harwood Sunday afternoon to get Miss Nettie Schellman, who had been visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Staenkrans and others. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Vogt, jr., took dinner Sunday with her parents, C. M. Rapp and family. A bunch of the young folks gathered at the Frank Rapp home Monday night, it being Walter's 20th birthday. All report a real time. John Fischer and family called on Henry Bracher and family Sunday night.

PRISCILLA.

Summit Happenings.

Miss Ada Mae Thomas is having her share of trouble. She had just gotten over the measles and now has the mumps and is pretty sick. The Red Cross ladies were delighted over the sale of their hog which

Mr. Herman Seelinger gave them. Everyone that helped to make the hog bring \$212.00, showed their patriotism. Ray Argenbright and wife have moved to the Eggleston farm west of Butler. Mrs. Lacy and daughter visited her son and wife the last of the week. Dr. and Mrs. Bement returned to their home in the city last week. Francis Taylor is sporting a new sedan car. Gene Jewett has a little son at his home since Monday. Glennie Price came home from the city last week sick. He is getting better. Louise Thomas is spending the week in town with her sister, Mrs. Clarence Bolin. Margaret and Virginia Jewett are visiting their grandmother Golladay this week. Mrs. Nona Mitchel came home to visit and care for her mother, Mrs. J. M. Norris, who is under the doctor's care. She is unable to lie down, being troubled with her heart. Elmer Sturgeon, wife and son departed last week for Caney, Kansas, to make their home. Elmer has engine work there. Gordon Barnett and wife entertained the club last Saturday night. Miss Selma Newton left Friday for Coffeyville, Kansas, to take up school work. Frank Barnett's little girl, Elizabeth, was bitten by their dog last Friday. Several stitches were taken in her face. The Red Cross met with Mrs. Grover Gilbert this week. Mrs. Holland, of Appleton City, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank Holland. Dan Embree has had a hard siege of sickness. Hope they will soon be out again.

SUNSHINE.

Merwin Items.

Mrs. Bessie Marsh came in Saturday from Oskaloosa. She will reside here. Howard Williams returned home Saturday from Pittsburg, Kansas. The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Tucker died Thursday evening at their home west of town. The boys and girls organized a poultry club at Merwin Friday. They are going to raise poultry to help Uncle Sam. Mrs. Lucinda King, who is visiting at the W. I. Lewis home fell, when going down into the cellar, injuring her right arm severely and slightly injuring the other. John Balgrum, of Adrian, was in town last week. Marion Harris returned to Pittsburg, Kansas Monday. Miss Pauline Houtz, who teaches the West Point school, has the measles. Pearl Houtz is teaching in her absence. Most people than can afford a Ford cannot afford to take the county paper. Floyd Totten was down from Harrisonville Sunday. Mr. Pollard, of Butler, was in Merwin Monday looking after some insurance business. Mrs. James Young and daughter, Ruth, returned home Sunday from Amsterdam. Mrs. Edna Masterson, of Drexel, is visiting her sister, Mrs. R. K. Foster.

CONDENSED OFFICIAL STATEMENT

Of all Banks and Trust Companies of Bates County, Missouri, At the close of business March 4, 1918.

BANKS AND TRUST COMPANIES	Deposits	Loans and Discounts	Overdrafts	R. E. Fur. and Fix.	Capital Stock	Surplus and Profits	Cash and Sight Exp.	Total Resources
Missouri State Bank	\$1,087,473.12	716,454.54	1,242.73	23,505.10	55,000	41,119.16	442,389.90	1,183,592.27
Farmers Bank of Bates Co.	692,552.56	461,341.50	2,784.33	24,363.40	50,000	69,623.90	323,687.23	812,176.43
Adrian Banking Company	454,479.10	306,263.50	1,846.34	8,500.00	25,000	27,909.61	190,778.61	607,388.71
Farmers & Manufacturers Bank	442,304.48	298,598.56	1,090.32	7,000.00	25,000	58,584.41	219,272.01	625,888.89
Peoples Bank	389,978.34	257,537.07	2,119.38	15,500.00	35,000	13,710.89	166,482.78	438,689.73
The Walton Trust Company	381,323.57	783,087.90	1,602.81	62,437.10	250,000	191,288.50	75,484.26	922,612.07
First National Bank, Adrian, Mo.	249,532.35	164,427.66	3,091.49	6,271.37	25,000	4,770.13	115,512.06	289,302.53
Bank of Rockville	231,392.91	85,303.12	1,305.32	2,300.00	10,000	26,785.78	178,269.75	267,178.69
Commercial State Bank	186,189.61	129,178.23	90.89	7,500.00	25,000	10,371.75	84,792.24	221,561.36
Duval-Perceval Trust Company	181,619.42	402,207.69	2,429.45	10,119.32	300,000	85,653.56	52,516.62	467,272.98
Bank of Amoret	156,916.91	78,418.98	558.39	3,600.00	10,000	5,602.39	89,748.93	172,319.30
Hume Commercial Bank	148,931.76	97,530.26	250.22	4,353.00	10,000	5,042.52	61,840.80	163,974.25
Bank of Amsterdam	124,985.77	101,641.30	1,632.02	4,234.51	10,000	7,180.24	34,558.18	142,166.01
Farmers Bank, Foster, Mo.	106,028.30	69,582.12	1,923.59	1,100.00	15,000	6,742.13	55,164.72	127,770.43
Hume State Bank	95,965.15	52,600.11	905.79	3,869.10	10,000	2,438.00	51,027.95	106,403.15
Farmers Bank, Rockville	90,892.66	49,039.4	24.15	3,706.85	10,000	1,719.20	49,840.92	102,611.86
Bank of Merwin	63,567.11	38,696.1	254.34	3,400.00	10,000	2,011.43	33,228.19	75,378.54
Totals	\$5,084,033.72	\$4,091,884.54	23,152.66	\$188,759.75	\$775,000	\$559,453.59	\$2,224,690.05	\$6,258,487.31

Missouri State Bank Far in the Lead in Deposits.

Under the official call for Bank Statements at close of business March 4th, 1918, the total deposits of all Banks in the County were \$5,084,033.72. The "Old Reliable" held more than 1-5 of the entire amount. The total business of the Missouri State Bank and The Walton Trust Co., (Associated Institutions) is more than \$2,000,000.00.

Mulberry and Western Bates.

R. R. Hamilton and W. C. Caldwell were callers at the Dr. J. C. Sageser home Monday. Trade with the "boys." Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Drake, of Pitcher, Okla., came in Wednesday for a visit with their niece, Mrs. Hugh W. Nesterode, of Amoret. Trade with the "boys." On March 20th a number of Mr. and Mrs. John Dykman's friends came in to help them celebrate their twentieth wedding anniversary. The following were present: Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dykman and family, Bernice Bohlken and family, Frank Bohlken and family, Ekke Taute and family, M. Meinen and family, Brunne Meints and family, John Rouscher and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. Bohlken and sons, George and Bert, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Leiner, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Schmehl, Mr. Geo. Bohlken, Will, George and Sena Bohlken, Grace Leinerts and George Meints. Mr. and Mrs. Dykman received many useful and beautiful presents. The guests departed at a late hour wishing them many happy returns of the day. Trade with the "boys." Word has been received here that Johnnie Dykman, who was in the second draft from Bates county, that he was very low with pneumonia at Camp Funston. His brother, Claus, and uncle, George Bohlken, left for the camp Thursday. His father and mother following later. We are all hoping for his speedy recovery. Trade with the "boys" at Black & Sons Clo. Co. Miss Margaret Copper, of Kansas City, who has been visiting home folks, is very sick with pneumonia. Clyde Brayton of south of Amoret, was taken to a hospital in Kansas City Sunday to be operated on for appendicitis. His mother and Dr. J. M. Smith accompanied him. R. L. Nichols, wife and son, Clarence, were motoring in their new Chevrolet Sunday.

RAMBLER, JR.

Brackney Items.

The shower that fell the first of the week was a great benefit to the oats and wheat. Trade with the "boys." Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Padley are the proud parents of a little daughter. Trade with the "boys." Mr. and Mrs. Jake Wolf and family entertained a number of friends and relatives Sunday. Trade with the "boys." Mr. and Mrs. Gus Helwig and family were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Deems. Trade with the "boys." The Peru Y. P. B. entertained the Black and Double Branch Y. P. B. last Friday night. Everyone had a fine time. Trade with the "boys." Harvey Wolf left for Camp Doniphah Sunday after a week's visit with his parents and friends. Trade with the "boys." Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Deems and son, Ernest, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Deems and little daughter, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Baker and little son spent Sunday with relatives near Appleton City. Trade with the "boys." Mrs. Frank Smith is very low at this writing. Trade with the "boys." Mrs. W. H. Ison spent last week in town with her daughter, who has been very sick. Trade with the "boys." Mr. and Mrs. Glen Dewese entertained a number of friends and relatives Sunday. Trade with the "boys" at Black & Sons Clo. Co. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Steffen spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Deems. Mrs. W. H. Dewese spent Monday with her daughter, Mrs. B. H. Smithson. There will be a silver medal contest speaking at Peru Friday night, March 29th, 1918. Everyone invited to come and have a good time. JACK AND JILL.

Country Happenings.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Cumpton and Tom Cumpton and wife spent last Monday with Mrs. Clara Batchelor. Trade with the "boys." A. L. Gilmore sawed wood for Marion Driver Wednesday. Trade with the "boys." Mrs. Geo. Sargent spent Tuesday night with Merl Sargent and wife. Mr. and Mrs. T. Anderson and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Rector. Trade with the "boys." Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Harvey took Sunday dinner with Mrs. J. M. Chittwood. Trade with the "boys." Mrs. Claud Quick visited her mother, Mrs. Randall, Wednesday. Trade with the "boys." Mr. and Mrs. Dan Bowman were Butler visitors Tuesday. Leo Frost is just recovering from an attack of pneumonia fever. Mr. and Mrs. David Wigger of Oklahoma are visiting relatives in this community.

Mrs. Bruce Odneal and baby spent

Wednesday night with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Harvey. Trade with the "boys." Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Gilmore and children spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Lawson. Trade with the "boys" at Black & Sons Clo. Co. Mr. and Mrs. Jake Frey spent Saturday night and Sunday in Rich Hill. Miss Nina Keen, who is attending Butler High School, spent the week end with home folks. Mrs. Beard spent Wednesday afternoon with her daughter, Mrs. Jim Frost. Mr. and Mrs. Merl Sargent spent Friday at Geo. Sargent's. The Red Cross met with Mrs. A. L. Gilmore Wednesday afternoon. There were a good number present. They will meet with Mrs. Geo. Keen April 3rd. Miss Thelma Sargent spent the latter part of last week in Montrose visiting Mrs. Henry Clabourne and Mrs. Herman Ure.

Pleasant Gap.

A large crowd attended the play at Reynard Saturday night. Sterley Bolin and wife spent Sunday at the Walter Tharp home. Rosa Brown spent Thursday night with Beulah Brown and attended the show at Butler. Perle Gabriel was entertained last Sunday with the German measles. Miss Mary McKinley and Mr. John Conner called on Miss Beulah Brown Sunday evening. Milburn Tharp has been on the sick list. It was sad to hear of the death of our friend, Mrs. John Kaufman last week. She has been very ill for some time with tuberculosis. Funeral services were held at the German church and interment made in the German cemetery. There is to be a pie supper at the Bever school house Friday night, March 29th. Girls, bring pies, and boys, your pocket books. Mary McKinley, teacher. BLUE BELLE.

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Sweet Pickles	.10	.15	1-2 Potted Ham	.04	.06
Dill Pickles	.10	.20	CANNED SALMON		
Blackberry Preserves	.35	.45	No. 1 Frontier Red	.23	.30
Chili	.10	.15	No. 1 Prelate Pink	.15	.20
Soup	.10	.15	DRIED FRUITS		
SUGAR					
Sugar, 5 lbs.	.40	.50	Choice Prunes	.10	.15
Sugar, 10 lbs.	.75	1.00	Good Prunes	.08	.13
COFFEE					
1 lb. Monarch Brand, extra fine	.28	.40	CAN CORN		
TEAS					
Imperial Tea, in bulk	.38	.50	Corn	.09	.15
Uncolored Japan Tea, in bulk	.38	.50	F. F. O. G.	.12	.20
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All Spices	.07	.10	PUNCH CAN APPLE BUTTER		
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1-2 lb. Runkel's Cocoa	.18	.25	Mason qt. Jar	.20	.40
1-2 lb. Runkel's Chocolate	.18	.25	BAKING POWDER		
GALLON FRUIT					
Gooseberries	.49	.65	Spot Cash	.07	.10
Blackberries	.68	.75	K. C., 25 oz.	.20	.25
CANNED FRUIT					
No. 2 Can Cherries	.18	.25	BREAKFAST FOODS		
Choice No. 2 Red Cherries	.25	.35	Food of Wheat	.18	.22
DRIED BEANS					
Navy Beans	.15	17 1-2	Wheatone	.11	.15
ROLLED OATS					
CAN TOMATOES					
			Large Size	.23	.30
			Small Oats, Cadet	.09	.11
			No. 2 C. C. Brand	.09	.15
			Oyster Grit	.60	.75
			Compound	.23	.30

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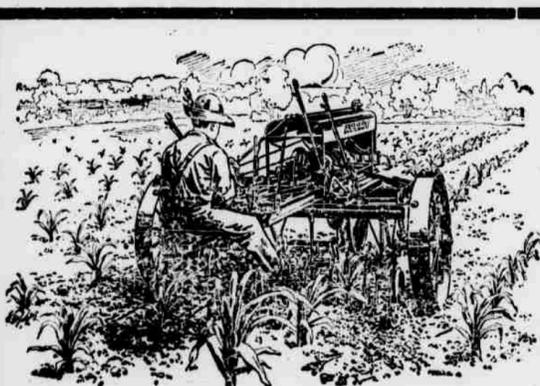
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