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## 100 YEAR OLD LADY WASHES AND SEWS

Mrs. Manora Johnson Adopted Two Motherless Children Four Years Ago

WEIGHS 307; ENJOYS LIFE

Nurse in Cholera Epidemic and Civil War and Reared Family by Her Own Work

Carthage, Mo., May 23.—Mrs. Manora Johnson, weight 307, height 6 feet 2 inches, age 100 years, washes once each week, bakes twice a week, cares for seven-room house, sews for two little girls she "took in" four years ago because she was lonesome, cooks for their father who boards with her and walks each Saturday to the Seventh Day Adventist Church. That sounds like a pretty busy program for the average woman of many less years, but Mrs. Johnson says it is nothing and to prove it shows her garden and chickens, which she cares for herself. Her hair is thick and white, her flesh firm, she has 16 perfectly sound teeth, she has never been in a dentist's chair and she can read large type and her own writing without glasses. Her present busy days follow a life that has had as much more of excitement than that of the average woman as her years are greater. She was born in Scotland, May 2, 1814, the daughter of a sea captain. She traveled with her father during her girlhood and was preparing to learn the tailor trade in Aberdeen when she became ill of smallpox. In those days persons who recovered from smallpox were known to be immune were drafted for nurses and she spent six years at an infirmary completing her training for caring for the sick. She was allowed one year because of her services during the smallpox epidemic, following her recovery.

**Volunteer Cholera Nurse.**  
In 1836 she was married to a young civil engineer and devoted her life to her home and the sick until 1855 when she volunteered to come to America for service in the cholera epidemic. She was one of a party of 40 nurses sent from Scotland and she went to Cincinnati, where she served nine months. On her return to Scotland she persuaded her husband to come to this country and they lived at Marietta, O., whence she volunteered as a Union nurse when the Civil War began and was assigned to Siegel's division.

When she was discharged from the Army, she was assigned to accompany 12 Southeast Missouri Soldiers to their homes and the families of the men made her so welcome that she sent for her husband to join her. Johnson then was sent to Indian Territory on United States work, and in 1869 was killed by frontier robbers, as he was returning to his home with pay for long service. A band of cattlemen driving steers to market found his body, buried it and sent word to Mrs. Johnson.

She was left practically penniless with a large family of children, and she says that in the next few years she worked "with head and hand combined" to support and educate her children. She nursed, farmed, worked by the day, sewed and did everything that promised an honest penny. Since her children left home, she has traveled a bit and in 1874 she went to Scotland and she hopes to go again. In 1904 she chaperoned a party of 10 Joplin girls to the St. Louis World's Fair. She was in St. Louis three weeks, and she says of her trip "a better time I never had."

**Lonely With 58 Grandchildren.**  
Mrs. Johnson has 58 grandchildren but none lives near her, and she became lonely. So in 1910 she became foster mother for two motherless girls and she cares for them and makes all of their clothes. They are as loyal to her as if she was their real mother. They say she enjoys doing for them and that it is no trouble to care for two girls for a woman who can have her "washing

## CELEBRATES 60th ANNIVERSARY

1,500 People Attended Lutheran Meeting Last Sunday

## GROWING OF CHURCH

Many Visitors from Cape, Perry and Scott County

Last Sunday will long be remembered by the Lutherans of Cape Girardeau. It was the day set apart for the celebration of the 60th anniversary of the local church organization. On the 28th day of May 1854 a small number of Lutherans under the leadership of Rev. A. Lehmann came together and adopted a resolution to organize a Lutheran congregation. Soon afterward, more members were added and though at times the little band seemed unable to maintain their organization, nevertheless, by the help of God, that same congregation stands today a mighty host of about 1000 souls. The parochial school from the beginning, was a special feature of the Lutheran congregation, and by the Grace of God it shall remain thus. The first church of the organization stood on Williams street between Frederick and Middle. In 1878 the present house of worship on Thoms street was erected. The school was built in 1865 and was in those days considered a stately building, being, however, utterly out of date today. The names of the pastors who have served the congregation are as follows: Lehmann, Harris, Riedel, Polack, Sievers, Schaller, Flachbast, Lobeck, Wilder. The following teachers have had charge of the parochial school: Beyer, Weck, Haertel, Wente, Kroenke, Hemmann, Lindorfer, Beiderwieden, Kramp, Wm Niemann, Pott, F. W. Niemann and Miss Posa Niemann.

For the celebration of the 60th anniversary, manifold preparations had been made and the celebration itself was held according to programs, Sunday morning Prof. J. Schaller, professor of theology at Lutheran Seminary, Milwaukee, Wis., who from 1885 to 1888 was pastor of the congregation, preached in the German language. At 2 p. m. Prof. O. C. A. Boeder of Concordia Seminary, Springfield, Ill., set forth the happiness of God's people in an eloquent sermon in the English language. At both these services the church was filled to its utmost capacity. The church choir rendered some fine selections, directed by Prof. F. W. Niemann. The school children also delighted the audience with their glad songs.

At 8 p. m. great throngs again assembled to hear the organ recital given by Prof. H. Heiden of St. Louis. For over one hour the most quiet and orderly audience listened with rapture to the sweet strains which the professor managed to call forth from his favorite instrument. It is estimated that about 1500 people attended each of the three meetings. Over a dozen ministers and teachers from abroad were among the attendants, who came from all parts of Cape Girardeau, Perry and Scott counties, from Illinois, Wisconsin and from far away Minnesota. Although the weather was hot and sultry all seemed to enjoy themselves.

on the line at 8:30 and her bread out of the oven at the same time, making a double beat on her neighbors every week.

Mrs. Johnson does not ascribe her many years to her mode of life, but to her family. Her father she says, lived to be 127 and her mother was a very active young woman when killed in an accident at 58. In Scotland she says it formerly was not uncommon to find 100 persons 100 years old in one village. Americans, she thinks, are killing themselves with their food. She believes they eat too much grease.

She walked four miles to ride the first time in an automobile, but she thinks such machines make life too easy. Wireless telegraphy she considers very wonderful, but an airship she thinks is a mere toy. This opinion was passed after watching a flight.

## PROMINENT CITIZEN PASSES AWAY

One of Cape County's Most Noted Attorneys—Highly Respected By All Associates.

## THE OLDEST ATTORNEY

In Cape Girardeau—Many Out of Town Relatives Here to Attend Funeral.

Judge Robert Love Wilson, one of the most prominent citizens in Cape Girardeau, passed away at his home Friday morning at 12:30 at 338 Broadway, after an illness lasting more than a month.

Mr. Wilson who was 75 years of age was born in Caldwell county, Kentucky, and at the time of his death was one of the oldest attorneys in the county. He was a man of many friends, and one who was greatly beloved and respected by those intimately associated with him.

Besides his widow, two daughters, and a brother, the deceased leaves a host of friends to mourn his death. Complete arrangements for the burial have not been made, owing to a number of out of town relatives who will come on for the funeral. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Morse of St. Louis, Mrs. Wesley Black of New York, Mr. and Mrs. S. Cassidy of Louisville, Kentucky, Charles Wilson of Kentucky, Miss Julia Morse, are the members of the immediate family who are at present in the city.

## SOCIALISTS NOMINATE TICKET IN DUBOIS

Candidates Selected For All District and County Offices.

Jasper, Ind., May 24.—The Socialists of Dubois county, for the first time in its history, have nominated a full district and county ticket, as follows: Judge, Geo. L. Stein; Prosecuting Attorney, William J. McMillen; County Auditor, Rural R. Summers; Treasurer, William Black; Recorder, Ossie Curry; Clerk, Charles Sizer; Sheriff, Jason H. Butkin; Commissioner, John Beebe; County assessor, Bernie H. Jeffries; Surveyor, John Garland; Coroner, Sampson Stillwell; joint Representative for Dubois and Pike counties, Anthony Butkin.

## AMUSEMENT BOAT ON WAY TO CAPE.

The Pleasure Boat Wonderland, a floating theater is on the way to the Cape from the South. Messrs. Cooley and Pill are the owners, and are noted for furnishing their patrons with fine comedy and especially good vaudeville.

The boat will arrive here Monday May 25th. It carries a band of 12 all-star musicians and a company of 35 people who will be sure to amuse and entertain the people of Cape Girardeau and vicinity.

Ray Goodrich, the advance agent, called at the Tribune office on Tuesday making the above announcement.

## The Woodmen Are Meeting With Good Attendance at the Murphy's Comedian Aggregation

Murphy's Comedians are now filling their big tent at each performance, and the character of their performance merits the patronage they are receiving. They have a change of program every performance and their cast contains actors of high order. The Woodmen are to be congratulated on securing and bringing this company here. If you want to be entertained attend their performance.

## G. JACOB KELLER IS CANDIDATE FOR COUNTY JUDGE.

The announcement of Mr. G. Jacob Keller for Associate Judge for the Second District of Cape Girardeau County is made. He needs no introduction to the people of Cape Girardeau County as he is an old resident of this locality and a farmer of means, and has been well and favorably known as a successful farmer and business man, and very observant in his business transactions. No better choice could be made by the voters to fill the office to which he seeks.

## KILLS LARGE SNAKE

Brakeman Elmer Hoover Brings Prize to the Cape

Elmer Hoover a brakeman on the Poplar Bluff local, had quite an experience early Tuesday morning, when stopping at Nash, a junction below here, to throw a switch, came within a few paces of stepping on a rattlesnake, that was about in readiness to attack him. The snake it is claimed is one of the largest ever seen in this part of the state, measuring 6½ feet long, 7 inches in diameter, and has 14 rattles. Mr. Hoover hastened to the engine, secured a wrench and killed the reptile before it could get away, bringing his prize to the Cape with him, to prove his story, thereby claiming his reward as a hero. He is exceedingly proud of his find, in spite of his narrow escape.

## TIEMAKER SHOT IN HIP IN FIGHT WITH RIVAL

Man Who Killed Joseph Snawder On Same Scene in 1908 Is Witness.

Clifford Fisher was shot twice in the left thigh about 7 o'clock yesterday morning in a dispute with W. E. Williams. The men are rival tiemakers and live in a tenement in the Eighteenth-street road, below the rifle range, Jefferson county. The shooting occurred in the yard, where six years ago Joseph Snawder was shot and killed in a quarrel over rent by Jefferson Hardin, who was acquitted. Hardin witnessed the shooting yesterday.

Fisher and Williams quarreled about a month ago over ties which the latter claims were taken from him, and the quarrel was renewed. Following the shooting Dr. Wade G. Shacklett, of Pleasure Ridge Park, was called to attend the victim, whose condition he pronounced not serious. Williams who is 56 years old, was arrested, on a charge of shooting and wounding. Fisher is 36 years old. Both are working on contracts for the Louisville Railway Company, and came from Hardin county a year ago. Williams declares the shooting was in self-defense. He is a prisoner at the county jail pending arraignment.

## HUERTA AGAIN TO RUN FOR OFFICE

INSISTS ON PRIVILEGE OF BEING CANDIDATE IF FORCED TO RESIGN.

## PEOPLE TO BE FREED TO CHOOSE

Both Sides Are Making Concessions, and Hope is Held Out for the Peaceful Settlement of All Differences—War Remots.

(WNU News Service.)  
Niagara Falls, Ont., May 27.—There is a hitch in the mediation conference over the elimination of Gen. Huerta. President Wilson has instructed the American delegates to insist upon his complete removal from activity in Mexican politics.

The Mexican delegates, while willing that Huerta should withdraw in favor of a provisional government which the United States would agree to recognize, are firm in their stand that Huerta should be allowed to be a candidate at the election to be held by such a government. They say that no restriction shall be placed upon the sovereign right of the people to elect whom they will to the presidency.

Of the Mexican delegates it is believed that Rabasa and El Guerrero will continue to stand for this idea. Dr. Rodriguez is in full accord with them as to the principle itself, but is prepared to make any sacrifice of person to promote the welfare of all the people.

As time goes on and some concessions are made daily by both sides, the prospect of war grows more and more remote, and while neither side can hope to accomplish as much as they would like, the principle of give and take will ultimately prevail.

**Kermit Reaches Madrid.**  
Madrid, May 23.—Kermit Roosevelt whose marriage to Miss Belle Wyatt Willard, daughter of the American Ambassador to Spain, is to take place early in June, has arrived here.

## PAT POWERS PLEADS GUILTY

Of Dynamiting Geo. Rodenmayers Saloon at Ancell In December, 1912.

The Circuit Court of Benton adjourned Tuesday morning, a little after 10 o'clock. This was the longest session we have had in some time. The docket is not entirely cleaned up but it is a great deal smaller than it was. Not very many cases went to the jury, most of them being compromised or settled by the court. As a matter of fact the jurors had an easy time of this term.

Pat Powers pleaded guilty Saturday to dynamiting Geo. Rodenmayer's saloon at Ancell in December, 1912, and was sentenced to five years in the state penitentiary.

The Big Lake drainage district engaged the attention of the court for several days. A large array of attorneys represented the 57 expropriators whose exceptions had been filed and a fierce battle was maintained. The exceptions were: first, to the assessment; second, to the legality of the organization of the district in that there was no plan of reclamation; third, this court had no jurisdiction owing to the fact the greater portion of the land in the proposed district was in Mississippi county instead of Scott county Monday. Judge Ranney ruled favorably to the expropriators claims as to the legality of the organization. His ruling was, the organization was not legal because there was no definite and clearly stated plan of reclamation outlined. To this the attorneys representing the organization excepted, and they have appealed to the Supreme Court. Pending the decision of the Supreme Court, the matter will lie dormant so far as this court is concerned. If Judge Ranney's ruling is upheld by the higher court, then the case is permanently settled in the expropriators favor, or not upheld then the case will come up for trial again.—EX.

## MRS. ARNOLD ACQUITTED.

Mrs. Maude Ellis Arnold was declared not guilty of the charge against her, that of manslaughter, by a jury in the circuit court at Vidalia, La., last week. Mrs. Arnold was indicted by the grand jury for murder in the first degree in shooting to death her husband, Joe Arnold, on the streets of Vidalia, where they were living, last fall. Later the charge was changed to manslaughter. The trial began Thursday morning and was concluded Friday night. The jury was out about five minutes when it brought in the verdict of acquittal. Attorney Jim Fulbright went down from here and won the case from an array of brilliant legal talent on the side of the prosecution.

## THANKING MR. FULBRIGHT.

I take this method of publicity thanking Hon. James F. Fulbright for his great kindness to me in taking that long and tiresome trip to Southern Louisiana and defending me so nobly and successfully in my trial for murder. Mr. Fulbright did this not for money, but purely for charity sake and out of the goodness of his heart, and he shall certainly have my undying gratitude. After his closing speech to the jury (which I am confident was what caused my acquittal) friends, jurors, prosecuting attorney, and even his honor the judge, came and took him by the hand and congratulated him upon his speech, the judge saying "that was the finest speech that has been made in this court room in years."

**MAUDE ELLIS ARNOLD.**  
Mr. Jas. F. Fulbright formerly lived at the Cape and attended school here at the State Normal where he finished his education.

J. F. Caldwell and his son Clarence of Jackson, Mo., passed through the Cape Tuesday on their way to St. Louis to attend the Pageant.

Jas. W. Billiton, of Illinois, Mo., and Cora Church also of Illinois were married by Mayor E. A. Bess Tuesday. The bride is a daughter of an engineer for the Cotton Belt railroad and the bridegroom is a son of the yard master of the same road, and all located at Blount Mo.

## U. S. MUST RETIRE IF HUERTA RESIGNS

American Delegates Make it Plain They are Friendly to Mexico

## TO SEND DELEGATES

He Will Have No Hand in Proceedings—Negotiations Moving Slowly

(WNU News Service.)  
Niagara Falls, Ontario, May 25.—Justice Lamar and Frederick W. Lehmann, the American delegates, have just concluded the longest and most important conference with the A B C mediators here so far, the session lasting two hours. Every aspect of the Mexican situation was discussed. The Americans made it plain that their attitude was one of disinterested friendship for Mexico and that if a feasible plan could be evolved for the establishment of "an orderly and dignified" government, which would bring about a cessation of hostilities in Mexico, it would have the full support of the United States. It is realized by the mediators and the Mexican delegates that Huerta must go, but it is certain that his elimination will be conditioned upon the withdrawal of the American forces which are now on Mexican soil. The solution of this difficulty is bound to follow the elaboration of a plan which will establish the kind of government President Wilson wishes to see in Mexico and which would be acceptable to all parties there.

**Carranza Envoy Not Invited.**  
The report that the constitutionalists had decided to send a representative here to place before the mediators the views of Gen. Carranza was received with considerable surprise.

A great deal of embarrassment is felt by the A B C envoys, as well as by the delegates of the Washington and Mexico City governments because of the impatience of the public which is awaiting the adjustment of the Mexican question. Every day they are overwhelmed with inquiries as to the part the constitutionalists may play, and as to whether Huerta's resignation has been demanded.

Out of this conference is to come, it is hoped, by those upon whom the responsibility has fallen, some clarifying of the view of all Latin America respecting the attitude of the United States and the relation of this country, for a long time to come, with the republics of Central and South America. Perhaps also, they think, there may come a better interpretation of the Monroe doctrine that will more fully meet the approval of all the republics of this hemisphere.

## WATERLAND SINKS 2 BARGES

Water Churned by Big Steamer Also Snags Lines Holding Two Other Liners to the Pier.

(WNU News Service.)  
New York, May 27.—The great steamship Waterland, which took nearly four hours to dock when she came to this port on her maiden voyage recently, sank two coal barges as she steamed out of her berth.

Backing out under her own steam, her momentum carried her across the Hudson and she slipped in between two piers where the coal barges, carrying 500 tons of coal each, were tied. Both barges went down almost at once. No lives were lost.

The Waterland cut her way into the slip almost to the shore. In backing out, the water churned by her screws snapped the lines which held two Morgan liners. These vessels crashed against the sides of the pier, damaging their rails and woodwork.

## BOY KIDNAPED FROM HOME

Stranger in Buggy Picks Up Boy at Play on Father's Place Near O'Fallon, Ill.

(WNU News Service.)  
O'Fallon, Ill., May 27.—Henry Hawks, 13 years old, was kidnaped while playing on his father's farm, five miles west of here, by a man who placed the boy in a buggy and drove rapidly away. The buggy was headed for Belleville, 10 miles west of the farm.

As soon as the boy was missed a posse of farmers started in pursuit of the kidnapers. All sheriffs and constables in nearby Illinois towns were notified to look for the kidnapers.