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SUMMER SCHOOL

AT THE

FARMINGTON COMMERCIAL COLLEGE

Begins Monday, June 4th, and closes Tuesday, July 3rd, 1906. Hours of study from 8:30 to 11:45. Tuition \$5.00 for term. Students may attend either a half day or the full day and pursue bookkeeping, shorthand, typewriting, commercial arithmetic, penmanship, letter writing and any other subject in our regular course of study. The penmanship class will receive special attention and those wanting this subject alone will be charged but \$2.00 for the four weeks.

Parents should arrange to have their sons and daughters begin special work or review their subjects during this term, as special instruction and attention will be given each student by competent, experienced teachers. Night school will be continued during the month of June. For further information call at the College Office or address the undersigned.

G. W. MOOTHART, President.

INTERESTING LOCAL PICK-UPS TERSELY TOLD.

Laakman's for drugs. Groceries at Klein's. Fly paper at Klein's. Union-made shoes at Herzog's. Mrs. W. F. Doss is seriously ill. Home grown strawberries at Klein's. Try some cheese from Klein Grocer Company.

Fresh vegetables and fruit always at Klein's.

Miss Gertie Peltz is in St. Louis this week.

Don't fail to observe Decoration Day Wednesday.

Mrs. Kate Braham is visiting Ste. Genevieve friends.

For a nice Ham or Breakfast Bacon see Klein Grocer Co.

Wall Paper and Moulding—Laakman's Drug Store.

Mrs. Charley Butterfield was a St. Louis visitor this week.

Miss Rosa Burke of Ste. Genevieve is visiting relatives here.

Dr. and Mrs. O. A. Smith were St. Louis visitors this week.

Moth Balls 5 cents per pound—Laakman's Drug Store.

Born, May 17, 1906, to the wife of A. L. Short, a daughter.

Mrs. Wm. Nibong of Columbia visited friends here last week.

Mrs. A. F. Bond of Ironton visited Mrs. J. H. Jones this week.

Potted ham, veal, ham and chicken loaf, pickles and olives at Klein's.

Mrs. Max McClure has been quite sick the past week, but is some better.

Closing-out sale of furniture and house furnishings at half price—Delaney.

Mrs. Ellen Williams went to Potosi Tuesday to spend a few days with friends.

Miss Louise Cornman of St. Louis has been the guest of Miss Emma Cornman.

Standard-make, fine drop-head sewing machines at your own price. Closing-out sale—Delaney.

Wm. Stevenson and wife of St. Louis visited friends and relatives here last week for several days.

Picket Post No. 215 G. A. R. invites everybody to join with it in observing Decoration Day, May 30.

We are sorry to learn that Miss Etta Pertyman of Esther, our correspondent "Opal," is very sick with pneumonia.

Woven wire fencing at Tetley-Klein Lumber Co's. Dont order before seeing them and noting what they have to offer.

J. H. Jones, wife and son Paul were among those who attended the Drummers' Convention at Poplar Bluff this week.

Mrs. Sam Tetley visited at Fredericktown last week, the occasion being the birthday anniversary of her aunt, Mrs. Polk Anthony.

Mr. Cox lost his pocket book Sunday while driving between Farmington and Flat River. A reward will be paid for its delivery to him.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. King and daughter Miss Dottie, of St. Louis, were down Sunday, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Butterfield.

It is said you want Tetley-Klein Lumber Co's. invite you to inspect their paints before buying. They will make it to your interest to see them.

Mrs. Nannie Weber and Miss Alice Cayce went to St. Louis to attend the graduating exercises of Marion-Simms College, when Frank Weber graduated.

WILL NOT HANG.

McCarver's Death Sentence Commuted by the Governor to Life Imprisonment.

Last Saturday Governor Folk commuted the death sentence of Pink McCarver to life imprisonment in the penitentiary. McCarver shot and killed Harry Lett in a saloon in Farmington several years ago. A hard legal fight was made by his attorneys in which all the technicalities of law were exhausted. The first move was for a change of venue, which Judge R. A. Anthony overruled. Then Judge Anthony was "sworn off the bench" on the ground of alleged prejudice against the prisoner. Judge Anthony called in Judge Samuel Davis of Marshall to try the case. The first trial came up in February, 1904, Judge Davis presiding. A motion for continuance was made on the part of the defense, alleging the absence of three important witnesses. Prosecuting Attorney Marbury made a counter plea that one of the witnesses was a fugitive from justice, and as to the others that due diligence for their apprehension had not been shown. Judge Davis overruled the motion for continuance and ordered a venire of one hundred from which to select a trial jury. After forty of them had been qualified, and on the morning set for the trial, the charge was made by the Prosecuting Attorney that during the night previous a number of the qualified panel had been around the saloons with attorneys for the defense drinking, inferring that they had been tampered with or had been unduly influenced by the attentions paid them. Judge Davis promptly discharged the whole panel, and ordered the Sheriff to summon another venire of eighty men, saying, "Get the best men you can lay your hands upon, and be sure to get men who won't come here and lay around saloons." The following Tuesday Sheriff Murphy had the venire in court, the legal number were qualified and a jury of twelve men selected. The case went to trial, resulting in a disagreement of the jury. McCarver was then released on bond.

The final trial, in which McCarver was convicted of murder in the first degree, was called August 23, 1904, Judge Davis presiding. After a hard fight on both sides, the trial closed on September 1st, the jury bringing in a verdict of murder in the first degree. The jury was composed of T. H. Coxie, J. D. Webb, Kirby I. Smith, T. L. McFarland, C. S. Gibson, Thomas M. Bell, S. O. Netherington, C. A. G. Gibson, R. H. Avenz, J. C. Walsh, Thos. Ledbetter and John L. Burns.

The case was appealed to the Supreme Court, which was reached on the docket in that court last March, and on the 6th the trial and verdict of the lower court was sustained, and the day of McCarver's execution set for April 19. A motion for a rehearing was overruled by the court March 29th. The Governor then granted a respite from April 19th to June 18th. In the meantime W. S. Anthony, attorney for the condemned man, and friends of McCarver began to circulate petitions to the Governor praying for a commutation of the sentence to life imprisonment. It is said that the petition was signed by about 3,000 persons, among them some of the members of the jury that convicted McCarver; and last Saturday, as stated, the Governor granted the prayer for commutation.

You will always find a full line of the best Make of Shoes at Herzog's.

Franklin Baptist Association.

The District Mission Board of Franklin Baptist Association will meet with Union church Saturday, May 26th, at 10 o'clock a. m. Please bring your offering.

L. YEATES, Chairman. J. P. JEENINGS.

MURDER IN FIRST DEGREE

Is the Verdict of the Jury in Case of George Horn For Killing Frank Burns.

The trial of George Horn, under indictment charging him with murder for the killing of Constable Frank Burns on the 4th of last September, was begun last Monday and closed Tuesday afternoon, the jury returning a verdict of murder in the first degree after being out only about an hour.

The State's testimony tended to prove the following facts: George Horn had been drinking the morning of the killing, and about 12:30 o'clock p. m. for some reason drove his wife and children from the house. Mrs. George Horn went across the street and asked C. E. Norwine to send for Constable Frank Burns, who was attending a Labor Day picnic at Elvins, to come and take Mr. Horn to Farmington, for he had run her off and she was afraid he would kill her. Mr. Norwine delivered the message to Constable Burns, and Burns and W. D. Medlock, Horn's son-in-law, who lived with Horn, went to the house and there found Mrs. L. Hunt and George Horn at the latter's residence. Horn received them and invited them to have seats. Mrs. Hunt and Burns began discussing religious matters and Medlock departed, saying he would go and get the women folks. Horn left the room for a few minutes and then returned. Shortly afterwards Horn and Burns went out through the dining room to the side yard. When outside Horn began ordering Burns to leave his premises, at the same time flourishing his pistol and cursing Burns. Burns began begging Horn to put up the gun, make peace and talk it over. Horn continued to threaten to shoot, and finally told Burns that if he came another step he would kill him. Burns, still asserting that he wanted no trouble, stepped one step towards Horn, and then Horn shot. Burns drew his gun and said, "If that's your game I have one, too," and fired. Horn then sought the cover of the corner of the house, took deliberate aim and shot, and Burns fell mortally wounded.

The defendant was the only witness for himself, and he testified that Burns shot him twice before he shot at all, and he only desired to wound Burns in the hand so as to disarm him.

The instructions of the court were for murder in the first and second degrees and for manslaughter in the fourth degree.

The jury was composed as follows: I. M. Roberts, Chas. Ringer, George Martin, James L. Foster, K. E. Shertell, J. H. Wyatt, F. Sinclair, H. E. Evans, August Block, C. J. Hill, Jules Rougley and Wm. Lorenz.

The following witnesses testified for the State: Drs. W. B. Barber and G. B. Williams, C. E. Norwine, W. D. Medlock, Mrs. Lucretia Hunt, Mrs. Victoria Bennett, Mrs. M. Thyson, Frank Voss, Mrs. Mary A. Lewis, John Snowden, Mrs. John Snowden, Raymond Williams, Joe Moon, L. F. Heinrich, William London, Joseph Alexander, Victoria Horn and J. J. Croke.

The attorneys for the State were Prosecuting Attorney George M. Wilson, assisted by former Prosecuting Attorneys Ben H. Marbury and W. L. Hensley, while J. B. Burks and W. S. Anthony represented the defendant.

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CLOSE OF PUBLIC SCHOOL

With High School Commencement Exercises Monday Evening—Baccalaureate by Elder Owers.

The public schools of Farmington closed last Friday after a successful and profitable school year to the pupils under the excellent management of Superintendent J. W. Dunlap and his efficient corps of teachers.

The baccalaureate sermon was preached by Elder Edward Owers, pastor of the Christian Church, to a large and interested audience in the M. E. Church last Sunday morning. It was a splendid discourse that did credit to the heart and ability of the speaker, and we take pleasure in giving below a comprehensive summary of the sermon.

The commencement exercises of the High School Department, from which there were four graduates, were held at the Opera House Monday evening, the program being interspersed with vocal and instrumental music. The house was crowded, and the exercises were highly enjoyable to all present, and the graduates, together with their teachers and friends, have reason to be proud of the manner in which they acquitted themselves. The graduates are Misses Emma E. Glessing, Mary Louise Lorenz and Florence Turley, and Robert Lee Turley.

Miss Glessing, the salutatorian, and Miss Turley, the valedictorian, acquitted themselves most happily in their salutatory and valedictory. The essay of each was full of choice sentiment and lofty aspiration admirably expressed. Miss Lorenz chose as the text for her essay Susan B. Anthony, weaving her subject into a brief and interesting biography of that noble and remarkable woman, and paying a high tribute to her character and the great work which she accomplished in her eventful life. The declamation of Henry Watterson's "Vision of American History" by the only boy graduate, Robert Lee Turley, was well rendered.

The presentation of diplomas was made by President O. J. Mayberry of the Board of Directors, and a splendid address to the class by Dr. W. J. Williamson, pastor of the Third Baptist Church of St. Louis, closed the exercises.

BACCALAUREATE SERMON.

(By Rev. Edward Owers)

There is a time in the life of every one of us when we attract the attention of all our friends and the whole community. This is one of those times. The special attention of the high school has been centered on you, the thought of the teachers has been for you, the thought of the church is toward you, hence the regular service has been given up to greet you here this morning. You have come to a crisis in your life, a time that will never come to you again, when you graduate from the high school, to enter upon a larger and fuller life. Those essays and orations of yours may furnish no permanent contribution to the country's literature, but the brain and heart power behind them, trained to think and feel, will be heard from in after years. It is the promise of fruitage we see on commencement day rather than the fruit itself.

There is no time in one's life more beautiful or critical than this building season. Standing on the hillside in the early morning, as the first rays of the sun kiss the blossom on the fruit trees, our hearts are cheered and gladdened. We stand enchanted, until the sun has risen, and the whole hillside is flooded with charm and beauty, omen of a fruitful fall. Another picture is more charming, that to stand on a May morning and see the maiden's blush and clear eye shining from a pure heart.

"Frost may nip and spoil the fruit, so the young life.

That you may accomplish the great end for which you were created, that of making a success of life, I bring you three words this morning, which if put into practice will make your life such that your pride shall be nobler than that of ancestry. John Ruskin says, "Consider whether we ought not to be more in the habit of seeking honor from our descendants than from our ancestors; thinking it better to be nobly remembered than nobly born; and strive so to live that our sons and our sons' sons for ages to come might lead their children reverently to the door out of which we had been carried to the grave, saying: 'Look! this was his house; this was his chamber.'" The three words

I bring you are VISION, ABILITY, COURAGE. "Where there is no vision the people perish."

It will be well for us to get a vision of MAN. David might well exclaim, "What is man, that Thou are mindful of him? or the son of man, that Thou visitest him?" What is man? Not this piece of human mechanism! True, we are found of magnifying the human body. A marvelous mechanism it is and a revelation of that divine wisdom which is manifest in every part of the wonderful structure. We are told that "all the excellencies of the lower animal creation are swept together and united in man's body!" In form and movement, how express and admirable! The beauty of the world! the paragon of animals! Yet man's body is no match for the ungovernable forces of nature. A flash of lightning, a piece of lead or a clod of earth striking man might kill him. The glory of man is not in this perishable body. The body is the temple through whose door and windows the inner splendor shines. It is but the dumb organ with its dumb stops and keys, until the touch of power startles it into the energy of grand music. His dignity is seen in art, science, literature and further as he measures himself against the sea, and makes the dangerous winds and waves ministers of commerce. The forces of nature are harnessed by him and driven with a steady hand. Note man's place in the universe. The world without man would be a failure. The sun, moon, stars, hills, valleys, flowers, rivers, lakes and seas are meaningless without man. Mr. Shaw in his address in St. Louis said, "Political principles are everything, men are nothing." We say man is everything. What we need today is to catch a vision of PERFECT MANHOOD. Some one has said, "Wake up taste in man and he beautifies his home. Wake up his ideas of freedom and he fashions new laws." We add, wake up his vision and he plans his life for dignity and power. There is need for sober, earnest thought on this matter lest we lose the vision and so perish. The poet tells us that

"Life is real, life is earnest. And the grave is not the goal." Yet the mass of humanity busy themselves in a mad and feverish chase after material possession, as though the seen and not the unseen were eternal.

Youth is ever described as visionary and full of wild and impossible fancies, but it has always been the youth with the vision, cherished and pursued through manhood and age that has truly succeeded.

Many a human life lies stranded, wrecked and shattered because the God-sent vision was unheeded and the call of mammon obeyed. What the world needs to-day is men who have the courage to be poor, who prefer MANHOOD to GOLD, who will choose poverty in the domain where God intended him to live rather than riches in a sphere that means death to their finer emotions and impulses. No man, be he ever so rich in worldly possessions, can be truly happy or content if he is out of harmony with God's plan, if he has blinded himself to the vision which his youthful eyes have seen.

To every soul a vision of greater things must come before one can strive to attain. Before the real comes the ideal. Every invention every building was first a thought (vision) in some one's mind.

"Where there is no vision the people perish." It is true in the individual, church, public school, city, state or nation. The graduates of to-day will be the leaders of to-morrow, hence the need of a clear and large vision, taking in every department of life. Vision is sometimes limited by conditions. Some men's vision is so narrow and contracted that they become fossilized. Fossilization means death to the individual, church, school or city. Life is a service; the only question is, whom shall we serve. May your service be for God; he that loves God and serves Him, must love and serve his fellow man. If our service is to be the best, and our vision is to be materialize, we must have ability. For this you have been preparing during your school days. It may

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