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Flaky Biscuits
Delicious Cake
Healthful Food

made with

DR. PRICE'S
CREAM
Baking Powder

The product of
Grapes

No Alum
No
Lime Phosphate

Ferguson pays cash for eggs.

Tonight is rally night for the I. O. O. F. and all members of the order in the state are expected to attend their lodge session.

W. H. P. Leecocq, who owns the Mabrey Bay plantation up the river, was in town this week looking after business matters.

Miss Mamie Newsom left for her home at Whitwell, Tennessee, last Monday after spending the fall with her sister, Mrs. Link Moore, and Mrs. Moore accompanied her as far as Nesleyville on the way.

Benjamin Burns, a grocer merchant of Sparta, Illinois, was here the past week visiting his aunt, Mrs. Garner, and his cousin, A. C. Jones. Now, that's a fact, but here is the joke. For some time back A. C. has been telling his intimate friends that before long he was going back to the old home to visit and see things of the not so very long ago, but still sometime back. He would tell them about the old swimmin' hole in the good old summer time when he was a boy, and how he and Ben Burns and another boys would steal apples from the neighboring farmers' orchards when they all had plenty of apples going to rot at their own homes, and about having dog fights, and a lot of other boy stories, and then he would go on and tell about how he would go back now and get to Ben Burns' store and walk in and put down his grip and buy some apples or candy and talk to the boss about business and trade and things and then go up to his house and make himself at home and when Ben came up to supper how he would laugh at him because he didn't know him. Last Thursday just after the train came in a portly, fine-looking man walked into the Jones-Swain store and going back into the middle of the room asked Col. Swain if he could leave his overcoat and grip in the store for a few moments. The Colonel, with the old-time politeness of the proverbial Kentucky colonel, said "Certainly, sah," and pointed to the floor at the telephone booth. Then the stranger walked back to the rear of the room and asked one of a group of customers who were waiting their turn to be served which one of the men up front was A. C. Jones. One of the men pointed A. C. out to the stranger and said, "That's him waitin' on them wimmen folks up thar." "What," said the handsome looking stranger, "is that little, spectacled cuss old A. C.?" "Sure," said one of the men. The stranger walked back up front and by the time he got there A. C. had finished waiting on the ladies, and as the stranger came up spoke to him and in his most Chesterfieldian manner asked what he could do for him. The stranger looked about for a moment and then asked to see some handkerchiefs and A. C. immediately filled the counter with the best made linens and silks but the stranger finally selected a five cent cotton wipe and said that was all he wanted, and began to talk about business and trade and real estate and said he was here to look about. A. C. was as polite as a basket of chips and told the stranger that he owned four or five hundred acres of good land a mile or so east of town, nicely located, that he would like to show him, but the stranger was a little shy and shortly after took his coat and grip and left, but on going out asked a man on the sidewalk where A. C. Jones lived and on getting the direction went up to the house, and as he knew his aunt, Mrs. Garner, she having always visited at his home when in Illinois, made himself perfectly at home. Later in the afternoon a 'phone message was sent to the store for A. C. to come home as he was wanted, and A. C. remarked to Col. Swain as he left the 'phone, "Doggon it, something is always wrong when I am busy," and left the store and went home. On entering the sitting-room he encountered the good-looking stranger and he was surprised. Then his mother, Mrs. Garner, said, "Why, Anson, don't you know this man? This is Benny Burns, with whom you used to play when you were boys together." Then A. C. fell down.

Commercial Club Meeting.

A meeting of the commercial club was held at Dr. C. H. Martin's office last Thursday afternoon for the purpose of discussing certain propositions presented by letter recently received by officials of the club. The attendance was not large as the meeting was a special one and was called on short notice, but what the meeting lacked in numbers was made up in enthusiasm. President Martin had a letter from the National Good Roads Association regarding a proposed national highway starting from Pittsburg and extending to the Rio Grande at Laredo or Eagle Pass, the proposition being to come through the states of Ohio, Indiana and Illinois to St. Louis by the most direct and already constructed pike system in those states; then to go south by the most direct route to the points named. The letter stated that it was the intention to skirt the Ozarks and keep out of the swamp country of Missouri and Arkansas and that Doniphan was on the proposed line of survey, and wanted information about this locality, north and south. This organization and scheme has been in effect for a number of years and much work has been done toward getting persons, communities and counties interested, and the plan is feasible as it is based upon the old national turnpike idea that years before the war was the great highway to the west, as Kentucky and Ohio was then called, and over which all the travel to Washington went. Discussion of the matter will be continued at another meeting to be held when replies to letters already written are received.

A proposition for a good road, that is being pushed by Springfield and West Plains, through Doniphan to the Bluff was also discussed and the secretary of the club instructed to correspond with the clubs at West Plains and Springfield regarding the proposition.

Death of Mrs. T. A. Rutledge

Mrs. T. A. Rutledge, mother of Mrs. Ed. Ferguson, was stricken with paralysis while out in the yard at her daughter's home last Tuesday afternoon about 5 o'clock and died at 2:15 o'clock Wednesday morning, not regaining consciousness before her death. In the earlier part of Tuesday afternoon some of her old lady friends had called in and spent the afternoon with her and on their leaving for their homes, after having spent a jolly and pleasant afternoon laughing and talking, she walked out into the backyard along the walk, as the afternoon was bright and pleasant, and there was stricken and fell. Carried to her room and medical assistance called, she never regained consciousness and died the following morning.

The funeral was held at the Methodist church this morning at 9 o'clock, Rev. Foard, the pastor, officiating. She had been a member of that denomination since her girlhood. A large number of her friends attended the services, as she was a beautiful old lady and to know her was to admire and love her. She was a native of Virginia, being born in that state in 1835, and came to Missouri with her parents in 1838 and lived in Wayne county for 46 years, coming to Ripley county 27 years ago, or in 1884, where she had since made her home, the last few years being with her daughter, Mrs. Ed. Ferguson. She leaves but two children, Mrs. Ferguson and J. D. Rutledge, of Winona. Her age was 86 years. Before her death there were four persons living in the same block with her whose combined ages was nearly 350 years.

"A Superior Organization."

In a letter received this week, dated December 5th, by W. W. Johnston, secretary of the board of education of the Doniphan school district, from W. P. Evans, state superintendent of public schools, he has the following to say of the Doniphan schools:

DEAR SIR: I have examined my high school inspector's report of his visit of your school and under the statute authorizing me to classify high schools I am continuing yours on the first-class list, with the following changes of credits: I am adding one unit in Pedagogy and one unit in Agriculture, and omitting one-half unit in Algebra and one-half unit in Physical Geography.

In the matter of these omissions I will say that this department no longer gives two units of work in Algebra when the last half year of same is taught before Geometry has been studied, and since Physical Geography is not being offered this year it is omitted from the units of credit for your school. I beg to call your attention to the following needs in your school. You need another teacher, and I suggest that Miss Johnston devote her entire time to the high school. Your freshman classes need to be divided, since they range in number from 25 to 50, and the only way that this division can be made is that you have another teacher. You greatly need an auditorium or study hall so that full day sessions of your high school may be held instead of half-day as is now necessary. My inspector notes that your equipment is a little short in physics, particularly in electricity. I am asking that you add such as your teacher of that subject feels is necessary for the best instruction of that subject. The school seems to present a superior organization, and a healthy school sentiment seems to prevail in your community. For this I wish to commend your principal and your valuable superintendent. Yours truly, W. M. P. EVANS.

Attorney C. O. North made a business trip to St. Louis during the past week.

The Democrat.

Telephones: Doniphan, No. 30. Mutual, No. 80.

Local and Personal News.

Ferguson pays cash for eggs. Christmas is a comin'.

Dr. E. J. Barr and wife of Lima, Ohio, are visiting friends at Acorn, Mo.

A little daughter of J. A. (Aeol) Ponder is quite ill with scarlet fever this week.

Miss Myrtle Music of Kansas City is the guest of Mrs. Jno. P. Campbell this week.

George Gregory came home last week from a visit at his old home at DuQuoin, Illinois.

Dave Mensabough of Acorn, Mo., was here this week looking after business matters.

Charlie Moore, the boss of the O. F. barber shop, made a trip to Pocahontas the first of the week.

Walter A. Barnes, who has been working in South Dakota for the past year, came home last Monday for a holiday visit.

Miss Clara Barrett was the guest of friends at Essex, in Stoddard county, and Sikeston the past week for a few days.

George A. Neal came in for a short visit last Saturday from Birmingham, Alabama, where he is engaged in manufacturing.

Uncle Jeff Ponder, who was quite ill with pneumonia and stomach trouble last week, is much better and his folks think now that he will pull through all right.

Lee Crim and wife of Little Rock were here the past week visiting Mr. Crim's two boys, Dewey and Clyde, who live with their grandmother, Mrs. J. H. Murray.

J. M. Allison and wife of the Bluff were here for Thanksgiving with their friends Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Foard. Mr. Allison is the head of the Allison Mercantile Co. of that city.

Attorney Geo. D. Sloan, who has been away at Clinton, St. Louis and in Reynolds county since the close of circuit court looking after business matters, came home last Saturday.

Uncle Odek McKinney, who has been engaged in building fences out in the Fairdeal neighborhood for the past two or three weeks, came home last Saturday and is just about laid up with a very sore ankle, the sore resulting from a bruise.

A farmer from near the Bluff, in Butler county, Jas. Goins, and his son and a neighbor came to Doniphan last Tuesday with between thirty and forty bushels of wheat which was ground into flour at the Quiseberry mill, and the party left for their home early Wednesday morning highly pleased with their visit.

Jim Deen, who for some years has been with C. P. Harmon, has accepted the position of manager of the delivery department of Ponder & Merrell's store. Jasper Richmond has taken charge of the C. P. Harmon lumber mill and yard and will look after the business while Mr. Harmon is absent at his winter home in Florida, for which place he and his daughter, Miss Hope, expects to leave about the first of the week, the other members of the family having already gone on, with the purpose of visiting relatives and friends on the way.

Ralph Bingham, at the court house next Tuesday night, is the first of the lecture course series. Be sure you hear him.

Mighty fine and beautiful fall weather for the first three days of this week, but since then it has not been so gloriously grand, though not so very bad.

The plate glass is being put into the big windows of the Wall building this week and the various rooms of the building will be enclosed in a few days.

Remember that the first entertainment in the lecture course is announced for next Tuesday night, at the court house. Ralph Bingham is the opening attraction.

The Rebekahs gave a box-supper at I. O. O. F. Hall last Thursday night (Thanksgiving) which was well attended. A big lot of boxes were sold and a nice sum realized.

Jamies F. Cross and wife came in last Monday from their home at Dennison, Texas, being called here by a telegram announcing the illness of Mr. Cross' grandfather, Uncle Jeff Ponder.

J. C. Stanley, who recently sold his farm on the Oxly road to Will Redden last week moved to Bernie, in Stoddard county, where he has purchased a restaurant and boarding house.

Miss Minnie Moore, chief "hello" girl and general all-around boss of the Wright Telephone Co., visited friends at Biggers, in the state of Arkansas, and ate Thanksgiving turkey and "sich" there.

Several persons from here, including members of J. D. Gerlach's family, will go to the Bluff Saturday to attend services at the Episcopal church at that place, as the Right Rev. Bishop Tuttle is to hold service there.

Cashier J. D. Gerlach of the Ripley County Bank went to St. Louis last Sunday and has been in that city all the week looking after business matters connected with the Bankers Association, of which organization he is a member of the board of directors.

Free express delivery was begun here on the first of the month by the Wells-Fargo Co., who handle the express matter on the Mo.-Pac.-L.-M. system now, and Ben Dick has the delivery. Goods and articles by express will be collected and delivered free.

Last Monday ten wagon-loads of seed cotton passed through town on the way to the gin at Naylor, and all of this cotton was raised within a few miles of Doniphan, on the west side of the river. The first five loads passed through town about daylight and the other loads later in the day, but all made the trip to Naylor that day.

Jerry Mulloy, who is chief attorney for the J. C. & M. R. R., with headquarters at Reyno at present, is in town this week looking after business matters. He states that as soon as some questions affecting the right-of-way of h. r. road through property belonging to estates now in the hands of the probate court in Arkansas can be adjusted that work of construction on the line will begin as the engineers are now setting the levels and grade stakes for the work.

During the past week Uncle Jim McKenzie has closed a deal for the insurance business owned by Messrs. North & Ferguson and has taken charge of the work, several actuaries of the different companies having already been here to make their transfers. Uncle Jim was formerly in the insurance business here and sold out when he moved to a farm up in the Buffalo country. Since his return here he has concluded to again engage in the business and repurchased his old agency.

Ten Out of Sixteen.

George French returned yesterday from the Southeast Missouri Corn Show held by the Cape Girardeau Normal School during this week. Mr. French took with him sixteen samples of Ripley county corn for entry, and the sixteen entries won ten premiums, one first and the other nine second and third. One drawback to the entries from this county was that the corn was two days on the way to the Cape, not arriving there until the last day of the show, and had not Mr. French been on the ground with two samples and the names and classes for entry, they would have been barred out altogether, but as he was there, and by the way was the only representative from any of the counties of this section except the Cape, present with their entries the board in charge held the list open until our corn arrived, though many of the awards had been made by that time as they had all given it up and did not expect it to get there at all. Mr. French said that our corn was as good as any and some of it looked much better than the best, and the judge spoke highly of it and expressed regret that it had not reached the Cape in time for the opening.

The Grand Clothing House

We are still pushing Winter Goods!

In our Overcoat selections we still have some excellent values and a nice selection.

Men's Suits.

Our range of Men's Suits is still good. Especially of Young Men's Suits. They are made up nifty and have all the style and workmanship of Tailor-made Suits at one-third less in price.

Peg-top Pants.

Ask to see the Peg-top Pants for Young Men. None such seen in ready-made clothing until this season.

Fuzzy-Wuzzy Hats.

Our sales of Fuzzy-Wuzzy Hats have been good. We still have some desirable colors in them.

Special values in our different lines.

The Grand Clothing House!

P. UNTERBERGER.

THE Glad-Hand Livery Stable.

MOFIELD & SON, Props.

Have opened a LIVERY, SALE and FEED stable in the stable building of the old Doniphan Lumber Co., and are prepared to furnish the public with rigs for pleasure or business driving. Safe drivers furnished. Rigs all new and prompt attention given to all calls.

Buy and sell or trade stock at all times. A competent veterinary at the stable.

Come and see us when you need anything in our line.

Mofield & Son.

GLAD-HAND LIVERY STABLE. DONIPHAN, MO.

Lodge Elections.

At the regular meeting of the I. O. O. F. lodge of this city last Friday night the following members were elected to fill the offices for the ensuing term: Noble Grand—J. U. Swain. Vice Grand—Chas. L. Ferguson. Secretary—Neely Moore. Treasurer—J. A. Pender.

ST. LOUIS LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Special report to Ripley County Democrat National Stock Yards, Ill., Dec. 5. Cattle receipts 4,000. No change is shown in the trade today. Market is fully as good as the close last Friday. A big supply would undoubtedly break the market. However, we anticipate moderate runs and rather even selling. Today we sold good 700 lb. heifers at \$6.25.

ST. LOUIS LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Hog receipts 15,000. A prime heavy grade of hogs sold at \$9.50 today. General market 15 to 25c lower; bulk selling at \$9.50 to \$9.75. Sheep receipts 5,000. Lambs generally 10c lower today but are 25 to 40c higher than last Tuesday. Sheep steady for the day and week; wethers \$3.25; wethers \$3.85. Outlook fair and would advise shipping. National Live Stock Commission Co.

City Bakery,

S. F. MILNER, Prop.

A new baker at work and I will have the best fresh BREAD, CAKES and PIES, and all kinds of confections, always on hand.

FRESH FRUITS, NUTS and CANDIES. A complete stock of FRESH GROCERIES in all best grades. Canned goods of all kinds. Everything fresh. No old stock.

Give me a call. I buy for cash and give you the benefit.

CITY BAKERY,

Washington Street, adjoining Pearce Mer. Co., store.

Dr. Black's Eye Water contains no poison, is painless and harmless, and guaranteed to cure sore eyes in people, horses and dogs. A bottle will be sent by mail on receipt of price, 50c. Address: J. R. Black Medicine Co., Manufacturers, Kennett, Mo. For sale by all druggists.