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## FARMERS' ANNUAL MEETING

Last Saturday was Farmers' Day in Mexico. It was the occasion of the annual meeting of the Audrain County Farm Bureau. Scores of farmers were here. We noticed many young farmers in particular. The meeting was held under a big tent north of Hoxsey Hotel. W. W. Pollock, presided.

Speeches were made during the day by D. H. Doane, State Leader of Missouri Farmer Advisers; J. Kelly Wright, Farmers' Institute Lecturer for the State Board of Agriculture; Prof. C. H. Eckler, head of the Dairy Department of the State Board of Agriculture, and F. B. Mumford, of the Missouri College of Agriculture. The talks by these men were most interesting and instructive and were listened to by the largest gathering of farmers we have ever seen in a meeting of its kind in Mexico. The farmer who is wise is studying how best to do his work as never before.

Farmer E. W. Rusk made his first annual report. Some of the items to be culled therefrom were the following:

3,288 hogs vaccinated against cholera, 4,450 doses vaccine used, or about 6,000 injections; 317,900 pounds of pork in all, of which 93 per cent was saved; or 295,847 pounds. If only 75 per cent were saved it would mean 22,735 pounds at 7 c or \$15,521.

Mr. Rusk made 181 farm visits. Had 1,300 office callers. Has written 1,820 letters. Held 45 farm meetings with a total attendance of 1,900 people. Has done much to do away with sale of all but pure seed. Rode 1,207 miles in buggy; 2,190 miles on train; total of 3,397 miles.

Plans for 1914.—Anti Hog Cholera campaign.

Follow up Boys' and Girls Clubs now organized.

Continue stock-judging among boys and girls.

Home economic schools.

More auxiliary farm bureaus.

The new officers of the county Farm Bureau are: President, W. W. Pollock; vice-president, F. L. Crosby; secretary, Ralph Wayne; treasurer, I. T. McCue; directors at large, J. T. Johnson, J. W. Walker and C. P. Arnold.

### FINE FARM SOLD.

J. R. Snook has bought the Judge M. Crum farm, 248 acres, northeast of Mexico, for \$18,000. It is occupied by J. Hord Davis. The farm is one of the best in the county, and we congratulate Mr. Snook on his purchase.

### LEG BROKEN.

Noland Barnes, son of W. D. Barnes, up Centralia way, suffered a broken leg last Thursday when his horse fell with him. He was doing well at last report.

Mayor J. W. Dry asks that Sunday, May 31, be observed as Decoration Day, instead of Saturday when most persons are busy.

Mr. and Mrs. Claire Harding are here on a visit to friends. Mr. Harding says that he still claims Mexico, Mo., as his post-office address.

Mrs. W. F. Farrell of Great Falls, Mont., is expected here this week on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Burgess.

## Some Views and Interviews

J. T. Swift: How's my Indian Runner ducks? Ah right. I have 22 head and they have laid as high as 19 eggs a day. What do they do this dry weather? Take to the creek. Often they get a mile from home. They are good property all right.

W. H. Malloy: I live six miles north of Thompson—three miles north of Skinner. Own a good 170 acre farm out there. I don't get to town often but I felt I must not miss the farmers' meeting in Mexico Saturday. I heard some good practical ideas.

J. J. F. Johnson: I came up from Benton City Friday night to attend the big Odd Fellows doings in Mexico. Very dry down our way. The Hessian fly, too, is in the wheat. It is not as bad as some have been led to think. The speculators evidently are trying to augment the scare.

Thomas Dudley: About three weeks since I was in a runaway. Ben Dudley was with me. He remained with the wagon but I jumped, falling and breaking my right leg just above the ankle. But I'll soon be all right—in time to ride the corn cultivator this summer.

Tobe Dubray: I own the old J. J. Freels place, south of Ladonia. I think a man is foolish to sell a farm home if he owns one in Audrain county. I agree with what the Message said last week—"Own a little farm and stay with it to the end." It's the only way for the farmer to find a solid prosperity. This further thought—"the fewer, hand sales made in this county the next ten years the better it will be for the people."

### MR. SMITH DEAD.

C. A. Smith, a prominent Mason, died at his home in Ladonia Tuesday night. The funeral will be held at 2:30 this afternoon. A number from Mexico will attend. Mr. Smith was an old settler of the county. The wife and four children survive him.

### Alumni Banquet.

The annual banquet given by the alumni of the Mexico high school will take place Friday night at Greer's Hall.

The program follows: Invocation, Rev. W. A. Shulenberg.

Quartette, Messrs. Bruner, Dry, Kelso and Gibbs.

Address to Class of 1914, Miss Mary Dearing of '13.

Response, Leonard Coatsworth, '14.

Toasts—Mrs. Claire Grantham Bush, Columbia; Mrs. Maude Carter Tinsler, Mexico; George Marshall, Mexico; Joseph S. McIntyre, St. Louis.

Harrison Brown will preside as Toastmaster.

Mrs. Edith Preston returned home Friday from Emporia, Kansas, where she has been for several weeks, caring for her sister, Mrs. C. G. Jennings. Mrs. Jennings died on May 19th, and was buried at Emporia.

Mack Ridgway, west of Mexico, sold a fat hog this week for \$24.40. The hog weighed 365 pounds.

Miss Ella Geary is visiting the family of W. H. Dempsey of near Thompson.

Grandma Haines of Valley Junction, Iowa, is visiting Grandma Tratchell at Benton City.

## TEACHER-TRAINING COURSE GRADUATES VANDALIA HIGH SCHOOL—CLASS OF 1914



Grace V. Johnson Mabel T. Day Adah Waters Lottie Lee Lake Leta Ione Moore Theodosia E. Moore

### HARDIN GRADUATES.

Baccalaureate Sermon by Rev. R. L. Davidson.

The graduation exercises for Hardin College will be held next Tuesday night, June 2. The baccalaureate sermon will be delivered next Sunday morning, by Rev. R. L. Davidson of Sedalia. The graduating class is a large one. Their names are as follows:

Literary, Mexico, Mo.—Hilda Brand, A. A.; Anna McMurtry, A. A.; Maurine Heizer, A. A.; Margaret Million, A. A.; Margaret Tralle, A. A.; Harriet Wiggins, A. A.; Ruth Cook, B. L.; Miriam Johnson, B. L.; Anna Williams, B. L.

Literary, Dacone, Colo., Grace Craerft, A. A.; Ruhe Linn, A. A.

Literary, Shelbina, Mo., Adaline Miles, A. A.

Literary, Pingta, China, Mary Sears, A. A.

Literary, Richmond, Mo., Martha Shotwell, A. A.

Literary, Clairmont, Mo., Neva Wallace, A. A.

Literary, Gainesville, Texas, Lila Cardwell, B. L.

Literary, Frankford, Mo., Ruth Douglass, B. L.

Piano—Helen Cook, Advance, Mo.; Hallie Copeland, Wellsville, Mo.; Madeline Hayden, Montgomery City, Mo.; Alta Moss, Montgomery, Mo.; Clara Pearman, Mountain Grove, Mo.; Helen Shotwell, Richmond, Mo.; Mildred Wallace, Mexico, Mo.; Gladys Walser, Olen, Mo.; Marie Wells, Marble Hill, Mo.; Stella Whitson, Mexico, Mo.

Voice—Leta Handy, Coffey, Mo.; Bernice Kenton, Lee's Summit, Mo.; Adelaide Long, Lee's Summit, Mo.; Clemence Smith, Clarksville, Mo.

Expression—Bernice Beachy, Wichita, Kans.; Florence Munger, Kansas City, Mo.

Violin—Margaret Million, Mexico, Mo.

### LITTLE CHILD DEAD.

Geneva, 21 months old, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Niece Smith of near Thompson, died last week. The burial was at Centralia Friday. The child's disease was tuberculosis. We extend sympathy to the parents in their bereavement.

### SUFFERS BROKEN LEG.

Brish Daniel, northwest of Gant, while unloading saw logs from his wagon last Thursday, his team jerking the wagon suddenly, was caught by a log and his leg broken. He was quite seriously hurt and, we are sorry to say, will be confined to his home for some time.

Mrs. Herman Mandy, near Molino, was called to the bedside of her sister, Mrs. Ed. Morris, at Benton City, last week.

H. C. Berrey, of near Molino, visited his daughter, Mrs. J. E. Clark, near Benton City, last week.

### I. O. O. F. CELEBRATION.

The Fifty-Seventh Anniversary of The Local Order.

Mexico Odd Fellows held a great anniversary meeting last Friday—the 57th anniversary of the organization of the Mexico Lodge.

The invocation was by Rev. S. W. Hayne, Thurman Stallings, Noble Grand of the local lodge, made the opening address. The doctrines of Oddfellowship he said are founded upon eternal truth. The benevolent hand of the order is held out to all who are in need. The order's influence is felt where ever human sympathy is needed. Its glories will not fade, but will widen, lengthen, and deepen with ever increasing magnificence and glory, until the last vibrating stroke of the pendulum of time shall cease.

Other speakers were Leo Hamley, Prof. C. C. Roselle, E. D. Graham and A. C. Whitson.

There were musical numbers and other pleasurable features. Fully 500 persons were in attendance. It was a very enjoyable occasion.

### SILO DAY.

Arrangements are being completed very rapidly for the Silo Show to be held in Mexico on Friday and Saturday, June 5 and 6.

A number of concerns engaged in the manufacture of silos, or silo material, have already expressed their intentions to make complete exhibit of their wares. Everything points to success in this direction, and the people of Audrain county and vicinity will have an opportunity, as never before, to investigate the best silos that may be constructed—prices and terms for material, or for complete silos of every kind.

On this occasion the State Dairy Commissioner, E. G. Bennett, will be present, and a Dairy Association will be organized.

Many persons have already expressed intentions of attending these meetings, and as invitations have been extended thru the press at Mexico, a very large attendance is expected.

The exhibit will be held on the lot just north of the Hoxsey Hotel, which will be laid off in sections to accommodate exhibitors and visitors.

### MRS. MASON DEAD.

Mrs. Lulu Berrey Mason, a sister of C. M. Berrey, north of Mexico, died at her late home at Ballinger, Texas, on the 18th inst. She had been in poor health for a long time and went to Texas in the hopes that the climate might benefit her. The husband and three children survive her.

Mrs. Marvin Emmons and son, William, north of Molino, were thrown from their vehicle one day last week in a runaway and both suffered serious bruises.

### ACADEMY GRADUATES.

Commencement Exercises Held Last Friday Night.

The graduation exercises for Missouri Military Academy were held Friday night. Rev. A. A. Wallace delivered the address.

Following were the graduates: Cadet Captain, Mae Eugene Miles, Eldorado, Ark.; Cadet Captain, Wright Emory Norman, Hunterville, Mo.; Cadet Dorsey Gregory, Mexico, Mo.

The following cadets received medals: The Lewis Barth Medal, for best Athlete, Cadet Lieut. Harold Seip, Chicago, Ill.; S. and N. Phillip Medal, for best drilled cadet, to Cadet Captain Emory Norman, Hunterville, Mo.; Rolla McIntire Medal, for neatest room, to Cadet Linguard Werre, Kahoku, Mo.; F. W. Pilcher Medal, for Scholarship in lower school, to Cadet Linguard Werre, Kahoku, Mo.; R. D. Worrell Medal, for most Meritorious Cadet, to Capt. Mae Miles, Eldorado, Ark.; Academy Medal for highest standing in courtesy, industry and integrity, to Cadet Adj. Donald Cruise, American Fork, Utah; Chas. Buckner Medal, for Highest Scholarship, to Cadet Adj. Donald Cruise, American Fork, Utah.

### SENIOR CLASS PLAY.

"The Dictator," an up-to-the-minute farce by Richard Harding Davis was presented Wednesday night to a large audience in the McMillan Auditorium by the Senior class of 1914. A dress rehearsal was given Tuesday evening which was well attended.

The play is an excellent one for a high school stage and the manner in which the possibilities were developed showed a grasp of detail and skillful handling on the part of the students. Misses Gil, Mason and Wallace deserve praise for their assistance.

The stage scenery displayed the decorative skill of the art and manual training departments. The first act took place on board a steamer bound for the harbor of Porto Barros where the Dictator was to experience exciting events. The voyage and approach to land was made realistic by the ocean scene and city in the distance. These artistic screens were made under the direction of Miss Etheridge and Mr. Collett.

The players, each of whom did honor to themselves and school by their individual interpretations, were as follows: Hallie Bradford, Wm. Greer, Orlando Worrell, Louis Jesse, Ed. O'Brien, Clayton Snook, Morris Dry, Leonard Coatsworth, Drake Cowherd, Tom DeLaporte, Rodes Jesse, Geo. Irion, Lloyd James, Horace McGee, Vivian Mildred, Mabel Threlkeld, Mildred Pearl and Miriam Glandon.

The city authorities are beginning to talk the needs of that septic tank again.

## FIFTY-SEVEN TO GRDUATE

There will be 57 pupils finish their work in the grade schools of Mexico this year. They will receive certificates of admission to the High School. The closing exercises will be held at the High School Auditorium tomorrow afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. S. W. Hayne will deliver the address. The list of graduates will be:

Central School—Robert Dermody, Ross Ferris, Roy Watts, Guy Pitts, Frank Houston, Wm. Barre, Harold Robinson, Raymond Heidbreder, Morris Middleton, Robert Miller, Ben Dobyns, S. C. Adams, Stanley Hopkins, Glen Williams, Frank Morris, Helen Cave, Priscilla Sannebeck, Sadie Myers, Mabel Dorgan, Gladys Fletcher, Mary Frances Rowland, Helen Plunkett, Pearl Barnett, Kathryn Sannebeck, Cyrene Shoush, Margaret Graham, Isabel Coons, Neva Wright, Effie Johnson, Franc Johnson, Mary Kathryn Potts, Margaret Quisenberry.

South Side School—Elizabeth Harper, Clarice Painter, Gladys Wright, Laura Pratt, Cornelia Haskell, Evelyn Carter, Mary Miller, Clara Griffin, Leta Fisher, Phoebe Hobbs, Theodore Winans, Edwin Winans, John Wallace, John Milton, Ray Calhoun, Chas. Francey, Bruce Powell, Layton Fox, Claggett Offutt, Harold McNamee, James Kearns, Merrill Peters, Harold Willis, Joe Wolterberg, Thomas Reed.

The High School graduating exercises will be held next Monday night, June 1st, Dr. Paul H. Linn, president of Central College at Fayette, Mo., will deliver the address. The graduates will be as follows:

Evelyn Bates, Halley Bradford, Anna Caldwell, Leonard Coatsworth, Corinne Cowherd, Drake Cowherd, Morris E. Dry, Linnie Dyke, Percie Fuhrer, Blance Gihlan, Odessa Gibson, Miriam Glandon, William Greer, Mabel Hickman, George Irion, Rodes Jesse, Ruth Jesse, Louis Jesse, Loyd James, Lucile Kunkel, Grace Langenbach, Grace Marshall, Nina Machin, Vivion Mildred, Elizabeth Miller, Jessie Morris, Bertha McCreery, Horace McGee, Nellie Noel, Edward O'Brien, Mildred Pearl, Esther Rodhouse, Alna Shoush, Clayton Snook, Leland Spencer, Sybil Staples, Mabel Threlkeld, LaReine Warden, Louise Willard, Orlando Worrell.

Teachers' Training:—Tom DeLaporte, Georgia Miller, Mary Dillard, Marguerite Wright, Lee Eta Pryor.

### Friganza-Gary Nuptials.

The wedding of Mr. Willis T. Friganzia of Hannibal and Miss Edith Gary of this city was solemnized at the Presbyterian church Tuesday, Rev. A. A. Wallace officiating. They left immediately for their new home in Hannibal.

Equal Suffrage mass meeting at the Court House tomorrow night. Mayor Dry, J. W. Millon, R. D. Worrell and others will speak.

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