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MAY LOSE THE STATE HIGHWAY

Between Mexico and Centralia—Meeting Next Saturday to Give The Matter Sober Consideration.

It is said that unless something is done immediately to improve the condition of that section of the Cross State Highway between Mexico and Centralia the route will be changed, leaving Mexico off of it. This ultimatum was presented to the Mexico Commercial Club at its weekly luncheon held last Friday night when a letter from State Highway Commissioner Frank Buffum was read.

The Commercial Club at noon next Saturday, April 29th, will entertain property owners on this road with a view of securing their co-operation in making the highway what it should be and maintaining it. J. L. Minnus of the Wabash Railroad and Fred Essen of Clayton, Mo., will address the meeting, telling what St. Louis and Jefferson counties intend doing with the recent bond issue they voted.

It was due to make the annual pilgrimage to Santa Fe Friday, May 5th. The Mexico poultry dealers asked the Club to make an effort to secure the State Poultry Show for Mexico this fall and have it at the same time of the fall festivities.

APRIL 30, 5th Sunday Rally

At New Hope, 10.00 a. m., Sunday school. 11.00 a.m., Preaching by Rev. N. H. Trimble. 12:30, noon, Pocket lunch. (Each person will bring a little lunch for himself.) We will not have a big basket dinner.

Music. 1:30 p.m., Short Endeavor Service. 2:00 p.m. Preaching by Rev. W. S. St. Clair. Call five persons on phone and invite them.

The Pi Beta Phi Sorority of the University of Missouri has adopted a French war orphan. Not that the girls will be kept from their studies to tend the youngster, for the infant will remain in France with his mother. The Missouri girls will only contribute to its support. For $36.50 a year a war orphan can be fed and clothed. In St. Louis more than 300 French war orphans have been adopted and are being cared for. The Columbia girls are very thoughtful in this move.

Mrs. D'Arline Holcomb of Bowling Green has bought The Pike Co. Post at Bowling Green from Wallace J. Davis and will branch out as its editor. Mrs. Holcomb has many business interests. She successfully operates the transfer and bus line, has acted as express agent, carried the United States mails, has conducted a millinery store, written and produced plays, sold insurance, operated an oil company with such success that Standard Oil Co. bought her to evade her competition, making her its agent, and has oiled roads in various places in the State. She sure ought to make a versatile editor-ess.

The New York Tribune, which fought Roosevelt years ago, comes out for him this time and wants him to be President again. "No one else," it says, "presents so effective an antithesis to Wilson as he. There is no other leader."

W. J. Offutt, the furniture hospital man, has a spinning wheel on exhibition in his shop which was used by Callaway County women spinners as far back as 1830—and then some.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Durkee of Mexico are arranging to move to Peoria, Illinois.

PLANS FOR BETTER ROADS.

Marion County Buys New Oil-Pull Traction Engine.

Palmyra, Mo., April 20.—The Marion County Court today placed an order for a new oil-pull tractor to be used in road work. This is the second tractor purchased by this county in six months.

With two new tractors to operate earth road machines and with new equipment for other lines of road construction this county ought at least maintain her position of fourth place among the counties of the State in the building of good roads.

A road oiler was purchased last week.

Wanted For Double Murder—of Policemen McKenna and Dillon of St. Louis Police Force.

$1800 reward has been offered for the arrest, delivery and conviction of Frank Lewis and Ora Lewis. The four brothers comprise a band of desperate burglars, auto and wire thieves operating in this section and in the West. Roy L. Lewis is already under arrest. The murders were perpetrated in the effort of the Lewis boys to escape arrest.

The Police Department, the City of St. Louis and the State of Missouri, offer the $1800 reward while citizens of St. Louis offer enough more to make the sum $2600.00

Sheriff Barnett yesterday posted in Circuit Clerk Elliott's department at the Court House here a placard giving pictures and descriptions of the four brothers, and having big headlines of the offered reward.

SECOND AT WARRENSBURG.

Miss Annette Smith who gained first place in her debate on the Gardner Land Bank Bill in her own town, Boonville, Mo, came out second in her debate at Warrensburg. To quote her own statement "I was tickled at even getting second against eight boys, and the first time I ever debated."

She graduates from Boonville High this year and will, no doubt, be a student at Hardin next year.

Mexico is proud of her girls.

AT THE CHURCHES.

Special Easter services were held at all the Mexico churches Sunday—the Methodist, the Baptist, the Christian, Presbyterian, and at St. Brendon's Catholic church. The Knights Templar marched to the Baptist church Sunday evening for their annual Easter observance. Rev. O.Olin Green preached a special sermon

Ther were eight children received into the church Sunday morning, and hte beautiful ceremony of which the late Rev. H. M. Hamill was the author was used.

We bought our screen wire last fall and can make the price right on screen wire, doors and windows.
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POWELL FORD.

Wishing for sunshine? Grass is coming and vegetables growing tho we can't see how things grow when it is so cool and cloudy

Miss Anna McMurtry is home from her school work at Clark. She is employed to teach next term of school at Carter in this district. Her friends are glad o have her home this winter.

Milford Berry and Grover Dowell are tending ground on the George Johnson farm.

C. W. Powell of Mexico is helping M. N. Powell.

Ben Robertson is the first heard from to have corn planted here.

Mr. Newberry delivered wool at Mexico last week.

Miss Edna McMurtry is taking a special course in art at Hardin.

Phone 41 about your screens whether you have 1 or 50.

THE METHODIST REVIVAL.

Closed Sunday Night With About Thirty-five Additions to The Membership...

The Easter Revival Campaign of two weeks' duration at the Methodist church closed Sunday. The meeting was greatly enjoyed by all who were able to attend. The singing by teh choir under the leadership of Rev. Rennison of Glascow, Mo., was one of the delights of each of the services. Rev. Rennison also assisted the pastor, Rev. Hayne, in the day services that were held. He is an effective worker and all who met him were highly pleased with him. We congratulate the Glasgow church in having a pastor of his ability and consecration.

HIGH HILL DISTRICT.

Mrs. James Woolery is ill with pneumonia.

Elmer Shock has a new low low-wheeled wagon.

Emmett Sims and wife of Moberly visited home folks Saturday and Sunday. J.O.Sims and family.

The bride and groom, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wright, motored thru High Hill Saturday enroute to Mrs.Lizzie Brown near Murrey. Many friends in High Hill extend best wishes to these young people who are so well known here.

Alvin Boyd of Centrala visited his niece, Mrs. Elmer Shock, Saturday.

Bob Brown & Son of Centralia passed thru here Monday with a pretty bunch of sheep and lambs, our native sheep, 190 ewes, 130 lambs.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Daniel visited Lee Miller and family Sunday.

Carl Gladys and Mary Pulis visited their grandparents Sunday. Joe Pulis is home from Centralia much improved after treatment of sore throat.

Olan Barnes was the recent guest of Hugh and Omar Miller.

Lucy Simcoe spent the week-end with Cora Pulis. Ruth visited Bob Palmer and wife in Centralia.

Mrs. Zehr has over 300 young chickens her oldest will weigh a lb.

Beverly Mayes and family and Miss Lela Davis and Mrs. Robert Davis visited the families of Edgar Sims and Tom Broaddus.

THOMPSON LETTER.

J. E. Beatty and wife entertained Sunday Brish Daniel and family, Jas. Cox and wife, Will Riggs and wife.

Miss Elsie Scott entertained Wednesday quite a crowd of her little girl friends with a birthday dinner, it being her 12th birthday anniversary.

Hugh Dempsey and family of Mexico visited their parents here Saturday and Sunday.

E. M. Morris is having lightning rods put on his house and barn. Vesa McCowan is employed at the work

Mrs. Ella Milligan of Mexico visited her mother, Mrs. J. W. Rutter.

Basil Smith of the Gant neighborhood and Miss Lola Spencer of Rush Hill were married in Fulton Friday. Miss Spencer taught the Hurdle school the past winter. William Smith, brother of the groom gave them a reception Sunday night at their home south of Gant.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at Hopewell Thursday afternoon.

Mr.and Mrs.Sansberry, Misses Nannie and Nellie Pulis, Thornton Scott and Miss Fannie Scott, and Garnett Higginbotthem, surprised Earl Jesse Thursday night, it being Earl's 21st birthday. The Misses Pulis remained over Sunday attending at Hopewell.

Mr. anr Mrs. J. M. Jones are entertaining their daughter and granddaughter, Mrs. Ferguson and Mrs. Davenport of Slater this week.

Have your screens ready to keep the flies out. See
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WOOD CRAFT STORY FOR LITTLE CHILDREN.

Fourth Story.

BROTHER Terrapin waddled down the buck bush path in the direction of the creek. He had heard wonderful tales of the bungalow of Brother and Sister Muskrat and wanted to see for himself just how it looked inside. Several little folks of the woods that could swim had inspected the new home and pronounced it a little wonder.

"Hello, Muskrat, Hello," he calls when he reaches the water's edge. "I tell you, Slim Weasel, this is the finest home in the woods, and I will give an armful of wild celery roots to the one that can show as much skill in building a home."

"That sounds almost like bragging," thought Brother Terrapin. So diving under the water he squeezed through the door of the Muskrat home and crawled up stairs.

"Ah, here is old friend Terrapin," remarked Muskrat, "You are the very fellow I wanted to see."

Mother Muskrat remarked, "You have caught this house in a pretty mess. We have had the Muskrat carpenters and the Beaver plasterers the entire week and I was telling Father Muskrat last night I would never build another house. I would rather live in a hole in the bank like some Muskrats do." Brother Terrapin replied, "Your home looks fine beside mine. You see, I go to bed when the frost comes and sleep until the violet call me in the Spring, and my house is something awful. But I must be going."

Sister Muskrat who showed him the way to the front door suggested that she thought it would be fine for the one that had the nicest home to be Queen of the Forest. Mrs. Channel Cat who was listening at the foot of the stairs had barely time to swim away before Terrapin appeared.

It was agreed upon that a committee of three should select the Queen, so Dr. Owl, Slim Weasel and Red Squirrel were chosen.

"Why not leave it to Brother Terrapin," remarked Gentle Dove, "He is a good fellow and is always square." What she really meant was, not that he was square like a board, for when he takes his sun bath on the end of a log in the creek, draws his head and feet and tail in his shell, he is almost as round as a dollar; but Gentle Dove, like a good many people I know, always wants to say something nice about someone, and some way or another it always helps a fellow. Don't you think so?

The Committee called at Gray Squirrels house in the water oak tree. Gray Squirrel showed them the nicest little cupboard filled with hickory nuts, and one with walnuts, and, strange to say, still another with hickory nuts.

"What are these for," asked the owl.

"These are to plant in the ground to make trees. Some one whispers in our ear to do so and that is all I can tell you about it."

Oh," remarked Dr. Owl, "I see."

They found Sister Rabbit at home with ten little babes. Each one with a little white spot in his forehead and looking just like his brother.

"My, but that is a warm nest," said the Weasel, "I wish I had one like it in the drift."

When they reached the Mockers' beautiful nest, Mother Mocker was just in the act of giving her two children a shove over the edge of the nest to teach them to use their wings. The Owl who sat down close by the edge of the nest saw the many little threads she had woven into her nest, and noticed how carefully she had laid the twigs that made the outside of her home. "I am of notion to make my nest over again," he thought as they went toward the Muskrat's home, which looked like a sure winner. Above the water line in the garret were several soft, warm beds and the family were always safe from the sleet and snow in the winter.

"Oh, Dad, look here," called the boy from the camp opposite the Muskrats' house. "Come and look at this pretty little humming-bird's nest." His father, tip-toeing to his side, replied, "Yes, son, the humming bird shows more skill in building its home than any other little creature in the forest. She's Queen of the Forest! If you will notice, she has selected a limb on this small tree and building up an artificial knot has covered it over with tiny bits of bark from the trunk of the tree, and, lining the nest with silk from the weed pods, has made a little castle of her own."

Dr. Owl, looking away in the woods, remarked, "I vote for the tiny Humming Bird." Red Squirrel replied, "I do declare, I always before this thought that was a knot." Weasel exclaimed, "She is my choice, too."

The boy's father was heard to say, "Come on, son, or the bacon will be cold"

L. R. Ferris.

CONSIDER THE BABIES HOW THEY GROV

Baby Welfare Week to Be Observed in Mexico Beginning on April The 29th.

The Federated Clubs of Mexico are doing some great uplift work for the city. They will observe Baby Welfare Week here, beginning next Saturday. Every mother in the community should be interested. The following questions will be considered:

Out of every ten babies born four die before they are a month old.

Out of every five babies born one baby dies before it is one year old.

Do you know that ten bottle-fed babies die to one breast-fed baby.

When the baby is born be sure that the harmless drops that prevent blindness are put into its eyes by the doctor or nurse. The law says this must be done.

Nurse your baby every three hours—not over 15 minutes at a time.Until four months old it may be fed once during the night.

Give cool boiled water to drink from a bottle between nursing times.

Don't feed your baby because he cries. He may be too warm or too cold, or his clothing tight.

Sleep—Twenty hours a day for a few months. Fifteen hours a day until one year old. Two naps a day until two years old. Do not sleep in bed with your baby.

Fresh Air—Open the windows where the baby sleeps day and night. Cover the baby warmly. Do not cover its face.

Bathing. Bathe your baby every day.

Clean Clothes. Keep baby clean.

WESTMINSTER BANQUET.

The annual Westminster Banquet was held at Fulton Monday night. Dr. J. G. Moore of Mexico acted as toastmaster. President E. E. Reed was the principal speaker. Rev. H. B. Barks, Rev. A. A. Wallace, A. P. Green and Prof. L. H. Strunk were among the other speakers.

A five course luncheon was served.

The slogan for the school is, "Westminster, The best in the West."

Among those present from Mexico were: A. A. Wallace, H. B. Barks, George Marshall, Shields Moore, John L. Washington, Harry G. Stocks, E. A. Dearing, Mitchell White, John R. Thomas, N. R. Rodes, Ned O. Miller, Lester J. Miller, G. W. Robertson, Jr., Bryan Atchison, Ryland Rodes, Glenn Squires, Clark Gibbs, Fred Lavender, Sam P. Locke, R.H.Brown, Eric L. Cunningham, F. P. Kelso, W. F. Dean, H. H. McGee, J. C. Pasqueth, A. P. Green, L. H. Strunk, W.M. Pollock, E. E. Reed, J.G.Moore.

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