

The Weekly Ledger

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The next event of the summer months is the Fair. From all indications Mexico is to have one of the best race meets and agricultural shows and cattle exhibitions ever held here.

BYRON COMMISSIONER WALKER is to be congratulated on the manner in which he is having the paved streets cared for. They are not only well swept daily but "White Wings" is continually kept busy attending to their needs. Mexico is growing and her needs are growing also. It is gratifying to know we have a man in such a position that appreciates this.

"CHARITY BEGINS AT HOME." Over fifty thousand dollars was recently collected at one service in a church of this country for foreign missions. Three days after the announcement of this monster offering in the press their followed another story. It came from the vicinity of Chester, Ill., and told of ignorance and primal brutality that scarce had its equal within the boundaries of civilized nations. The raising of money for Missions to spread Christianity in foreign lands is more likely to prove merely a means of feeding the palate of some hungry cannibal. The placing of the same fund here in the slums of great cities and in the wilder sections of country might prove far more beneficial. "Charity begins at home."

"Who hit Billy Patterson?" The Mexico Chautauqua has been placed in a similar position to the reactionist who was gently struck by one John Doe. Squires and Cable come forward with Washingtonian frankness announce they cut off the lights at the Chautauqua Saturday evening with "their little nippers." When asked regarding the action Mr. Cable said it was entirely a matter which concerned the firm and the electric light company had nothing to do with the affair. When asked for a statement to satisfy the outraged public he took recourse in a phrase made famous several years ago by a son of the house of Vanderbilt and refused. The matter seems to rest upon an unpaid bill. There must be something behind such extreme measures to merit the closing of an institution such as the Chautauqua and especially through the entire grounds in darkness when the auditorium tent was well filled with citizens awaiting the evening performance. Without statement more than was verbally given it seems rather unfair to not warn the public that on such and such an evening the lights at the Chautauqua would be turned out unless a bill was settled. When they were turned out very few had left the grounds. Those who heard the announcement could scarcely believe such extreme measures would really be put into action at such a time. The public demanded a little consideration and one evening should have made little difference to those who held "the club." Mr. Stokes has been rather unfortunate in the financial end of his enterprise and his accounts are his own personal affairs. But the "public be damned" policy is not popular now any more than it was a century ago.

"Is it not enough for you?" This query usually is ample provocation for a facile encounter. Have you lemmings, light-headed or straw tailed, is permissible but never "is it not enough for you?"

AFTER THOMPSON'S remarks concerning the recent decision in the Standard Oil case he had better remain silent. Even a president is not impervious to the charge of "boon-tenant."

The Columbia fair is in progress this week. Quite a number from this city are in attendance. A few Audran horns are represented, both in show rings and events.

SAYS we from Taft being elected. If his nomination acceptance speech is over two hours what would an inaugural address amount to?

A CONTEMPORARY suggests being calm in the warm weather. Great goodness, Mr. Editor, this is presidential year.

WITH our automobile accidents there is little question of Mexico daily growing more like New York.

Primary Election Returns. The primary election returns can be obtained at Harrison's Drug Store, City phone 106, Union Mutual phone 78.

TOPICAL PARTHIAN SHOTS
By Les. M. White

The breakfast food names are not a market basket some of the new soft drinks just introduced into dry communities.

Another rebellion in Honduras. They seem to come as regularly as yeast fever there.

Bryan and his "buttermilk" are becoming as well known as Fairbanks and his highball.

man next door who is learning on the court.

An outlaw stronghold in the Philippines has been raided by American forces; two cannon captured. The outlaws always escape.

It was a married judge who fined the spooners recently in St. Louis. His intention to keep others out of hot water was evasive.

Someone has again come forward with the prudish statement that cupid should be clothed. Woman seems to have succeeded in doing it rather well if the number of young men kept guessing can be accepted as proof.

The Sultan and his new constitution. It is a matter of water whether the Turks will get as tangled as Oklahoma before they are through.

A lone St. Louis policeman captured an American army of ten in St. Louis. During the recent insurrection the Turks might import a few from the Emerald Isle to do their fighting.

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AMUSEMENT PARK

JOHN QUINLAN, RESIDING NORTH OF THIS CITY, HAS CLEARED OFF LARGE ACREAGE OF PROPERTY FOR PURPOSE OF BUILDING AN AMUSEMENT PARK.

Will Have Motor Boats on River as Well as Large Dance Pavilion and Other Concessions Buildings—An Ideal Location for Such Summer Outing Sport.

Upon the completion of a part of the Mexico, Santa Fe and Perry electric line there will be built several miles north of this city on the property of John Quinlan an amusement park. It will be equipped with a large summer theater that can be turned into a dance pavilion at short notice, several concession buildings and upon the placid waters of Salt River will be placed a small fleet of row boats and launches.

As soon as the erection of the electric line from this city to Perry becomes certain Mr. Quinlan conceived the idea of placing an amusement park on his fine property north of this city. He immediately went to work and cleared some fifty acres of blue grass land adjoining Salt River. It is so located as to comprise both hill land as well as the low valley which borders the stream.

Mr. Quinlan intends erecting on the heights a large open air theatre which can be converted into a dance pavilion at short notice. He will also build a refreshment building, a bath house and large boat dock as well as several smaller structures necessary. On the wider shores of Salt River which is exceedingly deep at this place a large number of row boats and launches.

His intentions are to have one of the best equipped and nicest resorts outside of the larger cities. The location is an excellent one in every particular. The work of clearing the land has progressed and everything is in preparation for the building of the various structures he contemplates. Should work on the line be started shortly he will also begin the work on his building which will be of rustic architecture. This will enable him to be ready for business early next spring.

CITY COUNCIL NOTES
Monday Evening Session a Short One—Ordinances to Pave Three Streets in Mexico Given First and Second Readings.

The regular meeting of the city council was held Monday night July 27. Mayor Graham presiding and all members present except Johnson of the second ward. This session was a very short one.

The remonstrance on East Promenade paving was referred to a committee composed of Myers and Hook, as also was the remonstrance to West Monroe street paving.

The petitions of Chas. Johnson and Louis McIntire for a dram shop license were referred to the Mayor. The following committees were appointed: Committee on Sparks alley; committee on hitching lot; committee on Craig street side walk; committee on ordinance; committee on East side main sewer; committee on mill property sewer.

A resolution introduced by Mr. McIntire to pave the alley in Block 2 original Mexico was adopted. The ordinance on tax levy, the ordinance to pave North Jefferson, East Promenade and West Monroe streets were given first and second readings.

The matter of placing an incandescent light at the foot bridge on Missouri ave., north of the ice plant, was referred to the light committee. In the matter of having sewers inspected the city Engineer was authorized to see that the work is done.

The following bills were allowed: Mrs. Ed. Reed (for dirt) \$ 2.80
W. S. Bagdale (horse sheets) 2.00
Joo. Beal (printing) 15.71
B. F. Fox (carriage hire) .75
L. L. Winans (city engineer) 11.00
J. M. Wolf (18 joints 3-4 in) 67.50
M. Printing Co. (advertising) 3.50
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J. D. Williams (work in cemetery) 4.00
(street work) 145.70
L. Willingham (sand) 2.50

George J. Bryan, a cousin of Wm. J. Bryan, returned to his home in Springfield, Ill., after a pleasant visit with his sister, Mrs. E. S. McKinney, of this city.

Mrs. Leona Williams-Rodes, of Sedalia, is rejoicing over a ten pound boy who took breakfast with her Monday morning, July 27.

CHAUTAQUA NEXT YEAR

UNITED CHAUTAUQUA CIRCLES OF THIS CITY WILL GIVE MEXICO A THOROUGHLY UP-TO-DATE AND HIGH CLASS ASSEMBLY—ARE HIGHLY DETERMINED TO MAKE IT GOOD.

Programme Will Be Replete with the Best Talent the Bureau Afford—Will Last at Least Ten Days and in Every Way Prove a Success.

Mexico is to have another Chautauqua. It will be one by the people and for the people with no particular sect or party dominant. The united Chautauqua circles of this city met Tuesday morning and decided next year to give this city the very highest class of an assembly. One that will cater to all and prove a paying investment from the very start. They are not desirous of making money in the enterprise but merely hope to perpetuate the assembly and make it an annual affair.

Of course it is a bit early to make any definite statement regarding plans. The members of the Chautauqua circles here are all prominent men and women, and anything they undertake can be depended upon to prove a success.

Just how long the assembly will be, where and what will compose the talent it is too early to state. Suffice to say it will prove the strongest entertainment of its kind in this section of Missouri and not only a benefit to those seeking pleasure but prove a money-maker for the merchant to whom a crowd means much.

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Jackson obtained the baby from his mother, who is too poor to maintain it. He refuses to divulge her name for fear of making her a victim of public indignation. Every person who buys a ticket for the play during the present week receives a coupon bearing a number. Next Saturday night the manager expects to have an overflowing audience when he will bring the baby to the stage with the winning number to claim the prize.

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Now the Doctor wants it distinctly understood he requires no aid in his weather prophecies. He has studied nature and the elements since he was knee high to the proverbial grasshopper. What he doesn't know about Mother Nature can be put under a goat's left hind foot.

The Doctor's wooden limb (limb because of the appendages origin) has been used for many purposes during its existence but never for the resting place of a mechanical weather prophet.

At the wake of some departed friend he has brought it into instant use in lieu of a missing shillelagh; when the rolling pin is out of commission this prop flattens the biscuit dough; if some part of the machinery at the pump-house is foolish enough to become astubborn from lack of oiling the peg is made to do duty as a couser. Never, though, has he used it to fool the public.

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Our Big Reduction Sale

Of Fine Footwear
has been a great success. We still have plenty of choice Oxfords that are going at prices cut to the bottom notch. We are determined to clean up all summer goods. We will not carry them over. Our loss is your gain. Cut prices are strictly for cash.

Try Me. W. G. WALKINS, The Shoe Man

OZONE THE STUFF

SEA WAVES IN A MOTOR CAR AND BLANKETS. CURLS UP IN A FEATHER BED AT NIGHT AND SPENDS THE DAY IN THOUGHTS

Writes Concerning the Big Fine against the Standard Oil—The Expense of the Mighty Deep Recalls Opinions on Watered Stocks.

Southampton, L. I. N. Y., July 25.—Oh, the ozone of the ocean. It is the stuff. It not only cures all the ills that flesh is heir to, but eliminates those you strenuously acquired, or may have forced upon you while not looking. I am enjoying my vacation by the sea. Am eating, falling, sleeping, loafing and motoring. By the sea you can sleep on a feather bed under a couple of blankets during the month of July, only you must be sure that your bed is not in a draft.

I see the Standard Oil Company has reversed the \$20,340,000 Standard Oil bill. President Roosevelt has ordered the Government lawyers to get busy and go after the corporations again and wants the same kind of results. It seems to me a great many people that the fine was, to say the least, excessive.

The charge on which the Standard Oil Company was convicted was that of violating the Elkins act of 1903 in paying less than the tariff filed by the Chicago and Alton Railroad with the Interstate Commerce Commission on shipments of oil from Whiting, Ind., to East St. Louis, Ill. It was not disputed that the officially filed rate was 18 cents and that the Standard Oil Company paid only six cents.

The jury brought in a verdict that the Standard Oil Company had received a special rate of 1,403 carloads of oil, and Judge Landis imposed the maximum fine of \$20,000 for each carload.

The Court of Appeals reversal is on three grounds: First—That Judge Landis improperly excluded testimony.

Second—That he erred in his directions to the jury.

Third—That he was guilty of "abuse of judicial discretion" in imposing sentence.

On the first ground Judge Groscup, who writes the reversing opinion, says that Judge Landis should have allowed a Standard Oil traffic manager named Edward Bogardus to testify that he believed the six-cent rate had been publicly filed and that he was deceived by a railroad clerk named Holland.

Judge Landis had ruled that it made no difference what Bogardus knew or did not know; that the sole question was whether the Standard Oil had paid the full rate as legally filed.

The second error was Judge Landis's refusal to submit to the jury whether there was intent to violate the law. Since the Standard Oil corporation, not its individual officers, was the defendant, this ruling on intent imputes to a corporation the possession of a conscience and a desire to do good or evil—something hitherto confined to individuals.

For the sake of the life the appellate opinion censures Judge Landis harshly. It says that he had no right to consider the integrity of the parent Standard Oil Company, and to say that "was not a virgin offender" that he had no right to act on "the Judge's personal belief that the party marked by him for punishment" deserved punishment.

A long hard fought legal battle will follow, and in the mean time rebate will be very popular. If, instead of making innocent stockholders pay fines, the law-breaking officers of the offending companies were sent to prison prompt and permanent results would follow.

High salaried officers would much rather their stockholders should pay than the public in the end have to liquidate, than to go to prison, even for a short term. That is human nature, whether we work for corporations or not. One thing is sure in this free and glorious country, and that is, justice will prevail; and that the rights of the humblest individual are just as sacred as those of the wealthier corporations. That is the main reason this is such a great country. The people will zealously safeguard this condition.

B. M. White.
Old Settlers Reunion New Florence Saturday, August 1st
The Wabash will place extra coaches on train No. 50, passing Mexico 7:27 a. m. and No. 204 at 11:37 a. m., also train returning leaving New Florence at 8:30 p. m. in order to accommodate the heavy travel for the occasion. Among the attractions will be music by Montgomery, New Florence and Wabash bands. Closing of State primary campaign, 40 candidates at tending, gold medal contests for best vocal solo, best piano solo, combination of voices, combination of instruments. Arion Male Quartette, of St. Louis, 45 in gold to the oldest couple who rode on the Wabash to the Reunion.

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ELECTRIC LINE

SEVERAL REPRESENTATIVES OF CAPITALISTS HAVE BEEN HERE TO LOOK OVER PROPOSED LINE FROM THIS CITY TO PERRY

MADE VISITS SURPRISE-TIOUSLY.

BOSTON CAPITALIST REPRESENTATIVE WEDNESDAY
President Robison Says Line Will Be Built—A Number of St. Louis Men Now Interested and Express Themselves as Favorable to Plans and Country.

The latest developments in the Mexico, Santa Fe and Perry Tracton Co., of Mo., is the announcement that on Wednesday next, H. O. Rockwell of St. Louis, an expert in such matters, will be in this city in the interest of a well known Boston capitalist who is thinking of financing the line. During the past week several other interested in the line have had representatives here surreptitiously going over the proposed route.

Mr. Robison and Judge Crum returned from St. Louis Saturday night, greatly encouraged with the reception they received in St. Louis. There seems to be little doubt in the minds of those cognizant with the condition of affairs that within a short time the line will be financed and the laying of steel begun on part of the already graded line.

Mr. Robison says there is not the question of a doubt the line will be financed soon. All of the contractors are still on the ground with the exception of one. This one will return upon a resumption of work.

Mr. Perry much consternation has been aroused by an erroneous report to the effect that the line was not to be built. The interested in that terminal of the line is very great. William Armstrong, of that city, recently stated the line would be built if the people of that community had to finance it.

Brother Bill, he's sore.
(The police in St. Louis are breaking up the spooning in parks and one police judge fined a young man \$300 for holding his best hand.)

Brother Bill, he's in a groch.
He's sore, that's what I mean. They've gone and fined a lad for spooning with his "queen." Made him pay three-hundred "plunks."

For holdin' of her hand.
"A rotten trick," says Bill, "In this free an' glorious land!"

"There's nothing wrong with spoonin' in."
As long as you ain't caught. But three-hundred bucks is high. If spoonin' must be bought. The parks are gettin' too select. When things get like this, I ain't goin' to pay no man. Whenever I wants a kiss!

"So let a guy alone!" says Bill all frowin' an' mad.
"Molly an' me is happy An' all the world seems glad. If she loves me an' I loves her, let a couple should, An' let us say the word."

Chautauqua Closes
Mexico's third annual Chautauqua came to a rather sudden termination when the electric lights were turned off and the audience was left in the dark. Lack of finances seem to have been the reason for it closing.

When asked concerning the matter of turning off the light, Mr. Cable collector for the light company, stated that the lights were shut off by Cable & Squires and the company knew nothing of their intentions at that time.

Mr. Cable and Chas. Squires are repairing in electric wiring and in installing electric lights. They had the contract to do the Chautauqua, and also arranged to furnish the power. Mr. Cable stated that Saturday evening Mr. Stokes was requested for a payment on the light bill which he had promised, when he refused and consequently the lights were turned off. He would it is understood, in addition to this year's bill thus far, pay the bill for last year which it seems to have caused the trouble.

Manager Stokes when asked concerning the affair Monday morning would make no statement further than to say that the Chautauqua had closed and that he was not in a position to say anything at that time.

SCIENTIFIC MARVELS

WRITE AND SPEAK OVER PHONE WIRE—TELAUTOGRAPH, NOW PROVED A SUCCESS, ALSO SENDS PICTURES—DOES ALL IN QUICK TIME.

Engineer Can Sketch Designs in Wants When Ordering Building Material—Account of Instrument and How the Mechanism Works—Every thing about it Automatic.

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Herr Granzmann can transmit handwriting, sketches, etc. over an ordinary telephone wire for considerable distances and within the period of a few seconds, thus making a considerable advance on the old system of electric wiring at a distance. His system is low tension current, via telephone lines in the transmitting and receiving boxes. His apparatus can be made an auxiliary of common telephone communication, and, therefore, its commercial utilization is ready to hand.

ARTHUR MAY SEND PICTURES.
Herr Granzmann's messages are passed through as fast as they are written, and the transmitter uses the mechanism of a typewriter. Other systems require somewhat laborious handling of the transmitting mechanism, so that it takes about half an hour to send and receive even a short sentence. In fact, the Granzmann instrument is an autographic double of the voice in telephonic communication. One can telephonically speak and write or draw at the same time through the same wire. The receiver being connected with the apparatus through a condenser of two microfarads.

Say an engineer is ordering material by telephone from a manufacturer. He can furnish plans of the beds, plates, rails, etc., etc., while he requires. Similarly a newspaper artist can sketch an event on the spot—a fire disaster, for instance—and transmit it to his editor hundreds of miles away, accompanying it with a description as he draws; or, if the correspondent is a reporter, he can make use of a photograph by tracing the receiver being connected with the apparatus through a condenser of two microfarads.

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HOW THE INSTRUMENT WORKS.
This wonderful system of telegraphy is accomplished by means of light rays traveling over sealed pipes. The graphite pencil at the transmitter end has two electrical contacts for horizontal and two other vertical movement, a curve table made up of the component parts of one of the other. On taking the pencil off of its rest it dips into the glow lamp in which it is illuminated. The light from this lamp is conducted to a prism, from which it is reflected on two little prisms, one of which corresponds with the circuit of horizontal movement and the other with that of the vertical.

The light ray produced by the authors is absolutely identical with the movements of the points of the pencil and it is thrown upon the section of a spool of sensitized paper set to receive it. By synchronizing the attachment of the receiver with the operation of the graphic film and substituting a focusing glass the evolutions of the light ray can be watched. It appears as if a pinhead of light traveling in all directions over the glass—really tracing exactly the handwriting of the transmitter.

EVERYTHING IS AUTOMATIC.
On laying the pencil down the lamp is extinguished and a little electric motor pushes forward the sensitized paper, on which the message has been photographed, passes it through a chamber of light in which it is developed, and in ten seconds the written sketch becomes visible, while another film is unwound from the spool and placed in position to receive the next message. All these processes are automatic. The receiver has but to cut off the film bearing the message and fix it in the photographic camera. The instrument cannot be so mistaken as to the terms of order. The message is visible, the transmitter has his own message as he writes it on a voucher. This autographic permits of one more refinement: a wire to communicate with a telephone, but B is not at his disposal. All that A has to do is to write his message. When B receives his message he has come for him during his absence.

Crashes Into Window
The new electric broom was purchased by Miss Ida Rosemond, of Rockwood, and while trying her new machine about 2:30 Monday afternoon, it became unmanageable, and crashed into the large plate glass in front of her millinery store, breaking the glass into many pieces.

When the machine crashed into the glass, Tom McIntire was caught between the machine and the glass, receiving a sprained right knee, and cut on the right foot.

The machine has three speed motions and Miss Rosemond is starting open, causing the machine to jump and before she could get hold of the steering rod the accident had happened.

Mr. Coleman was in the millinery with Miss Rosemond. Neither was injured in the collision, though Mr. Rosemond received a severe neck sprain, while the machine's front axle was bent.

Publiah Handsons Catalogue.
The Mexico Business College has just issued their new catalogue, setting forth the advantages of the institution.