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The following letter from Miss Evelyn Mundy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Mundy, formerly of this city, will be of interest to her friends in Mexico. From her letter it seems that conditions in Mexico are unimproved by the overthrow of Madero. The Mexico Weekly Ledger, Mexico, Mo.
Dear Sirs:
Please pardon me for not sending the money to pay for this year's subscription to your highly prized paper, but probably you know the conditions that exist in this Republic. It is impossible to send money; can't say when you will receive this; for over two months we were without any mail from the States. At the present time we are cut off on all sides. Conditions are growing from bad to worse daily.
A prominent American mining man was murdered by Mexicans at a mine in this state yesterday.
Just as soon as possible send the money. Please pardon me.
Respectfully,
EVELYN MUNDY.
Guadalupe, Jal., April 26, 1913.
P. S. Haven't received paper in two months. Trust the rebels enjoyed reading them.



10, 20 and 30 Years Ago This Week...

30 YEARS AGO.
W. C. Barnes and Hiram Greer were in the lumber business at Vandalia.
A frame dwelling near the railroad bridge which belonged to Jas. Callaway burned.
The officers of the Mexico Gun Club were: Dr. Neal, the Secretary, Joe Moore, Treas., W. A. Morris.
20 YEARS AGO.
J. A. Coit, of Perry, father of Dr. Coit, of this city, was stricken with paralysis.
Daisy Hughes, a former Audrain County girl, 19 years of age, attempted suicide at St. Louis.
Dr. Turner and brother, L. Turner, bought Mr. Purdy's interest in the firm of Carter & Purdy.
The officers of the Linton District Medical Society were: Dr. C. R. Halley, Pres.; Dr. McComas and Dr. Parish, vice pres.; Dr. M. Yates, Treas.; Dr. L. O. Hodges, secretary.
10 YEARS AGO.
The Louisiana Purchase Exposition was dedicated. A number of Mexico people attended the ceremony.
W. H. Brown and B. R. Middleton, both of Mexico, and A. Barnes of Centralia bought John Graham's livery barn.
N. R. Rodas was president of the Linton District Medical Society. The other officers were: Drs. Guy Noyes, and R. W. Borrey, vice presidents; E. S. Cave, secretary; Martin Yates, treasurer.
Judge Norman Lockland, 72 years of age, died at Chicago.
William Underwood of Centralia, Ill., bought a farm south of Mexico, paying \$41,965 for the same.
Mrs. Mary Craddock, formerly of Mexico, died at La Plata. She was 80 years of age.
The thirty-seven members of the Hardin College Class 1913 will erect a handsome stone entrance to the college campus as a memorial.
The design is rustic, bearing the name of "Hardin" on the top cross-piece, while on one of the supporting pillars is a tablet bearing the names of the thirty-seven students.
The Minister, a school store and a lawn party on the campus next Tuesday evening are the means for paying for this handsome gift. This is not only the handsomest, but one of the most appropriate Senior Class gifts the school has ever received.
Those in the Class of 1913 are:
A. B. Margaret Callison, Alberta Griswold, Lucy Dehman, Mildred Johnson, Selma Thompson, Alice Witherspoon, Gertrude Susan, Frances Graham.
B. L. — Pauline Bohrer, Anna Brynne Nell Cash, Lonah Rose Dickerson, Edna Evans, Emma Kell, Helen Melntyre, Katharine Yandell.
Music Seniors—Maudie Barlow, Delia Henegar, Jennie Hinshaw, Madge Newlin, Floy Sellard, Margaret Trull, Helen Walcott.
Voice Seniors—Willie Mabel Anderson, Lydia Botts, Alva Penaky, Vera Hill, Ariowela Mitchell.
Expression—Hess Gwyn, Ruth Manfield, Blanche Slake, Lois Wantland.
Art—Zola Deal, Reubler Rhodes, Ruth Early, Ruth Housley.
Vivian—Bird Crane.

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Court House News

Frank Pimpel has filed suit in the Circuit Court for \$25,000 against the Chicago and Alton R. Co. for damages to himself, alleged to be caused by negligence of the railroad company. Mr. Pimpel at the time he was injured was acting as substitute night yardmaster at Francis in place of J. W. Dugan. On the night of March 20, 1912, he was badly "kicked" bodily and mentally, the petition reads and "was unfitted for work a whole year."
Mr. Pimpel claims that now he is unable to earn as much as he did before on account of the accident. Clarence Barnes is attorney for the plaintiff.
Wm. Kemper was granted a saloon license Monday by the County Court under the ten-day rule. Mr. Kemper had only about one vote to spare as quite a number of residents in that block who were in favor of saloons did not vote at the last election. In order to be a petitioner for a saloon in a block, you must have voted in the previous election.
The County Court, Tuesday afternoon, selected the Southern Bank as the County depository. The bank will pay 5 per cent on the county deposits.
The County Court, Tuesday morning, granted T. T. Morris a pool and billiard hall license for another year. This action on the part of the court was taken because Mr. Morris' license had expired before the court decided to do away with the pool and billiard halls in Audrain county.
Presiding Judge Alex Carter said that no more licenses of this kind will be granted in the county and as fast as the licenses expire the halls will be closed. He said that Mr. Morris had had no notice of this decision of the court and that it would not be just to refuse him a license now.
There are twelve pool and billiard halls in the county and their revenue amounts to only \$119. The following are the owners of the places and the time when their licenses expire: Mexico, B. E. Sims, April, 1914; T. T. Morris, May, 1914; Chas. Scott, June, 1913; William Porawski, Jan. 18 1914; Vandalia, Jos. Keller, June 29 1913; G. C. Elliott, Oct. 22, 1913; A. B. Gregg, Jan. 2, 1914; Farber, S. A. and A. Jones, Jan. 2, 1914; J. A. Kimball, Jan. 23, 1914; Martinsburg, Sam. Teas, July 30, 1913; Laddonia, Al. Self, September 16, 1913; Ruth Hill, James Myers, Dec. 15, 1913.
Mayor Potts and Councilman Hanley appeared before the County Court Tuesday morning and asked the court to take some action toward cleaning up the old cemetery and improving the looks of the place generally. The court agreed to let the city use the county prisoners to do this work and the old cemetery which has been an eyesore for many years will take on a much-improved look. The rubbish will be cleared off, the grass will be cut and the trees will be trimmed.
Judge W. W. Fry appeared before the court and stated that the cemetery could not be made into a park, as some had suggested, because the law stated that any piece of ground needed for a cemetery and used for that purpose for two years must always remain for that use and cannot be changed or sold for any other purpose.
The old cemetery is part of Block 17 of the County Addition which was divided to the county in 1855 by Jas. H. Smith and Robert C. Manfield. The deed did not specify that this lot should be used for a cemetery, but the county allowed it to be used for that purpose. Most of the bodies in the cemetery there have been moved to Elmwood or to other cities.
The County Court met May 5 with all justices present and transacted the following business:
The statement of fees collected by J. W. Barnett, sheriff, for the first quarter ending March 31, shows the same to be \$152.88.
A petition presented by G. W. Peck and others for a public road on 27-31-9 was refused.
The quarterly statement of H. H. Crawford, Co. Treas., was approved. It shows a balance of all funds on hand May 1 in the amount of \$54,611.10.
The tax levy for 1913 was ordered by the court as follows: County, 40 cents, special road and bridge, 25 cents, poorhouse bonds 4 cents, road 10 cents.
The total receipts for the year 1912 amounted to \$105,524.99. The expenditures amounted to \$74,291.35.
The statement of fees collected by J. B. Graham, county clerk, for the first quarter, ending March 31, shows the same to be \$11,116.40.
Bills allowed May 5, follow:
J. W. Barnett, feeding prisoners \$659.00
W. L. Craddock, sup. Probate 2.50
G. W. Robertson, sup. C. H. 2.95
J. M. Greer, sup. Jail, 9.75
J. P. Powell, Co. Farm, Sup. 19.90
W. L. Craddock, Sup. Col. 1.50
Moore & Field, Sup. Co. Farm 34.11
Mexico Ledger, Sup. Collector 11.00
Mexico Power Co., water at jail 1.50
E. O. Tucker, sup. C. H. .50
T. S. Riley, winding courthouse clock, 37.50
John H. Wayne, sup. J. P. 1.85
Mexico Power Co., sup. Court 11.00
Hon. J. P. Powell, election supplies 2.00
The Intelligence Pub. Co., publication 1.00
E. P. Elliott, stamps etc., 10.50
Harry Householder, bridge work 64.90
Mexico Power Co., lights at jail 26.40
Mexico Power Co., lights at courthouse 30.12
Llewellyn & Sons, sup. C. H. 2.85
J. W. Barnett, election service 21.60
Fred A. Morris, sup. Co. Farm 33.35
Garrett & Garrett, sup. court house 2.00
Berger & Ball, same 1.20
Cathworth Lbr. Co., bridge lumber 1.5

Dr. Robert C. Strode, Coroner's fees 5.00
Burroughs Adding Machine Co., sup. collector 5.00
R. S. McKinney, R. & B. 12.35
Kirt Smith, road damage commissioner 2.0
J. T. Crawford, same 2.00
W. H. Greer, same 2.00
Alex Carter, two days justice and mileage 10.20
C. C. Hiedsoe, same 10.75
J. W. Beagle, same 11.80
The court adjourned to June 2.
Bills allowed at the session April 29, follow:
Dr. N. H. Rodas, \$ 5.37
Dr. R. W. Borrey, (Co. Farm) 4.13
Dr. R. W. Borrey, (Jail) 4.12
Dr. N. H. Rodas, (Jail) 8.37
Alex Carter, two days court, one day Board of Equalization and mileage 15.20
C. C. Hiedsoe for the same 15.75
J. W. Beagle for the same 15.50
Mr. Buxton & Skinner, Supt. Co. Clk. 7.40
Buxton & Skinner, Supt. Col. 87.50
Standard Ptg. Co. Probate 6.30
Geo. D. Barnard & Co. Supt. Clk. Clk. 22.00
J. B. Graham, stamps, etc. 13.57
Jeff. T. Asher, constable services at election 8.00
L. T. Pasley, same 6.80
U. S. Goran, same 10.50
John Kilgore, same 11.50
C. B. Kennan, same 25.50
Emmett Gorman, same 15.90
A. H. Williams, same 12.05
Vandalia Mail, election printing 5.00
Vandalia Ledger, same 5.00
Farber Postcard, same 5.00
Laddonia Herald, same 5.00
Martinsburg Oracle, same 5.00
Mexico Message, same 5.00
A. C. Whitson, salary Proseunt Ing Attorney 217.00
J. B. Graham, acct. clerk 68.00
Thomas Lumber Co., bridge sup. 28.50
Thomas Lumber Co., same 61.65
T. J. Kelso, exp. Board of Equalization 12.35
Charles Clark, sup. Co. Farm 7.50
J. B. Graham, making statement receipts and expenditures 40.00
R. S. McKinney, acct. R. & B. 7.42
The following were \$5.00 each for on days service on the Board of Equalization: R. S. McKinney, Willard Potts, S. D. Byrns and T. J. Kelso.

Already a number of the teachers for the rural schools in this county have been employed for next fall and a number of these have been re-employed. As a general thing the rural school teachers in this county are as good as can be found in rural schools anywhere. The teachers that have been re-employed are:
New Michigan, Pearl Parker, \$60.
East Lick, Ella Criswell.
Burnham, Janetta White, \$75.
Hedgocote, Mabel Kilgore.
Highdale, Mabel Cook.
Prairie Lea, Abbie Sullivan, \$60.
Walker, Geo. D. Cookley.
Black, Gladys G. Furber, \$50.
Blatt, Anna Mackay.
Sun Rise, Elizabeth O'Brien.
Grant, C. W. Samsberry, \$60.
Fiyat, Annie Marshall.
New teachers employed are as follows:
Dear Slough, Van Smith.
Dye, Effie Bryson.
Molino, E. E. Shay, \$60.
Fox, Blanche Taylor, \$60.
Pine, Frances Sappington, \$55.
Hurdle, Mrs. Nellie McKeehan.
Sims, Zola Deal, \$55.
Frankie Chase, Zella Brown.
Jackson, Myrtle Duncan, \$60.
Cedar Grove, Esther Harrison.
Beaver Dam, Blanche White, \$50.
Hisey, Edith Smith, \$55.
Burke, Ed. C. Ottatt.
Ellis, Lizzie Tolkanper.

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The meeting of the Linton District Medical Society closed Tuesday evening after the election of officers and an interesting program.
One of the features of the program was the paper of Dr. Moore, of this city, on "Stab Wounds in the Liver." The case Dr. Moore referred to was that of Miss Leona Scherer who was stabbed by William Mehus on a train and was brought here.
At the election the following officers were elected: J. F. Harrison, of Mexico, President; C. B. Clapp, of Moberly, 1st vice president; J. E. Thornton, 2d vice president; Harry Giths, Mexico, Secretary; C. A. Rothwell, Mexico, Treasurer.
The following out-of-town physicians attended the meeting: A. W. Kampchmidt and Woodson Moss, of Columbia; Roland Hill, of St. Louis, and C. K. Butler and J. C. Lytner of Moberly.

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The closing exercises of the North Central and South Side Schools will be held together at the Orpheum Theatre, on the evening of May 20.
Certificates of admission to the High School will be presented to the graduates of the two grade schools and Prof. J. D. Bliff, High School Inspector for the University will deliver the address to the classes.

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THE GIRL AHEAD

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Some day soon a high-brow scientist will write a work in 16 large volumes which the irreverent will be likely to call "The Bug House Interpretation of History."
He will start by showing that mosquitoes were responsible for the downfall of the Roman empire; that not until the strong arms of the Roman cohorts were filled with the germs of malaria and their proud spires shaken by the chills and fever did they yield to this invasion of the barbarians from the north. And, of course, the only way malaria can be communicated is by the bite of a mosquito which has already bitten a man who has malaria. The difficulty in this case is the historic discussion as to whether the lion or the egg came first—in this case just how the original malaria bug got its start.
The second volume will blame another mosquito, his Latin name is Stegomyia for the failure of the French to build the Panama canal. Stegomyia is solely responsible for the prevalence of yellow fever, and it was yellow fever that filled the French ditch with stricken workmen.
It is another bug—the time the bodies of rats and other rodents, the parts of Africa, and which, with other insects, is to a considerable extent responsible for the slow spread of civilization through the dark continent.
The botanic plague, most dreadful of all forms of pestilence, which has at one time or another swept over many parts of the world, is communicated only by the bite of fleas which live most of the time on the bodies of rats and other rodents.
The "Swat That Fly" campaigns at least educate people up to the idea that the fly is a dangerous pest. If the campaigns are undertaken in May they may do a lot of good by cutting down the number of flies which will begin to lay eggs about the first of June. But after that date even the most successful fly hunter, winning no matter how large a prize by bringing in a basket full of distinct flies, will hardly make any headway on the progeny of even a single female.
Laying 150 eggs at a time and six sets of eggs during her short life, it is estimated that one fly during a single summer may become the ancestor of enough insects to completely fill a space of 250,000,000 cubic feet. Against such fecundity fly killing contests are powerless.
The only way to make any impression on the swarms is to prevent breeding. By choice flies breed in manure piles. In a big city, it is estimated, 50 per cent of all the flies are hatched in horse manure. If a small amount of chloride of lime is daily sprinkled over the pile the breeding will be almost entirely prevented. A solution of sulphate of iron—two pounds to a gallon of water for each horse—sprinkled over the pile daily will have the same effect in preventing the hatching of flies. The stable owner may find a selfish satisfaction and profit in the fact that his horses will be able to rest instead of being continually tormented by flies so that they will keep in better condition for hard work.

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BASEBALL PLAYED IN CHURCH AND ON SUNDAY, TOO

South Norwalk, Conn., May 1.
The Juniors and the Seniors of the Christian Endeavor Society had a contest in the South Norwalk Baptist Church last Sunday. The Juniors triumphing in nine innings by a score of 5 to 5.
It was brand new baseball—Scriptural baseball, you see—and this is how it was played:
The "batter" stood up and the "pitcher" wound up mentally and after a question concerning the Bible. The "batter" had a chance at three questions. If he or she couldn't answer any of the three—no, natural!—that was a strike-out. But the "batter" answered the first question correctly of the three, that was a base hit. And so, of course, by this method the bases could be filled. If by the bases filled a "batter" answered the first question correctly and was willing to take a chance on answering faultlessly three more, he or she could not only get the credit of a home run but could score the other three. The score shows that no balls were developed in the game were no bases on balls or errors.
THE Income Tax is going to reach a few people in Mexico and Audrain County. All incomes \$4,000 and undos to be exempt. From \$4,000 to \$20,000 the tax is 1 per cent; from \$20,000 to \$50,000, 2 per cent; from \$50,000 to \$100,000, 4 per cent; over \$100,000, 5 per cent. Uncle Sam is going to raise \$100,000,000 tax via this route.

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THE paving of South Western Avenue means the paving of several other streets in South Mexico, which means that at least the people in that part of town have awakened and are going to get on the map. This will enhance the value of property in South Mexico right away at least twenty-five per cent.
Dr. Boving, President of Westminster College, at Fulton, was in Mexico Monday.
Frank Wheeler, who has been ill a long time, is worse.

3 Big Specials

This sale will start Saturday Morning, May 10th, 9 a. m.
Ragsdale's Cash Store
Above Specials are now on display in our large show windows. Sales will take place from these windows; first come first served for these specials.

25c GLASS SPECIAL.
Extra large pieces of pressed cut glass, consisting of fruit bowls, covered, footed preserve bowls, water pitchers and salad bowls, value 50c, your choice in this sale, 25c.
10c GLASS SPECIAL.
1000 Pieces of glass ware, consisting of 18 inch vases, berry bowls, water pitchers, footed, jet-sugars and confection dishes, value up to 25c, your choice in this sale, 10c.
10c GRANITE WARE SPECIAL.
1000 Pieces of grey granite ware, consisting of Rice Cookers, Children's Chambers, Coffee and Tea Pots, dish pans, large Mixing pans, 2, 3 and 4 qt. Covered Buckets, pudding pans, Preserve Kettles, sauce pans, value worth up to 25c, your choice in this sale, 10c.

ARKANSAN'S CHILDREN
50, DESCENDANTS 269.
Walmart, Ark., May 2.
In Thomas Ellison, better known as "Uncle Tom," who resides in Newton it is believed that the real champion of the race-conservation principles of Theodore Roosevelt has been found. Uncle Tom is 93 years old. The birth yesterday of a son to one of his granddaughters caused a re-echoing of the Ellison record. Here it is:
Married three times.
Father of 56 children.
Grandfather of 126 children.
Great grandfather of 69 children.
Great great grandfather of 27 children.
His youngest child is 11 years old, the oldest, 65. Ellison was born in Clinton County, O.

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FORMER AUDRAIN MAN DEAD

John L. Hoagles, formerly of Audrain county, died last week at Carrio Springs, in Southern Texas. His death was sudden and unexpected. He was a cousin of Mrs. Elizabeth Atkinson, of this city, and Judge J. W. Hoagles. He was a resident at Vandalia for many years.
B. P. S. Paints are the best. Buckner, sole agent.

COMPLAINT is made that President Wilson has injured the "open door" policy for China, just as if that policy had come through the Tariff administration with its parts intact.

ANSWER TO W. W. J.

Mr. W. W. J., care of Ledger, Mexico, Mo.—
Dear Sir: Seeing answers to your question in The Ledger of April 17, I beg to submit the following solution to your problem—
The stick of timber referred to is the frustrum of a pyramid whose bases are respectively 12 inches and 8 inches square and whose altitude is 16 feet.
Referring to "Ray's Higher Arithmetic," also to "Cook and Croy's," the following rule is given for finding the solidity of the frustrum of a pyramid or cone:
To the sum of the two bases add the square root of their product and multiply the amount by one-third of their altitude. Thus 14 sq. in. equals 130 sq. inches, sum of bases. Square root of 14 times 26 equals 72.
130 Sq. in. plus 72 sq. in. equals 202 sq. in. One-third altitude is 16 inches. 202 sq. inches times 16 inches equals 3232 cu. in.
One board foot equals 144 cu. in. 3232 divided by 144 is 22.44. No board feet in piece of lumber.
Yours respectfully,
D. W. CARPENTER.
R. P. D. 1, Thompson, Mo.

South Western avenue from Promote street to the Boulevard is to be paved. The protest which was filed Saturday was not signed by enough property owners to beat the enterprise and work will be commenced soon.
It is understood another resolution to pave Central avenue from Jefferson street to Western avenue will be introduced at next meeting of the Council. A few weeks ago the paving of this street was defeated by a protest, but now that Western avenue is to be paved it is thought some who signed the protest before against paving Central avenue will be in favor of the enterprise this time.

SENATOR LAPOLETTE gives it out that he is a Republican; and this stirs up a lot of natural curiosity as to what the Republicans are not.

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