The Weekly Ledger

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C. A. DAVAULT is surely the optimist. This is from his pen: "There is always something to be thankful for. From what we can learn, the watermelon vines are looking fine.

AUXVASSE wants a new depot and such a live up-to-date community deserves one.

THE death of T. L. McCubbin, one of the most venerable men in this section, will sadden the hearts of many, for he was beloved by his friends and admired by all who knew him. The bereaved family has the deepest sympathy of the entire community.

MOBERLY boosters in 42 automobiles visited 12 nearby towns Thursday advertising their fair and other attractions.

MAYOR POTTS has interviewed a number of merchants ralng the Merchants Delivery System and found they would be willing to do away with the Sunday morning delivery. Manager Carey, of the System, says it would also suit him and as a result, Mayor Potts is preparing an ordinance against the delivery of meats and groceries in this city on Sunday.

Mr Potts says the men employed on the wagons should have all day Sunday for rest and attending church and that he believes those who must buy food can do it Saturday night or walk up town early Sunday when the stores are open.

MCKAY HAS RIGHT IDEA.

TO cover the news of the University of Missouri which will be of special interest to newspapers in every part of the state is a plan of the University publisher, Hugh J. McKay, who will this fall put on a local reporter to gather facts for stories to be sent every weekly paper in the state.

Mr. McKay's idea is to send the news to the home paper of any student in the University who achieves honor or otherwise attracts attention by his school work.

This plan will secure more publicity for the school than any ever tried there. Mr. McKay is a young man of ability and originality and we congratulate Missouri University upon securing his services.We might add that "Mac" is one of the finest fellows you could meet in many a day's walk.

THE Commercial Club luncheons are to be discontinued through the month of August unless some special matter comes up. We can conserve our enthusiasm until the cooler days when we should "go to the bat" with greater and more vigorous ambition to make Mexico a city.

IN the death of Mrs. A. C. Hitt Mexico loses one of its oldest and most revered women. Mrs Hitt was a fine Christian character beloved by all who knew her.

CHEER up. The rain did anything but dampen our spirits.

TOO many automobiles are ready to take a chance with other people's lives.

EDITOR SCHAUFFLER, of the Missouri Notes in the Kansas City Times, has the following to say about Mexico: "Naturally a thriving little Missouri city built around such a live wire centerpiece as Col. Bob White of the Ledger wouldn't be likely to run on very long without a convention hall movement of its own. And Mexico accordingly comes to the front with an excellent plan which seems to have the essential backing. It is estimated that $15,000 will put the scheme through nicely and the hustle for the needful has begun actively."

MOST likely a lot of expensive lobbyists are feeling cheap.

ANOTHER happy combination migh be that of the electric fan and the the phonograph.

The temperature has been rather intemperate lately.

WHY does the barber ask you if you want a clean shave? Does he think you want a dirty one?

THE Making of a new Gypsy King in Mexico should be a good subject for the Pathe Weekly. It might pay to wire the St. Louis office of this company concerning this unusual event to be held here.

SEC'Y RACE, of the Commercial Club, is visiting the members and asking their opinion concerning the advisability of making the crowning of the Gypsy King here an event to attract people to this city. Such an affair as a Coronation in the U. S. is most unusual and as there will likely be hundreds of these wanders present in all theircolorful display as well as odd ceremonies many people from this section will want to witness the event. If he meets with sufficient encouragement, he will communicate with the heir to the throne with a view of aiding in making the event a drawing card. Incidentally, it will show that all roads lead to Mexico.

CHEER UP. If the town people were as cheerful about the crop prospects as the Farmer, the calamity talk would die aborning.

JAS. BUFFINGTON left Mexico Monday morning in his auto with a Mexico Fair streamer strung on the rear of his machine. That is the spirit which places a town on the map.

THE hardest part of vacation is coming back home.

EVERY little automobile has a movement of its own.

MAN INJNRED WHEN TRAIN HITS AUTO.

Dr. T. M. Monroe of Laddonia was seriously injured when his automobile, which he was driving, was struck by No. 11, the fast C. & A. passenger train, at that place Thursday morning about 7:30 o'clock. Dr. Monroe's right leg was broken; his entire body was badly bruised. Drs. J. G. Moore and N R Rodes of this city, were immediately called and attended the injurd man.

Dr. Monroe was driving across the railroad crossing just west of the station at the time of the accident. He says he heard the train whistle, but thought it was far enough down the track to beat it across. He was just half across, when the engine, a big 600, struck the rear of his car, demolishing it and throwing him out. The car was an E. M. F.

SAYS COLUMBIA WILL MEET MEXICO ON R. R. PROPOSITION.

(Columbia Tribune.)

Editor Daily Tribune: I have been asked by a number of friends what I know of the Mexico-Columbia Electric Railway project. It is well known about four miles of road is built and about three or four miles graded between Mexico and Columbia. The title to this property as I am informed rests with the purchasers under a foreclosure subject to the Trust Company who has acted as trustee, seeing the proceeds of said sale is equally and fairly distributed among the bondholders, which is about $200,000 worth of bonds. About three weeks or more ago, Judge Crum and Mr. Robinson asked me if Mexico would raise $60,000 would Columbia raise $60,000 and build a road between Mexico and Columbia, taking the part that is already built at a fair market value My reply was, I would talk with Mr. Quinn, who is chairman of the Commercial Club railway committee, and advise with them.Mr. Quinn and myself stopped at Moberly and after considerable talk, we asked Mexico to make a written proposition signed by three or five financially responsible men and then Mr. Quinn would present the matter to the Columbia Commercial Club insisting always from first to last that the proposition must be made in writing and be signed by men of financial responsibility. I wish to make the above statement with all fairness to Mexico, the holders of the Mexico-Columbia electric properties, and to Mr. Quinn, chairman of the Columbia Commercial Club railway committee. It might be wise for me to say that my interest in thematter was brought around by my interest in trying to get a line built from Columbia to Moberly. Columbia to Jefferson City, from Columbia to Fulton, Columbia to Mexico, Columbia to Fayette. I feel if Mexico wou raise her part of this money Columbia woulde be glad to meet them on equal and fair basis. In my opinion, Columbia will soon have a chance to build a road in one, two or three directions, and this chance I think will come very shortly.

Very truly,
ODON GUITAR JR

Judge W. W. Botts ,one of the owners of the Mexico, Perry & Santa Fe Traction Co., issued the following statement:

The statement of Mr. Guitar as published in the Columbia papers while not exactly incorrect is a little misleading. The Fidelity Trust Co. is not objecting to the sale and is not in any way contesting the title of the purchasers to the property. They are merely contending that the money for which the road was sold should be distributed among the bondholders. Judge Barnett's decision was that the Fruin-Bambrick judgment was a lien prior to the lien of the bondholders and that the money should be applied to the payment of the judgment.

CORNER STONE OF PUBLIC LIBRARY TO BE LAID SATURDAY.

The corner-stone of the Free Public Library, in this city, will be laid amid ceremonies, Saturday evening, at 7 o'clock. Dr. John W. Million will make the address of the evening. Talks will also be made by several members of the Library board and a number of women.

The stone will be laid on the southwest corner of the building. In it will be placed newspapers of the day, coins and other things of interest to posterity. Dr. A. A. Wallace will put in a Canadian penny of 1863. Material for the building has arrived and Contractor L. M. Lake is rushing the work as rapidly as possible. When completed the library building will be one of the prettiest in the country for the amount of money put into it.

All arrangements for the cornerstone laying have not been made yet, but impressive ceremonies will be held. Paul St. Vrain has charge of the music and is arranging for a very beautiful song service.

MISS ETHEL SNIDOW SAILS FRIDAY.

Miss Ethel Snidow, of this city, with twenty-nine other young ladies from different parts of the U. S. sailed from Philadelphia, Friday, on the steamrer, Manitou. These young women were voted by newspaper readers in various parts of the U. S. the prettiest young women in the country and sailed Friday for an extensive tour of Europe as a penalty for their beauty. Miss Snidow's picture, taken with her friend from Tulsa, Okla., was published in the Philadelphia North American, Saturday.

Dr. J. S. Tate, who now lives in Texas, and who formerly lived in this city, is visiting friends here and in the surrounding country. Dr. Tate is very much pleased with the improvements Mexico has made since he was here last.

STRUCK BY TRAIN: ARM MANGLED.

Lillie Huffman, a negro woman,was struck by a fast C. & A. train, near Pollock's mill, early Sunday morning, and her right arm was so badly mangled it was necessary to amputate it at the shoulder joint. She also suffered a concussion of the skull. Dr Rachel attended her and she is resting very easy to-day.

"I care not how many women vote, quoth the Illinois politician, "so long as we fellows hold on to the jobs.

THIRTEEN HORSES QUALIFY FOR BIG $1500.00 STAKE.

Thirteen of the horses nominated for the $1500 Commercial Club's guaranteed saddle stake at the big Mexico Fair Aug. 12-15, were entered. The final entries closed on the fifteenth of July. Fox McDonald, owned by H. A Greenwell, of Lakenan, Mo., was the only horse, nominated, that was withdrawn. Three of the nominees in the $500 junior saddle stake failed to qualify. None in the $500 light harness stake were withdrawn.

The crowd on the 12th, the day of the big $1,500 stake, will be larger than ever, no doubt, drawn by the fact moving pictures of the stake will be made by Pathe Bros. Manager Smith, of the Lyric, President Geo. Lee, and Secretary E. H. Carter, of the Fair Assn state that arrangements have not been made with any local person to take charge of or assist the camera man in making the photograph.

$1500 COMMERCIAL CLUB'S GUARANTEED SADDLE STAKE—

Major Mack, H B Mudd & Vanscyke, Monroe City, Mo.

Intelligencer, R H Cauthorn, Mexico, Mo

Kymokan, Miss Louia Long of Long View Farm, Kansas City, Mo.

My Major Dare, Miss Louia Long, Long View Farm, Kansas City

Gingerbread Man, Paul Brown, St. Louis, Mo.

Mary Dowling, Paul Brown, St. Louis, Mo.

The Black Whirlwind, P. W. Ray & Son, Bowling Green, Ky.

Princess Eugenia 6558, Eaton Farms, Mexico, Mo.

Queen of the Denmarks 6686, Eaton Farms, Mexico, Mo.

Miss Cliff 5524, Estill & Son, Estill, Mo.

Maurine Fisher, Jeff Fisher, of Paris, Mo.

Marble McDonald 3541, H. R. Blades, Holliday, Mo.

Bob McDonald, Buckman Bros., Monroe City, Mo.

$500 JUNIOR SADDLE STAKE.

Maurine Fisher, Jeff Fisher, of Paris, Mo.

Eric Sensation, M. A Steele, of Freeport, Ill

Carmen King 5669, Estill & Son, Estill, Mo.

Princess Eugenia 6558, Eaton Farms, Mexico, Mo.

Senator Cantrall 5705, Eaton Farms, Mexico, Mo.

Barbarian Rose 6501, Eaton Farm, Mexico, Mo.

Flying Hawk 5901, P. W. Ray & Son, Bowling Green, Ky.

Mary Dowling, Paul Brown, St. Louis, Mo.

Silver King, Jas. H. Wright of Smithville, Mo

Forest Ike, McGowan Bros., Centralia, Mo.

Kentucky's Best, Miss Louia Long, Long View Farm, Kansas City, Mo.

Easter Cloud, H. A. Greenwell, Lakenan, Mo

Baronet 1949, C W Viles, Bolivar, Mo.

Gypsy McDonald, Marry McClintic, Monroe City, Mo.

Madison McDonald, Chester Atterbury, Madison, Mo.

$500 LIGHT HARNESS STAKE.

Kentucky's Best, Miss Louia Long, Long View Farm, Kansas City, Mo.

Expectation, Miss Louia Long, Long View Farm, Kansas City, Mo.

Aspiration, Miss Louia Long, Long View Farm, Kansas City, Mo.

Peppers, Bert Luckie, Montgomery City, Mo.

Kentucky's Selection 9972, P. W Ray & Son, Bowling Green, Ky.

Princess Eugenia 6558, Eaton Farms, Mexico, Mo.

Queen of the Denmarks 6686, Eaton Farms, Mexico, Mo.

Peter Pan, Jos. T Harris, Columbia, Mo.

Bracken Prince 5281, John R. Feagan, Brooksville, Ky.

Golden Girl 4765, John R. Reagon, Brooksville, Ky.

BOATMAN BROTHERS BURN OUT.

A telegram to W. N. Boatman, on Monday morning, announced the complete destruction Sunday night of Boatman Bros.' immense hardware store in Dallas, Tex. Jas., Will and Robert Boatman, all Mexico boys, are in the firm and it is one of the largest stores in the state. The Ledger understands it was well covered by insurance. Their many Mexico friends will heartily to learn of their loss.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank our neighbors and friends for their many kindnesse during the last illness and death of our beloved wife and mother.
dw1 J. H. Carter and Children.

Dr. J. Elliott Royer of Kansas City was the guest of his sister, Mrs. K. R. Wilkerson Friday. Dr. Royer was on his way to New York City, where he will sail for London to attend the International Medical Congress. Later, Dr. Royer will go to Berlin and will spend two years in the principal neurological clinics of Europe doing research work in nervous diseases.

FAMOUS STARK CASE COMES TO AUDRAIN—VENUE CHANGE.

The case of William P. Stark vs Stark Bros. Nurseries & Orchards Co Edgar W. Stark ,Lloyd C. Stark and Eugene Duncan, has been brought to the Audrain County Circuit Court on a change of venue from the Pike County Court. W. P. Stark asks that a receiver be appointed and the partnership dissolved. The suit involves property valued at $1,000,000.

Wm. P. Stark alleges Clarence M. Stark was declared mentally incapable of attending to his business by the Pike County Probate Court and that Mrs. C. M. Stark was appointed his guardian. Among other things he asserts that Mrs. C. M. Stark and Edgar W. Stark "fraudulently conspired and confederated together to deprrive the plaintiff of any voice in the management and control of the business.

In reply, the defendants deny all of the charges made by W. P. Stark. D. A. Ball, Pearson and Pearson and Wilfley and McIntyre are the attorneys for the plaintiff. The case will likely be heard next term.

Elisha, the three year old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Carter, had his right foot cut Saturday, when a motorcycle fell upon it. Fortunately, the injury was not serious, and the little fellow is getting along nicely.

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under all State and National Pure Food Laws. You can pay a higher price, but you cannot get a baking powder that will raise nicer, lighter biscuits, cakes and pastry, or that is any more healthful.

Your money back if K C fails to please you. Try a can at our risk.

COMPLIMENTS "DAD" BOATMAN.

W. N. Boatman of Mexico was over at Hallsville Tuesday with the Odd Fellows. Mr. Boatman is carrying a fine gold-headed cane, a gift from the Mexico Odd Fllows' lodge. He 76 years old, but looks under 50, and has been an Odd Fellow 48 years. In the 48 years Mr. Boatman has not missed meeting with some lodge as many as 48 times. He is a jolly boy and his life is an inspiration to others not only because he lives up to the tenets of a secret order, but because he is a grand old Christian gentleman. — Centralia Guard.

C. B. LEE WRITES LEDGER.

Labelle, Colo., July 9, 1913.
Mr. R. M. White & Son,
Mexico, Mo.
Gentlemen:—
Please find enclosed $1.00 to renew my subscription for the Ledger.
We have prospects for good crops this year if the water comes but are dry at present.
There has been quite an immigration into Colorado this summer and people are continuing to come. Property and land have begun to change hands.
Yours very truly,
C. B. LEE.

SELLS DRUG STORE.

Tucker & McClure have sold the drug store, which they bought Friday, from R. L. Pickett, to Charles Criswell. The deal was made Saturday. Mr Criswell will continue to run this store and his other one in this city, also.

ARBITRATION COMMISSION TO KANSAS CITY.

Unable to get the consent of the bricklayers' International Union to arbitrate the trouble between that union and the Building Trades Council in Kansas City, Philip R. Toll, of that city, acting chairman of the state board of mediation and arbitration, said the board will investigate the controversy and will give its findings to the public.

The findings will not be binding by law as they would have been had both factions submitted to the proceedings, said Mr. Toll. But the law says that the findings shall be binding, even when only one party consents, unless either or both parties file a protest within five days after such decision is announced.

J. C. Bassford, of Mexico, is a member of the board and will take part in the investigation.

SEINERS FINED.

Nine negroes were fined in a justice of peace court Friday morning, for seining in East Lake. Several more will be arrested. A fine of $15.55 was assessed against each one. Those fined are John Brooks, Fred Brooks, Ben Steele, Ace Allen, Ted Abbington, John Palmer, Clay Thompson, Niel Carter, Louis Spurs.

DR. ROBERT BRIDGES, POET LAUREATE.

The new British poet laureate is Dr. Robert Bridges, who was appointed by Premier Asquith Wednesday to take the place of the late Alfred Austin. Dr. Bridges practiced medicine for many years in the London hospitals. He is a Master of Arts, a Bachelor of Medicine and a Doctor of Literature of Oxford University. He is 68 years old.

WILLIAM BIGGERS ROBBED.

William Biggers, of Moberly, who is here, states he had $75 stolen from a safe at the home of Mrs. John Fox, in South Mexico Thursday. The safe also contained about $200 which was overlooked. There is no clue to the thief other than Mr. Biggers says he must have known the combination of the safe or must have been an expert.

S. P. Emmons is quite ill.

IN SUCH PAIN WOMAN TORE HER CLOTHES

Testifies She Was Restored to Health by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Malone, N. Y.,—"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has certainly done me a lot of good. I first heard of it when I was a girl and I always said that if I ever had female trouble I would take it.

"I suffered from organic inflammation and would have spells when I would be in such pain that I would tear my clothes. One day my husband got the neighbors in to see what the matter was but they could not help me. My first thought was for Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and I sent my husband out for it and took it until I was entirely cured. I am a woman of perfect health and my health and happiness came from Lydia E. Pinkham's medicine. You may rest assured that I do all I can to recommend your wonderful medicine to my friends."—MRS. FRED STONE, Route No. 3, Malone, N. Y.

The success of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs, is unparalleled. It may be used with perfect confidence by women who suffer from displacements, inflammation, ulceration, tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, bearing-down feeling, flatulency, indigestion, dizziness, or nervous prostration. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the standard remedy for female ills.

LADDONIA NEWS.

(From The Herald)

Charles Woodson visited his mother, Mrs. J. R. Atkinson, southeast of town last week. He is a brakeman on the C & A

A good mare belonging to James Montague and valued at $150 was killed by lightning last Friday evening during the electrical storm. Mr Montague was knocked down and severely shocked by the bolt.

John S. McCune and little son John are touring Colorado.

Jack Brown and son, Leslie were on the Chicago market with 70 head of cattle Monday for which they got $8.70. They were good ones.

J. T Walker with a car of hogs and J H Lewellen with a car of lambs were on the St. Louis market this week. J H Lewellen went down with them.

Leslie McCormick was on the St. Louis market Wednesday with a car of hogs.

John Hobson had 1 car of hogs on Wednesday's St. Louis market.

A cow stepped on the right foot of Earl, little son of Mr. and Mrs. J A Kelly Monday and mashed his little toe so badly that it had to be amputated. Dr. Monroe did the work, and the little fellow is getting along nicely.

J. W. Hamilton and wife of Kansas City arrived here Monday and are visiting his brother, Chas. Hamilton, and family, northwest of town.

A. L. Bruton is in Frankford taking an invoice of his stock of goods. He has sold same to Enoch Hostetter who will continue the business.

Mrs. Lucy Wilkins and sister, Mrs Wood, and niece, Mrs. Myrtle Tenney, went to Wellsville Saturday to visit Fred Lehnen and family. They will also visit Mrs. J. R. Brown at Centralia.

Mrs. Wm Maxey and daughter, Miss Lena, living west of town, have woven 32 yards of carpet this spring and sold same at 30 cents per yard. They not alone put this thru the loom but cut and dyed the rags. This is pretty good work.

Dr. E. Ar Lofton and wife are visiting Mrs. Lofton's parents, near Clarksville.

Mrs. Onie Boal and son, Clark, have returned to their home at Odessa.

Mrs. J. R Brown and little daughter, Laura May of Centralia, visited Mrs. Brown's mother and brother, last week.

Mrs. Susan Hadyn has returned to her home in Hannibal after a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Ned Hagan. Mrs. Hadyn accompanied her as far as Louisiana.

Uncle Tom Blakeman visited his sister, Mrs. Sarah Moss at Center, last week.

Mr. and Mrs Ernest Koch and children of Moberly were down visiting relatives last week.

Mrs. Ollie McCain has returned to her home in Springfield, Mo.

P. B. Sutton reports a good rain near Pleasant Plains church, Tuesday night.

Mrs. J. L. Shotwell, who has been quite ill, is much improved.

S. P. Beedle was in Hamilton, Ill., on business last week.

Mrs. Fred Wood and daughter have returned to their home in Renick, after a pleasant visit with Mr. and Mrs. Arch Alexander. Mr and Mrs Alexander accompanied them to Mexico

C. A. Wilder is home from Illinois.

D. Campbell and wife of southeast of town, visited in Hannibal last week.

Mrs. V. E. Waddock and little daughter of St. Louis, are guests of Mrs Waddock's parents, Mr. and Mrs E. C. Kennen.

Sam Bellamy has closed his hotel and gone to St. Louis, where he has a position.

Misses Fannie and Ruth Logan are home from Artesia, N. M., where they visited Miss Verlea McCubbin. Mr. McCubbin's health is better they say.

George Streeter and wife of Sturgeon have been visting Mr. and Mrs. Zeno Streeter.

Miss Esther O'Daniels, of Scotland, Texas, who has been visiting her uncle, Joe Hays, has gone to Mexico to visit Robert Hays and family.

CLUB LUNCHEONS HALTED UNTIL COOL WEATHER.

Because of the poor attendance at the weekly Commercial Club luncheon it was decided, Frriday, to discontinue them until September unless it was necessary to call a special meeting. In the meantime Secretary Race will continue to follow up factory prospects and attend to the many other matters coming before the Club at all times.

The matter of Fall Festivities was taken up. Mr. Race had interviewed many of the merchants and the greater part of them favored waiting until it rained before any definite action was taken.

Roy Ferris was present and stated a new set of plans were being drawn for the Opera House and they would be placed before the club upon completion.

MISS PAULINE KERR INJURED.

Miss Pauline Kerr, the 18 years old daughter of Robert Kerr, north of this city, was injured Wednesday when her horse became frightened at a motor car and, whirling about, threw her from the buggy. The wheel of the vehicle ran over her head, but, fortunately, she escaped without serious injuries. The Ledger joins her friends in wishing her an early recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sanford are up from St. Louis. Carl is on a two weeks' vacation.

Stock and Farm News

J. R. Bell sold Mr. Watts a fine Poland China boar recently and another fine boar to Mosely and son of Auxvasse. They brought about $30 each.

Ed. Keith was showing his friends a young chicken without eyes. The bird was entirely without means of sight.

J. R. Bell sold 22 head of 220 lb. hogs this week ranging in price from $8.25 to $8.30. Powell & Mundy purchased all but two and they were taken by Fred Roberts.

"Farmer" Rusk says the farmers in Audrain county are combating with chinch bugs by means of the dust barrier. He says this is just as good as the oil until rain makes it ineffective. The chinch bugs are most plentiful in the northwest part of the county, Mr. Rusk says, and the farmers in that section are having very good success wth the dust barrier.

C. M. Long, Farm Adviser for Johnston county, with headquarters a Warrensburg, has been making a trip of inspection of the border counties of the state to learn the damage the chinch bug invasion from Kansas was doing growing crops. He finds that the farmers there are using the oil barrier, with much success.

A few weeks ago, Mr. J. H. Crosswhite, of Audrain county, sold a mule colt for $150, and some of our neighboring exchanges asked: "Who can beat it?"

That's easy. Watts Littrell of near here, recently purchased two from Jim and Howard Hendricks for $300. He also offered L. R. Mann $300 for a span but Mr. Mann refused Mr. Littrell then offered him $165 for his choice of the two, but the offer was turned down.—Paris Appeal.

F. B. Cook threshed 59 acres of wheat last week that averaged 26 bu. to the acre. This is among the best wheat in the county.

BECAUSE part of his salary is paid by the United States Government and he is therefore an employe of Agriculture Dept., Farmer Rusk has all of his official business franked through the mails.

Kelley Wilkerson returned from Madison Friday where he had been looking after the interest of his farm, where he has 100 acres of about the finest corn in the country.

One and forty-hundreth inches of rain fell in Mexico and the surrounding country Saturday morning from one o'clock to six. This is the best rain in this part of the state since early spring.

The corn crop was greatly benefited by the rain and the grass is looking much better. The rain was general all over the county, in fact all over this part of the state according to W. T. Friganza, wire chief for the Bell Telephone Co

A vivid electrical storm accompanied the rain and the flag-pole on the Post Office was struck by lightning. Parts of it were thrown as far as the Crown Laundry.

The Chicago and Alton R. R. Co. will handle a demonstration train over their line for the United States Department of Agriculture and the Agriculture College of the University of Missouri, which will be sent out in the interest of the poultry and egg industry.

There will be two cars in the train, one fitted up for a lecturerooms and the other, a refrigerator car, equipped with all modern appliances for handling poultry and eggs. The train will spend the entire day Friday, Aug. 22 in Mexico. Prof. H. C. Pierce, investigator of the poultry and egg industry for the U. S. Department of Agriculture, will be in charge of the demonstration.

Prof. Pierce will be here during the afternoon of July 31,when he will meet with the Commercial Club, shippers and the press, preliminary to the demonstration. J. E. Fish, division freight and passenger agent for the C. & A., will have charge of the train in Missouri.

Clarence Berry, a progressive farmer near Skinner, says his 200 acres of corn is the best prospect he has had in 30 years.

Dick Reed, of near Benton City, had a fine mare killed by lightning Friday night during the storm.

Mrs. Robert Archer, south of Mexico, sold 81 pounds of butter at 25 cents and 2 pounds at 30 cents durin the month of June. She also sold 25 gallons of milk at 10 cents a gallon during the same month. She has only one cow.

NEW MOTION PICTURE COMBINE IS FORMED.

All the New York papers of the 12th inst and Associated Press reported a recent combine of theatrical interests forming a company to reproduce in pictures many of the big New York successes. The officers of the new company are H. R. Raver, president; Archibald Selwin, vice-president; G. J. Cooke, secretary and Philip Klein, treasurer.

The plays the company will immediately begin to produce in films are "The Chorus Lady," Within The Law," "The Witching Hour," "Paid in Full" and "Wildfire" and a number of other well known plays.

The president, H R. Raver, was for several years a partner of J. A. Darnaby ,of this city, and was married in Mexico, Mo., by the Reverend A. A. Wallace. He now has a beautiful home in New York City. He was last in Mexico when Mr. Darnaby produced under canvass the musical comedy "Bagdad," and was personally identified with that organization.

Mr. Raver, upon leaving this organization was most insistent on having Mr. Darnaby go with him to New York and take up the film business and his failure to do so undoubtedly will cost him thousands of dollars as the firm now is in a fair way to clear half million on all big successes. A new studio is being built in New Jersey and their first big feature will be on the screen very soon.

Miss Ruth Cleveland returned Sunday from a visit to Misses Frances and Mary Barnes of Liberty.

Carter Taylor has gone to Pittsburg, Pa., where he has a position with the Westinghouse Electrical Co.

Carl Saunders of St. Louis is visiting his mother.

LADDONIA TO HAVE ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Laddonia, one of the most prosperous and progressive little towns around Mexico, is fast coming to the front in the line of civic improvements and will soon have an electric light plant. These people are also going to have a fine Chautauqua this year. That's the way to grow bigger and better.

The Laddonia Herald, speaking of the electric light proposition says: "A mass meeting was called for Thursday night and good crowd was present. Leet Bros. are asking for a franchise for an electric plant and want the city to put in street lights. The city council at its meeting on Monday night agreed to call an election to increase the city tax in order that we can have the street lights. This question now will be the all-absorbing one. It should be discussed in a friendly manner.

"Remember we cannot have something for nothing. If we have lights, we must expect to pay for them.

"We also want you to remember that we must have reliable men at the head of the plant."

BRICK FOR SALE.

We have plenty of good building brick or fire brick for sale at prices that you can't beat None better, or cheaper. Mexico Fire Brick and Clay Company. 24-tf

PICKETT DRUG STORE SOLD.

Tucker & McClure, local real estate men, bought the stock and fixtures of the R. L. Pickett Drug Co., Friday, for $3,000. Mr Pickett has given possession and these gentlemen will continue to run the business. The store is located on the northwest corner of the Square next to the Ledger.

Mr. Pickett has not decided just what he will do, now, but says he will remain in Mexico.

NOTICE.

The books of Johnson and Gardner for the season of 1912 which are now due have been placed in our hands for collection. Please call and settle at once. 20-2t
J. At. Brown, John H. Wayne.

START FOR BOLIVIA JULY 24.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Orear leave this city for the East preparatory to sailing for Bolivia where Mr. Orear will represent the United States on July 24. They sail from New York August 4. They stop in Kentucky and Washington on their way.

WALLACE BASSFORD TO BUILD

Minor Hill has been purchased by Wallace Bassford, private secretary to Speaker Clark, and it is his intention to build a fine stone residence thereon. There are no prettier sites for residence in the country than up on the hills around Louisiana. The scenery is the finest to be found anywhere, and it is to be hoped the building of Mr. Bassford's residence will be followed by others.—Louisiana Pike County News.

Dr. M. E. Crawford, formerly of this city and now of Camden, Mo. suffered a severe stroke of paralysis, on Thursday, and his condition is considered serious. He has been ill for about five weeks.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

State of Missouri) (ss
County of Audrain)

In the Circuit Court, September 1913.

Harrison Bird, Plaintiff,
vs.
Mary Bird Defendant.

The State of Missouri to the above named defendant, greeting.

Now on this July 5th, 1913, comes the plaintiff in the above entitled cause and files with the Clerk of the Audrain County Circuit Court, in vacation, his petition duly verified, wherein among other things, plaintiff alleges, that defendant herein Mary Bird, is a non-resident of the State of Missouri, and cannot be served with the ordinary process of law in this State.

It is therefore ordered by the Clerk of the Audrain County Circuit Court in vacation that publication be made herein, notifynig the said non-resident defendant, Mary Bird that plaintiff has commenced suit against her in the Circuit Court of Audrain County, Missouri, the object and general nature of which is to obtain a decree of divorce from said defendant on the grounds of general indignities and desertion, and, now, you, said non-resident defendant, are hereby notified of the pendency of this suit, the object and general nature thereof, and unless you be and appear at the next regular term of the Audrain County Circuit Court, to be begun and held at the Court House in Mexico, Audrain County, Missouri, on the first Monday in September 1913, and on or before the first day of said term answer or otherwise plead to plaintiff's petition the same will be taken as confessed and decree rendered as prayed in said petition.

And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published in the Mexico Weekly Ledger, a weekly newspaper publiahd in Audrain County, Missouri, for four weeks successively, the last insertion to be more than fifteen days before the next term of said Court aforesaid.

(SEAL) Witness my hand and official seal. Done at office in the City of Mexico, County and State aforesaid this July 15th, 1913.
E. F. ELLIOTT,
Clerk of the Audrain Circuit Court.
A true Copy from the record.
Attest: E. F. Elliott, Clerk.
E S Gantt, Atty for Plaintiff. 19-4t

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Letters testamentary on the estate of R. A. Jesse, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on 2nd day of July, 1913, by the Probate Court of Audrain county.

All persons having claims against said estate are requested to exhibit them to me for allowance within six months after the date of said Letters or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate and if such claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of said letters, they will be forever barred.
18-4t S. P. EMMONS, Executor.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

State of Missouri) (ss
County of Audrain)

In the Circuit Court, September 1913

Orra Lue Plaintiff,
vs.
Pearl Lue Defendant.

The State of Missouri to the above named defendant, greeting:

Now, on this July 5th, 1913, comes the plaintiff in the above entitled cause, and files with the Clerk of the Audrain County Circuit Court, in vacation, her petition duly verified, wherein among other things plaintiff alleges, that defendant herein, Pearl Lue, is a non-resident of the State of Missouri, and cannot be served with the ordinary process of law in this State.

It is therefore ordered by the Clerk of the Audrain County Circuit Court, in vacation, that publication be made herein, notifying the said non-resident defendant, Pearl Lue, that plaintiff has commenced suit against him in the Circuit Court of Audrain County, Missouri, the object and general nature of which is to obtain a decree of divorce from said defendant on the grounds of general indignities and desertion, and now you, said non-resident defendant are hereby notified of the pendency of this suit, the object and general nature thereof, and unless you be and appear at the next regular term of the Audrain County Circuit Court, to be begun and held at the Court House in Mexico, Audrain County, Missouri, on the first Monday in September 1913, and on or before the first day of said term answer or otherwise plead to plaintiff's petition the same will be taken as confessed and decree rendered as prayed in said petition.

And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published in The Mexico Weekly Ledger, a weekly newspapr published in Audrain County, Missouri, for four weeks successively, the last insertion to be more than fifteen days before the next term of said Court aforesaid.

Witness my hand and official seal. Done at office in the City of Mexico, County and State aforesaid this July 5th, 1913.
(SEAL) E. F. ELLIOTT,
Clerk of the Audrain Circuit Court.
A true copy from the record.
Attest: E. F. Elliott, Clerk.
Fry & Rodgers, Attys plaintiff. 19-4t

ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

State of Missouri((ss
County of Audrain)

In the Circuit Court, September term, 1913.

Theresia Vaughn, Plaintiff,
vs.
Otis Vaughn, Defendant.

The State of Missouri to the above-named defendant, Greeting.

Now on this July 15th, 1913, comes the plaintiff in the above entitled cause and files with the Clerk of the Audrain County Circuit Court in vacation her petition duly verified by affidavit herein, among other things plaintiff alleges that the defendant herein, Otis Vaughn,is a non-resident of the State of Missouri, and cannot be served with the ordinary process of law in this State.

It is therefore ordered by the Clerk of the Audrain County Circuit Court, in vacation, that publication be made herein notifying the non-resident defendant,that plaintiff has commenced suit against him in the Audrain County Circuit Court, the object and general nature of which is to obtain a decree of Divorce from said defendant on the grounds of general indignities and desertion, and now you non-resident defendant are hereby notified of the pendency of this suit, the object and general nature thereof and unless you be and appear at the next regular term of the Audrain County Circuit Court, to be begun and held at the Court House in Mexico, Audrain County, Missouri, on the first Monday in September, 1913, and on or before the first day of said term answer or otherwise plead to plaintiff's petition the same will be taken as confessed and decree rendered as prayed in said petition.

And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published in the Mexico Weekly Ledger, a weekly newspaper published in Audrain County, Missouri, for four weeks successively the last insertion to be more than fifteen days before the next term of said Court aforesaid.

(SEAL) Witness my hand and official seal. Done at office in the City of Mexico, County and State aforesaid this July 15th, 1913.
E. F. ELLIOTT,
Clerk of the Audrain Circuit Court.
A true copy from the record.
Attest; E. F. Elliott, Clerk."
Fry & Rodgers, Attys for plaintiff.
21-4t

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that final settlement of the estate of R. D. Simpson, deceased, will be made at the August term of the Probate Court of Audrain county, Missouri, to be held at Mexico, Missouri, on the the second Monday in August, 1913.
wtd LEVI D. WINN.
Administrator.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that final settlement of the estate of Mary E. Luckie, deceased, will be made at the August term of the Probate Court of Audrain county, Missouri, to be held at Mexico, Missouri, on second Monday in August, 1913.
wtd A. K. LUCKIE,
Administrator

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.

Notice is hereby given that final settlement of the estate of Harvey Reed, deceased, will be made at the August term of the Probate Court of Audrain county, Missouri, to be held at Mexico, Missouri, on the the second Monday in August 1913.
20-4t ELMER REED,
Administrator.

MEXICO SAVINGS BANK
Capital and Surplus
$150,000
A general Banking business transacted.

ORDER OF PUBLICATION.

State of Missouri((ss
County of Audrain)

In the Circuit Court, Sep[illegible] 1913.

Thomas E. Romans,
vs.
Unknown consorts, heirs, devisees, alienees or immediate, or remote, voluntary or involuntary grantees of Thomas A. Peery; the unknown consorts, heirs, devisees, alienees or immediate, mesne or remote, voluntary or involuntary grantees of Noah Wilburn; the unknown consorts, heirs, devisees, alienees or immediate or remote, voluntary or involuntary grantees of George Wilburn; the unknown consorts, heirs, devisees, alienees or immediate, mesne or remote, voluntary or involuntary grantees of Robert L. Wilburn; William [illegible] Mary E. Jennings, Carrie Banks Wilburn, Elmer W. Bertha Ernest, John Wilburn, Charles Wilburn, Charles Wilburn and Margaret A. [illegible]

The State of Missouri to the above named defendants and the [illegible] (except Mary E. Jennings, Carrie Wright, Banks Wilburn, Elmer Wilburn, Bertha Ernest, John Wilburn, Chess C. Wilburn and Margaret Lewis, and William Wilburn) greeting:—

On April 19, 1913, the plaintiff in the above entitled cause filed with the Clerk