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GEORGE CLARK DIES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

George Clark died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. P. R. Holmes on South Western avenue at 6:45 Thursday morning after an extended illness.

Mr. Clark was born in Mexico in 1851 and had lived here all of his life with the exception of several months which he spent in Colorado and Louisiana.

He is survived by his wife and four children: Mrs. Margaret Cullen of St. Louis; Mrs. Ida Holmes of Mexico; John P. Clark of Kansas City and Henry Clark of Slater.

The funeral services were held at 2:30 Friday afternoon at the home of P. R. Holmes on South Western avenue.

During his long life in Mexico Mr. Clark endeared himself to a wide circle of friends by his willingness to help others and his steadfast friendship.

The Ledger joins with his host of friends here in extending deepest sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

The funeral services of George H. Clark, who died Thursday morning, were held at the home of his daughter, Mrs. P. R. Holmes on S. Western avenue at 2:30 Friday afternoon, the Rev. F. W. Emerson conducting the service.

M. M. A. Men on All-Star Elevens

Missouri Military Academy won two positions on the first all-star eleven selected from the four schools of the Missouri State Conference.

Of the second team, White of M. M. A. was named as captain and placed in the position of guard and Plum named as center and Tomlin as halfback.

ARBuckle CASE RESULTS

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 5.—The jury trying Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle for manslaughter in connection with the death of Virginia Rappe, the motion picture actress, disagreed and was dismissed at noon Sunday.

CONDUCTED EVANGELIST MEETING

The Rev. and Mrs. L. H. Davis returned Friday from Osage county where they have been conducting a series of evangelistic meetings at the Useful Baptist Church.

Elliot Cunningham, who is ill at Audrain Hospital continues to improve.

The many friends of William Carico will be glad to know he is able to be out.

Mrs. Dan Dudley, who was struck by an automobile last week is getting along nicely.

Mrs. John McIntyre is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. John Kirby, in Cleveland, Oklahoma.

Tris D. Morse of Columbia was in Mexico on business Saturday.

C. J. Duffy of Gant remains about the same.

H. E. Brett is home for the holidays.

J. K. Miller of Ausvasse spent Saturday in Mexico.

W. M. Asbury of Warrensburg spent Sunday in Mexico.

Judge E. A. Shannon went to Vandalia Tuesday afternoon on business.

Mrs. Milt Householder went to St. Louis, Tuesday.

PLAN CROSS STATE ROAD THRU HERE

FULTON, Mo., December 2.—Callaway, Boone, Howard, Cooper and other north central counties will send representatives to a meeting that will be held in Columbia some time before December 15 for the purpose of promoting the interests of the Old Trails road as a primary state road before the new State Highway Commission.

Sam Jordan Will Lecture at High School

Sam Jordan, the Missouri "Corn Man" will speak in McMillan High School Auditorium and at the Barnes-Boyd Motor Company Thursday afternoon and evening.

Mr. Jordan of the Missouri State Board of Agriculture has been a campaigner for many good farm practices. His campaigns for "More and Better Corn for Missouri" have surely produced results.

He has as many or more fields of alfalfa to the credit of his propaganda as has any other man.

Mr. Jordan has been a pioneer and campaigner for the growing of soy beans in Missouri, and his work has shown results from the southern end of the cotton belt to the cold lands of Ontario.

He was a pioneer in the county agent and farm bureau movement, and now that stands as the biggest farmers' organization in the world.

For more than 15 years as farmer and lecturer for the Missouri State Board of Agriculture, and as a newspaper writer, he has spread the gospel of better farming and better folks—and just now Mr. Jordan is making ready for a new and gigantic "drive," the result of which he hopes may become a real and lasting dirt monument to himself.

Mr. Jordan's latest campaign has now begun. Look out for a chance to get in on it. Dates are being booked with all sorts of organizations of farmers.

He comes upon your farm, makes (within a few minutes) his "surveying" tools, tells you in advance what to have ready—(which is an easy matter), gets the crowd busy and will survey and construct one thousand feet of "Mangum Terrace," and do it all in a half day.

Each farmer present will then know exactly how to do the work by himself on his own farm, at relatively no cost except his own labor.

Mr. Sam Jordan's new "Corn Bulletin" will soon be on the press, and will be distributed as a Board of Agriculture bulletin either just before or just after Christmas.

Bill Wayne, of the Beaver Dam neighborhood, south of Mexico, shot at two wolves last week. Mr. Dillard brought the skin of the wolf he killed last week to town Saturday. The animal was a large gray one. It is likely a wolf hunt will be held in that neighborhood soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Moss, of Seattle, Wash., will arrive soon to be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Arnold and Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Brett. Mrs. Moss was Miss Annabelle Arnold, of this city.

Mrs. Price Johnson and daughter Miss Franc, spent Monday in St. Louis.

Mrs. William F. Ramsey has returned east to rejoin her husband after a short visit home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Blattner of Fulton returned home Monday after visiting relatives in Mexico.

Mrs. Stella Martin of Mexico spent Sunday in Fulton, the guest of Mrs. Nick Cave.

The Tax Question

In this issue of the Weekly Ledger will be found several interesting articles on the tax questions as regards Audrain County.

The Ledger is making every effort to secure as much information along this line as possible as we know our readers are greatly interested in the subject.

It is a newspaper's duty to inform its readers regarding all public matters. It has been our policy to do this, and we are trying to secure information of this character from authoritative sources. At any time our information is not correct in any detail we are always glad to publish corrections.

L. Mitchell White

Farm Club Notes

FARM CLUB MEETINGS (Send us your dates)

CEDAR GROVE FARM CLUB—Every Thursday night.

BEAVER DAM FARM CLUB—Every Friday night.

Molino meets every other Friday night.

MACEDONIA—First and third Wednesdays.

PISGAH—First and third Tuesdays.

PINE—First and third Mondays.

PRICES RECEIVED BY MISSOURI FARMERS DURING NOVEMBER

JEFFERSON CITY, December 6.—The Missouri farmer has witnessed a marked decrease in the market on wheat, corn and oats during the month of November, according to the monthly report of the State and Federal departments.

The farmers' three chief grain products declined during November from 6 cents per bushel on wheat, 2 cents a bushel on oats and corn dropped 5 cents per bushel on a state average.

The state average received by the farmer for wheat was 96 cents; oats, 31 cents; and corn, 41 cents.

The average price received by the farmers of Audrain County during the month was: Wheat, \$1.12; Corn, 35; Oats, 30 cents.

To Observe Health Week Dec. 5 to 11

Health Week, December 5 to 11 will be observed in Mexico by the Parent-Teachers' Association. On Thursday at 11:25 Dr. Griffin will speak to the students at McMillan High School.

At 2:30 Friday afternoon the Parent-Teachers' Association will have a program at the school at which Miss Hattie Corder, public health nurse, will give some demonstrations.

Friday night there will be a community Health Meeting at 8 o'clock in McMillan High School Auditorium. Dr. Griffin and Dr. Moore and the Rev. F. W. Emerson will speak at this time.

In connection with health week the teachers in the various schools are urging the students to be vaccinated. Health Week is a National movement suggested by the National Health Council and sponsored by the Rotary Clubs and other nationally known organizations.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Doolin leave this week for a three months' stay in California. The Ledger joins their many friends in wishing them a pleasant winter there.

Dies at Home of Son Here

James Smith of Callaway County died at the home of his son, Wink Smith, on Maple street Thursday night. The body was taken to Auxvasse Friday for burial.

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CASHIER OF THOMPSON BANK GONE

Virgil Hulen Missing Since Saturday Night; Wrote Letter Back Stating he Would Return Later.

Virgil Hulen, cashier of the Bank of Thompson, has disappeared and left a letter stating that he had transferred some of the funds of the bank and would be back in several years to "make good."

The bank is fully protected by Hulen's bond and also insured so that it is injured in no way according to Joe Considine, president of the institution. A state bank examiner arrived in Mexico Wednesday morning and was taken to Thompson immediately where he was going over the books of the bank most of the day.

The bank of Thompson was started a little over a year ago, Mr. Hulen is from Cenarilla and has always borne a splendid reputation and was popular with everyone who knew him.

Hulen left Saturday night. He was in this city at that time and went to St. Louis on the Wabash Saturday night.

Hulen, who has a wife and baby, is reported to have been accompanied by a young woman but this has not been fully verified.

IRELAND HAS BECOME FREE STATE

England and Ireland have come to an agreement which promises to settle the disagreement and feeling of antagonism which has existed between the two countries for years.

By the terms of the agreement, Ireland will have the same status as the dominion of the empire and will be known as the Irish Free State. A governor general who will have the same powers as the governor general of Canada will be appointed.

LONDON, December 6.—It was officially announced today that the government officials and representatives of the Irish Dail Eireann had reached an agreement on the new proposals which underwent certain modifications for the Irish settlement. The terms of the agreement will be submitted to the English Parliament and the Dail Eireann for acceptance.

The Irish delegates announced Monday that they defused to sacrifice their principals to win over Ulster. The present agreement was reached after a three-hour session.

W. L. GREEN AND SON HAVE ONLY SIX MULES ON FEED AT CENTRALIA, MO.

W. L. Green and Son of Centralia and Moberly, who are the most extensive mule dealers in North Missouri have six mules on feed at their Centralia pens. The firm handled eleven loads of mules this season, shipping them direct to southern dealers.

Mr. Green says that there are less than a hundred mules on feed in the vicinity of Centralia now.

Masons Elect Officers Tuesday Night

The officers of the Mexico masonic lodge were elected Tuesday night. Those chosen were: Worshipful master, J. F. Jolley; senior warden, Elmer McGee; junior warden, Robert Wright.

M. M. Bivin, Western Union relief man, left Monday for Coffeyville.

M. A. Brown, of Laddonia, was in Mexico on business Monday.

J. P. Harper of Rush Hill spent Monday in Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Lowellen of Laddonia spent Thursday in Mexico.

Gregory Duchant, who has been postmaster at Mt. Carmel, in this county since 1897, visited in this city Monday.

BOY OF 13 SENTENCED TO REFORMATORY

Boys ranging in age from 10 to 15 years have broken into three stores in Mexico within the past week and stolen small amounts of money and merchandise. City officials are determined to put a stop to petty thievery.

Archie Higgs alias Archie Thompson, 13 years old pled guilty to burglary in the second degree before the Audrain County Circuit Court and was sentenced to eight years in the reformatory in Boonville. He was taken to Boonville Tuesday afternoon by Sheriff Chal Blum.

He has been taken before the circuit court here for various offenses since he was nine years old and has been paroled twice. The offense for which he was sentenced was for breaking into Gooch's Hardware store and stealing a number of knives and other things to the value of about forty dollars.

Willard Johnson and Clifford Lee, the negroes charged with violation of the prohibition law, were found guilty in the Audrain Circuit Court Monday and fined \$100 and sentenced to a year in the county jail.

In the case of J. E. Fugatt vs Heck Franklin a judgment of \$75 was found for the plaintiff.

INVITE STATE POULTRY SHOW TO MEXICO

W. S. Eller, secretary of the Audrain County Poultry Association, will extend an invitation to the State Poultry Association to meet and hold its show in Mexico next year. The invitation was voted at the luncheon of the Mexico Chamber of Commerce Thursday. T. J. Hoxsey stated he would see that a suitable show place was supplied.

Sam Morris read a most interesting communication upon co-operation and Mayor J. W. Gallaher warned the business men to drive with more care in the vicinity of the public schools or the city police would arrest them. He stated that one day at noon, when the children were leaving school, the police reported over 70 per cent of the cars passing the schools were going from 20 to 50 miles an hour. He said this must stop before some child is killed or injured.

Judge C. A. Barnes read a most interesting communication from the State Tax commission on Audrain taxes. Quite a number were present to hear this interesting document read. It was too long to reproduce at this time.

JEFFERSON CITY SCHOOLS CLOSED BY SMALLPOX

JEFFERSON CITY, December 2.—Jefferson City's public schools have been closed for a few days because of the prevalence of smallpox there. There are between twenty and twenty-five cases of smallpox but no deaths have resulted so far.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' CLUB FORMED

The following Boys' and Girls' Clubs have been formed recently in the following schools in Audrain county: Liberty school, Stock judging; Prairie Lee school, livestock club; Prairie Hill, livestock; Union, stock judging; Crow, stock judging.

NEW PHYSICIAN AT STATE HOSPITAL

Dr. William Joseph Bryan has accepted a place on the medical staff of the State Hospital for the Insane No. 1 of Fulton. Dr. Bryan is a former Fulton boy and is a graduate of the School of Medicine of Chicago University. The appointment of Dr. Bryan was made by Superintendent, W. O. Biggs.

Warren C. Beatty will spend Christmas with his brother, Ernest David Precey in Nevada, Mo. This will be the first meeting of these two brothers for twenty-nine years.

Melvin Green of the local Western Union office is back after a two weeks' vacation which he spent with his parents in Joplin.

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SMITH HATCHERY TO OPEN HERE IN JANUARY

The Smith Brothers Chicken hatchery will start business in Mexico about the middle of January. It is probable that all of the equipment will be installed before that time but the supply of eggs is so much scarcer during the winter and it is much harder to keep the eggs in good condition in cold weather that it would not pay the concern to start hatching much before that time.

The hatchery which is one of the largest in the United States will be equipped with two incubators each having a capacity of 26,300 eggs. The incubators have a double decks which makes it easier to look after the eggs and economize floor space. Each incubator has 320 apartments which will accommodate a tray of 160 eggs. The incubators contain eight pipes which carry the warm water from the hard coal heating plant and back to the stoves after it has cooled. The heaters are automatic and work so perfectly that it is not necessary to have a night man to see that the right temperature is maintained.

Last year the Smith Brothers hatchery shipped 200,000 baby chicks to thirty-nine states in the union with a loss of only two per cent. This year their goal is half a million baby chickens. The chicks are shipped in pasteboard boxes which provide adequate room and ventilation.

If possible the hatchery will purchase all of the eggs used from the farmers near Mexico. Only purebred eggs are bought and chickens of twelve breeds are hatched. A price of 5 cents over the St. Louis market will be paid.

FAST DRIVING NEAR SCHOOLS MUST STOP

The city officials now have the names of fifteen or twenty persons who have been guilty of fast driving past the schools. The next time the offense is committed they will be arrested. There is a great danger of accident when driving rapidly past a school as many of the children are busy playing as they cross the street and are not as careful as they should be. The danger is especially great near Central School and city officials are determined that fast driving past their schools shall be stopped.

Signs have been placed near each school, saying that a school is ahead and warning the driver to lessen speed. There is a state law which says persons driving motor vehicles must not drive past schools—faster than ten miles an hour, and there is also a city ordinance prohibiting a speed of more than fifteen miles an hour in congested portions of the city and the districts near schools are placed in this class.

MEXICO GIRL MARRIES IN CLAYTON, MO., NOV. 29

The announcement of the marriage of Miss Josephine Jordan of Mexico to C. Jones of St. Louis which took place in Clayton, Mo., November 29, came as a complete surprise to their friends. The groom is the manager of the Welsh Music Publishing Company of St. Louis.

Smallpox in South Callaway

Four persons in South Callaway County are reported to be ill with smallpox. They are Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Moore and their two children who live near Wainwright. The cases were reported to Dr. C. H. Christian, county health commissioner. The patients are having the disease in a mild form.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Kent will attend the Horticultural Convention in Hannibal, beginning Thursday and lasting the rest of the week.

Willard Middleton of Bowling Green was discharged from Audrain Hospital Saturday morning. Henry J. Burkett was also discharged.

A marriage license was issued Thursday to John Carr and Marie Harris both of Benton City.

F. M. Mullens, of Benton City, was in Mexico on business Monday.

Eddie Robison, who was operated on at Moberly is getting along nicely.

Mrs. Carrie Middleton of Fulton returned Thursday from Mexico where she had been visiting relatives.