

WORK OF CITY COUNCIL

A Good Beginning for a Successful Year's Work

The Council met Tuesday night in regular session with Mayor Short in the chair and all members present.

License was granted W. J. Fleming to continue dram shop on corner of Fourth and Front streets.

An order was issued on the treasurer for \$125 to pay A. J. Nordin for the parcel of ground for street purposes.

Free water was granted to June 1st for street sprinkling purposes.

A petition was presented to the Council by property owner in West Monett asking that the nuisance caused by the outflow of the city sewer, from the septic tank, be abated. The mayor and council as a body will visit the tank next Monday, make a thorough investigation and then take the necessary steps for abating the nuisance.

The mayor handed in his appointments as follows:

Night watchman, J. A. Hagler, Superintendent of Water Works C. J. Lauderdale.

Fire Chief, Lawson Jeffries, City Engineer, Geo. Parrish, Street Commissioner, T. J. Rowden.

City Physician, M. C. Hagler

The appointments were confirmed by a vote of five to four.

The following committees were appointed:

President of the Board, G. N. Patterson.

Finance; Patterson, Walsh, Farrow.

Streets, Grades and Alleys; Moses, Mills, Jeffries.

Public Printing; Walsh, Mills, Vaughn.

Taxes; Mills, Walsh, Patterson.

Public Buildings and Grounds; Moses, Jeffries, Farrow.

Ordinances; Farrow, Walsh, Mills.

Sewers and Sewerage; Walsh, Jeffries, Moses.

Fire, Water and Light; Patterson, Walsh, Farrow.

Public Health and Sanitation; Jeffries, Moses, Mills.

Supplies; Patterson, Walsh, Mills.

Police and Police Regulation; Farrow, Mills, Vaughn.

Railroads and Franchises; Mills, Walsh, Patterson.

A car of oil broke loose from Frisco train No. 417, in charge of Conductor Maupin and Engineer Melrose at the Rock Island crossing in Chickasha, Okla., at 1:35 o'clock yesterday afternoon and collided with a northbound Rock Island train, derailing two Rock Island cars of ballast and turning over the oil car. The oil tank sprang a leak and considerable oil escaped. No person was injured by the accident.—Springfield Leader.

J. H. Gulick is reported much better today.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Steve Courdin, Tuesday, a daughter.

Mrs. Joe Johnson went to Washburn, Wednesday, to visit her daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Terrell's baby is quite ill with stomach trouble.

Mrs. M. J. Hall's father, on Bond Street, is quite ill with erysipelas.

W. A. Terrell who has been quite ill with pneumonia, is much better.

The Neosho ice plant has closed down temporarily for the want of business.

Rev. and Mrs. James McCrory and Miss Julia Campbell attended district conference of the M. E. Church, at Seneca, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Lumsden's baby, who has been very ill with typhoid pneumonia, is much better.

Miss Myrtle Robinson has returned to her home at Verona after several days' visit with her sister, Mrs. W. F. Lenhart.

Mrs. D. T. Taylor returned Tuesday night from Seneca where she had gone as a delegate of the home Missionary Society of the Southern Methodist Church.

The boys who went fishing to Nitchee Tuesday did not return with any marvellous fishing yarns. The wind was from the wrong quarter and the water too muddy, they tell us.

Mrs. Thos. Price was called to Ft. Worth, Tex., Tuesday night by the death of her brother. Mr. Price accompanied her as far as Paris.

KINGS PRAIRIE

Well didn't it rain, snow and frost last week. We had fears for the strawberries and other fruit, but it seems they escaped. We look for a fair crop of the big red apple this fall.

Last Sunday was one of the most lovely Sabbaths of the season and a great many took advantage by attending Sunday school and church.

During the thunder storm last week a bolt of lightning entered the phone of B. S. Stribling and disabled it from sending out messages.

Last week was anti-submission day at Jefferson City. Representatives of the whiskey interests backed by millions of dollars crowded the legislative hall protesting against the measure being left for the people of the state to decide. Alarmed as they never were before they plead for local option instead. If we are not mistaken our official organism at Monett during the temperance crusade declared local option a fraud and a failure. Surely that business must be elastic.

The wheat is beginning to cover the ground since the rain, oats and grass is looking fine, some corn is up but got the tassel frost bit.

The second Sunday in May has been designated as Mother's Day, and how important! This should appeal to both old and young. Can we not pluck one flower and dedicate it to mother, whether she be living or dead. Oh, mother, mother! What would the world be without the first loving care of a mother?

Here is a problem for some of you pencil pushers to solve. Mr. A. and B., neighbors living on the south side are in a controversy over the death of a dog. Mr. A. had a very valuable curly haired dog, free from all bad habits, kept good company, went to church and Sunday school with the family every Sunday. Now this dog jumped over in Mr. B's pasture and bit one of B's horses on the hind leg and was kicked to death, then died afterward. Now the question is who is responsible, who owns the dog now and who's business is it to bury the dog?

C. A. Fly who is running a saw mill on Little Flat and was doing a fair business in lumber and boards was crippled badly in the business. Any person who would take the advantage of another while he is asleep and set fire to his property has a soul, but it is so small that if it was put inside of a hollow mustard seed it would have room to shake.

E. R. Stribling was unable to go to his appointment at Fairview last Sunday. We understand Rev. Cole, of Aurora, had promised to go in his place, but he failed to get there.

Joe thought the cold weather had been called off and was thinking of taking his overcoat to the garage but when he got up and found ice and frost all around he called it in.

Rev. Mark Combs, of Purdy, filled Rev. Qualls' time at New Liberty last Sunday. His subject was The Building of a Christian Monument. The discourse was entertaining. Clarence Goodnight preached at night. The young man did his part well and had good attention throughout his discourse.

P. R. Dummit's family has the whooping cough. We believe it is some of the smaller children.

A phone message states that Stone's elevator run by Raul Grammer burned Sunday night. Also doing Thomas Miller some damage in hard ware.

A couple of the boys had a scrap the other day. The larger one was heavy loaded with fire water and went down first, whereupon the smaller one gave him a booting in the face that made him look like the picture in the almanac "just before taking." This made Joe practical—listen:

Don't strike your neighbor unaware; don't kick him when he's down; or some day he may pummel you, when no one is around.

Mrs. C. E. Rucker went to Sapulpa, Wednesday morning where Mr. Rucker has employment and where they will reside in the future.

NEWS ITEM—ROOSEVELT MAY RAISE A BEARD WHILE AWAY



Springfield Churches Join In Move For State-Wide Prohibition.

Practically every church in the city has passed resolutions giving unanimous support to the state-wide prohibition bill now before the senate. Cards were received by many of the pastors in the city last week asking that they put the question before their congregations. The resolutions will be sent to Senator McDavid at once. They ask that he give his vote and his support in every way to the bill.

Many of the pastors in putting matter before their churches said that even if they did not believe in state wide prohibition that it was no more than just that the people of the state be given the chance to vote on the question. The sentiment is strong throughout the state, local ministers claim that the senate should not be allowed to prevent the people from expressing their opinion on the bill by a popular vote. It is said that if the legislature votes the bill down the referendum will be used.

Petitions addressed to the various senators are being circulated by the liquor interests also, and it is expected that there will be a bitter fight in the senate.—Springfield Republican.

An Oklahoma Village Wrecked By Cyclone.

Oklahoma City, Okla., April 26.—One person was fatally injured and fifteen others sustained broken limbs and bruises, twelve houses were almost totally wrecked and every building in the town more or less damaged by a storm of rain, hail and wind that passed over Centrahoma shortly after-noon today. The rain resembled a cloudburst and the streets were filled with water and debris. The loss in the business district is \$10,000.

A child of Rev. E. J. Matthews was fatally injured when the Matthews home was demolished, and Mrs. Matthe and her eldest daughter received serious injuries. Three other children of the family were hurt. Lee Grist had his collar bone broken. Centrahoma is in coal county and has a population of seven or eight hundred.

The paragraphist who is careless in his handwriting finds some funny mistakes in his items, says the Howard Courant. "A thing of beauty is a joy forever," and gave it to a girl compositor. It showed up in the proof. "A thing of beauty is a boy forever." There are three girl compositors in the Howard printeries, so you can't guess it the first time. Also consider that the "j" and the "b" boxes in the type cases adjoin each other, so the mistake was likely purely typographical rather than an indication of what her mind was running on.

Sig Solomon is having a new concrete walk made at his residence.

Oil Company Pays Fine of \$2,000,000.

Austin, Tex., April 26.—The final chapter in the litigation of the state of Texas against the Waters Pierce Oil Company, the payment of a fine amounting to nearly \$2,000,000, was enacted this afternoon. From the American National bank one half of the total amount was secured. Then the two cars were driven to the Austin National bank and a similar burden of currency taken out.

When the fine-bearers reached the treasury department, doors were locked and Attorney General Davidson and other officials sent for, the money counted, and the litigation, which has been fought in courts of every degree, was ended.

The Need of the Hour

If Missouri has a tax law sufficiently stringent to force all citizens to give in the full amount of their possessions to the assessor there would be no deficit in the state treasury; there would be a healthy surplus on hand. We hope the present legislature will in driving every dollar from its hiding place and having it registered upon the assessor's books.—Linneus Bulletin.

By a ruling of the new administration at Wichita, after June 1, the allowance of beer is to be restricted to one case a week for each family. It is expected, though that somebody will be resourceful enough to raise the size of a case to a more adequate number of bottles.—Joplin Globe.

The Old Fellows are planning to have a banquet on Wednesday evening, May 3. The initiatory work will be given to four candidates. The Verona, Peirce City and Purdy Odd Fellows are expected to be present. The banquet will be served by the Rebekahs.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hughes returned to their home at Purcell Sunday morning after a week's visit with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Breece.

Mrs. Wrightsman, who had been visiting her sisters, Mrs. Basham and Mrs. Dewine, returned to her home, at Springfield Monday.

Miss Ida Hagan has returned to her home in Purcell after an extended visit in Monett.

The two-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Wisdom died this morning of typhoid fever.

Mrs. Washington and Miss Clem Archibald are expected here tomorrow to visit Scott Archibald.

The Sarcoxie base ball team will play Monett next Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlisle, of Leon, Kan., visited Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Edgar Monday morning.

E. G. Braymen and family have returned from a visit at Laharpe, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Lahla have returned from a visit in Kansas.

A Good Report.

A representative of the Chicago Board of Trade spent two days in this section last week investigating the growing wheat prospects. He reported that the stocks were well rooted, and but little indication of disease, or of the Hessian fly. He placed the average yield, under favorable conditions, at 88 per cent.

Died.

Mr. and Mrs. Wisdom's two-year-old little daughter died of typhoid fever Tuesday morning.

A short funeral service was held at the home of the parents on Fourth street, by Rev. J. S. Allen Tuesday evening at 7:30. The little body was carried to their old home twenty-five miles southwest of Monett for interment. The baby was a beautiful child. The parents have the deepest sympathy in the loss of this, their only child.

Funeral Services

The funeral of Mrs. L. King was held at the St. Lawrence church Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock. The service was conducted by Rev. Fr. Prendergast.

A large assembly was present to pay the last tribute of respect to the deceased, who was loved by all who knew her. Mrs. King was a woman of exemplary life and kind and cheerful disposition and her death is a deep loss to many friends. Interment was made in the Catholic cemetery, where husband and son had preceded her by only a few months.

O. E. S. Officer Killed by Train

Gravette, Ark., April 27.—Mistaking the position of a freight train in the Kansas City Southern yards at noon today, believing the cars were on the main line when they were switching on a siding, Miss Ella Leonard, 30 years old, daughter of M. E. Leonard and past worthy grand matron of the Order of the Eastern Star, was caught beneath the wheels and dragged seventy-five feet, sustaining injuries from which she died forty-five minutes later.

Sunshine Club.

The Sunshine Club is making an effort to secure all the old magazines and newspapers they can to help their work along. Any one having an extra supply on hand if you will kindly notify some member of the society, they will see that the material is collected. This is a good chance to lend a helping hand to a good cause.

Park Debaters Won Again.

Marshall, Mo., April 27.—The annual intercollegiate debate between Missouri Valley college of this city and Park college, Parkville, Mo., took place in this city last night. Park college won the debate by a vote of two to one. The question of debate was the postal saving bank, Park college affirming and Missouri Valley denying.

The editor overheard some persons talking about a young lady this week and one of them remarked: "She is a good cook." What better praise could one want than that? A good character and a good cook about fills the bill. Ability to shine in society, paw the ivory, or swat the languages a body blow, is all right for an occasion, but for steady everyday use a good cook has the bunch beaten to a frazzle. A man with his legs under the mahogany three times a day always throws the biggest bouquet at the girl who is a good cook.

Wagner—Wimsatt

A very pretty wedding was held at St. Lawrence Catholic Church, Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock. Rev. Fr. Prendergast united in marriage Miss Frances Wimsatt and Mr. Mike Wagner. The young people were attended by Miss Nora Wimsatt as bridesmaid and John Wagner as best man. The young ladies both wore dresses of white silk.

After the ceremony the wedding party went to the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wimsatt southwest of Monett, where an elegant dinner was served to thirty-five guests.

The groom is a prominent young farmer, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wagner. Both are highly respected and have the best wishes of many friends. They will make their home on a farm fourteen miles south of Monett.

FOUNTAIN TAG DAY

Buy a Tag and Help the Ladies Boost the Fountain Fund.

Saturday has been designated as the ladies having in charge the erection of a fine bronze drinking fountain as Tag Day. These tags will be sold at 25 cents each for adults and 10 cents for children under 10 years of age. The number of tags you display on your person on this day will indicate the extent of your enthusiasm in this much needed movement.

A valuable feature of the tag is that the wearer will be entitled to enter the baby show without additional cost.

Mrs. Alice Gerhart went to Seymour Wednesday morning to visit her father, Mr. Gonten and her sister, Miss Alma. Mrs. Koons, who has been visiting in Kansas City, will join them.

H. B. Westehaven went to Oklahoma Wednesday.

Jas. Heyburn is at home for a few days with his family.

Fulton Smith, of Keiter, Okla., is visiting in the city.

Miss Vera Lewis visited in Cassville Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. F. Y. Charles returned Thursday from Springfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Felix Miller have moved to St. Louis.

D. G. Bennett, of Purdy, is visiting daughter, Mrs. Chas. Brown. Miss Lilian Stuber visited Springfield friends this week.

Miss Clem Archibald, of Kansas, visited in Monett Thursday.

Mrs. Tobe Bear, of Peirce City, visited in Monett Thursday.

Mrs. John Fly, of Purdy, visited Mrs. Jim Johnson Wednesday.

Maurice Clinton is improving after an attack of malaria.

Mrs. Wm. Boucher, of Purdy, visited in Monett Wednesday.

Mrs. Bly, of Jenkins, is visiting relatives in the city.

Misses Helen Jerome and Emma Wild, of Peirce City, visited in Monett Wednesday.

Misses Blanche Carlin and Bess Boucher, of Purdy, visited in Monett Monday.

Rev. L. E. Finney will begin revival meeting at Austin, Tex., next Sunday.

Mrs. O. Barker and Sam Pittman left Thursday morning for a visit at Austin, Tex.

A Folger was up from his farm near Washburn Thursday looking after business matters.

Miss Minnie Richard visited friends in Marionville the first of the week.

Arthur Short and Victor Bennett of Peirce City, visited in Monett Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Woods Pratt went to Fayetteville, Ark. Thursday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Stevens.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Kane have gone to Black Rock, Ark., to take their little niece home and to visit a few days.

The Rene-Russell mare that was brought here by W. M. Wainright was sold by Lon Perry to J. F. Mermond for \$225.

The Missouri house adopted a joint resolution, Wednesday, to levy a two per cent income tax on all net incomes of \$5,000 or more.

Mrs. M. O. Piper writes from Billing, Okla., that she expects to return to Monett about July 1. Mr. and Mrs. Piper live eight miles from town.

Mrs. A. S. Hawkins entertained the Wednesday club this week. A hand-painted cup and saucer was awarded as a prize to Mrs. L. D. McKee.

Mr. Green, who had been seriously ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. M. J. Hall, was better Thursday and was taken to his son's home in Aurora.

A part of Frisco train No. 39, was derailed Wednesday morning near Chandler, Okla. Five cars left the track, three of them overturning. No one was injured by the accident.