

A FAREWELL RECEPTION

There Was a Good Attendance and a Splendid Program

There was a good attendance at the Christian Church Friday night to attend the farewell reception given to Rev. and Mrs. Blunt by the citizens of Monett and the congregation of the Christian Church. Many more had planned to attend but were prevented by the rain from doing so.

A splendid program of songs and addresses was rendered, including music by the choir, solos by Mrs. A. Jones and Mrs. Wm. Kines, and addresses by Revs. Allen and McCrory and W. S. Brown. The Superintendent of the Christian Sunday School, E. A. Puthuff, presided over the meeting and gave a short talk on behalf of the school and congregation. He also presented Bro. Blunt, on behalf of the Ladies Aid and other friends, a purse containing between \$35.00 and \$40.00.

Rev. Blunt responded in a soul stirring talk which touched a responsive chord in every one present. Revs. Stevens and Hunter were on the program of the evening but were prevented from being present.

The TIMES voices the sentiment of nearly every one in Monett when it says that in the going of Rev. R. W. Blunt from among us the city loses one of its noblest and most faithful workers for all that is pure and Godly in life, and the community an exceptionally pleasant and helpful family.

Norton County, Kan., Swept by 6 Tornadoes

Norton, Kan., June 25.—Northwestern Norton county and Southern Nebraska were storm swept late this afternoon by half a dozen tornadoes, all plainly seen by citizens here. They followed a very sultry day, rain accompanied by a heavy hail storm in this city half an hour later. All rural telephone lines are down and reports are meager. Rural mail carriers out of here report each tornado destructive. A 2-year-old child of Frank Gentry of Brunswick ranch was blown from its mother's arms and has not been found late tonight. Residences were blown away.

Frisco Changes

The announcement of the promotion of W. A. Prim, assistant to D. E. Fitzgerald, chief clerk of the motive power and mechanical department of the Frisco, to the position to be vacated by the elevation of Mr. Fitzgerald to assistant general superintendent, was made yesterday. John Henshaw, of the north side shops, it is said, will be the general foreman of the new shops, and Henry Honaker, formerly connected with the Frisco, at Memphis, Tenn., will act as machine foreman. It is not known who will have the superintendency of the new shops.—Springfield Republican.

A Thoughtful Gift

Tom went out to buy a pair of gloves for his sweetheart's Christmas present and to make a purchase for his father. Of course, he got things mixed, as they always do in stories, and the young lady received a pair of heavy woolen men's socks with the following note: DEAR HELEN:—Please accept these in consideration of my love for you. Oh that I were to be the only one to see them when you wear them. If you find any difficulty in getting them on, blow in them. Yours affectionately, Tom. —[From "Success Magazine."]

Found Guilty

The case of the City of Monett against D. J. Young, President of the Monett Electric Light Power and Ice Company, for violation of the ordinances of the city, was tried in police court before a jury Friday and resulted in a conviction and a fine of \$50.00 and costs.

Obituary.

Mary L. Woodruff was born in Oxford, Ohio, May 9, 1833. Died at the home of her son, W. F. Thrall, in Mound Valley, Kansas, June 23, 1909, at the ripe old age of seventy-six years. She was married to Rufus Thrall at Circleville, Ohio, in 1852. Ten children were born to this union, seven of whom are on the other side to welcome mother home. The three living are W. F. Thrall, of the Herald, Mound Valley, Kansas, Mrs. C. B. Woodruff, of Monett, Mo., and Mrs. N. S. Gandy, of Colorado Springs, Colo. Besides these children she leaves a devoted husband who will soon follow her, grand children and many dear friends to mourn her departure.

Sister Thrall was a choice character; converted when only a girl and united with the Presbyterian church. When she and Brother Thrall were married she left the church of her childhood to come to that of her husband, who had just been converted and united with the Methodist Episcopal church, in which she was a most earnest and faithful worker until the last few years when her health has been such that she could not attend church. She was a faithful Christian, a loving mother and devoted wife.

She moved with her husband to Decatur, Ill., in 1853, where they lived about fourteen years; from there they went to Lafayette county, Mo., and came to Kansas in 1870, and settled at Arvonia, in Osage county. They came to Labette county in 1872 and have lived in this county ever since; until the last eighteen years, when they have divided their time between Colorado and Kansas because of Brother Thrall's health. Sister Thrall has been a sufferer for several years, but always sweet and patient.

The funeral services were held at the family residence this (Friday) afternoon, conducted by Rev. M. G. McKenzie. Interment in Mound Valley cemetery.—Mound Valley Herald.

Transfers

David P. Courdin to Mary A. and Geo. Greathouse, lot 102 in block 24 in Plymouth, now Monett \$1,500.

Geo. Greathouse to D. P. Courdin, the s¹/₂ of sw¹/₄ of 23-25-28, and ne¹/₄ of 1-24-29—159 and 73-100 a. \$6,000.

Chas. A. Blakemore to A. L. Jenks, lots 5 and 6, block 3, Prospect Park ad Monett. \$250.

Tracks in Bad Shape

The Frisco is experiencing considerable difficulty in moving trains today owing to high water and washouts on the west and southwest divisions. Conductor Campbell experienced considerable delay in bringing in No. 304 but got in safely this afternoon.

Miss Berenice Downs has accepted a position at Newman's.

Jim King went to Purdy on business Saturday.

Floyd Callaway went to Cassville Saturday to distribute Chautauqua literature.

Miss Helen Guinney went to Rogers, Ark., Saturday on a visit to her sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Keltz are the parents of a daughter born Friday, June 25.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. George Pettit, of Neodesha, died Thursday.

Chas. Woodruff returned Friday night from Mound Valley, Kan., where he went to attend the funeral of his mother-in-law, Mrs. R. Thrall. Mrs. Woodruff expects to come home Sunday. Her father will make his home with her.

Mrs. B. McCaslin and Mrs. D. Guinney returned Friday evening from Mound Valley, Kan., where they attended the funeral of Mrs. R. Thrall.

TRIES TO KILL WIFE THEN CUTS HIS OWN THROAT

Elopement of Young Sarcoxie Couple Has Tragic Sequel

Hutchinson, Kan., June 25.—As the culmination of an elopement from her home in Sarcoxie, Mo., one year ago, when the couple eluded the girl's parents and were married, coming to Kansas shortly afterward, Mrs. Nettie Bell, 17 years old, and her husband, Chas. P. Bell, are in a hospital here suffering with wounds inflicted by Bell with a razor when the woman refused to longer live with him. Both will probably die.

Hospital attendants, after she been attended, gave Mrs. Bell writing material and a pencil and she asked in writing that her father, Elias A. Pace of Sarcoxie, Mo., be notified in case she could not recover. A message was sent to him soon afterward. Bell, in his desire to, cut his throat, inflicted a serious wound, and although he is able to talk, it is believed he can not recover.

It has been one year since the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Bell. The woman, then 16 years old, was living with her parents at Sarcoxie, Mo., who is 12 years her senior, was a boarder in the Pace home. Shortly after he began staying there Bell became attached to the girl and his attentions were returned. The father of the young woman remonstrated against the two keeping company and informed his daughter he would not permit of her being with Bell, it is said. As days passed and the courtship between them continued, Pace told the couple their actions must cease. They then planned an elopement and the girl left her home in company with Bell, coming with him to Kansas.

Cassville News.

From The Democrat. Jake Davis, Chas. Ray, Horace Gardner and James Talbert went to Monett to job the ball game Thursday.

Cleo, Arthur and Lennie Hawk and Roy Newman went to Monett Thursday to see Monett and Sarcoxie play ball.

The enumeration of the different school districts of Barry County has been completed and is now on file in County Clerk Manley's office and shows that there are 7,625 children of school age in Barry County, 3,904 white males and 3,721 white females. The enumeration for last year was 7,874 which shows a loss of 249 since last year.

Thirty-seven cans of cream were shipped from Cassville last week to St. Louis and Kansas City, which results in bringing revenue to this section that otherwise would never be seen. We hope to see these shipments increase from week to week, because it is the commencing of a splendid industry that is bound to bring great results to the farmers of Barry County. Farmers have already commenced increasing the number of cows, and with the excellent pasturage in this section they must do well.

Miss Vi Campbell of Neosho, is visiting in Monett.

Mrs. E. E. Johnson and children have returned from a visit at Neodesha.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Wood are moving to Dr. Jones' cottage on Third street.

John Metlach of near Peirce City picked and sold \$200 worth of strawberries from less than an acre of ground.

The teachers at St. Joseph Catholic school, Sisters Frances, Ursula, Christina, Mary and Patricia, left Friday night for their home at Concordia, Kan., to spend the summer,

Cotton Raising in Missouri

Jefferson City, June 26.—More cotton was raised in Missouri and placed on the market in the fall of 1908 and early this year than ever before in its history, revealing that as fast as swamp lands in the southeast are drained they are being turned into farms, and planted with one of nature's best paying products.

The cotton crop of Missouri for the season recently closed, according to advance figures from the "Red Book" of 1909 of the Bureau of Labor Statistics, which is now being compiled and prepared for the printer, was 30,953,500 pounds of baled cotton and 72,224,831 pound of cotton seed, which sold for a total of \$3,425,256 figuring on an average of .0924 per pound of cotton and \$15.65 per ton of cotton seed. This immense valuation for a commodity raised only in 12 counties has put Missouri ahead as a producer of states like Virginia, Kentucky, New Mexico and Kansas, which are more in the cotton belt and have reputations as cotton states.

It has long been known that Dunklin county produces more cotton per acre, according to the average acreage given to cotton raising, than any other cotton county in the country, a condition due to the extreme richness and depth of its soil. Then again the plants being more exposed to climatic changes is more seasoned, producing a stronger and more hardy fibre, making the cotton of more value for strength and endurance than that grown in sections of warmer and even temperatured springs.

One Man runs Village Affairs.

W. J. Pilkington, publisher of the Merchants Trade Journal, of Des Moines, has been given complete control of the business interests of the town of Dexter, twenty miles west of Des Moines, for a period of seven months.

He will endeavor to prove that the business methods in the big cities can be successfully applied to a small town. Dexter has a population of about 800.

To prove his assertion he has required every store owner and business house proprietor to agree to let him run the business according to his standards. He spends their money, designs their advertisements, instructs the buyers, authorizes this retrenchment or that expansion, as the business of the firm may demand.

Dexter is right in the hot bed of mail order business and the experiment is being watched with considerable interest.

Popcorn and Peanuts

Bud Russell, the popular peanut and popcorn man, who has had his stand on the north side of Broadway at Fifth has moved to the opposite side of the street. Bud's stand is always well stocked with good things for both young and old and his courteous treatment of his customers is proverbial. It will pay to cross the street to patronize him.

Philip Davis Dead

Philip Davis died at his home near Peirce City Saturday night, June 26. He was one of the old settlers of this section. He had been ill for several months with paralysis. The funeral was held Monday afternoon and interment made in the Odd Fellows cemetery.

Joe Newman, son of Milton Newman of Peirce City, spent Thursday in the city visiting his uncle Sol Newman.

Postal Clerk Grover Powers is suffering with a sprained arm. In throwing a package from the car he was thrown off his feet.

Mrs. O. H. Lane has gone to Springfield to visit a couple of weeks with relatives.

Mrs. C. H. Buckley and two children of Indianapolis, Ind., returned home Monday morning after a visit with Frank Buckley and family.

A GREAT VICTORY

Municipal Lighting Election Carried by an Overwhelming Majority

The voters of Monett demonstrated Saturday that bossism, unjust methods and disregard of the interests of the people were things of the past in our city. The frequent heavy rains were detrimental to the friends of the municipal electric lighting but the results shown by the ballots were very gratifying and there was a happy crowd in town Saturday night.

Especially was the spirit of jubilation noticeable in the railroad men whose duties call them to use the dark streets of the city at all hours of the night and the ladies whose dread of the dark alleys and hollows have prevented their coming down town unattended after night-fall.

The First and Fourth Wards gave the lie to the insinuations that they did not desire public improvements.

The following was the vote by wards:

First Ward	
For Municipal Lights.....	150
Against Municipal Lights.....	26
Second Ward	
For Municipal Lights.....	150
Against Municipal Lights.....	46
Third Ward	
For Municipal Lights.....	138
Against Municipal Lights.....	40
Fourth Ward	
For Municipal Lights.....	74
Against Municipal Lights.....	12
Total for Lights.....	512
Total against Lights.....	124

When the masses rise to right a wrong the boss and the lickspittle are relegated to the rear.

The TIMES throws up its hat and hurrahs for the great victory won by the people Saturday.

"The little shack on the corner" didn't get blown away Saturday. The cyclone struck down near the electric light plant.

Councilman Moses, the man after a job, and the little shack on the corner cut a wide swath last week according to the Star.

The heaviest tax payers of the town were among the hardest workers for the electric light proposition, showing that they believe that both from a financial and municipal point of view the proposition was a just one.

The TIMES has no fear regarding the future acts of the city mayor and council in the matter of municipal lighting. They are working together harmoniously for the best interests of the city and can be trusted to plant that will be suited to the needs of the city. We believe that it is their intention to erect the best plant that money can buy and one that will be adequate to the needs of the city for years to come. The mayor favors placing the water and electric plants in charge of a non-partisan commission to be run by them for the best interests of the city.

Sunday Schools to Advertise

Sedalia, Mo., June 25.—The First Baptist Church Sunday School, of which Louis Hoffman, circuit judge, is superintendent, will insert paid advertisements in the local Sunday morning newspapers in the hope of increasing the attendance. W. W. Herrold, superintendent of the First Christian Church Sunday School, will take similar action next week.

W. F. Brite has returned from Keiser, Ok. He reports that Dr. Ellis Jones lost heavily in the recent fire at that place. Much of the goods was carried out of the store but was destroyed.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Brown returned to their home at Neodesha, Kan., Monday after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. John Walsh.

THE ANNUAL REVIVAL MEETING

Creek Indians to Gather at Chapel in Tulsa County

Tulsa, Okla. June 26.—The Creek Indians of this part of the state are preparing for the annual revival meeting to be held at the old Creek chapel near Bixby near the the south end of Tulsa county. Thousands are attracted to these meetings.

The full blood preachers are powerful exhorters when the spirit moves them, but like the old time Quakers there is nothing doing until the spirit comes.

Frequently services will be in progress for hours without a word being said. It is not unusual for a preacher to speak continuously for five hours when he begins.

Bribery in Sapulpa

Sapulpa, Ok., June 26.—It now appears certain that there will be a special grand jury to investigate charges that city officers have received money from illegal business houses to allow them to run. Regardless of the charge that the origin of the petition is from enemies of the officers, many leading residents are signing. There is much uneasiness among officers. One is said to have gone to Guthrie to forestall proceedings.

Where They Will Celebrate

As Monett and Peirce City will not celebrate the nation's birthday this year our citizens will want to know where to go to have a big time.

July 3rd will be celebrated at Stella, Seneca, Aroma and Butterfield.

There will be a celebration at the mouth of Kings River July 2nd and 3rd.

At Lakeside Park at Carthage July 4 and 5 will both be observed.

Is Officially Dead at 90

Muskogee, Ok., June 27.—On a marble shaft in the Officers' Circle of the National Cemetery at Fort Gibson is carved the name, "Flora Goodey Rucker." This was the name of the Cherokee wife of General Daniel Rucker, U. S. A., to whom a short time ago notification was mailed by a life insurance company the General was dead.

The General went to the offices of the insurance company to inform the officials he was not dead. He learned, so far as the company is concerned, he is dead, and across his name in its books the word "Dead" is stamped in red letters.

In American mortality tables all persons are supposed to die before the age of 90. Having attained that age, the General was marked off as dead, his policy canceled and his money sent to him.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Lenhart, of Aurora, returned Sunday from a trip to Colorado and Nebraska.

J. E. Jenkins left Monday morning for Eureka Springs to visit a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ketchum and daughter Catharine are visiting south of Peirce City today with Mr. Ketchum's mother who is quite ill.

The baseball game between Monett and Jasper this afternoon was free, to pay the people for their disappointment Thursday.

Clyde Northcutt of Exeter, visited his aunt, Mrs. O. Barker, Sunday. He went to Springfield Monday to have his eye operated upon.

MORTGAGEES NOTICE

WHEREAS, Joseph Hudson, Wm. A. Wear, P. E. Maddox and S. R. Reynolds, Ruling Elders of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church of Cassville, Missouri by their Mortgage deed dated the fourth day of April, 1904, and Recorded in Book 41, at Page 440, in the records of the Recorder's office within and for Barry County, Missouri, conveyed to D. C. Weymouth, Mortgagee, the following described property, to-wit: Lots One (1), Two (2) and Three (3) in Block One (1), Pharis Second addition to the City of Cassville, Missouri.

Said conveyance was made to secure the payment of a certain promissory note therein described, and whereas, default has been made in the payment of said note and interest, NOW, THEREFORE, J. C. Ault, Cashier Barry County Bank, Assignee of Mortgage as aforesaid, will proceed to sell the above described real estate at public vendue to the highest bidder for cash, at the court house door in Cassville, Barry County, Missouri, on Saturday, the third day of July A. D. 1909, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. of that day for the purpose set forth in said Mortgage. J. C. AULT, Cashier Barry County Bank, Assignee of Mortgage. Dated June 10, 1909.