

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

Twenty-one Young People Finish the High School Course

The largest class which has ever graduated from the Monett school, finished the course this year. Beside being strong in numbers, they were also strong in scholarship and finish their high school work with honors.

Miss Ollie Calvin won the highest grade and was class valedictorian. She won the beautiful silver loving cup offered by Jeweler Perry Short for the highest scholarship. Miss Ethel Campbell won second honors and was salutatorian for the class.

The exercises opened with selections by the orchestra, followed by invocation. Miss Hazel Cooper rendered a piano solo with her usual proficiency and grace. The orations by the salutatorian and valedictorian were very fine and well delivered.

Mrs. Kines and Miss Mertel sang a duet "Come With Me," which was a treat to the hearers.

The address of the evening was made by Hon. C. A. Newton of St. Louis. He took as his subject "Honesty" and handled it in a masterly way. He is a fluent speaker and every minute of his long address was thoroughly enjoyed.

Diplomas were presented to the members of the class by Attorney John T. Burgess, in a short but impressive talk. He also presented the silver loving cup to Miss Calvin.

Members of the class of 1910 are Leon Wainwright, Roy Parker, Glen Buckley, James Day, James Dirickson, Claude Woolsey, Earl Callaway, Leslie Jackson, Howard Gulick, John Callan, Blanche Clutter, Bereniece Downs, Grace Johnson, Eunice Horine, Mabel Moses, Maud McIntosh, Martha Schofield, Ollie Calvin, Florence Keithley, Ethel Campbell and Cornelia Tiernan.

Purdy News

A. J. Clevenger and wife were Monett visitors Tuesday.

J. B. Burg and wife and Robt. Dummit were in Monett Monday.

E. A. McCallister, J. W. McCraw and Claud Ricketts attended church in Monett Sunday night.

Jim Willis left Sunday for Aurora, where he has accepted a position with the Aurora Wholesale Grocery company.

John Kaase died at his home in Ft. Smith, Ark., Sunday, May 15, at the age of 78 years. Mr. Kaase lived two miles northwest of Purdy for a number of years and was a respected upright citizen. He was the father of Fred Kaase, formerly of this place.

Purdy will celebrate the Fourth of July this year. The big posters will be out soon.

Mrs. J. C. Davis and little daughter Mary, of St. Louis, are visiting Mrs. F. A. Archibald this week.

Mrs. J. H. Blankenship and son Herbert, accompanied by Miss Eula Fly attended the graduating exercises of the K. C. Dental College at Kansas City this week. E. L. Blankenship has been attending this college for some time and graduated this term.

W. J. Lough this week purchased the Stone elevator. He informs us he will begin at once to overhaul and renovate it for the new crop. He also intends to build a warehouse in connection with the elevator to handle his output from the mill. This will give him railroad facilities he has long needed.

BOB IS DEAD

Bob, beloved dog of James Basham, Jr., was killed by an automobile Friday evening. The little friends of unfortunate Bob buried him in Callan's field Saturday morning. His grave was decorated with flowers and watered with tears, and the children are inconsolable over the loss of their pet.

KANSAS GUARANTY LAW IS SUSTAINED

Appellate Court Reverses Decision of United States Circuit Court, Which Enjoined State Bank Guaranty Act

Topeka, Kan., May 20.—A telegram was received here today from John C. Jordan, clerk of the United States circuit court of appeals at St. Paul, stating that the decision of Judge John C. Pollock of the United States circuit court here, granting an order restraining the enforcement of the state bank guaranty law, had been reversed by the appeal court. The telegram was received by Attorney General Fred S. Jackson.

The Abilene National bank with several other national banks brought suit in the federal court here to enjoin Bank Commissioner Dolley from enforcing the guaranty law pending a decision in a suit on the law's constitutionality. As soon as the order of the St. Paul court is received here the guaranty law will again be put into operation. Three hundred and ninety-nine state banks have applied and are eligible to participation.

MONETT VS AURORA

The ball game Friday afternoon was easily won by the home team by a score of 12 to 1. The Aurora boys were outclassed by the Monett nine.

THE SCORE

Monett	ABRHP	PO	A	E		
Leckie 1st	1	1	0	13	0	2
Guinney ss	4	1	0	0	5	1
Myers 3d	5	3	2	0	2	0
Black cf	4	1	1	1	0	0
Lawrence 2d	5	2	3	3	2	0
Vinson lf	4	1	1	0	0	0
Stringer lf	5	1	2	0	0	0
Roller c	5	1	3	10	2	0
Long p	4	1	2	0	3	0
Total	37	12	14	27	14	3

BY INNINGS

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E
Aurora	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	6	
Monett	1	1	4	2	3	0	1	0	1	2	13	13

1st base hits off Long, Davis 1; off Rose, Vinson 1, Rolleg 1; off Burks, Myers 1, Black 1, Lawrence 2, Stringer 1, Rolleg 1. Long 2, 2 base hits off Long, Burks 1; off Rose 0; off Burks, Lawrence 1, Stringer 1, Rolleg 1. 3 base hit off Burks, Myers 1. Bases on balls off Long 0, off Rose 3, off Burks 2. Rose pitched 2 innings, Burks pitched 9 innings, Long pitched 9 innings. Struck out by Long 11, by Rose 1, by Burks 2. Stolen bases, Leckie 1, Guinney 2, Myers 3, Black 1, Lawrence 3, Vinson 2, Long 2. Sacrifice hits, Leckie 1, Guinney 1, Black 1. Wild pitches, Burks 6, Rose 1. Left on bases, Monett 9, Aurora 9. Total bases Monett 67, Aurora 9. Earned runs, Monett 7, Aurora 1. Time of Game 1:45.

NEWTON COUNTY LICENSES

Chas. Gnad	Duenweg
Hattie Snyder	Duenweg
Thomas Frell	Joplin
Anna Chapman	Joplin
Irl J. Burke	Cartilage
Beulah V. Stinson	Neosho
N. E. Bishop	Carterville
Dessa Chadd	Carterville
F. M. Eimney	Neosho
Mary A. Barker	Neosho
Lon Lowery	Webb City
Addie Testeman	Tipton Ford
Ausust Tillock	Sarcozie
Pearl Briner	Neosho
Lafayette Ferguson	Granby
Mabel Paul	Granby
J. F. Danielson	Smolan, Kan.
Nellie Saunders	Granby

Mrs. Largen is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. Brendlinger south of town.

EIGHTH GRADE GRADUATING EXERCISES

A very interesting program was rendered at the High School Friday morning by the pupils graduating from the eighth grade. The exercises began at ten thirty when about forty boys and girls marched into the auditorium and took their places on the front seats.

The program consisted of songs, recitations and one piano duet, all of which were appreciated by the visitors and the students of the high school. A pantomime—"The Blue and the Gray," given by five girls was especially good. The class will by Olga Hess caused a great deal of merriment and met with hearty applause. The solos by Esther White, Harl Allen and Alice Pinnel deserve special mention, also the quintette of boys which was heartily encored as showing what excellent musical talent will enter the high school with this class.

The remarks made by Prof. H. E. Blaine as he presented the diplomas were very impressive and urged the students to greater efforts in the future.

This is the first graduating exercise from the grades ever held in our city but it was thoroughly enjoyed by all present and institutes a custom that will add new interest and inspiration to the school.

Miss Nellie Mills and Miss Demmah Hamilton were the teachers in the grade.

The graduates are Harl Allen, Breece Pettefer, Russell Hobbs, Paul Russell, Press Hopkins, Roy Watson, Carl Utter, Wesley Bradford, Roy Counts, William Murphy, Ruby Hoover, Rollen Bingham, Roy Weaver, Allen Surrall, Elmer Dennis, Ural Riggs, Edgar Chastain, Earl Lauderdale, John Patton, Floyd Armstrong, Chas. Copeland, Frank Bear, Blanche Blakeslee, Katie Mooney, Alice Pinnel, Fay Beaty, Ruth Roderick, Esther White, Elizabeth Harrison, Marie Price, Olga Hess, Jasmine Andrews, Hazel Parsons, Eunice Salzer, Ella Jackson, Ada Hester, Bessie Hall, Geraldine Christopher and Carrie Fink.

Six members of the class were not absent during the year. They are Paul Russell, Breece Pettefer, Russell Hobbs, Roy Watson, Wesley Bradford and Charlie Copeland.

INFANT FOUND IN PHARISS POND

Monday afternoon about 5 o'clock Len Walker, while fishing in the Pharris pond, near Logan, found the body of a boy baby. The ends had been torn out of a shoe box and the box wrapped around the body of the infant and thrown in the pond. The coroner of Christian county was notified and in company of a physician from Billings came down and took charge of the body. The child had been murdered, as its throat was cut and had been stabbed clear through the body just below the heart.

It was the opinion of the physician that the child had been born several days before being murdered and that the baby had probably been in the water three or four weeks. The box wrapped around the body was a Milwaukee shoe box, but no cost mark or other evidence was found to show where or by whom the box was purchased.

There is no evidence to warrant the suspicion of any one in this neighborhood and it is thought by some that the body might have been thrown from the platform of a morning train, as it could have easily been done.—Marionville Free Press.

BERRY SHIPMENTS

Strawberry shipments in the district Friday were Neosho, 2 cars, Seneca 1, Aroma 1, Butterfield 1, Monett 1, Republic 1, and Pomona 1. They sold at \$2.65 on track.

Full line of machine and harness oil. BUCHNER & THIELEN.

LAWRENCE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

Edward Green vs O. F. Helweg and J. E. Coppock, executors, account; trial by jury and verdict for plaintiff in sum of \$7,482.50. Appeal granted to Supreme Court.

Studebaker Mfg Co vs Elsey-Hemphill Carriage Co., replevin; trial by jury and verdict for defendant, Jas. A. Potter, for possession of property or its value, \$1200; cause continued.

Wm. Buchner & Son vs Joseph Allen, attachment; trial by court and judgment for plaintiffs in sum of \$181.37.

Chas. Ransie, Elmer Keely and Loren McManoma vs Julia West Mining Co debt for labor; trial by court and judgment for plaintiff.

W. R. Wilkes vs Frisco railroad, damages; trial by court and judgment for plaintiff by agreement in sum of \$115.

Holland Banking Co vs F. E. Crumpley et al, note; trial by court and judgment for plaintiff in sum of \$5,134.16.

Biddlecome Bros. Co vs Chas. Jones, attachment; attachment bond approved and writ of attachment ordered.

State vs Cleve Garner, violating local option law; change of venue granted and trial set for June 24th before Judge Moore of 31st circuit.

State vs Pearl and E. M. Pennington, stealing chickens; plea of guilty and fine of \$10 and \$10 respectively.

State vs Elmer Kennett, illegal sale of liquor; trial by jury and fine of \$300; motion for new trial filed.

State vs Elmer Kennett, assault; plea of guilty and fine of \$37.50.

Benjamin Wheeler vs Lou Wheeler, divorce proceedings; decree of divorce granted plaintiff.

Nettie Cox vs Elmer Cox, divorce proceedings; divorce granted plaintiff and maiden name of Meadows restored.

Chas. E. Rimmer granted divorce from Stella Rimmer on payment of costs.

Divorce of Myrtle Stevenson from R. L. Stevenson with restoration of maiden name Erwin granted.

Divorce of Frank Burns, violating local option law; judge disqualifies and case is set for June 24th before Judge Moore.

Lewis W. Gum et al vs Nancy Hendrick et al, to determine title trial by court and title found to be in Chas. A. Skeen, and decree so ordered.

Casselia Marsh vs W. M. Marsh, divorce; trial by court and decree for plaintiff granted on grounds of desertion alone, and for alimony as per stipulations filed.

Frances White granted divorce from Oscar White and maiden name of Nichols restored.

William Jacques granted divorce from Alma Jacques.

Clarence E. Gaffaney et al vs Oscar M. Gaffaney et al, partition; sale of real estate ordered and J. M. McPherson allowed \$250 and C. W. Crooks \$150 for legal services.

Pearl M. Titterington granted divorce from Lynn Titterington and given care and custody of child.

Petition of Parker Potter et al for incorporation of Mt. Vernon City Cemetery granted.

Petition of Sallie Perigo Darrow and James Scott for change of surname to Lawson granted.

In his speech on the tariff Champ Clark of Missouri declared that if President Taft had voted the Payne-Aldrich-Smoot bill, he could have written his name among the country's greatest benefactors. "But he let the golden opportunity go by unimproved," added the minority leader, "and it will never return to him as long as the grass grows or water runs."

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FINAL SETTLEMENTS IN PROBATE COURT

Wm. A. McEwen, minor, balance due estate \$537.43.

Chas. Brown, dec'd no balance.

Lucinda Eagle, dec'd, balance due estate \$19.29.

Harrison Tate, minor, no balance.

Liddie B. Palmer, dec'd, balance due estate \$323.82.

Patrick Conally, dec'd balance due estate \$789.57.

Orvil and Herman Coatney, minors, balance due heirs \$102.68.

Est. Houston Marbut, dec'd balance due heirs \$982.10.

Est. Millie Sharp, no balance due.

Est. Louis King, dec'd, no balance due.

Est. Benjamin Kirby, insane, report of sale of real estate filed and approved and deed ordered executed.

Same in estate of Arthur M. Martin, minor.

Est. Earle Curry et al, minors, sale of real estate ordered.

Est. Ernest Ferguson, real estate ordered sold.

Est. Coia M. Johnston, minor, same.

Est. Lester Oakley, minor, B. F. McCary appointed curator, bond filed and approved, order made for sale of real estate.

Est. Martin Glasser, dec'd order partial distribution made.

Est. Frank Rauth, dec'd same.

Est. D. R. Harris, dec'd demand of J. T. Van Hook for \$79.72 allowed.

Est. F. A. Hart, dec'd, demand of Dr. Miller, coroner, for \$147.70 allowed, also demand of W. F. Berry for \$12.50 allowed.

Est. Mattie I. Greene dec'd, T. D. Steele for \$28.41 allowed.

Y. M. C. A. SUMMER SOCIALS

Arrangements are being made for a splendid orchestra under the direction of Chas. A. Anderson, to furnish the music for the socials at the Railroad Y. M. C. A. every Friday night during June, July and August. This is a rare opportunity for young musicians who desire to get orchestra experience. Mr. Anderson will be glad to meet any such who desire to join. The different churches will have charge of the refreshments as heretofore, and we invite everybody to come and bring their friends with them.

A PECULIAR ACCIDENT

A very peculiar accident happened to one of the men under section boss Calloway here last Thursday morning. The men were working in the cut near the cemetery and when the fast St. Louis mail train came through a piece of a steam hose connection from the engine broke or in some manner came loose just before the engine got opposite the men and was hurled with great force, striking George W. Clayton a glancing lick knocking him down breaking his arm near the shoulder and two or three ribs. The train was running at a high rate of speed and if the piece of iron, which weighed eight and one half pounds, had struck him squarely, death would probably have resulted.

The men had gotten out of the way of the train and were standing up on the side of the cut, thinking they were out of the way of danger.

The injured man was taken to the Frisco hospital at Springfield for treatment.—Marionville Free Press.

ODE TO MISSOURI

"Here's to Missouri, the State of our birth, the greatest and grandest old State on earth, where the bright golden corn fills the thousands of bins, where the wealth of the world comes from faithful old hens; where mules big and round, long eared, stubborn and fat, bring three hundred apiece, and go quickly at that; where sweet milk and honey, lead, copper and zinc would fill a big river full up to the brink; where hogs root and grunt and bring ten and a half, where a cow sells for sixty, with ten for the calf; her people the best under God's shining sky; in Missouri I live, in Missouri I'll die."—Marionville Democrat.

LOCAL NEWS.

Miss Mary Inman will entertain the Bridge Club Friday evening.

Dr. M. C. Hagler has moved to his property on Second street, Elmer Frossard of Joplin, is visiting relatives in Monett.

Rob Ryan of Springfield spent Sunday in Monett.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Horine are spending the week in the country.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Thomas are visiting their daughter at Eldorado Springs.

Mrs. E. W. Russey has returned from her visit in Colorado.

Mrs. M. Y. Todisman has returned from a visit at Indianapolis, Ind.

Miss Eula Majors went to Peirce City Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Burns went to Springfield Saturday.

Landon Vance of Peirce City, was in Monett Friday.

Perez Falk attended commencement exercises at Peirce City Friday night.

Amrose Shelton and Junior Westbay went to Sarcozie Saturday to visit Amrose's grandpa.

Mrs. Leo Leckie returned Saturday morning from Columbia where she attended the Rebekah Assembly.

Rev. J. R. Strong was a judge at the elocutionary contest at Peirce City Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Malone Cox and daughter, Lona, of Purdy, visited in Monett Friday.

Mrs. T. Y. Tennyson has received word that her father is seriously ill at Sleeper.

Miss Demmah Hamilton and Miss Nellie Mills took their pupils on a picnic Saturday.

Mrs. Chas. Bethel of Joplin, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Ball.

Mrs. Homer McCulloch, of Kansas City, is visiting her sister, Mrs. P. C. Callaway.

U. S. Barnsley has purchased Mrs. Guinney's property on north Fourth street and will make it his home.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Y. Charles have returned to Hugo, Ok., after a visit to relatives in Monett.

Mrs. C. H. Ring has returned from Columbia, where she attended the Rebekah Assembly.

Mrs. Nelson has returned to her home at Paris, Tex., after a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Joe Harvey.

Mrs. J. B. Kirkpatrick has returned from a visit to her husband at Lawton, Ok.

Mrs. J. A. Jackson and Miss Ollie are visiting at Frank Jackson's in the country.

Mrs. Hugh McBride, of Sapulpa, Okla., is visiting relatives and friends in the city.

Miss Lillian Allen has returned to Springfield after a week's visit at home.

Mrs. Dr. Robertson and Mrs. Forhan, of McDowell were trading in Monett Saturday. Mrs. Forhan went to Newton, Kan., for a visit with relatives.

Mrs. E. Johnson and Mrs. J. S. McGee have returned to Peirce City after a visit with the family of J. H. Johnson.

In the gold medal contest held at Peirce City Thursday evening the medals were won by Miss Grace Griffith and Frank Key.

Clarence Stevens of Enid, Ok., and Mrs. Zoe Depew, of Muskogee, Ok., are visiting their parents, Rev. and Mrs. S. F. Stevens.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Johnson left Sunday morning for Oklahoma City for a weeks visit with relatives.

Dunn's Commercial Agency says that the cost of living has increased 49 per cent in twelve years, while the Bureau of Labor, Department of Commerce, says that the wage of the workman has increased 19 per cent in twelve years. Here is a balance of 30 per cent against the laborers of the country. His wages have gone up 19 cents on the dollar, and his living expenses 49 cents on the dollar, leaving his net receipts shy 30 cents on the dollar. No wonder the working man finds it hard to save anything.

In another column will be found the announcement of Hon. Carr McNatt for Circuit Judge of this district. Mr. McNatt is so well known that but little need be said in his behalf. His high standing as a lawyer, his clear moral character and personal integrity make him eminently fitted for the position to which he aspires. Coming as he does from a county where there are twenty-seven hundred Democratic votes that ought to be gotten out at the general election, coupled with the fact of his personal following from all parties emphasizes the necessity of having such a man on the ticket, and assures his election if nominated.