

ONE KILLED AND THIRTY-TWO INJURED.

Washout on the Frisco Central Division Wrecks Passenger Train W. O. Welsh, Monett, Killed.

Springfield, April 6.—W. O. Welsh, of Monett, an express messenger, was killed and thirty-two persons were injured yesterday morning at 7:05 o'clock when Frisco passenger train No. 716, east bound, went through a bridge between Goodland and Hamden, near Hugo, on the Central division.

The bridge, twenty feet high and 125 feet long, had become weakened from the high waters which had risen during the heavy rain which had fallen all night.

The train left Paris, Tex., at 5:40. The locomotive and tender were almost across the bridge when the piers collapsed. The engine and tank turned over down the dump on the west side. The baggage car was destroyed. The first coach turned over with the rear end resting in the stream. The front end was on the dump. The chair car turned over on its side. The front end was in the water.

The high waters and the rain which fell in torrents made rescue work extremely difficult. The body of the dead messenger was removed from the wrecked baggage car. The injured were picked up and taken into the rear coaches of the train, which were derailed, but which offered shelter from the rain. They were cared for in the best possible manner until another engine could come out to take them back to Hugo.

Before 9 o'clock a wrecker and work train, with wrecking crews and bridge crews, had arrived at the scene and were clearing away the debris. Shortly after noon a pile driver arrived and the work of rebuilding the bridge was started.

Four panels of the bridge were destroyed, and on account of the high waters it was impossible to transfer passengers from trains at that point, and traffic was tied up for several hours. Traffic will be resumed this morning.

The list of injured follows: Engineer Skelton, injured in left leg and head; not serious.

Fireman Meeh, fractured right arm, back and head injured.

William Phillips, Dunbar, Ok., hurt internally; serious.

E. M. Noble, Hardis, Ok., injured about head and shoulders; serious.

W. G. Payne, Meyers, Ok., slight injuries.

W. E. Bass, Antlers, Ok., arm and hip hurt; not serious.

S. S. Holcomb, Ada, Ok., injured head, shoulder and arm and internally; serious.

H. L. Shaffer, Hugo, Ok., cuts and bruises; not serious.

H. J. Harris, Leflore, Ok., bruises and cuts; not serious.

Mrs. E. M. Goss, Hugo, Ok., dislocated shoulder.

Eulah Simpson, Finley, Ok., bruises.

Mrs. J. C. Simpson, Finley, Ok., bruised.

Sam Fry, Binnington, Ok., cuts and bruises.

O. E. Griffith, Hugo, Ok., bruises and cuts.

K. W. Catens, Dallas, Tex., side injured.

Prof. Marion Orr, Durant, Ok., back bruised.

Mrs. J. J. Miller, Durant, Ok., ankle injured.

Prof. J. J. Miller, Durant, Ok., rib fractured.

C. E. Hearne, Dewar, Ok., bruises and cuts.

W. E. Sublett, 322 North Seventeenth street, Fort Smith, Ark., cut on face.

H. O. Hern, Hugo, Ok., mouth injured.

J. Sies, Livingston, Ill., head cut and bruised.

H. O. Runge, Hugo, Ok., body bruised.

H. H. Hawley, Paris, Tex., artery cut in hand, shoulder mashed.

T. E. Zebermy, Dallas, Tex., side injured.

W. G. Moore, Hugo, Ok., head and back injured.

Mrs. C. E. Hearne, Dewar, Ok., internal injuries.

Bob Davenport, Finley, Ok., injured in chest.

J. H. Shaw, Hugo, Ok., severe cuts.

M. L. Dudley, Hugo, Ok., back injured.

Sidney King, train porter, Paris, Tex., slightly injured.

Conductor Land, bruised on head.

WOMAN'S UNION

The Woman's Union of the Presbyterian church met at the home of Mrs. Mary Wightman Friday afternoon. The hostesses were Mrs. H. H. Westbay, Mrs. Will Buckley, Mrs. L. H. Gabriel and Mrs. M. L. Rounds.

A pleasant meeting was had and after the very interesting program a dainty luncheon was served.

Mrs. E. M. Schelin, of Wichita, Kan., is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. W. Black.

FUNERAL OF W. O. WELCH HELD HERE SUNDAY

Funeral services for W. O. Welch, express messenger, who was killed in the train wreck at Goodland, Ok., Friday morning, were held at the Christian church at Monett at 2 o'clock Sunday afternoon. Rev. J. F. King preached the funeral sermon. Interment was made in the Odd Fellows' cemetery. R. M. Callaway officiated as undertaker.

Wilburn Oscar Welch was born November 3, 1878, at Buffalo, Mo., where he made his home until 1906. On Christmas day of that year he was married to Miss Pearl Lewis, of Monett, and since that time had made his home here. He worked as express messenger for the Wells-Fargo out of Monett on the Central division of the Frisco.

Mr. and Mrs. Welch have two sons—Carl, age 10 years, and Paul Lewis, age 5 years. Besides his wife and sons, Mr. Welch is survived by his mother, Mrs. Jane Welch, and a sister, Mrs. Lyman Cridele, both of Buffalo.

The deceased was a member of the Christian church and of the Knights and Ladies of Security lodge.

He was a young man highly respected and of excellent character. The news of his death in the big wreck was a great shock to his relatives and friends.

GILBERT CLEMEN PLANCHON

Gilbert Clemen Planchon departed this life on Saturday morning, April 6, at 6:30 o'clock, of pneumonia. He was born October 7, 1893, age 24 years, 5 months and 29 days.

Funeral services were held at the home at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon for the immediate relatives, followed by public services at the Waldensian church, conducted by the pastor, Rev. D. R. Woods, assisted by Rev. H. H. Koontz.

Gilbert was a young man of sterling qualities and previous to his death was a volunteer in the navy and was waiting for his call to the colors. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. S. Planchon, of south of town, well known and respected citizens.

MT. GROVE

The egg roast at S. A. Davis' home Saturday night was well attended. All present seemed to enjoy themselves.

The following young people went to Jolly Sunday: Misses Gusta and Opal Cramer, Jewell Carin, Maud Webb, and Messrs. Omer Shepherd, Noel McCormick, Walter McIntosh and Clyde McCormick.

Mrs. Myrtle Rogers, of Kansas City, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. V. H. Marbut.

Mrs. Rogers and Mrs. Marbut visited Mrs. Reva Jackson Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Henderson and children spent Easter down on Flat creek.

Mrs. Cleton Inman and Miss Reta Inman went to Purdy Monday evening.

Prof. C. F. Marbut is here on a visit and is looking over his farm and preparing to spray his orchard.

AURORA VOTES SCHOOL BONDS

Aurora voted for better schools yesterday when the bonds for a new Lowell building carried by a vote of 326 to 19, and the tax levies asked for by the board of education went "over the top" at the rate of better than 3 to 1.

E. K. Johnston was returned to the board of education with 240 votes, and C. V. Wheat defeated E. B. Samuels, finishing in second place with 189. Mr. Samuels received 175 votes and J. C. Gardner was fourth with 84.—Aurora Advertiser.

PHILATHEA BUSINESS MEETING

The Philathea class of the Baptist Sunday school held its regular business and social meeting on Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Solon Wright. Notwithstanding the heavy rain, there was an excellent attendance.

Mrs. W. E. Roller conducted the devotional exercises in a most instructive and interesting manner, with the assistance of the other class members. Subject, "The Deity of Christ."

After the lesson and business session the class enjoyed a program consisting of a duet by Mrs. Percy Johnson and Mrs. Arthur Anderson, reading by Mrs. W. R. Isbell and a piano solo by Miss Lois Wright. Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Edwin Johnson served a one-course lunch.

RED CROSS BENEFIT DANCE GIVEN AT PEIRCE CITY

A dance was given at the Windsor hotel in Peirce City Friday night for the benefit of the Red Cross chapter. The music for the occasion was furnished by the Rice orchestra, of this city. A large crowd was present and it was a very enjoyable affair. A number of young people from Monett were in attendance.

Miss Grace Mooney and brothers, James and William, went to Joplin this morning to spend the day.

REAL WAR RELICS TO BE SHOWN IN THE EIGHTH

The great world war is to be brought closely home to the citizens of the seven states and parts of states comprising the Eighth Federal Reserve District in a most forceful manner.

A special train, laden with war relics direct from the battle front in France and from the devastated land of Belgium, will be brought to the homes of the people of this district and they can actually be brought into close touch with the terribleness of the war.

The War Department at Washington, and the French government, have supplied these war trophies. They will consist of guns captured from the Germans, of shells whose contents have performed their work of destruction, of helmets that adorned the heads of the enemy, of unique and terrible implements of war and shattered treasures that tell of the ruthless destructiveness of the Hun.

There will be aeroplanes that have figured in raids over the enemy lines, and their planes that were brought to earth by Allied gunners and so disabled that they are no longer useful.

All manner of arms, both of the Allies and the Germans, will be shown. There will be gas bombs, shrapnel shells, mortars and miniatures of the terrible U-boats and models of the submarines used by the American navy and the navies of the Allies.

These comprehensive relics of the greatest war the world has ever known will be loaded on two flat cars to each train. In addition there will be a sleeping car and a baggage car in each train. The exhibits will be arranged on the flat cars, and the people may walk along on a platform and see and even touch some of the relics.

Speakers of national reputation will accompany each train, and will deliver addresses from the train. There will also be in the party soldiers from the English, French and American armies who have actually seen service at the front, and who will make short talks at each stop. The speakers and soldiers will live in the sleeping car during the tour.

The train will start from St. Louis April 6.

Posters in the cities to be visited will announce day and hour train will arrive and the time for the speaking program.

SOLDIER BROTHERS MEET AT HAMPTON ROADS

Milton Combs and John Combs, of Monett, who enlisted in the U. S. army several months ago in different departments, were fortunate in being able to spend Easter Sunday together at Hampton Roads.

Milton is in an airplane school at Hampton Roads. John, who has been at Fort Moultrie, S. C., was recently transferred to an auto school at Hampton Roads. The brothers are very glad to be at the same location.

VEERKAMP-DEUEL

Announcement has been received here by friends of the wedding of Franz Veerkamp and Miss Pearl Deuel, both of this city, which took place at Camp Doniphan, Ok., Saturday, March 23. Franz has been stationed at Camp Doniphan since last fall, having been a member of the Kansas National Guard, which was federalized last August. He was a private in Company D, of the 139th Infantry, but has recently been promoted to the position of assistant clerk. Mrs. Veerkamp will remain with her husband while he is at Camp Doniphan. No further particulars of the wedding have been received.—Neosho Miner and Mechanic.

ESCAPE JAIL

Three prisoners in the county jail here made their escape Friday night about 11 o'clock. Two of them, Eual Logne and W. H. Ryman, who had burglarized the Chenoweth store at Wheaton, were under sentence to the penitentiary for two years each. The other, L. W. Coker, was serving a jail sentence for having assaulted L. H. Gabriel, proprietor of the Martin hotel at Monett.

Coker was a trusty and had obtained keys, with which he made his way out, and the other two men followed, according to the statements of the other prisoners who did not escape.—Cassville Republican.

AURORA BOY DIES

Athel Smith, 14 years old, died at 9:30 o'clock last night in a local hospital from appendicitis. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Bassett, of Aurora. The body is in charge of the Bentz Undertaking Company and will be sent to Aurora this evening for burial. The decedent had been a patient in the hospital since last Sunday.—Springfield Leader.

Mrs. Walter Perry entertained at 7 o'clock dinner Friday Mr. and Mrs. Pat Perry and Mr. Russell, of Chicago.

Mrs. Wallace Miller returned Thursday from a short visit with her daughter, Mrs. Hurst, at Springfield.

CIRCUIT COURT PROCEEDINGS

E. P. Henderson vs. T. J. Miller et al., to determine title; change of venue to Lawrence county.

Mary Pannley vs. Oscar Pannley, divorce; dismissed.

Thomas Noble et al. vs. James Johnston et al., to contest will; the will of William Noble, dated November 3, 1917, was proven and probated.

Florence Betts vs. Ray Betts, divorce; continued.

State vs. J. E. Blankenship, assault with intent to rape; jury trial and jury failed to agree—eight for acquittal and four for conviction.

George F. Bowen vs. J. Zaccanti, appeal from J. P.; appealed to Springfield court of appeals.

Ambrosia Bissagno vs. D. S. Mayhew, on note; judgment for plaintiff; appealed to court of appeals.

W. J. Fleming vs. W. H. Smith, on note; judgment for plaintiff.

C. T. Dusenbury vs. John Moore, on note; dismissed.

P. P. Doyel vs. Festus J. Wade, receiver M. & N. A., damages; change of venue to Carthage.

W. J. Fleming vs. W. H. Smith and Wm. Meagher, on note; judgment for plaintiff for \$682.

Lillie Henderson vs. Sherman Medlin et al., damages; continued.

W. J. Fleming vs. W. H. Smith et al., on note; continued.

H. M. Hailey vs. D. S. Mayhew, appeal from J. P.; change of venue to Springfield.

E. A. O'Dwyer vs. P. J. Kilkenny, slander; continued.

Salzer Bros. vs. Ed. Cole, appeal from J. P.; continued.

City of Monett vs. George O'Dell, appeal from police judge; continued.

Same vs. Wm. Meagher, appeal from police judge; continued.

State vs. P. B. Ball, violating local option law; continued by agreement.

State vs. Leslie Chambers, having burglar tools in his possession; made cash deposit of \$50; paroled.

State vs. George Webb, rape; jury failed to agree, standing ten for conviction.—Cassville Democrat.

Mrs. Arthur Schaffnit, of Memphis, Tenn., is visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Ragain, of Purdy, were shopping in Monett Saturday.

Bert Robbins and M. E. Gillioz returned Friday evening from a business trip to Kansas City.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Beaty have arrived from Picher, Ok., called by the death of their brother-in-law, W. O. Welch.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Geister, of Springfield, came this morning, called here by the tragic death of W. O. Welch.

Plans are being made for constructing a bridge across Flat creek at McDowell. This is a dangerous ford and the people of the county will be glad when it is bridged.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Henry, of Tulsa, Ok., who have been visiting relatives at Springfield, came this morning for a visit with Mrs. Wm. Henry and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Albert, Sr., received a message Sunday from their son, Emil Albert, and wife, at Tulsa, Ok., announcing the arrival of a baby girl.—Peirce City Leader.

Miss Merrah Kahn returned to work at Durnil's store in the ready-to-wear department, after a three months' absence on account of her mother's ill health.

Orion Scott, son of Mrs. Sadie Scott, went to Springfield Friday and enlisted in the army. He will be in service in the field artillery. He will leave next week for Jefferson Barracks.

Malcomb Johnston, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Johnston, of Springfield, died March 29 at Camp Mead, Md., after a short illness due to pneumonia. The funeral was held at the home of his parents Tuesday, April 2.

Among the relatives called to Monett by the death of W. O. Welch are his mother, Mrs. James Welch, Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Criddle, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smithpeters, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Smithpeters, all of Buffalo, Mo., and Henry Grohr, of Springfield.

G. W. Morrison, U. S. recruiting officer, is visiting friends in Monett for a few days. He is now stationed at Ava, Douglas county. Recruiting has not been very brisk in that county. Mr. Morrison made a good record during the time he was stationed at Monett.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Peters and family, of Tulsa, Ok., who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Stowe, left this morning for a brief visit with Mrs. Peters' mother, Mrs. Peter McKinley, at Garfield, Ark. They will go from there to Tacoma, Wash., to make their home.

Father W. F. Roels, of the St. Agnes Catholic church, was in town Tuesday and in the course of an interview said he felt very proud of a new altar erected recently at the church and used for the first time on Easter Sunday. Other improvements have been made, he said, including the painting of the sanctuary on the inside.—Sarcoid Record.

WARNING TO DEALERS IN FLOUR—SUBSTITUTES

Flour must be sold in smaller quantities. The United States Food Administration has ordered that, effective immediately, no dealer shall sell to any customer a quantity of flour in excess of the reasonable needs of such customer's household for the succeeding thirty days, and in no case more than 24½ pounds to town or city customers or 49 pounds to country customers.

No breakfast foods except oat meal and rolled oats can be sold as substitutes. (This prohibits corn flakes, shredded wheat, cream of barley, post toasties, cream of rice, cream of corn, cream of wheat, etc.)

No canned goods whatever can be sold as substitutes.

No crackers can be sold as substitutes.

No macaroni or spaghetti can be sold as substitutes.

No beans can be sold as substitutes.

No Irish potatoes or sweet potatoes can be sold as substitutes.

No vegetables whatever are permitted as substitutes.

No shelled corn can be sold as substitutes. The only corn products permitted are corn meal, corn flour, corn starch and corn grits.

No oats can be sold as substitutes. The only permissible oat products are rolled oats and oat meal.

No barley can be sold as substitutes. The only permissible product of barley is barley flour.

The only permissible substitutes at this time are the following:

Hominy, corn grits, corn meal, corn flour, edible corn starch, barley flour, rolled oats, oat meal, rice, rice flour, buckwheat flour, potato flour, sweet potato flour, soy bean flour, feterita flour, feterita meal.

Your county food administrator will notify you if any changes from the above are hereafter made. No changes shall be adopted by you without official notice from him.

Wholesalers will be directed to discontinue selling any food commodities to any merchant selling unauthorized commodities as substitutes.

F. B. MUMFORD, Federal Food Administrator for Missouri.

J. F. MERMOUD, County Food Administrator.

Lee Walker, Licensing Inspector.

PRESBYTERIANS HOLD CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The members of the Presbyterian church held their annual congregational meeting at the church Thursday evening. There was a good attendance and they had a very enjoyable evening.

George J. C. Wilhelm and W. R. Breese were re-elected elders of the church. Ed Salzer and S. A. Chapell were elected as trustees.

The reports of the different officers were read. The finances of the church are in good condition and they enter upon a new year's work with all obligations paid in full.

Following the business meeting, five women of the church surprised the members present by serving a lunch. Mrs. Philip Davis, Mrs. J. J. Davis, Mrs. H. P. S. Burke, Mrs. C. A. Blakemore and Mrs. J. M. Russell furnished the lunch, which was much enjoyed.

FRISCO SALARY INCREASE WILL BE RETROACTIVE

Under the plan of wage increase for railroad employes, which is expected by Frisco employes to materialize in time for the first May pay day, the increase will be retroactive, and employes will receive their increases for every month since the government took over the control of railroads. The plan was announced by the wage increase board of the administration several weeks ago.

Under the plan as announced by the board when it was given out that employes were to receive wage increases covering the entire period the government has been in control of the railroads, the increase will apply to men and women in all departments whose salaries are less than \$200 a month. The increase will not affect those, it is said, whose salaries are now at that figure or above.

SIX-YEAR-OLD BOY MAKES LONG TRIP

Little Max de Jersey, age 6 years, will arrive tonight from California to make his home with his uncle, J. F. Mermoud. The youngster is making the trip alone. Two of his sisters are already at the Mermoud home. Two older sisters are going to France to take positions as telephone operators and they are sending the little brother to Monett to stay during their absence.

A. O. Stringer went to Joplin on No. 13 Friday evening, where he has accepted a position as assistant in the Missouri Pacific yards.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Wagner, of Nebraska, have moved to Monett and will make their home here. Mr. Wagner is a switchman.

MONETT CITY COUNCIL WINDS UP BUSINESS

Last Meeting of Old Council Wednesday—Pay Off Entire Amount on New City Reservoir.

The city council held its last regular meeting of this administration Wednesday afternoon, W. J. Fleming, mayor, presiding, and W. J. Mills and J. L. Basham, councilmen, present.

Bills against the city were allowed to the amount of \$6,662.46. In addition, \$391.41 of the saloon license money was turned over to the Special Road District.

An ordinance was passed accepting the new city water reservoir from M. E. Gillioz, the contractor. The city has paid for the reservoir in full out of the city funds without having to vote bonds.

The returns of the election were canvassed and they declared the election of S. A. Chapell as mayor and Ora H. Hudson and E. W. Pfau as councilmen.

Dr. L. H. Ferguson, city physician, reported eight cases of contagious disease during the month.

T. D. Pitts, fire chief, reported four calls during the month, as follows: March 18, J. E. Tyhurst's barn; 19th, Lee Robinson's residence; 25th, S. P. Walker's residence, and 30th, Dr. W. M. West's residence.

W. H. Such, the city collector, reports collections as follows:

Electric light department	\$1,796.69
Water fund	623.16
Special fund	384.99
General fund	1,827.66

Total \$4,632.50

The police department reports 68 arrests and total fines received of \$463.10. The number of meals served to prisoners was 149, at a cost of \$37.25.

C. A. Martin, superintendent of the electric light department, reports that the river power was used all month and the service was satisfactory. The city used 85,680 k. w. h., at a cost of \$999.76. The cost per k. w. h. was slightly less than 1-1/5 cents. A number of the street light fixtures were overhauled and repaired.

The following is the balance in the different funds April 1:

W. W. E. & I. B. sinking fund	\$ 2,045.16
W. W. E. & I. B. interest	962.25
W. W. I. B. No. 2, sinking	151.34
W. W. I. B. No. 2, interest	105.11
Sewer bonds, sinking	223.86
Sewer bonds, interest	261.13
E. L., sinking	306.59
E. L., interest	678.10
Funding bonds, sinking	1,093.74