

APPLE SHOW OPENS IN JOPLIN WEDNESDAY

Wonderful Exhibit of Apples Will be Shown With Apples from Ten States.

The annual apple show of the Missouri State Horticultural Society will open in Joplin Wednesday and will continue all week. Headquarters of the meeting have been established at the Connor hotel and the sessions of the society will be held on the roof of the Connor.

The Society will have the greatest exhibit of apples they have ever shown. Ten states, including New Hampshire, will have displays. The Mountain Grove Experiment Station will have a large exhibit and the university of Missouri College of Agriculture will show some of the apples it has recently developed.

The Newton County Farm Bureau, which has such a fine exhibit at their Harvest Show, will have an exhibit equal to or better than they had at Neosho.

On Saturday a meeting for juniors will be both morning and afternoon at the junior high school auditorium. There are 3600 pupils in the public schools who are members of the Junior Horticultural Society, and they planted 70,000 grape vines last spring. Lectures for the juniors will be illustrated with lantern slides.

BABY SON OF MR. AND MRS. JAMES P. DOYLE DIES

James Robert, the two weeks' old son of Mr. and Mrs. James P. Doyle, Jr., died at 2:30 o'clock Monday afternoon, December 11, at the home of his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. James P. Doyle, Sr., of west of Monett.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the St. Patrick's Catholic church of Peirce City, conducted by the Rev. Father Kelley. Interment will be made in the Catholic cemetery.

NEW OFFICERS FOR ALOHA CHAPTER NO. 240 O. E. S.

Aloha Chapter No. 240 Order Eastern Star elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Worthy Matron, Mrs. A. E. Spratley; Worthy Patron, Roger Matthews; Associate Matron, Miss Myrtle Hudgins; Secretary, Mrs. A. L. Granger; Treasurer, Mrs. Myra Shirley; Conductress, Mrs. Bess Russey; Associate Conductress, Mrs. Florence Carr; Chaplain, Mrs. Charley Johnson; Marshall, Mrs. R. M. Callaway; Organist, Mrs. Pearl Cooper; Ada, Miss Ada Riggs; Ruth, Miss Eva Moad; Esther, Mrs. W. W. Hartman; Martha, Mrs. T. J. Rose; Electa, Mrs. Floyd Huffman; Warder, Mrs. W. J. Mein; Sentinel, J. L. Hobbs.

FOOTBALL GAME CALLED OFF BY AFTON INDIANS

The football game scheduled between the Monett Midgets and the Afton Indians for Sunday afternoon, December 10, was called off late Saturday evening. On account of the cold weather they were unable to get their team together. The game had been well advertised and Monett football fans were greatly disappointed.

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN CHURCH MEETS

The Ladies of the Missionary society of the Christian church held an all day meeting, Friday, December 8th at the home of Mrs. L. P. Thomas. The morning session was the annual observance of "Woman's Day" in Missionary work. After singing, Bible Study and Prayer Mrs. Pilant gave an account of the organization, what had been accomplished and further needs, the thought being, "Remember the Past, we Build for the Future." After giving out literature for the support of colleges in the Orient and "Blessing boxes" the contents of which is to be used for the "Golden Jubilee" in 1924, the 50th anniversary of the organization.

Adjourned for a splendid dinner. In the afternoon the regular monthly program was given, leader, Mrs. Clayton. Lesson study, Latin America, which as usual was both interesting and profitable, after a social half hour, adjourned to meet first Friday in January with Mrs. Weygant, Mrs. Lewis, leader.

Among the Peirce City people shopping in the city Saturday, were the following: Mrs. L. J. Chapman, Mrs. A. M. McConnell, Mrs. J. A. McCannell, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Wolfe, and Mrs. Rusch Belch.

The members of the Choral club held a very satisfactory rehearsal of the Christmas cantata Thursday evening. Prof. Marcus Peterson is the director. The cantata will be given in costume.

George J. C. Wilhelm, secretary of the Railroad Y. M. C. A. and Loy Shepherd, vice president of the Hi-Y Club, went to Carthage, Monday, to attend a district conference of the Older Boy's Club for the purpose of arranging for the annual conference to be held in January. This organization fosters the Employed Boy's Educational Club which was started recently in Monett.

REVIVAL MEETING CLOSES AT BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday night closed a two weeks' revival at the First Baptist church conducted by Evangelist J. E. Davis of El Paso, Texas. His final sermon was a powerful one and was attended by one of the largest crowds that ever filled the church. Every seat was taken even to the ones in the Sunday school class sections and small chairs were brought up from the basement and placed in the rear of the church. Even then there were many people standing.

It seemed as though the Rev. Davis reserved his best sermon for his last. It was full of good, sound doctrine.

At the close of the sermon the pastor Rev. C. F. Whitlock, tendered his resignation as pastor. His resignation will take effect the first of the year.

Rev. Whitlock has been pastor of the church for a number of years and has done some noble work. His resignation is to be regretted. He tells us that he will leave Monett to preach, he will return in a few years to make Monett his home. He has not decided definitely as to the future but probably will accept the pastorate of a church in North Carolina.

On account of Rev. Davis having to make the train leaving shortly after 8 o'clock for Kansas City, the services were opened at 7 o'clock. As Rev. Davis walked down the aisle he was met at the door by A. W. Thomas, mayor of Monett, and eight robed Klansmen who escorted him to the train.

In Kansas City last night he preached to the Mexicans in their church.

ESPECIALLY INTERESTING IS MUSIC CLUB MEETING

The home of Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Woods, No. 500 Third street, was thrown open to music lovers on Monday afternoon when Mrs. Woods was hostess to the Music Club at their regular meeting.

The program committee with Miss Fern Heyburn as chairman, assisted by Mrs. J. W. Patterson and Mrs. L. H. Ferguson, report that they have arranged an exceptionally nice program to be presented on the evening of December 28 at the home of Dr. and Mrs. L. H. Ferguson, No. 811 Frisco avenue, when the club will entertain their husbands and friends with a musical fete.

The first concert of the season by the Choral Club will be presented on the evening of December 22 in the auditorium of the Methodist Episcopal church and will be a Christmas cantata, "The Light of the Ages," by Fearis, and will be given in costume. Prof. Marcus Peterson of Aurora will direct the work.

The cantata will be given free of admission but a silver offering will be taken to defray the expenses of the director and other additional expenses.

The last rehearsal of the cantata was remarkably fine and the concert will prove one that will long linger in the minds of lovers of fine music.

The program for the afternoon was a miscellaneous selection in charge of Mrs. F. E. Shaffer, one of the prominent promoters of good music. Especially pleasing was the selection of Dr. Ida B. Johnson, as well as that of Miss Lillian Alsop.

The program follows:

Current Events, Mrs. H. H. West-bay.

Piano Solo, "Scenes from an Imaginative Ballet," (Samuel Coleridge Taylor), Mrs. Wm. E. Rogers.

Vocal Duet, "Marguerite," (White) Mrs. J. Percy Johnson, Mrs. A. W. Gilbert, accompaniment Mrs. L. E. Lines.

Piano Solo, "La Fileuse Op. 157 No. 2," (Hensell-Raff) Miss Helen Nordin.

Vocal Solo, "A Rose Rhyme," (Mary Turner Salter) Mrs. L. H. Ferguson, accompaniment Mrs. J. W. Patterson.

Piano Solo, "To Spring," (Greig), Mrs. Homer McIntosh.

Vocal Solo, "The Answer," (Robert Huntington Terry), Miss Lillian Alsop, accompaniment Mrs. J. W. Patterson.

Vocal Solo, Negro Spirituals, "Some Body's Knocking at Your Door," (Nathaniel Dett), Dr. Ida B. Johnson, accompaniment Mrs. F. E. Shaffer.

Piano Solo, "Prelude in C Sharp Minor," (Rachmaninoff), Mrs. J. P. Woods.

There was a large attendance of members present at this meeting.

The next meeting of the club will be held with Mrs. A. W. Gilbert. A German program will be rendered and will be in charge of Mrs. J. Percy Johnson.

George Wilhoit and A. W. Gilbert have been promoted from freight conductors to passenger conductors and Clem Koenig, freight brakeman, has been promoted to freight conductor.

REDUCTION OF STRAWBERRY CRATE MATERIAL PRICES

The Ozark Fruit Growers Association, has been able to get the price of strawberry crates reduced to 25 cents. This reduction was brought about by the directors, who asked for bids on a large number of cars of crate material. The Pierce-Williams factory of Jonesboro, Ark., was the lowest bidder and received the contract for furnishing crate material for members of the association.

The Monett Fruit Growers Association, of which E. A. O'Dwyer is president, will meet at Monett Saturday, December 16, at 2 o'clock, for the purpose of arranging for the purchase of the strawberry crates for next year's strawberry crop.

P. A. Rodgers, president and sales manager for the Ozark Fruit Growers Association, will be present and will address the meeting on Cooperative Marketing.

MODERN WOODMAN OF AMERICA ELECTS OFFICERS

The Modern Woodman of America met Friday evening and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Venerable Counsel, Charles Patterson; Vice Counsel, Dave Doty; Clerk, M. E. Loutzenhiser; Banker, W. E. Blankenship; Past Counsel, John Salzer; Escort, Charles Benbrook; Trustee, Charles Wagner; Inside Guard, Henry Stewart.

REBEKAHS ELECT OFFICERS

Eve Rebeckah Lodge No. 63 met in their regular meeting Monday evening, with a good attendance. The annual election of officers was held, the following being elected: noble grand, Mrs. E. W. Russey; vice grand, Mrs. Laura Tritton; secretary, Mrs. Roger Matthews; financial secretary, Mrs. Olla Boynton; treasurer, Mrs. L. West. Installation of officers will be held the first meeting in January, at which they expect to have a banquet and general good time.

LESTER HOWELL CARRIES HOME BLUE RIBBONS

Lester Howell, King of chicken raisers, carried home the blue ribbons awarded for first cock, cockerel, hen and pullet, in first pens and also the second prizes for entries in the Heart of America Chicken Show held at Springfield Saturday. Mr. Howell's entries were Partridge Wyandottes, for which he has received hundreds of blue ribbons, trophy cups and other prizes at various stock shows.

ENTERTAIN WITH QUAIL DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. David L. Chappell of Peirce City were hosts at a quail dinner on Sunday complimentary to their house guests Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Chappell, Misses Pearl and Amanda Bridges of Monett.

Mrs. W. S. Lester and Mrs. E. O. Gillette visited in Joplin Saturday.

Mrs. Bert Allen visited in Springfield Friday.

A. D. Alsop made a business trip to Washburn Friday.

H. A. Gardner went to Springfield on business Friday morning.

Mrs. Eli DeBrosse went to Springfield, Saturday morning, to visit her daughter, Mrs. Will Smithmeier and family.

Mrs. George Coyle left Saturday morning for Joplin, having been summoned there by the illness of her sister, Mrs. Sam Slackard.

Mrs. J. J. Perry left Saturday morning for Joplin to spend the Christmas season with her daughter, Mrs. Andrew Bankson and Mr. Bankson.

Mrs. W. J. Lough of Springfield who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Roy Brown, left Monday morning for Tulsa, Okla., to spend the Christmas season with her daughter, Mrs. Ray Reasor.

Mrs. C. F. Linthicum and little son spent Monday shopping in Springfield. Mesdames Norman G. Hudson, V. A. Willey, A. W. Gilbert and R. T. Barris and daughter Gwendolyn were shopping in Joplin, Tuesday.

Mrs. E. M. Carr, Mrs. W. H. Gimson and small daughter, Mrs. Ed Hogan and Mrs. T. J. Dwyer were among the Monett people who visited in Springfield Monday.

Rev. and Mrs. C. F. Whitlock and their daughter, Mrs. L. E. Lines, motored to Joplin Monday evening to visit Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cole. Rev. Whitlock and Mrs. Lines will return home Tuesday evening and Mrs. Whitlock will go to Decatur, Ark., to visit her daughter, Mrs. R. W. Steele.

Dr. and Mrs. S. F. Wilmesbir went to Springfield Saturday morning to attend the meeting of the Springfield District Dental society, at the Chamber of Commerce building. Dr. Meissner, who is a dental surgeon of the Mayo Clinic, will relate what the clinic is learning concerning the oral infections, and their effects upon the general system.

KINGS PRAIRIE SCHOOL NOTES

The "Regulars" played a game of basket ball with Verona, Friday, December 8th, which terminated in the narrow margin of three scores. While Verona High outclassed the Regulars in height and weight, the Regulars made up for it in speed and in ball shots.

Fern Carter put five free throws through out of seven. Verona is still good on making fouls, however, they have improved since playing on the Kings Prairie court.

Verona's goals were very poorly constructed which caused delay on both sides. Tate played a better forward than he has before this season. The guards and centers played a steady game.

Kings Prairie made two fouls. This shows plainly what practice will do. Pharris did well for his first play.

The Kings Prairie line-up was as follows: Fern Carter, forward; Tate, forward; Jackson, guard; Myrl Long, running center (sub); Willie Long, running center; Pay Carter, running center (sub); Pharris, jumping center; Carlin, guard (sub); Weisman, guard. Referee, McCoy; Umpire, West; time-keeper, Long; scorer, Pennel.

The class of 1924 has received basket ball clothing and is now ready to play in regular form.

This week a new supply of song books was received and everyone is trying to sol-fa.

The Regulars, Pay Carter, Ronald Weisman, Gaylord Tate and coach went to Peirce City Friday evening to attend the tri-basket ball games. They reported three rough ball games, but saw a small amount of real basket ball played. They believe by playing by the rules, it makes the game scientific.

ROCKY COMFORT

Grandma Scott died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Anna Kelly, in Rocky Comfort Thursday afternoon. She had been in poor health for several months. Deceased was a member of the Christian church and was about 73 years old. Interment was made in the Hoeky Comfort cemetery Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Dabbs of Joplin visited Dr. D. N. Dabbs and family here Sunday.

J. S. Granger has purchased B. E. Lambertson's interest in the lumber yard and will take possession about the first of January.

Mrs. Ruth Patterson and daughter, Katherine, of near Powell visited relatives here from Friday until Sunday.

Fred Harvey, who has been working in Kansas City returned home Friday.

WOLF ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Henson and baby visited Mrs. Georgie Caldwell Sunday.

Mrs. Vina Pruitt called on Mrs. Cora Ash Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Pruitt and Mrs. Mary J. Pruitt were shopping in Monett Thursday.

Nathan Pruitt was trading at Bill Shipmans store Saturday.

The Loyal Ladies club women will serve lunch at Lee Evans sale Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Peterson and baby visited John Bandy and family Friday.

The Wheeler Farm Club met at the Wolf school house Thursday night, a large crowd was in attendance and a very interesting business session was held, the rest of the evening was spent in reading essays and a spelling contest. Emil Carlin received the prize for writing the best essay. The "blues" spelled the "reds" down, the side that gets best in spelling contest will entertain the other side. Miss Nettie Stauffer and Mr. Ernie Carlson are the captains. Everybody welcome to come and help us spell.

The sick of our neighborhood are much improved.

Herman Lehde visited Nathan Pruitt Sunday evening.

Miss Lilly Lehde of Peirce City is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lehde this week.

Fred Bauer visited Roy Ash Sunday.

SOUTH JENKINS

Rev. Carlyle of Aurora and Rev. Agia of Springfield closed a four days discussion at the Clio church Thursday, despite the stormy weather a large crowd was present each day.

John Potter and family who moved to Monett some time ago, have moved to their farm near Jenkins.

Sherman Riddle of Monett is teaching a singing school at the Clio church. Miss Mary Daugherty is very ill of tonsillitis.

Miss Billy Bradley who has been at Monett for some time came home Wednesday.

Violet Henson "Billy" Bradley, Minor Daugherty and Ernest Stamp attended Literary at Lone Elm Tuesday night.

We are very glad to have Mrs. Lucy Bolin and family back in our neighborhood again.

Merrill Hudson and Miss Ruth Irby were married Sunday November 26th.

CASTE FOR "GOOD GRACIOUS, SONIA"

The American Legion of Monett is all smiles over the caste which is to stage and put on "Good Gracious, Sonia," and what wonder when you find that Viga Hall is to have his initial debut on the comic opera stage as an American Doughboy, along with his buddy, Earl Cochran. These "raw, but seasoned" recruits will do "Squads East and West" under the severe commands of Colonel Miller (George Bass.) George, although a colonel, came pretty nearly leading his doughboys over the footlights and down into the pit yesterday for want of the proper orders and the boys in true soldier fashion were going to carry out his orders, regardless, even though they knew that "someone had blundered." Finally one of the doughboys put the colonel wise and that saved the accompanist, Fern Breece, from being run over by the "army."

In this same army will be found Homer Counts, with a case of love at first sight that has Romeo backed off the map, assisted by his friend, Si Ferris Davis, who doesn't believe in love, but who finally falls hard for the charming Lady in Waiting, Florence Hobbs. Struggling toward the end of the formation comes Carol DonLavy, a negro cook, and "pet of the regiment when it comes to work."

Glady and Mack are in it too and keep the crowd in tears over their funny antics. Gladys, the lady of some years, sees a nice "buck Private" that nearly finishes her. Of course Mack doesn't exactly appreciate this but you know Gladys.

And then there's poor Mrs. Isbell and her daughter, Margaret Chapell, who have been caught in the war country and have been obliged to tell fortunes for a living. She has wasted away to a mere shadow of her former self, "hasn't she Sylvia? Yes, Mamma."

You remember Mrs. Pace, of the "Oh Millie" fame? Imagine her as a saucy French girl vamping poor Carroll DonLavy and using him as a test for her beauty lotions. "If it doesn't kill you, I'll try it," she says. But by now you're wondering what all this is about. Well, in a few words, it's about Edna Lautaret. She is a queen and falls in love with an American who masquerades as a German, and she proceeds to get things generally mixed up in her own sweet way.

Lee Polson, the magistrate, almost beheads her, and Gladys wants him to, but Gyp Alderson saves her after the trial.

Whoopie! It's full of excitement and thrills. Members of the chorus up to date are as follows: Hazel Vaughan, Irene Newberry, Mary Counts, Noveta Brown, Dimpie Davis, Reba Wilhelm, Ethel Poole, Katherine Jerome, Mattie McNeal, Fay Baum, Kittie Bell Taylor, Dorothy Chumbley, Frances Folger, Opan Kring, Mary Ruth Mitchell, Sara Louise Landrum, Margaret Atchinson, Hazel Medlin, Verna May Davis, Lola May Davis and the Flapper Boys.

Others will be added, whose names will be announced later.

Mrs. J. A. Amber went to Sapulpa, Okla., Saturday, to visit over Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Will Amber.

Miss Noveta Brown went to Parady, Saturday morning, to conduct her music class.

Mrs. Gene Williams of Parady, was the week-end guest of her sister Mrs. Viga Hall.

W. T. Heinerman, butter maker at the Sanitary Creamery, made a business trip to Springfield Monday.

Edgar Price will leave Sunday evening for St. Louis to spend several days.

Dr. A. S. Hawkins made a gift of his X-Ray to the Monett High school, which is very much appreciated.

The two children of R. O. Williard Frisco telegraph operator at the east yard office, are quite ill.

Mrs. S. Moore of Cassville, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. F. Cox and son Herman Moore of Monett returned home Monday morning.

Miss Kate Lanigan of Peirce City who has been visiting Mrs. J. A. Amber, Miss Kate Reardon and other friends in the city, returned home Friday morning.

Hugh Lawson, of Fayetteville, Ark. member of the Durnil Dry Goods Company, was in Monett, Monday, looking after business at the store.

John McKinley of Garfield, Ark., spent Sunday night in Monett with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. John Stow and family.

Mrs. Joe A. Jackson arrived home Monday night from Withrow, Wash., accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Margaret Baze. Mrs. Jackson spent six months in the west. She was a visitor at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. C. Morgan, of Tribune, Kansas, for nearly four months before going to Washington.

MT. JOY

Those who spent the day Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Campbell were Mr. and Mrs. Will Henderson, and Mr. and Mrs. Will Fly.

Miss Beatrice Boyce and Johnnie Campbell spent Sunday with Herbert Blankenship and family.

Dan Lasley attended church at Purdy Sunday and spent the day with his brother H. S. Lasley and family.

John Boyce and family spent Saturday evening shopping in Monett.

There will be a Christmas tree and program at Green Ridge school where Violet Lasley is teaching, Friday night December 22. Everybody is invited to be present.

Misses Esther and Violet Lasley made a business trip to Monett Saturday.

Charley Williams butchered hogs Monday.

There will be a Christmas tree at Hope Dale school where Esther Lasley is teaching Saturday night Dec. 23rd, the program will consist of plays, readings and music. Everyone invited.

There is Sunday school at Mt. Joy every Sunday.

SOUTHWEST PURDY

Health is very good in this community.

Sunday is Rev. Ennis' regular meeting day at Mt. Pleasant also services at night.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Chastain visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Corn Monday.

Misses Mildred and Zeina Strother and Messrs. Rae Higgs and Lester Vineyard visited at the home of John Higgs and family Sunday evening.

The teacher and people of the Pleasant Valley school will give a Christmas program at the school house Friday December 22nd, there will be a Christmas tree and everybody is invited to come and see old Santa Claus.

Sherman Metcalf and his father had business at Butterfield Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Metcalf and son Loren and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ware visited Ben Keeling and family Sunday.

Miss Neva Higgs was the Sunday guest of Miss Pearl McKee.

There will be a Christmas tree and program at Doss school house Monday night December 25th.

Rev. Prior started a revival meeting at the Baptist church at Butterfield Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Ware visited with General Sooter and family Sunday.

Miss Pearl McKee spent Sunday night with Miss Neva Higgs.

Otis Eden was in Purdy Saturday on business.

Miss Neva Strother was the Sunday guest of Miss Jewell Higgs.

G. P. Sooter helped John Higgs butcher hogs Saturday.

Edmond Morgan and Riley Miller attended prayer meeting Sunday night.

I guess the little Runabout that runs around without lights and run into Edmond Morgans buggy a few nights ago, got a scare that will keep him from around New church at night.

Mrs. Mary Goddard of Verona was shopping in the city Friday.

E. M. Cole made a business trip to Joplin Saturday.

Sam Pick made a business trip to Springfield, Monday.

Mrs. George Ebner and Mrs. Vincent Ballay were Christmas shopping in Springfield Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Pinnell were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Cooper of Springfield, Monday.

Mrs. A. T. Brown spent Monday visiting in Springfield.

Mrs. Tom Tucker visited relatives at Joplin Monday.

Mrs. W. B. Green was shopping in Springfield Monday.

C. A. Ritson, of Cuba, Mo., spent Saturday and Sunday in Monett the guest of John Salzer and family.

Paul Lollar, of St. Louis, is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Bouldin.

ENTERTAINS AT DINNER

Mrs. Lulu Tutt entertained the following at dinner Sunday: Mrs. Hulda Reeves, Miss Agnes Karberg, Miss Ethel Martin, Miss Taylor, Leslie Mason, Payton Gulick and C. A. Ritson, of Cuba, Mo.