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A Jolly Party.

A jolly party left this city Tuesday for a week's outing at Spalding Springs. It was composed of Mesdames J. J. Rogers, A. Boulware, Thos. Proctor, Misses Anna Boulware, Carolyn Rogers, Mary Carson, of this city, and Misses Bodine, Bassett, Ragsdale and Clara Bodine, of Paris, and Lawrence Wood, of St. Louis. M. Bailey Proctor, of Kansas City. W. Verdner Carson will join them Thursday. Dr. Thomas Proctor, Master Jamie, Mrs. H. M. Clark and Miss Bessie Elzea will be with them for a day or two. Several Paris gentlemen will join the party some time during the week. Oh my, but won't the salt baths and sunshine bring out the freckles. They will peep through the complexions of peaches and cream just like the stars on a misty night.

We have more than \$1,500 earned, all ours, but it is laid up in the pockets of several hundred people and when we want to use the money we cannot get it. Perhaps some of this money is in your pocket. Just look and see. If any of it is there please do us the favor to place it where it will do us some good. We have use for it right now to meet our expenses, to pay for paper, etc., and then we desire to put in some much needed new machinery. Come right up to the office and leave with us the money which belongs to us. We will appreciate it and you will feel better. Try it.

Little Infant.

Joshua Jarman, the little infant of the Little Kingdom, reels off this kind of a yarn. I live between James Hagar's and John Timmons', that is, we are each a quarter of a mile apart. James and John each have a family composed of five members and my weight, 400 pounds, is greater than that of either family.

A speed program of the Shelby Fair which will hold its 20th annual meeting August 14-17, is on our table. The Shelby people know how to please the people who attend their fair and no expense is spared in making the fair attractive. J. T. Keith is president and R. C. Dickerson, secretary of the Association.

Lloyd-Pickler.

The Republicans of the First Congressional District have nominated S. M. Pickler to run against Hon. Lloyd for his own shoes. When the race is over the Honorable gentleman from Kirksville will drop the letter r in his name and substitute the letters e and d for he will have gone through the brine and be in the vinegar.

Jack Blanton, of the Appeal, wife and sister, were in the city Tuesday afternoon enroute to the Colorado mountains where they expect to remain a month. Mr. Blanton paid the DEMOCRAT an appreciated call.

Church News.

About forty of the B. Y. P. U.'s of the First Baptist church met at Rev. I. W. Reed's pleasant home at the Cor. of North Main and North Border Streets last Thursday evening and spent the evening pleasantly and profitably.

When building the First Baptist church Mrs. Thomas Proctor's class composed of boys ranging from ten to thirteen years of age wanted to know what they could do to assist. She suggested that the class furnish three handsome pulpit chairs and that for each dollar they raised she would put up one. The chairs were purchased but as a finishing touch, last Thursday they fastened to the back of the center chair a solid silver plate beautifully engraved. It bore the inscription; "In memorium of Rev. J. R. Green." Rev. Green was a former and well beloved pastor of the church.

Rev. Wiley J. Patrick filled appointments at Bethlehem Saturday and Sunday.

A protracted meeting will begin at Bethlehem Monday, Aug. 13th.

Architect Bullard who drafted plans for the First Baptist church of Springfield, Ill., and Mr. Hogg, of Kansas City, are figuring on plans and specifications for a house of worship for the Grace Baptist church. It has been decided to put in a solid foundation surrounded by range rubble lime stone work to extend two or three feet above the ground and upon it will be placed massive brown sand stone walls trimmed with white lime stone. The building complete will cost about \$1,000.

Regular services at First Baptist church Sunday. Subject for morning services, "Don't Fret", for the evening, "Habits".

Regular services at St. Judes church Sunday 11 a. m. and 4 p. m.

School Institute.

The Colored Teachers Institute convened and organized at the High School building Tuesday morning with a good number of teachers representing several counties of this State, also the States of Iowa and Illinois. The teachers under the able tutorship of Prof. Green Thompson have entered the work with a zeal that bids fair to be one of the grandest institutes ever held in this State.

Colored citizens are sparing no pains in caring for the visiting teachers and we certainly appreciate the kindness tendered by the whites.

Thomas M. Boulware left Tuesday for Rosebud, Mont. where he will spend some two or three weeks with relatives. His grand-father, Dr. Mendenhall, will return with him to Grand Old Missouri. The people up in that part of the country did not even raise garden sass this season. It takes Missouri to strike a bigger average than any of them.

W. P. Young is proving that he is an excellent man for street commissioner. He is doing some good work.

Burglars at Mrs. Dales.

At some hour between midnight Monday and daylight Tuesday a burglar or burglars entered the house of Mrs. Victoria Dale, on the South side, by cutting the wire of the screen door. He or they proceeded to first chloroform Mrs. Dale and then ransack the house. As booty they secured \$85 in money and a valuable gold watch. Leo Bell, Mrs. Dale's nephew, was sleeping in an adjoining room and at the usual time arose and came up town to his place of business without learning of the robbery. About 8 a. m. Mrs. Dale recovered from her stupor and sent for Leo but the burglars had flown with their easily secured booty and left no trace behind them.

Bloody Battle.

Washington, July 17.—The war department has made an estimate of the destructiveness of the action at Tien Tsin based on the Associated Press dispatch that 25 per cent of the Americans were hit. The comparison is with the losses around Santiago, viz.:

Killed, 249, or 1.33 per cent; wounded, 1,445, or 7.93 per cent; total killed and wounded, 1,688, or 9.26 per cent.

As against this percentage of 9.26 at Santiago, comes the amazing 25 percentage at Tien Tsin, which, while unofficial, is given on the authority of the surgeon of the Ninth infantry.

Special news from Tien-Tsin via Shanghai says: No quarter is given or asked on either side. Ineffectual attempts have been made to conceal the horrible fact that Admiral Seymour was compelled to shoot his own wounded during the disastrous retreat of the Pekin relief expedition. All of the wounded who fell into the hands of the Chinese were tortured, hence Seymours order to shoot his own men who were wounded for they could not be carried away.

The ladies of the city to show their appreciation of the band concerts will serve ices at the concert on Monday evening July 30th, for the benefit of the band. As the young men have not asked the citizens for anything but have bought their own uniforms and instruments and are still some \$40 in debt, the ladies ought to be liberally patronized and the debt wiped out. The young men have given you pleasure, now is the time to reciprocate.

A more minute survey has been made for the Joanna bridge. Several firms are bidding for the contract. It is estimated that the cost will not be over \$7000. The Ralls County Court will let the contract in August and ere the snow flies a fine, new steel bridge will span Salt River at Joanna. For a long time a bridge has been needed at that point. This will encourage gravel road building in that direction.

The executive committee of the Missouri Press Association will meet at the Laclede Hotel in St. Louis tomorrow to arrange for the next meeting of the Association.

Quincy

The Quincy Jobbers, Manufacturers and Bankers, eighty strong struck the city yesterday morning. A finer looking body of gentlemen would be hard to find and they traveled in style, not like the St. Louis people whose train looked like an old emigrant train on the U. P. R. in the seventies. They were glad to see the merchants and the merchants were glad to see them. It was the first visit to the Queen of the Prairies for many of them and they were surprised to see the number of up-to-date business houses and solid streets. The Quincy press was represented by the pleasant, affable and congenial Maj. Linton, of the Herald; H. A. Fry, of the Journal and the Germaina, and the Whig were also represented.

They were pleased to be here and we were pleased to have them with us even for a short while.

The prince of good fellows and one of the best railroad men in the valley, Supt. P. H. Houlahan was with them and with him he carried his pleasant smile and the generous hand shake that comes impulsively from the heart.

E. H. Bradford, Freight Agt. accompanied the party. He is one of the wide-awake fun-loving jolly, but keen business men that one likes to meet.

Howard Elting, Gen. Agt. was also with the party. His business seemed to be to shake hands with the boys, say a pleasing word and to make friends right and left, which he did.

The Gardner Band thought it was in Old Missouri so played Dixie, well it went with the Cake Walk, and a Hot Time.

Taken all in all the trip will have a tendency to bind the ties of business and sociability between the Queen of the Prairies and the Gem City all the closer.

Lay low, keep quiet and saw wood before breakfast and some fine morning while you are taking an eye-opener the joyous news "A new depot has been ordered at the H. and St. Joe depot" will reach you and then you will open your eyes the second time, but don't crook the elbow more than once.

A Big Time.

Monroe City is preparing to have a grand rally and picnic on Thursday, August 9. Several of Missouri's most noted men will be present and address the multitude upon the issues of the day. Hon. A. M. Dockery, Congressmen J. T. Lloyd, Champ Clark and W. W. Rucker have promised to be present and deliver addresses. Joe Florey, Republican nominee for governor of Missouri, and other prominent men have been invited and are expected to be present.

In addition, good music, games, fire works—everything that will add to the enjoyment of the day has been provided. The biggest crowd ever assembled in Monroe City is expected on that day.—Shelbina Democrat.

Pointed Paragraphs.

The hay dealer does business on a large scale.

As a man grows older he swaps his ideals for ideas.

The less we have the easier it is to share it with others.

Life seems to be made up of ardent desires and vain regrets.

Some men don't have to travel very far when they go to the bad.

It doesn't pay to be a prodigal son unless you are partial to veal.

Many a married couple could save money out of what a bachelor spends.

It is better to be imposed upon occasionally than to doubt indiscriminately.

Fine feathers may not make fine birds, but they are apt to make costly hats.

If you want to hear a hard-luck story just ask a man for money he owes you.

Women are partial to tight wearing apparel, but they draw the line at tight husbands.

Men listen when money talks. Probably that is why we sometimes hear of hush-money.

The average man imagines that if all the fools are dead his opinions would soon become universal.—Chicago Daily News.

Installed Officers.

At the regular meeting of Monroe City Lodge No. 268 I. O. O. F., held on Thursday evening the following officers were installed: Noble Grand, W. C. VanGlabn; V. G., J. W. Streat; Secretary, J. S. Jarman; treasurer, W. H. Wilson; warden, J. J. Nance; conductor, Dr. F. S. Turner; R. S. to N. G., J. T. Christian; L. S. to N. G., H. J. Kent; I. G., W. G. Nance; O. G., S. G. Demaree.

John S. Jarman was elected as delegate the county meeting which is to be held at Paris July 31 to arrange for a county convention.

For Speaker.

"Yes, I, J. H. Whitecotton, am a candidate for speaker, and from the assurances I have received from various members I do not anticipate that there will be any serious opposition to my candidacy, although several candidates are spoken of, among whom are Mr. Dickerson of Henry county, Mr. Houck of St. Francis, and Matt W. Hall of Saline. However, I have no authority to state that they will be candidates."—Kansas City Times.

There is a good political joke going the usual rounds on the South Side at present. The question is asked as to what is the difference between Buffalo Bill and President McKinley? The answer is that Buffalo Bill has a good show and McKinley has none—that is for his re-election.—Hannibal Journal.

When the 6:36 p. m. Denver arrived here Tuesday they had to make her a double header and then wire ahead for more coaches. The Burlington is great, but she ought not to forget the Monroe City depot.