

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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Sheriff. We are authorized to announce A. R. McNEELY, as a candidate for the office of sheriff of Holt county, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at their primary election to be held August 4th.

Surveyor. We are authorized to announce JOHN H. PEIFFER, as a candidate for the office of surveyor of Holt county, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at their primary election to be held August 4th.

Treasurer. We are authorized to announce Neville Dickson, of Forest township, as a candidate for the office of Treasurer of Holt county, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at their primary election to be held August 4th.

Treasurer. We are authorized to announce Abe S. Snell, of Liberty township, as a candidate for the office of County Treasurer, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election August 4.

District Judge. We are authorized to announce Phillip Schlotzhauser as a candidate for the office of Judge of the County Court, for the First District, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election August 4.

Hummersville. We are authorized to announce George W. Cotten, of Forest township, as a candidate for the office of Judge of the County Court, for the First District, subject to the decision of the Republican primary election August 4.

Hummersville. Fred Burnett was a city visitor the first of the week.

Hummersville. Alf. Mikesell and wife visited home folks, Sunday evening.

Hummersville. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Early Vandevanter, a daughter, June 25th.

Hummersville. Miss Nina Patton visited with friends in vicinity, Monday.

Hummersville. Hay making seems to be the rush this week with the farmers.

Hummersville. Mrs. Lon McNeely was shopping in the city, Monday evening.

Hummersville. Several of this community are preparing to spend the Fourth at Craig.

Hummersville. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Long, Saturday, June 25th, a fine daughter.

Hummersville. Mrs. J. W. Zelliff and children, visited with Mrs. Ruth Mendenhall, Sunday.

Hummersville. Joe Hickman is in the employ of John Bagby this week, putting up hay.

Hummersville. Miss Mayne Combs visited with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Geivin, Monday evening.

Hummersville. Miss Pearl Hickman, who has been on the sick list, is improving very rapidly at this writing.

Hummersville. Wm. Johnson, of Oklahoma, was visiting friends and relatives throughout the Ville, Monday.

Hummersville. Miss Dora Schaffer, of Forest City, Mo., is visiting her aunt, Miss Anna Schaffer, of this vicinity.

Hummersville. Chas. Woodard and Calvin Ross were plowing corn for J. W. Zelliff the latter part of last week.

Hummersville. Miss Ruth Moore, of Oregon, visited Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Blazier, the latter part of last week.

Hummersville. The corn crop in this neighborhood is going to be fairly good yet, if the weather is suitable from now on.

Hummersville. The section men seem to have some pride for this neighborhood by the way they mowed the weeds Tuesday. Bill Hart, better known as Buffalo, is the foreman.

SOME ANCIENT HISTORY.

1908 Compared With 1881—A Trip Down the Bluffs and Across the Bottoms.

[The following letter reached us last week from Craig, but came too late for insertion.]

EDITORS SENTINEL:—I had business at Mound City last week, and also desired to see a farmer near Fortescue, from whom I hoped to get some early seed corn; so, realizing that the waters were yet high, concluded that had best get back to make the trip horse back, instead of with my trusty old road wagon that I usually use, and I was awfully thankful before I got back that I had adopted the horseback plan, and went down the bluff road from here to Mound City, attended to my business there, and intended to then cross the bottom by way of Bigelow, to the vicinity of Fortescue, but was told that all traffic on the Bigelow road had been abandoned, but that, by waiting "till the main man went over and carefully following him," I could avoid the deepest holes, I might get through on horse back. Having quite a journey however, to make, and not desiring to wait, I concluded to follow the bluff road still farther south for a way, and try to find a better crossing farther down the road.

Continued my journey southward, until I was about ready to abandon the trip and return home, when I finally came to a better lead from the bluffs to Napier, and thence across the bottom in approximately the direction that I desired to go.

Of course the trail was far from a desirable one, but had found no passable way of getting into the bottom, as it seemed to me, unless I could find one. I had reached a green now, it looked to me from my view-point, on the side of the bluffs, like a very doubtful, not to say dangerous trip, to undertake to cross the great sea of water, as I looked to me, covering the bottom almost entirely to a depth of from five to six inches to, in some places, that many feet, and extending across the bluffs as far as the eye could reach across the bottom. But I saw another fellow crossing on horseback, and having come so far, I decided to try to get across, and I did so, as soon as the water on my land should go down, I determined to make the effort.

I followed the trail as best I could, so as to keep on the dump and thus be left out of the deepest of the water, but sometimes I could with great difficulty follow the road, it being visible, and at other places, where Squaw Creek ditch, could only guess where the road was by watching the high bridge ahead of me, until I got to it and crossed it. Well, to make a long story short, Mr. Editors, will say that I finally got across the bottom and reached my destination. But I failed to get my seed corn. I will say right here, that this matter of trying to get some early seed corn to plant, is getting to be quite a serious matter with us bottom folks. We have tried at many places, even up into Iowa, but secured very little seed. If we had some of that old-time, so-called "8-day corn" that we used to get from Iowa, we might have raised some little late corn. Even if it were "soft" corn, like we raised during the prosperous year, in 1875, it would do some good, and help us to tide our stock through the coming winter. But to return to my story.

Upon starting home, it seemed to me that I could not afford to retrace my course, and return by the very circuitous and almost dangerous route that I had come, so while realizing that I would encounter a great deal of water in attempting to go back by striking directly northward, up through the bottoms, I concluded that the latter would be the shortest route, and determined to attempt it.

I followed a sort of sandy ridge road from below, crossing northward, for a while passing along near the western bank of the Big River, and going along pretty well, so long as that kind of a road lasted; but pretty soon that kind of a road gave out, and then, oh goodness! what a time I did have! Well, suffice it to say, that I finally got back to Craig, after dark, wet, muddy, and my horse about given out. It was a hard, terrific trip, Mr. Editor, and I want to say that if there is any legal way by which the people of a large part of that great bottom country could be exempted from taxes for the next year or two, it ought to be done. They have struggled both in season and out of season, and with mud and muddy water, and now their wheat is nearly all ruined, and the season for planting corn has almost passed.

And this terrible condition carries our memories back to another matter, Mr. Editors, that it seems to me proper to speak of in this connection, and that is, a comparison of the present conditions with those of 1881. The present court house at Oregon, by additions, was built in 1881. You will remember the improvements had been ordered and commenced just a week or so before the high water of that year. We are urged by our Mound City friends to abandon the same in this year of our Lord, '08, change the county seat to their own for them, and then build a new and big court house. Well, it may be well to do that, but from what I saw during my recent trip, above referred to, Mr. Editors, it would seem to me that it would be a pretty difficult job to do to those bottom residents to see it in that way.

Of course there was a very dilapidated court house at Oregon prior to 1881, as you remember it very well, for we were at Oregon several times during the seven or eight years, from the fall of 1875, when we first came here in the summer of 1875, when the present court house was built. The people didn't have the banking accommodations in those days that we have now, neither did we have a telephone, and so we all had to go to Oregon to pay our taxes.

Some parts of the old building were retained and utilized in the reconstruction of the building, in that high water year, and hence the "hue and cry" that went up from the bottom folks, the farmers of the bottoms, and especially from those southwest of Bigelow, right along in the neighborhood of part of the county traversed by me on my recent trip, and I couldn't help but think about it, Mr. Editor, when winding my way across that bottom through those waters, that although the county had almost no court, and had in fact no vaults of any kind whatsoever, to protect the county records, yet the time for the work to be done, even though not a cent of additional tax levied was necessary, was let alone a contemplated improvement to the court house.

I remember being down to Oregon, in June of that year, and former Judge J. J. Egan, and I think it was, was holding court, and some men from over in that bottom were there, and I remember about "brought" as the editor of the county court, having ordered the court house fixed up when the county was in such a "terrible condition" from floods.

I have always understood that a party named Jacob Book, I believe, and several others from over there in that part of the bottom, were about that time, convincing, or tried to enjoin, the county court from paying for the court house work, because of the terrible condition of the county at that time, and I know that Judge J. J. Egan, who lived here near Craig, and owned the land just north of town, now known as "the Blue land," was a member of the county court at that time, and I have often heard him speak about it. (See Editor's foot note.)

It seems to me, Mr. Editor, that the bottom lands this year, 1908, are in a much worse fix, so far as trying to raise a crop on them, is concerned, than they were in 1881, for the flood of that year, came with what is known as "the April rise," and it went down in time for the farmers to plant their corn, and raise it, and under present conditions I suppose of course that some of those gentlemen who complained in 1881, are now in favor of the raising of that year's crop, and I would be a curious anomaly, indeed, if it should turn out that some of those same men, in 1881, when the county really almost had no court, and had absolutely no vaults, whatsoever for the protection of her records, objected to an improvement costing less than \$25,000, without a cent of additional tax levied, and resulted in a splendid, almost new court house throughout, one which in value is worth more than the cost, should now happen to be numbered among those who are opposing, in spite of the terrible floods of this year, that the county seat be removed, and a large, fine, new court house costing \$25,000 to \$30,000 be built. Most men whom we have recently talked to, have examined it, say that they think it will be of all practical purposes for a number of years yet to come.

Respectfully Yours, A. TAYLOR.

NOTE BY THE EDITORS:—We have made examination of the records as to the parties to the suit spoken of, and find them as follows: Jacob Book, John W. Haighler, George Romine, Albert Walton, Thomas McCoy, Moses Cotton, Peter Riley, B. M. Beesley, John F. Bridgeman, James F. Carnutt, John L. Channing, John C. Hinkle, Henry Minton and Solomon Cotton, are mentioned as parties plain- tiffs, and Bro. Earl, Daniel Blair, and Bradford, John Bucher and Moses Bennetts, as defendants. The suit was filed June 17, 1881.

was decided in the court September 13, 1882, and confirmed by the supreme court at its October term, 1883. Of the fourteen persons who brought that suit, there are only about five still living. These are: Jacob Book, Thos. McCoy, R. M. Beesley, John C. Hinkle and John F. Bridgeman.

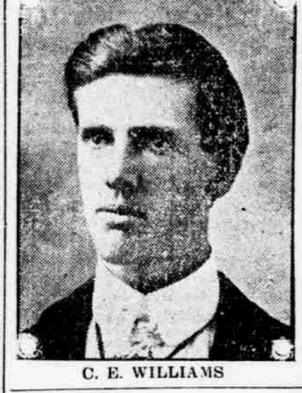
The first three named defendants in the injunction suit were the county judges. Bruce Earl lived near Craig and was the presiding judge of the court. Judge Bradford represented the north district of the county and lived near Maitland, while Judge Hutatt represented the south district, and still resides near Oregon. The John Bucher mentioned, was at the time, county treasurer, and the Moses Bennet mentioned, was the contractor, who did the work.

FIRST PRIZE WINNER.

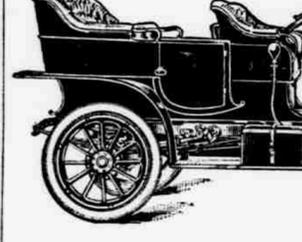
Claude E. Williams, of Oregon, Wins the \$1,285 Buick Automobile—666,000 Votes Cast.

The happiest fellow in Holt county is Claude E. Williams, of this city, who on Saturday last, was declared the winner of the automobile, offered as a prize by the management of the St. Joseph Gazette, for obtaining the largest number of subscribers for that publication, the contest ending at midnight Thursday last, June 25th.

The contest was a most spirited one, and toward the last narrowed down to eight contestants, and the struggle for the first prize, the automobile, was a very close fight, Mr. Williams winning by the close margin of 15,975 over his



C. E. WILLIAMS



AND HIS AUTOMOBILE.

next competitor, the total votes secured by these, Mr. H. B. Grace, of Mascot, Neb., being the second highest, was 1,316,025. Mr. Williams total vote was 666,000 and Mr. Grace secured 650,025 votes, and the total of all was 2,692,025.

Mr. Williams feels truly grateful to the friends who rallied to his support in the struggle, and no man ever worked harder for a prize than did Mr. Williams.

A pleasing feature of the contest Mr. Williams tells us, was the extreme good nature and fellowship displayed by the candidates during the closing hours of the struggle, and they all seemed fully satisfied of the fairness of the contest.

The Tie That Binds.

Recorder Speer issued marriage licenses to the following during the month of June: Asworth, Roy E., of Maitland, and Lula Thornton, of Graham, June 1, by Rev. John S. George.

Brown, Wm. and Grace Coatney, of Fortescue, June 24, by G. W. Murphy, judge of probate.

Clark, Walter S., of Hinsdale, Ill., and Mrs. Blanche Howell-Smith, of Oregon, June 24, by Rev. C. M. Chilton.

Cromer, Edward and Florida Ransie, of Forest City, June 3, by Rev. J. P. Godbey.

Craw, Ira J., of Jefferson City, Mo., and Martha Ann Elder, of Oregon, June 16, by Rev. J. P. Godbey.

DeLong, Jas. F. and Florida Nash, of Craig, June 16, by Z. T. Randall, J. P. Eneyart, Oren F., of Fort Niagara, N. Y., and Maude M. McDonald, of Maitland, June 2, by Rev. T. J. Eneyart.

Gray, Meroyn and Abi Ashbrook, of Skidmore, June 21, by Rev. Bruce West.

Haley, John and Sarah Randall, of Craig, June 7, by Z. T. Randall, J. P.

Markt, Ralph J., and Margaret W. Derr, of Oregon, June 25, by Rev. Jas. Walton.

Triplet, Chas., of La Junta, Colo., and Miss Myrtle Vaughn, of Oregon, June 30, by Rev. Jas. Walton.

Zeller, Corwin, of Hutchinson, Kas., and Leona Schulte, of Oregon, June 10, by Rev. T. J. Eneyart.

—As is believed to be the result of a sun stroke a few days ago, Dan Hahn's condition has become such that it has become necessary to remove him to the St. Joseph asylum, for treatment, as a private patient.

—James William Thornton, after a long struggle with cancer of the face and consumption, died at the home of his sister, Mrs. W. J. Smith, in Nodaway township, on Sunday, June 28, 1908, aged 49 years. He was born in Lewis township, January 27, 1859. He leaves a son and daughter, a father, two brothers and six sisters. Brief services were held, by Rev. Bohringer, of the Evangelical church, the interment being in the Maple Grove cemetery at Oregon.

—Mrs. Coe, on her way home in company with her husband, on Saturday evening last, received a fall that might have been a most serious one. She is a very frail woman, indeed, and the walk was minus a board, and in stepping in the open space, she lost her footing and fell; leaning on the arm of her husband; the fall carried him down also. Fortunately no limbs were broken, but Mrs. Coe was badly bruised, and is getting along, all right, but it was truly a narrow escape for her.

—Mrs. Charley Koock wanted some new potatoes for dinner the other day, and she went to her own garden to get them, and after digging up a number of hills, from which were growing some beautiful, healthy looking plants, and utterly failing to get a single "tater," she returned to the house utterly disgusted with results, and fully convinced that her spouse was a colossal failure as a gardener. On the coming home of her husband, she began at once to tell him about the total failure of their potato crop. Mr. Koock could not understand the cause, and he took his wife to the garden, and to the potato patch, and there not a single hill had been turned, and on seeing this, she exclaimed: "Why, Charley, I didn't try these hills, over yonder is where I dug for potatoes." "Oh, shaw, wife, you have dug up every one of our tomato plants, and I never in all my farming experience knew of potatoes growing from tomato plants." They will buy their tomatoes, but be convinced Mrs. K. that they had potatoes on their place.

—Will Gilbert, of the Fillmore Lever, was transacting business in Oregon, one day, last week.

—Charles A. Zachman and wife Sunday in Maryville, the guests of Harry M. Irwin and wife.

—B. F. Lynch, with a telephone company at Hiawatha, Kansas, Sunday at home with his wife and little daughter.

—Mrs. Ida Finot and two children, of St. Louis, were the guests of W. C. Opel and wife, of this city, and Adam Yetter and wife, of Hickory township, last week.

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THE REVIVAL.

At the Christian Church, Conducted By Evangelist McGarvey, Growing in Interest.

Evangelist J. W. McGarvey, of Lexington, Kentucky, is holding a series of meetings at the Christian church in Oregon. He is a finely educated and talented man and speaks with marvelous ease and simplicity of manner. His language is exceedingly direct and plain, but his strong point is the force and clearness of his thought. The meetings began on Sunday morning. The subject was the "Glorious Church," which was very impressive and full of good thought. The office and object of the church was shown and the call made to gain the blessings by coming into it. Salvation is through Christ and the church is the agency used for his work.

On Sunday evening the subject was: "The Temptation of Jesus." Satan tried first to win through an appeal to appetite, by tempting Jesus to make bread from the stones about him. Next by appealing to his possible vanity in being ruler of the kingdoms of the world; then to perform the wonderful feat of casting himself from the highest point of the Temple and not being hurt. He made successive attacks, through appetite, ambition and vanity. In all Satan was defeated by the appeal to scripture and the good sense and honesty of his would be victim. When the Savior won the victory he was honored by the ministering angels just as we shall be when by truth and faith we courageously conquer by the sword of the Spirit.

Monday evening the subject was: "What I Saw at Jacob's Well." Jacob's well was dug 100 feet deep, but has been filled by rubbish for 40 feet, so now it is dry in the rainless season of the year. It was dug wider at the bottom than the top, somewhat in the form of a jug and lined with finely-carved stone, well and securely built, so that, while it has been walled for four thousand years, the well is in perfect condition. The speaker then gave the lesson of Christ and the woman at Jacob's well, where the great truth was expounded that God is a Spirit and those who worship Him must worship Him in Spirit and in Truth.

Another large and attentive audience greeted Evangelist J. W. McGarvey, Tuesday evening to hear the discussion of the subject: "The Unpardonable Sin." The subject was well handled, and we believe, to the satisfaction of those who heard him. He did not indulge in any theorizing or vain speculation, but gave the people only what he could find. "Thus Saith the Lord," he said, "I discussed the subject under three heads: Those who persistently deny the sonship of Christ; those who deny the inspiration of the Scriptures; those who attribute the works of the Spirit to works of Satan.

His subject Wednesday evening was of importance to all. "What Must I Do to Be Saved?" This was treated in the same simple, plain and forcible way. He answered it by reading from Acts, the answers given the Apostles to this question. First, To believe. Second, To Repent. Third, To Be Baptized. All went away well pleased with his courteous way of presenting what he believed to be the true Scriptural teaching upon this subject. Meetings will continue through next week.

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IN AND AROUND NEW POINT.

Newsy Pickups by The Sentinel's Busy Reporter.

—Roy Hartman went to St. Joseph, Tuesday.

—E. K. Christensen shipped his cattle, Monday.

—Miss Phillips and Jones returned home, Thursday.

—Dan Dreher took possession of the store last Friday.

—Herman Palater has decided to remain here for the present.

—Dr. W. Davis, of Kansas City, visited relatives here, last week.

—Miss Catherine Terry is with her sister, Mrs. Meyer this week.

—Mrs. Will Callahan went to visit with her nephew, Mr. Fred Noland, Saturday.

—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kneale visited her parents, Mr. Caleb Rayhall and family, Tuesday.

—Mrs. Edith Aldrich returned home last Saturday, after a week's visit with relatives here.

—Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wright and family visited with Mr. J. B. Coffin and family, Sunday.

—Messrs. J. A. Oren and Willie Glenn took their cattle to Forest City, Monday, to ship to St. Joe.

—Mrs. John Wachtel returned from Roseland, Monday, where she visited her daughter, Mrs. E. Brient.

—Mr. and Mrs. Dan Dreher and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dreher, visited with Mr. Lile Bendick and family, Sunday.

—Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Hardman and Mr. Lafe Kunkel and family visited with Mr. Thomas Cain and family, Sunday.

—Last Thursday Miss Mattie Morris was unfortunate enough to fall and break her right wrist.

—Will Thornton, who was sick so long at the home of his sister, Mrs. J. W. Smith, died, Sunday afternoon. He was buried Monday afternoon.

—Miss Minnie Best, accompanied by her