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May Weather.

May, 1916, was much like that of 1915—cold and wet, and while not quite so much rain fell as a year ago, there was only a difference of 1.60 inches. The normal rainfall for May is 4.50 inches, while this year we had 7.23 inches, which resulted in flooding portions of the Missouri and Nodaway bottom farming lands, and it is not likely that owing to the wet conditions of the lands that they will be able to produce corn sufficient for their own needs. Alfalfa and wheat suffered greatly, nothing being produced by reason of these conditions. The heaviest rainfall was 2.15 inches, which fell on the 12th. We have had more rainfall than we had in 1915 or 1916—in May, 1896, we had 15.06 inches; 1903, we had 12.72 inches; 1908, we had 8.90 inches.

Six inches of rain is reported to have fallen at Bigelow on the 11-12; 4 inches at Maitland, and 3.67 at Oregon.

In temperature, the month was 7 degrees below the normal, and only one degree above that of a year ago. The coolest May ever known here was in 1910, when the mean temperature was 56 degrees—the normal being 63 degrees. On the 1st and 2d of the month this year overcoats and wraps were in demand.

In 1907 we had snow, ice and hail; on the 2d, 2 inches of snow fell. In 1911, we had trace of snow on the 20th. In 1915 we had a heavy frost on the 5th, 6th and 7th. In 1880, frost ruined the gardens, on the 21st. In 1864 and 1865, the same conditions existed. In 1871, we had 2 inches of snow on the 10th. In 1875, we had 1 1/2 inches of snow and one inch of ice.

The Nodaway river was out of its banks during the week of May 26, and the Missouri river was making heavy inroads on the farms south of Forest City and west of Forbes.

The extremes for May, 1916, were:
Max. Min.
6.....86 1.....28
23.....85 2.....39
24.....85 3.....40
25.....83 16.....40
26.....81 18.....39
Mean maximum, 71; mean minimum, 51; mean, 60.

Rainfall for May, 7.23 inches. Heaviest in twenty-four hours, 2.15 on the 12th.

Decoration Day—maximum, 81; minimum, 57.

Missouri Floods.

The floods of the past few weeks have been doing some strange things in the Missouri River bottoms, along the Forest City-White Cloud road, in the cutting of a channel into the Missouri River.

Kinsey Creek, from the east, having run across and over the channel of the Squaw Creek ditch, and filled this full of deposit, and this fill having been extended westward has pushed the flood waters toward the river, and the land owners on the east of the Squaw Creek ditch, by holding the levee and raising it below the fill raised the water level to a point, which forced the water over the river bank near the Burr Oak school house, and a channel has been cut varying in width from 40 to 80 feet, and six to eight feet in depth, commencing at the southeast corner of the 15 acre tract of Nancy Pilkington, off the southwest quarter of Section 27, Township 60, Range 39, and extending in a northeasterly direction about 40 rods. The water has been slowly falling for some days, and danger from further cutting is past, unless there should be a recurrence of conditions.

Floods in the bottoms have been extensive from Forest City to Craig, and immense damage done. Apparently the flood waters of Little Tarkio were greater than during the last season, the water at some points being much higher.

The old abandoned hull of the dredge boat on Little Tarkio, from northeast of Craig, was carried down the channel and on down into the channel of the Big Tarkio, to a point about 2 1/2 miles north and west of Bigelow.

Immense financial loss will result from these floods, as the lands will be left so wet and saturated that crops cannot be raised on them this season.

The Marriage Record.

Recorder Dankers has the "blues," good and plenty, because there were so very few persons inclined to be joined in holy wedlock during the month of May. He says he only issued six licenses during the month.

Allen, R. Gorman, and Miss Etta VanVickle, of Craig, May 6, by John W. Wilson, J. P.
Glenn, Charles W., of Oregon, and Anna May Botkin, of New Point, May 19, by Rev. T. D. Roberts.
Metcalf, Wm., and Mary Josephine Wright, of Maitland, May 11, by Rev. Leonard P. Parker.
Schultz, Earl S., and Mabel E. Means, of Corning, May 21, by Rev. T. A. Clagett.

Tyson, Joseph, of Skidmore, and Edith King Cottier, of Mound City, May 29.

Wilson, Bruce F., and Josie S. Young, of Corning, May 31.

Odd Fellows' Decoration Day.

All members of Oregon Lodge, No. 54, I. O. O. F., are respectfully requested to assemble at the lodge room Sunday, June 11, at one o'clock, for the purpose of decorating the graves of the deceased members in the Oregon cemetery. All are requested to bring flowers.

Any visiting Brothers in this vicinity are also requested to attend, and a cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend the exercises at the cemetery.



News Snapshots Of the Week

As the Republican delegates bowed into Chicago for the National convention the Coliseum and Chairman Hillis announced their plans, the Roosevelt follow continued to stand out strongly in opposition to any other faction. In several addresses President Wilson suggested a basis for world peace and harmony. The extraordinary behavior of Dr. Waite in boldly reciting how he murdered his parents-in-law continued even after his doom was sealed. The United States told Grey that its patience was late James J. Hill, empire builder, when he was laid at rest; his son Louis will for attack on Verdun, but the taking of Greek forts by the Bulgars again made W. Major of Missouri may be Democratic nominee for vice president.

In the Running.

Filing of candidates for the state and county primaries, August 1, closed Friday night last, June 2. The Democratic, Republican, Progressive, Socialist, Prohibition and Socialist-Labor parties have filed state tickets. The Democrats have seven candidates for governor, the Republicans four and the others one each.

Those filing for the various county offices are as follows:
Representative—Frank Petree, Republican, Lewis township; Charles E. Munn, Republican, Benton township; John H. Kunkel, Republican, Lewis township.

Assessor—Alfred A. Meyer, Republican, Benton township; James O. Sellers, Republican, Union township; Charles A. Owens, Republican, Forest township; Marvin E. Keiffer, Republican, Hickory township; A. L. Handley, Democrat, Clay township.

Sheriff—Ora Morse, Republican, Union township; Riley Turney, Republican, Forest township; Ben L. Crouser, Republican, Lewis township; Robert S. Brown, Republican, Benton township; S. S. Meadows, Republican, Clay township; J. W. Hill, Republican, Minton township; Fred P. Cook, Democrat, Lewis township.

Prosecuting Attorney—A. M. Tibbels, Republican, Benton township.

Judge Court, First District—W. J. Glass, Republican, Forest township; Curtis B. Whitmer, Republican, Lewis township.

Surveyor—John H. Peret, Republican, Lewis township; Barney R. Hodgins, Republican, Clay township.

County Treasurer—Soborn Carson, Republican, Lewis township; Levi Oren, Republican, Clay township.

Public Administrator—G. W. Cummins, Republican, Lewis township.

Justice of the Peace, Lewis Township, I. expired Term—F. S. Rostock.

Real Estate Matters.

The May dealings in real estate were much stronger than they were during the same month a year ago, and our abstracters were kept quite busy. A year ago, the warranty transactions totalled \$66,159, while for the month just passed they reached \$180,155. While the trust deeds filed during the month were \$87,390, the releases for the same period were \$84,246.

While the demand for money seems reasonably heavy, the supply seems to equal the demand, and all that is needed is the collateral, and whenever this is furnished, the cash seems to be forthcoming.

The deals involving \$5,000 or over during the month were:
L. S. Allen and wife to Frank J. Robbins, se nw and e 1/2 sw nw 34, 62, 40.....\$ 6,000
Florida Browning to F. O. Mitchell, Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, Block 22, Ext. Co.'s addition..... 5,000
Dennis Lower, Jr., to Sarah J. Thomas, 2 acres in nw 31, 62, 38..... 10,000
H. J. Mortenson to Geo. W. and Cath. McGahey, w 1/2 Fr. 6, and acre, 58, 37..... 29,709
C. A. Owens to J. E. Ramsey and wife, Lds 2 and 11, 60, 38 sw nw 31, 62, 38, ex. 4a..... 8,600
M. A. Paxton to G. E. Smith, J. E. Ramsey to C. A. Owens, W. 100 acres, se 17, 59, 38..... 12,500
Dennis Reynolds to Wm. L. Reynolds, n 1/2 L. 1, s 1/2 and e 1/2 n 1/2 L. 2, 19, 60, 38..... 6,000

They Are Happy.

On Saturday evening last, June 3, 1916, in the presence of a few special friends and parents, Elder B. H. Dawson, at the home of the bride, said the words that made Miss Mabel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Obe Rush, and Mr. Eber Sherman, husband and wife.

These two most excellent young people start life together with the sincere congratulations from a large circle of young friends, who will wish them not only a long life, but one whose cup of happiness will ever be filled to the very brim.

—We are glad to announce that Horace Larkham, of near Maitland, who has been confined to his home with a severe spell of sickness, is now able to be up and around again.

O. H. S. Notes.

The closing exercises of the Oregon public school closed the year 1915-16 with the usual rite. Last year, each entertainment was attended by a rain, which reduced the attendance materially. While there was a shower nearly every day of the week, this year, the evenings were fair enough to permit a good attendance. The profits from this year's entertainments were nearly enough to buy all the books needed for the coming year. As we are to have the Teacher-Training course next year, a large addition to the library must be made both for grade work and high school work.

The library committee has met with much success in securing books. There will be a meeting soon to canvass the results. Any one who has a book to give will confer a favor on the committee by notifying the secretary, Mrs. J. T. Thatcher, or J. G. Ennor. These books are to be arranged and catalogued this summer, so as to be ready for the opening of school this fall. The dates for the committee meeting will be announced later. It is the purpose of the committee to hold open meetings at the school house, so that all interested may attend and help the cause along.

The prospect for a good attendance in the high school next fall is very good. While the Senior class of 1916-17 is not so large as the one this year, the other classes are much larger than usual. The following will be members of the class of 1917: Byron Murray, William Kurtz, Vern Mark, Bernard Mitchell, Ethel Kerk, Anna Markt, Eleanor Kunkel, Virginia Netherland, Juanita Patterson, Ellen Pennell, Rowena Pieter, Pauline Raley, Mary Keable. The class lost one member, Clarence Dissinger, who moved to Yates Center, Kansas, this spring.

The teachers for the coming year are as follows:
J. G. Ennor, Superintendent, Science, Miss Gertrude Bennett, Principal, English.
Miss Zinna Bragg, History and Latin.
Miss Edith Marshall, Teacher-Training.
The teacher for Mathematics and German has not yet been elected.

The teachers for the grades are:
Miss Anna McFarland, 7th and 8th.
Miss Ethel Burnett, 6th.
Miss Nell Kennedy, 5th.
Miss Lou Petree, 4th.
Miss Anna Godby, of Rock Port, 3d.
Miss Edith Godby, of Rock Port, 2d.
Miss Alice Burgert, Primary.

Two additions of teachers have been added this year, one in the grades and one in the high school.

In the Long Ago.

Through the kindness of Mrs. Anna K. Irvine, of this city, we make the following extracts from a letter that she recently received from her niece, Mrs. Adah Price, formerly Miss Adah McMurray, of this city, who formerly resided here with her parents, R. M. McMurray and wife, now over 30 years ago, both of whom are now dead. Mrs. Price is and has been superintendent of schools of Delta county, Colorado:

"Last year when visiting a school in the upper country, I was surprised and delighted to find that the teacher, Mr. Drake, was the son-in-law of Orin Kreek, of Oregon, Mo.

"I attended the graduating exercises of their eighth grade a few weeks ago and had a very pleasant visit with Mr. and Mrs. Drake. The latter and I find so many things to talk about as we both love dear old Oregon.

"They are doing excellent work in their profession. They took a rough country school, with a bad reputation, and have built it up till it is one of the best in the county. Mrs. Drake works right with her husband in trying to uplift the neighborhood and school. It is just what one would expect, though, from that family.

"Give my love to Kate Barbour and the other girls if they are at home, also to Aunt India and family and Mrs. Rostock.

"With warmest love to you and Uncle Dug."
ADAH.

—Mrs. Settie Tapken, of St. Joseph, was the guest of her son, Fred Philbrick and family, for a day or two, week before last.

No Nomination Yet.

The Republican National Convention is now in session at Chicago, and at the hour of our going to press, no nomination had been made, in fact, it is not likely that any balloting will be had until today, Friday, and perhaps not until Saturday.

No agreement had been reached as to candidates between the Republican and Progressive leaders. A half dozen names had been suggested to the Progressives, but none had been acceptable to them—only one will be accepted by them, Roosevelt.

The managers for Justice Hughes are confident he will be nominated on an early ballot, and it is generally conceded that he will have practically 300 votes on the first ballot.

Mr. Roosevelt hopes the Progressives will not name their candidate until after the Republicans have named their leader, but many of the leaders seem to think they should nominate at once, adjourn and quit, regardless of what the Republicans may do.

England Mourns.

The most severe blow inflicted upon England since the war began, came on Monday, June 5, when it was announced that Earl Kitchener, War Lord of England, and his entire official staff, were drowned off Orkney Islands.

The director of the British Army and his staff were on their way to Russia, on an important mission, pertaining to war matters, and were aboard the cruiser Hampshire, and when off the Orkney Islands, the cruiser was blown to atoms, by what is believed to have been a mine, and as yet no survivors have been found to tell the story of the great loss.

Not only England, but the world at large, will mourn the loss of Kitchener. He held the faith of the English people and was a great figure in England's war departments.

Break in Levee Wall.

The re-inforced concrete wall in the east bank of the Big Tarkio Drainage ditch, where it crosses the Henry Nabor slough, gave way, Thursday last week, owing to the high stage of water, aided by high winds. The rains had interfered with the completion of this wall, by reinforcing it with buttresses.

The water is now down below the berm of the ditch, and no water is now running out of the break, which is about ninety feet in length.

The Board of Supervisors of the district are taking action for the immediate rebuilding of the broken portion, as well as strengthening that part not damaged.

Left a Will.

The will of the late Cave J. Hunt, who died at Kansas City, April 23, 1916, was filed for probate last week with Judge H. M. Dungan, of our probate court. The will was executed June 20, 1910, and witnessed by William Schulte and Charles J. Kooch. It makes his widow, Mrs. Ora Hunt, the executor of the estate.

After making a few small bequests to his four children, he leaves the residue of his estate for life to his widow. On her death, the estate remaining is to be given equally to his surviving children.

Weddings.

Married, at the residence of the bride's parents, June 1, 1916, Miss Edith King Cottier, daughter of James cottier and wife, and Mr. Joseph Tyson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Tyson, the ceremony being performed by Rev. W. H. Scrivner, pastor of the Christian church, Mound City.

Miss Opal, daughter of W. H. Cannon and wife, residing seven miles north of Mound City, and Mr. Hiram Ingram, of Clearmont, Mo., were united in marriage, in St. Joseph, Saturday, June 3, by Rev. Carruthers, pastor of the Ashland M. E. church, of that city. The Sentinel joins with their many friends in congratulations.

—The Culp Sunday school has changed its time of meeting from in the afternoon to 10 o'clock in the morning.

Obituary.

Edward Alexander Raiser was born December 9, 1858, at Chillicothe, Livingston county, Missouri, and departed this life June 3, 1916, in St. Joseph, Missouri, aged 57 years, 5 months and 25 days.

He leaves a wife, three daughters and three grandchildren. The daughters are: Mrs. C. A. Bridge, of Bethany, Mo.; Mrs. John Owens, Hanover, Kansas, and Mrs. Bertha Noland; also two brothers, Mr. Peter Raiser, of Forbes, Mo., and Mr. Jake Raiser, of Forest City, and two sisters, Mrs. John Denare, of St. Joseph, Mo., and Mrs. Henry Elder, of Mound City, Mo.

The deceased was converted some three weeks ago, and united with the Methodist church.

The funeral was conducted from the Methodist church, in Forest City, by the pastor, and burial was made in the Forest City cemetery.

R. M. W.

Had a Big Time.

Perhaps the largest attendance at a Masonic meeting for the conferring of the Master's degree that has been witnessed in county Masonic circles for many years, was on at the old Forest City Lodge, Tuesday evening of this week. It is said fully 100 of this order came from the various towns of the county, Rock Port and elsewhere to witness the raising of Charles and Will Shalifer from Fellowcraftship to that of full fledged Masons. It was a delightful, as well as a profitable affair for Masons, and the meeting came to a close by a banquet served at the City Hall by the ladies of the Eastern Star branch of the order.

Begins Work.

Engineer Roy Leslie came Wednesday of this week, and set the stakes for the guidance of the contractor for paving Washington street in Maitland, from the depot to Nodaway street, by the Rhinehart Paving Company, of St. Joseph. As soon as the engineer finishes, the work of paving this street will begin at once.

—Mrs. E. M. May, residing south of Napier, met with a severe accident attempting to get on the Villison train, at Forest City, Saturday evening of last week, June 3. She was trying to get on the train, so we are informed, when she slipped and fell between the train and platform, and was dragged quite a little distance, injuring one of her limbs and bruising her body. She was unconscious for several hours, but is now reported as getting along all right.

—During the session of our County Court, this week, many of those who purchased the accreted land south of Fortescue, at the May term of the court, were present and made settlement for these lands. Among these were Uncle John C. Hinkle, who paid \$1,200 for some 700 acres, which he has owned for 50 years, and for which he had paid for years ago. A species of what may simply be called confiscation under the color of the law.

—Mrs. Fannie Dungan, accompanied by her children, Mr. Charles and Stella Zachman, drove to St. Joseph, Sunday, in her automobile. Mr. and Mrs. Zachman returned the same evening by train. Mrs. Dungan remained in St. Joseph, and the following day, Monday, she was joined by Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Zook, and they went to Kansas City, on the train. Mrs. Dungan returned Tuesday, but the Zooks remained for a few days' visit with their children, Dr. Sherman B. Hibbard and wife.

—Don M. Martin, our efficient and accommodating assistant postmaster, is always striving to please the patrons of the post office. Last week, one of our business men went into the office, and told Don he would like to have a box. Don promptly answered, "We only have one." The business man answered, "Well, let me have that," so off Don trotted, returning with a small paste board box, which he tendered the man, who replied, "I don't want that kind of a box, I want one of your mail boxes to put my mail in when it comes." Don got busy and fixed him up at once, but, of course, he says he misunderstood the gentleman.

THE POLAND-CHINA MAN.

Elmer Eddy, Grower of Poland-Chinas and Barred Rock Poultry.

Elmer Eddy, one of the best of fellows, and a genuine apostle of sunshine, was in town recently, and gave us a delightful visit, and he is so sunny and jolly that a bronze statue would enjoy a visit with him. Nature seems to have endowed him with an abundance of that trait of congeniality and companionship, as to make you feel better all over by having spent an hour with him. He told us a few real stories, and said he was out of politics—no candidate. He was strictly in the hog and poultry raising business. Every hog and chicken on his place knows him, and he stays, in fact, lives with them, excepting when he goes into his home and eats his meals, and thus gets acquainted with Mrs. Eddy and the junior Eddys.

He is one of the conspicuous breeders of the pure bred Poland-China hogs, and his herds have no peers anywhere in the state. He is authority in the development and breeding of this stock, and his word is taken as to quality and points in this famous breed of porkers.

His annual sales, which he holds in



E. P. Eddy.

his monster tent, are regarded as great events in the hog calendar, and so many are more conscientious in his assertions about his stock than Mr. Eddy.

Mr. Eddy is also authority in the poultry line, as a producer of the pure strain of Barred Rocks, and he claims to have the very best in this line in this part of the "Show Me" state. As he knows the Poland-Chinas, so does he know the Barred Rocks.

On invitation of the officers of the Maitland Fair Association, Mr. Eddy will have charge of the poultry division at the Maitland Fair this year, which is splendid recognition of Mr. Eddy as a poultry man.

Mr. Eddy's home is in Liberty township, and he says two great events occurred on April 12, 1861—these were the firing on Fort Sumpter and the birth of Elmer Eddy. He came to justice for himself by doing farm work for John Judy in the Lonesome district, and with the exception of cross-fence line, on the Griffith 240 acres, he never left that immediate place.

Yes, he's married, and has a fine wife and a good bunch of children. His wife was Mary, daughter of Steve Mansdown, one of the early settlers of Benton township. Elmer and Mary went up to the home of Rev. Malotte, on New Year's Day, 1894, and having the necessary credentials with them, "the preacher man" declared them to be husband and wife, and after the preacher had given them a kindly, fatherly talk, they started in life together, sharing with each other the storms and sunshine. They have six living children, and these are: Mrs. Luther Nauman, of Oxley, Mo.; Mrs. Ray Steele, of Fairfax, Mo.; Frank, of Kansas City, and Fred, Cora and Grace, who are at home doing their parts, and seeing that papa does his, especially in keeping up his reputation as a breeder of Poland-Chinas and Barred Rocks, and his grandchildren are happy when with him.

—Little Miss Virginia Caskey, of St. Joseph, is the guest of her grandparents, G. H. Price and wife.

—E. O. Phillips, our druggist, has installed a handsome soft drink fountain. It is in white marble and mahogany.

—Mrs. W. W. Dawson, accompanied by Master W. W., Jr., are in Kansas City, visiting relatives and attending the Billy Sunday meetings.

—John S. Boyd, whose home is in this city, but who is working for the Santa Fe R'y., in Arizona, in the bridge construction department, has our thanks for several post cards of the Petrified Forest of Arizona. They are beautiful, and the Petrified Forest is certainly a wonder.

—Everybody, including The Sentinel, are delighted to know that Mrs. J. C. Whitmer has parted company with the hospital attaches, at St. Joseph, having so far recovered from her recent serious illness as to be able to go to Savannah, where she will remain for a while, in the care of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frodsham. She has made a great fight, and seemingly has won. May she soon regain her former splendid health.