



SHOE PEDDLERS

Will Have to Explain to the Authorities Where They Obtained Their Stock.

WERE CANVASSING

The East Side When Arrested and Suspected of Being in Unlawful Possession of Their Wares.

What is considered by the authorities as being an important arrest was made by Deputy City Marshal Chandler yesterday afternoon, when he gathered in two men who were industriously attempting to dispose of a stock of shoes on the East side.

The prisoners, who gave their names as George Cook and Lee Thompson, were locked up in the city jail and will be put through a sweating process.

The evidence against them is considered sufficient to hold them on, and an effort will be made to locate the owners of the shoes which they are suspected of having stolen.

The suspects had been successful in disposing of several pairs of shoes before they discovered that they were under the surveillance of the marshal. When they made this discovery they immediately attempted to hide the remainder of their stock in a weed patch, but were discovered in the act.

They then entered a strenuous denial of ever having seen a pair of shoes.

It was ascertained later that the pair had also disposed of a number of shirts of the "Red Cross" brand.

The shoe stock was composed entirely of ladies shoes manufactured by the Brown Shoe Co., of St. Louis.

It is suspected that the men are members of the gang of thieves who have been operating at points south of here.

A number of stores have been broken into recently and stock stolen, and it is thought that the articles found in possession of the prisoners will be identified by some of the merchants who have suffered from the gangs depredations.

KILLING AT OAKTAHA.

Negro-Ordered Boys Out of a Field and They Respond With Shot Guns.

The marshal's office at Muskogee has been notified of a killing at Oaktaba, in which a negro was shot and killed by the three sons of Green Raleigh, a prominent farmer.

The boys had been treed by cattle, and the negro ordered them to come down and leave the field. Fearing the cattle, the boys refused to comply and the negro fired on them.

The boys, being armed, returned the fire, killing the negro instantly.

No arrests have been made as yet.

I will be in Vinita for a few days, and will finish up all work. Leave orders at Brock's music store.

G. W. SHRETS.

INTERESTING QUESTION.

As To An Indian's Right To Vote Raised In Oklahoma.

In view of the approaching election in Oklahoma the Indian vote is attracting the attention of the politicians. While the Democrats claim that they can control the larger part of the Indian vote through the influence of the cattle men, who are mostly democrats, yet it is a well known fact that the majority of the fullblood Indians are influenced by the party in power at Washington. As a consequence some of the democratic leaders are considering the challenging of the Indians right to vote under the third qualification of suffrage as printed in the laws of 1899.

Persons capable of becoming qualified electors are:

"First, citizens of the United States; second, persons of foreign birth who shall have complied with the provisions of the laws of the United States on the subject of naturalization; third, civilized persons of Indian descent not members of any tribe."

The Democrats claim that the Indians in Southwestern Oklahoma are still members of their tribe, which is disputed for the reason that each Indian has taken his land in severalty, and has been made a citizen of the United States by act of Congress.

GRAND LODGE A. F. & A. M.

The Twenty-Ninth Annual Communication Convened at South McAlester Yesterday.

The twenty-ninth annual communication of the Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of the Indian Territory convened at South McAlester yesterday. The grand secretary reported representatives present from one hundred and two of the one hundred and eleven lodges in the jurisdiction.

The morning was devoted to the hearing of an eloquent address of welcome by Mayor Fielding Lewis and the annual address of the grand master, Henry M. Furman.

MILITARY FEATURE

Will Be Introduced at Willie Halsell College.

Arrangements are being made to give the students at Willie Halsell a thorough military training in connection with their other studies.

A company of cadets will be organized as soon as the school opens which will be increased to a battalion when a sufficient number of pupils are enrolled. All of the male students over 15 years of age will be given the thorough physical and technical training of the soldier.

An effort will be made to obtain the necessary guns from the war department, and a great deal of good is expected to result from the institution of military discipline among the students.

H. Lee Clotworthy will be drill instructor.

Excursion to Kansas City Aug. 17th. Round trip \$2. Special train. Lots of room. Arrive in Kansas City Sunday morning at 7 o'clock, returning train leaves at 10:30 p. m., giving you all day in Kansas City. See Katy Agent.

Shoe repairing at Lee Barrett's.

Badgett-Sanders Mercantile Co.

Our New Fall Line of Ready-to-wear Skirts

are in. Come and see 'em. Some of the new skirts are the 9-gore flare skirts without a flounce, and we show them in all colors and grades of cloth. It will certainly pay you to see our "Palmer" walking skirts. They are made by first class tailors, well cut and proper made. Every lady in Vinita has our especial invitation to come and inspect the best selected line of skirts ever shown in this market.

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DISPELLED ENNUI.

Ferry Party Enjoyed Swimming Party Given By Mrs. Kornegay.

Mrs. W. H. Kornegay gave a delightful swimming party last evening from seven to ten to a number of her married friends. The evening was an ideal one for swimming and those present had a most enjoyable time. After spending an hour or two in the pool lunch was spread on the lawn and was heartily enjoyed by all. Those present were Messrs. and Mesdames E. N. Ratcliff, F. S. E. Amos, R. I. Blakeney, W. P. Thompson, N. L. Rider, Davis Hill, Mesdames W. M. Mellette, J. C. Anderson, Mary Browning, and May White.

Look Pleasant, Please.

Photographer C. C. Harlan, of Eaton, O., can do so now, though for years he couldn't because he suffered untold agony from the worst form of indigestion. All physicians and medicines failed to help him till he tried Electric Bitters, which worked such wonders for him that he declares they are a godsend to sufferers from dyspepsia and stomach troubles. Unrivalled for diseases of the stomach, liver and kidneys, they build up and give new life to the whole system. Try them. Only 50c. Guaranteed by Peoples and A. W. Foreman's drug stores. dw

Kansas City Excursion \$2.00

For the round trip. Special train leaves Vinita at 12:23, a. m., August 17th, via the M. K. & T. Railway, arriving at Kansas City Sunday morning at 7 a. m. Returning, train leaves Kansas City at 10:30 p. m., giving a whole day in Kansas City. Arrange to go. See Katy's agent.

Marriage Licences.

Albert Lowhead-Cella Vann, Eucha.

George Hogan-Annie Gritts, Stillwell.

Virge Riley-Dellere Allen, Maple.

Wm. T. Brown-Lucy Peterman, Claremore.

Single harness \$6.50 at Lee Barrett's



Bringing Out the Facts.

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That we will give you better Lumber at the same price, or equal grades at a lower price than elsewhere.

We believe first, in giving the best lumber that money can buy, and then in making the price as low as possible for that kind of lumber. And still we defy you to find lower prices than our.

If you leave our yard dissatisfied, it's your own fault, because we do our level best to please every customer who buys building material here—even to giving him the best stock and the lowest prices.

If that won't satisfy you—what will? Any way, be sure and see us before buying; not afterwards.

P. G. Browning & Co.

Vinita, Indian Territory.