

Farmers' Champion

VOL. V ELGIN, OKLAHOMA, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, 1915

NO.

Let Byrd & Wolcott Handle Your Cream

Had A Picture Show.

Prof. Dale, who is an instructor in history in the state university, was a caller here Friday and gave an illustrated lecture at the school auditorium that night.

The first part of his lecture was devoted to some of the extension work to be put out by the university through the rural schools of the state. One part of this work is a series of six lectures with lantern views to be put into each county in the state where 12 schools in one county will sign up for the work, each school to pay \$2 on each lecture to help bear the expense.

He will attend the county teachers institute in Lawton next week to see if 12 schools in this county desire to have the lectures.

He next took up his lecture proper, his theme being "Historic Boston." He attended school for one year at Harvard university in Cambridge, which is only divided from Boston by a public street, and during that time secured the views of many historic points of interest which he described as he threw the pictures on the canvass. It was a grand evening for any person posted on literature and history.

A few of the places shown were Plymouth Rock where the Pilgrim fathers landed in America; Boston Commons; Bunker Hill monument; several of the noted churches, in the tower of one of which, the Old North Church, a lantern was hung when Paul Revere took his famous midnight ride; the residence of Longfellow which is now occupied by his unmarried daughter, Miss Alice, who is now past 50 years of age; the residence and library of Ralph Waldo Emerson with its thousands of volumes; the residence of Oliver Wendell Holmes; the Old Manse, immortalized by Hawthorne; the plate fastened to a grape vine and bearing the inscription that it was the first Concord grape vine in the world; Faneuil Hall; cemeteries, bridges, monuments, and scores of other things of historic interest.

Peaches \$1.75 Bushel.

George Hill of Sterling returned Sunday night from a two months visit with relatives at Charleston, Ill., and says that it has been so wet there the farmers could not get their threshing done and the small grain has been damaged considerably.

He says they have had a short fruit crop there this year and peaches are selling for \$1.75 per bushel while in Oklahoma they are selling from 10 to 35 cents per bushel and some farmers are giving them away.

McKinley Kuntz.

August 23, 1915.

The sad news must come before the public of the death of McKinley Kuntz.

The subject of this sketch was born in Bates County, Mo., July 17, 1901. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Kuntz, living three miles north of Elgin and three miles west of Fletcher.

He leaves a kind and loving father and mother, five brothers and five sisters to miss their loss. He lived 14 years and 27 days, and the dear little boy was so beloved all of his life, and suffering was all the dear boy knew. His father and mother, brothers and sisters were all present when he died, except one brother, Jess Kuntz, and he was visiting his relatives in Wheatland, Mo.

On the morning of August 24 funeral services were conducted at the home of his parents by Rev. B. M. Nelson of Fletcher after which his precious form was laid to rest in the Fletcher cemetery, near by in the presence of a small crowd of sorrowing friends and relatives.

There are vines that are now drooping.

In the cold and chilly blast,

Let us bind the broken tendrils.

We unheeded off have passed.

For the sad and broken hearted.

Let us watch, work and pray.

I wish to thank the few dear friends that were present with us.

A BROTHER.

Stranded.

C. M. Wolcott and family, who left here two weeks ago tomorrow on an auto trip to Minden, Nebr., broke down at Yukon and had to wait for repairs. Mr. Wolcott remained there with the car while the rest of the family took the train and went on to Guthrie for a visit with his parents.

Friends here have received word that they have given up the trip to Nebraska on account of muddy roads, as they received information that more rain had fallen in Kansas than in Oklahoma.

On An Outing.

T. O. Miller and family, Mrs. T. E. Bills, Mrs. T. R. Bennett, Misses Edna Putney, Audrey West, and Ethel Pills; J. H. White, P. R. Bennett and Orange Putney went out to the mountains Tuesday evening for an outing.

See H. P. Wettengel for insurance, farm loans, real estate, Indiana silos and notary work.

Mt. Scott Items.

We are having nice weather since the first rain that fell last week.

The thrasher had to stop a few days on account of the rain.

Farmers will soon go to heading tobacco and haff; some is almost ripe.

Since the rain farmers are getting their ground ready to sow wheat; the ground is in fine shape now for breaking.

Had a fine Sunday school at the church Sunday; called pastor McQuinn for one year, till the association meets again.

Our meeting days are on Saturday before the third Sunday in each month.

Mrs. Dick Poirer and son visited J. Y. Gregory's a few days last week.

Mr. Gregory is building a new room and porch to his old house; it will be nice when finished.

People are still putting up peaches and sand plums; there

Stony Point, District 124.

Miss Ethel Harmon spent Saturday and Sunday visiting with her sister, Mrs. A. H. Porter.

Odes Turner and wife returned to their home at Anadarko Sunday, after spending a month with her sister, Mrs. Pearl Fross, to assist in the hay.

N. A. Argo made a business trip to Apache Saturday.

T. A. Morris and family spent the afternoon at the home of D. L. Gilliland, Sunday.

Mrs. John Mosel and family were in Elgin Saturday.

Mrs. N. A. Argo and son Dudley made a business trip to Elgin Tuesday.

Miss Lola Argo left Sunday for a visit with her sister who resides close to Anadarko.

Marble Morris spent the afternoon at the Argo home Sunday.

D. D. Grant and family and Mamie Ballou were callers in Elgin Friday.

J. B. Thralls made a business trip to the home of his sister.

King, The Medicine Man.

Representative King of Kingfisher, who has been selling medicine over the United States for the past 26 years, was here Saturday playing his banjo, singing and selling King's kidney remedies.

Mr. King is quite a noted figure; having been a member of the two last legislatures, elected on the republican ticket in Kingfisher county by stamping the county, playing the banjo and singing to draw and hold the crowds. At home he is known as Dr. King, having been a practicing physician at one time.

The first time ye editor ever met Mr. King he was doing the "gathering in stunt" for Joe Giles of Kingfisher at a 4th of July celebration at Hennessey. Giles had three large steers, about eight feet tall and that weighed about 3500 pounds each while in thin flesh, that he was exhibiting under canvass. He had King sing and play to draw the people in close and then describe the steers inside, offering to refund the admission fee of ten cents if any one said they were not just as he stated.

Touching on politics Mr. King said that the people of a state judge the constituents of a representative by the kind of man they send to the state legislature, which any person must admit is the truth.

77, You Sucker.

The revival meeting at the Methodist church in Fletcher, conducted by Rev. B. M. Nelson, the pastor, is drawing large crowds and an arbor has been built near the church to accommodate the people.

On Sunday night he emphasized the fact that children are close observers and pattern after the older people and told a story to illustrate his point, as follows:

A professor visiting a public school called upon the young children to give him a number to be placed on the blackboard. One child said 14 and he set down 41; another gave 50 and he set down 65 and so on until he called upon a little slender, ragged, dirty, cross-eyed, sleepy looking boy that slipped to give him a number. The boy replied, "Theventy seven, now thuse if you can change that, you thsucker you."

Two Pairs Of Twins.

Two freak pairs of twins were discovered in Elgin Saturday. They were not twin calves or twin babies but twin peaches. J. P. Kennemur found one pair and H. P. Wettengel found the other pair. One pair had two stems with the peaches grown together and the other pair just had one stem with a double stone.

THE ELGIN MERC. CO.

Is now ready to take care of your needs in

GROCERIES
DRY GOODS
AND SHOES

Fruit jars at bottom price. Highest price paid for produce and eggs.

H. P. ROSACKER,
MANAGER

have been more peaches canned this summer than have been for many years.

Perry Cannon and wife visited Roy Shockey and wife Sunday.

Albert Seving visited with Curtis Wade Sunday.

People surely think there will not be any more fruit for several years.

People bought all the fruit jars in Elgin, Saturday, but more came in Monday.

Nothing is ever lost; somewhere God keeps each act of faith, each prayer.

Each hope for fruitage full and fair.

Nothing is ever lost; our fears forgotten, dreams of eager years, sorrow or pain or blinding tears.

Each in some service he has set Will work its holy mission; yet God holds them all though we forget.

VIOLET.

Prof. Hayes Resigned.

Prof. Hayes and wife, both of whom taught in the Fletcher schools the past year and were re-employed for the coming year, resigned their positions last week and the resignations were promptly accepted by the school board. During the summer months they were in Colorado for the benefit of her health and he was teaching in a normal school there. They were both offered positions there before resigning at Fletcher.

CHAMPION ads pay best.

Mrs. T. A. Morris, Friday, returning home Saturday.

Pearl Fross and George McDermott were business callers in Elgin Monday.

D. L. Gilliland was in Elgin Saturday.

Everybody is busy with the fruit this week.

A nice rain fell here Saturday morning.

Bernee and Grayson Porter were visitors in Elgin Saturday evening.

\$30,000,000 Hail Losses.

A recent issue of the Western Underwriter states that the insurance companies will have to pay over \$30,000,000 losses on hail insurance this year, most of which is in Nebraska, Kansas, Colorado and Oklahoma. Single companies have paid out as high as \$1,000,000 and some with their subsidiaries will pay out \$2,000,000.

It is estimated that the average loss ratio of all stock and mutual companies thus far is 200 per cent. Some of the companies are not able to pay their losses in full and it is the hardest on those companies which do only a hail business. The wet ground and delay in harvesting caused much of the loss.

Closed And Opened.

The revival meeting in the Methodist church at Sterling conducted by Revs. Manning and Hinckley, closed Sunday morning, and on Sunday evening they commenced a revival at Beaver Bend.

On The Elgin Routes.

R. W. Compton of Enid has been visiting his brothers; on route 3, and J. W. Compton.

Mrs. L. F. Studyvin of K. Springs has been visiting in past week at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. V. King, on route 3.

Substitute Crowder has been carrying the mail on route 2 since Tuesday of last week.

Mrs. Chas. E. Frederick, who has been visiting at the home of her parents, W. Hasenbeck and wife, on route 3, returned home Sunday.

H. E. China and wife of route 2 returned last week from a trip to the San Francisco exposition.

John Momy's wife and wife of route A are the parents of a daughter born Friday.

The stork visited the home of Will Bentley on route A Saturday and left a girl.

W. E. Murray and son Arthur of route A went to Chickasha Friday for a visit with relatives.

Miss Hattie Hawkins of Temple came Monday for a visit with her brother, J. T. Hawkins, on auto route A.

Mrs. J. T. McCraw of auto route A, has been on the sick list.

Business Improving.

In conversation with a brakeman on a Frisco passenger the past week, he stated that the passenger business on that road had improved wonderfully during the past three weeks and said he did not fully understand the cause.

When told that it was the immense crop of everything that has put money into circulation and also caused the increased passenger traffic, he readily consented to the idea.

Work will be plentiful in all lines throughout the state this fall and there will be a big attendance at the state fair the last of September. On account of pin money being scarce very few went to the state fair from here last year. By their missing last year and the good crops this year will insure the best attendance the state fair has ever had, and there will no doubt be a fine display of all farm products.

Selling Shade Trees.

John W. Trout of Oklahoma City has been here the past week selling a species of entalpa trees to be used for shade, posts, fuel, etc. He is selling the trees at \$25 per 1000 and says that in three years time they will make from two to three posts each.

If they grow as fast as he says they do an acre planted in trees will produce more profit than any other crop a farmer can plant.

THE QUALITY OF OUR SERVICE Is making new customers daily.

Making good is better than making excuses.

We can prove our ability to deliver the goods.

Bank of Elgin

\$100.00 SAVED!

By Figuring With

D. E. McAnaw

In Lumber, Coal, Cement, Building Hardware, American Fence, Bois D' Arc Posts.

Handled your grain for 14 years, finding the best seed and the

BEST MARKET