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## The Great Bend Ball Team Will Be At Home For Nine Days, Beginning Sunday The 31st. Take 'Em In

### OFF FOR KEEPS.

#### Antis Win Out on Sixteenth Street Paving Move.

Sixteenth street in this city will not be paved—at least not at the present time—although the property owners of the street who are in favor of the improvement say that they are going to keep hammering away at the proposition until they win out in the end.

For several weeks past the proposition has been before the city commissioners at every meeting. First, the ones who desired the paving would have a little the best of the argument by having a majority of the signers on their petition, but by the time the commissioners would meet again the opposition would have talked some of the signers into taking their names off, and their remonstrance would show more names than the original petition, and at the meeting of the commissioners held on Monday it was decided that the opposition was such that the paving would not be done at this time. Sixteenth street is one of the best streets of the city, and probably has a larger per cent of home owners than any other street in town, and a number of the property owners thought it would be a good investment, besides being a great improvement to have the street paved, but others seemed to take a different view of the situation, and the latter are evidently in the majority. The paving contractors are now at work putting in the concrete base for the paving of the alleys in the three business blocks which have been paved and as soon as this work is finished will commence putting on the asphalt coat and by the time this is finished harvest will be on and work will be stopped for a while, but it is thought that the rest of Main street will be paved this fall, and also the balance of the streets around the square. At least, that is the talk at the present time, although no contracts have been let as yet.

### GAVE FINE CONCERT.

The Pawnee Rock band arrived in the city according to schedule Saturday evening, although Leader Pete McKechnie was docked 20 minutes pay on account of being in a car that had a blow-out a few miles west of town. About thirty members of the band were present, a few of the boys being unable to get away on account of their work, but no one could ever have told that some of the principles were missing, for the music that the aggregation put up was simply fine and was thoroughly enjoyed by the large crowd present. We doubt if there is another town in the state the size of Pawnee Rock that has anywhere near as good a band, and the citizens of that town and community have every reason to feel proud of the organization.

### NEAR BAD ACCIDENT.

S. B. Giddings has been considerably the worse for wear this week as the result of an accident which befell him at Ellinwood last Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Giddings had gone to Ellinwood on the noon train for a visit of a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Peters and family, who live southeast of that city, and who are old friends of the Giddings family. Mr. Peters had been looking after business matters in the southwest part of the state and was expected home on the evening train, so Mrs. Peters and Mr. and Mrs. Giddings waited to take him out home, but he failed to arrive and they started for home about 7:30. The horses had become restive from standing so long, and as they were driving down Main street, just in front of the City Drug store, one of the horses began to plunge and kick. Mr. Giddings, who was sitting in the back seat of the carriage, jumped out and started to catch the animal's head, but in going around the animal that was causing the trouble, the horse again kicked, hitting him in the side and groin, knocking him to the ground and rendering him partially unconscious for several minutes. The team was controlled by people who were close by and Mr. Giddings was taken to Dr. Spiers' office where his injuries were attended to and word was sent to relatives in this city to come and take him home. Mr. Giddings has a large and very severe bruise along his right side, where he was struck by the horse's hoof, and also a large bruise on his hip which he received in falling. Luckily for him the animal was not shod, and he was also far enough away that he did not receive the full force of the kick, or it probably would have killed him. He has been in bed most of the time since the accident, and although he is up and around now, he is still very stiff and sore, but is thankful that his injuries are no worse. He deeply appreciates the many kindnesses shown him by the good people of Ellinwood at the time of the accident, and assures them that he will not forget their courtesy.

If you need a new range for harvest, be sure to buy the genuine 'Malleable,' the range your neighbors all recommend. Costs no more, outlasts and outbakes any other. Lined with aluminum alloy and asbestos that stop all rust and corrosion. Easy to clean. Ask to see it at Bondurant's.

Will sell our summer hats this week at just half price.—Mrs. J. D. Riley.

E. C. Bill was down from Dodge City Sunday for a visit with his son, E. E. Bill, and wife. Mr. Bill was formerly bookkeeper at the Moses Mills in this city, but is now bookkeeper for the telephone company at Dodge City.

### PAWNEE ROCK CELEBRATES.

#### Second Anniversary of Monument Unveiling Big Success.

All roads formerly led to Rome, but all roads of Barton, Stafford, Rush and Pawnee counties led toward Pawnee Rock on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, on which days the big Second Anniversary of the unveiling of Pawnee Rock monument was held, for good crowds were present on both days, although the attendance this year was not up to that of former years, but Great Bend was well represented at the gathering on both days.

The people of Pawnee Rock and vicinity are a wide awake bunch, who thoroughly understand how to well entertain a large crowd of visitors and make them feel at home on any occasion, and the fact is never better demonstrated than on the occasions of these annual gatherings when the town is taxed to what would be more than the limit with ordinary cities of that size, but they always have a live, wide-awake committee in charge of the affair who understand how to keep things moving so that dull moments are an unknown thing, and there is always something doing every minute of the day.

The town was beautifully decorated for the occasion with flags and bunting and presented a very beautiful appearance, and the business men evidenced the right spirit by closing up shop on both afternoons so that everyone could take part in and enjoy the festivities. On Tuesday morning occurred the official parade to the Rock and the ceremonies incident thereto, followed by the most excellent band concert by the Pawnee Rock and Garfield township bands.

The Garfield band is composed of farmer boys living in Barton and Rush counties, and is one of the best aggregations of its kind to be found anywhere in the state and the boys received many flattering compliments on their appearance and music. Pete McKechnie's bunch of musicians are always prepared for an occasion of this kind, but their reputation is of such a high order in this vicinity that the people are wont to expect something more than common from them, and certainly there was no occasion for anyone being disappointed for they were at their best, and no finer music was ever rendered by any band in the state than by the Pawnee Rockers on this occasion.

There were amusements in abundance to entertain both the old and the young, and in the afternoon the crowd repaired to the handsome school house grounds where there was an abundance of shade, to listen to the addresses by the orators of the day. On account of the death of Senator Shouse's father in Kentucky a short time ago, the Senator was unable to be present as per the program, and Michael Sweeney, one of

### IRA BROUGHER HONORED.

Just as the Democrat goes to press a message was received from W. F. Feder in Topeka stating that Ira D. Brougher of this city had been elected as Department Commander of the G. A. R. of Kansas. This is a significant honor to be conferred upon Mr. Brougher, but one which is his just due for he is a soldier and citizen of whom all his friends are proud, and they rejoice in this high mark of esteem which has been conferred upon him.

### JOHN J. LINDSAY

John J. Lindsay, aged about 85 years, one of the very early settlers of the Boyd community, died at his home in Holington Saturday evening after a lingering illness of some months, death being due to old age and a general break-down. Funeral services were held at Holington Monday afternoon and interment made in the cemetery at that place. Mr. Lindsay leaves his aged wife, besides sons and daughters and other relatives to mourn his loss. He was one of the most highly respected and best known citizens of the north part of the county and his death is a source of grief to the many old friends. A more complete obituary will appear in a later issue.

Our pastry is the kind that will please you—no better anywhere. At the Hammond Bakery.

John Leback and John A. Brock, both of near Galata, were visiting with friends and attending to business matters in the city one day the first of the week.

The old timers and well known citizens of that vicinity, was called on in his place and made a most excellent talk, giving a brief review of the early days of the state and the many great men it has produced, and showing that all Kansans have just cause to be very proud of their state and its people. Mr. Sweeney is a native of old Ireland, which means that he is naturally a fluent speaker, and his remarks were pertinent and pleasing and were well received by all.

Henry J. Allen, Progressive candidate for the nomination for governor of Kansas, was also on the program and made a most pleasing address. Mr. Allen talked on politics, agriculture, religion and various other subjects and every bit of his talk was full of interest and instruction. He is a most pleasing speaker, who understands well the art of entertaining a large audience and his talk made a big hit with the crowd and he received a most enthusiastic ovation at its close.

Following the speaking a big ball game, which was well attended, was pulled off between the Pawnee Rock and Rosel teams, and the rest of the day and evening was most pleasantly spent in visiting and taking in the sights of the Midway, there being a most excellent and complete carnival company on the grounds.

On Wednesday there were the usual band concerts and another good ball game and other amusements. The speakers of this day were Hon. W. L. Brown and Hon. E. C. Cole, of this city. No comment is needed for either of these speakers. 'Ironjaw' Brown is at home on the platform on any and every occasion, but more especially at a gathering of this kind when the people meet to commemorate some of the early day history of the state, and his talk was appropriate and well received. Mr. Cole is one of the most finished orators of the state and is an especial favorite with the people of this section, and on this day he was at his best and his address was a most excellent one. Hon. George A. Neeley was on the program for a talk Wednesday but was unable to leave his work at Washington.

Taken all around the affair was a most complete success, and the many thousand people who visited the beautiful little city of Pawnee Rock on these two days all went home feeling that they had been most royally entertained, and that it was good to once more meet and renew acquaintance with the people of that lively little burg. The committee in charge of the affair have worked most thoroughly for many weeks for this complete success, and they have every reason to feel that their efforts have

### LEE-EPPERSON.

One of the prettiest home weddings of the season was the marriage of Mr. George E. Lee, of Watega, Ill., to Miss Helen Epperson, which took place at the home of the bride's parents, just west of this city Wednesday evening, at 7 o'clock.

Prior to the ceremony Miss George's Green sang 'I Love You So.' The wedding march was played by Miss Elva McMullen, and the bride party descended the stairs, the officiating minister, Rev. Victor L. Greenwood, leading, followed by the groom, accompanied by Mr. Earl Epperson, and the bride on the arm of her father, the groom meeting his bride at the foot of the stairs and proceeding unattended to the southeast corner of the parlor, which was banked with a mass of ferns and roses, and where the words were spoken that united them as man and wife, the beautiful and impressive ring ceremony being used.

Following the ceremony and congratulations, an elaborate wedding supper was served to the guests, numbering about eighty, and the evening spent in conversation and social entertainment. The bride's table was handsomely decorated with festoons of myrtle and roses and penulias and the entire home presented a most beautiful appearance. At the cutting of the bride's cake, the ring was secured by Miss Helen Berry of Topeka, the coin by Miss Florence Castle, and the thimble by Miss Blanche Marx.

The bride looked most charming in a handsome gown of Crepe Mevor, with lace flouncings and bridal veil, and carried a beautiful bouquet of bride's roses and sweet peas. She is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer E. Epperson and has grown to womanhood in this community and is one of the handsomest and most highly regarded by all who know her.

Mr. Lee is a prominent stockman and farmer of near Watega, Ill., and is one of the rising young men of his community, and is spoken of in the highest terms by all who know him. He is energetic and industrious, has a fine start in his chosen avocation, and will make good.

Out of town guests at the wedding were Mr. Fred Lee, brother of the groom, of Watega, Ill., Rex Lee and sisters, the Misses Cora and Eulah Lee, cousins of the groom, from Burdette; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bryan, of Newton; Miss Grace Vermillion, of Lyons, and Miss Helen Berry, of Topeka. Mr. and Mrs. Lee were the recipients of a large number of handsome and valuable gifts as tokens of the love and esteem of the relatives and many friends, and start out under the most auspicious circumstances for a long, happy and prosperous wedded life, and all of this is the sincere wish of their hosts of friends.

They will leave the latter part of the week for Watega, Ill., and will, after a visit of a few weeks with relatives and friends in Chicago and Galesburg, Ill., be at home to their friends on their farm a few miles from that city.

Don't wear yourself out baking bread, cakes and pies during this hot weather. Let us work for you. You will find the quality the best, at the Hammond Bakery.

The condition of Charles Hooper, who has been in a very serious condition for several weeks, is reported as being slightly better at this time. He is resting better now than at any time since his illness and shows other signs of marked improvement.

### NOTICE.

From June 1 to June 27, inclusive, the County Superintendent's office will be closed except on Saturday, June 13 and June 20. Persons having business with this office please take notice. During the absence the County Superintendent will keep office hours, from 3 to 5 P. M., at the High School building, Holington.

JENNIE B. MOMYER,  
County Superintendent.

Get an oil cooker now. Saves fuel, saves time, saves health. You'll need it for the big harvest. Be sure to buy the new one with flame right against kettle. No smoke nor smell, no danger. Let us show you this new stove, the one all your neighbors recommend. Price \$12.00. The

### WILL HAVE NEW CHURCH.

#### Work Started This Week on New Catholic Church Building.

Work was started the first of the week on the excavating for the foundation and for the furnace rooms for the new Catholic church which will be built on the site of the old church at the corner of Broadway and Baker streets. The excavating and the hauling of the sand for the work is progressing at a rapid rate and it will be pushed as rapidly as possible so that all of the foundation and basement work may be completed before the harvest time. The foundation, the construction of which is under the supervision of Jack Morrison, will be built of concrete with a three and a half foot of Carthage stone on top. The building proper will be 117x58 feet in size and will be built of pressed brick, trimmed with white stone. The plans for the building have been prepared and accepted but the contract for this will not be let until after harvest, but the work will then be pushed rapidly. The plans show that the building will be one of the most handsome edifices in this part of the state, and the interior work and decorations will be magnificent and in thorough keeping with the outward appearance of the structure. The building will face to the west, and at each corner of the front there will be a tower fifteen feet and three inches square and one hundred and five feet in height and will be surmounted by handsome gold crosses. No pains or expense will be spared to make the building one of the most beautiful homes of worship in this community, and the much credit cannot be given to Father Reidy for his tireless work in this behalf ever since he has been in charge of the parish at this place. He has worked day and night ever since he has been in charge here that his people might have a house of worship which would be a credit to their great church and in which they could take pride, and it is a matter of much congratulations that the results have been so speedy and so satisfactory. The old church building was erected in 1878, and has long since been outgrown by the congregation, besides being uncomfortable, and the new building will be a monument which will be a source of pride to the city and community, and the members of the church are to be congratulated on the step they have taken and on having a man at their head who will see that the work is carried on to a successful conclusion.

Fresh pies—the kind that mother used to make—no better anywhere. At the Hammond Bakery.

### COURT DOINGS.

Only two cases have come up in the district court since our last issue, both pertaining to island land along the river. In the case of Sam Adams vs. Ed Robertson and others, the jury disagreed and the case will again come up for trial. The jury in this case, it is said, stood ten in favor of the adjoining land owner and two for the island settler. In the case from Ellinwood, Horvot vs. Knop and others, a verdict was rendered in favor of the defendant and against the island settler. It is said that no appeal will be taken in this case.

An adjourned session of the court was held this week but no business transacted. The regular session of the June term of court will convene Tuesday next, at which time some court cases will be disposed of but no jury will be called as this little business is to be transacted.

### GOING TO CANADA.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rogers, of this city, will leave in a few days for Calgary, Canada, where they expect to locate if the country is to their liking and up to the advertisements, and where they will purchase land and engage in farming. A big family dinner was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George P. Wilson, parents of Mrs. Rogers in Eureka township, Wednesday, as a sort of farewell party, and which was attended by a large number of the relatives of the couple. Mr. and Mrs. Rogers are among the most popular of the young people of the community and their only regret is that they have to leave this

### SPRIT OF PATRIOTISM

