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CITY'S FIRST BORN GIRL WRITES OF EARLY ABILENE

J. B. Edwards, in the course of some correspondence on early times, has received the following letter from Mrs. Sarah Barger, the first girl born on the site of Abilene and a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Hersey, the founders of the city. She lives at Clarinda, Iowa, and her letter will be of interest to all. Mr. Edwards plans to have her return for the Old Settlers' reunion some day—or perhaps for an Abilene home-coming celebration. She writes:

"I assure you I am always glad to answer any questions in regard to the early life of my father and my mother, and also the dear old city of Abilene, my birth place. My angel mother died September 9th, 1912, at the home of my brother Charles at Lenore, Idaho, where she went to try and regain her health, which was much impaired by the watchful care, that only mothers can give, of my sister Ella, Mrs. F. A. Dryden at Seattle, Wash., in 1910. She passed away after months of intense suffering. My mother hovering over her, and was there until the final settlement; the home sold and her son, an only child, established in business, for my sister was a widow.

"Mother's decline was rapid owing to her advanced years, she was almost 77 years old. Brother took her home. After a short visit at the home she never rallied so she could return to Castle Rock, although to the last she talked of going back. Father died in 1905 in Castle Rock and is buried there. That spring my son and baby boy, 11 years of age, and myself, visited in the home, spent the summer with mother and my eldest sister, Maria, stopping three weeks in Seattle on our return with Ella.

"But I am wandering from that which perhaps, will interest you the most. It is true, my mother suggested the name of Abilene, and took it from the bible—Luke 3-1, the name as she understood it meant city of the plains; this was in 1869. My mother was a devout christian and a Bible student; I have so often wondered how she ever had time to read with her multiplicity of cares and hardships that we children so little realized then, but as I look back now I often wonder how mother could be so brave. Father was away from home many months at a time.

"Mother told me father's thoughts were of the old and early days of Ab-

ilene, and the uncared for graves there. I have one sister, Sylvia, buried there. I do not think I remember her, only by hearing her spoken of in the home. She was born in Illinois. Also my sister Maria, three and a half years older than myself. Mother had the two little girls when she went to Kansas, some time after father had gone to look for a home then called the west.

"In the year 1859 I was born in a little log cabin on the banks of Mud creek. Later were born sister Ella and brother Charles, Wilbur, Franky and Walter. Franky and Walter are buried in Abilene. Franky lived to be eleven months old and Walter three; little Franky's funeral was held in the Baptist church, and one piece they sang was:

"Why do we moruen departed friends,
And shake at death's alarm,
Tis but the voice of Jesus calls,
His loved ones to his arms."

"That piece rings in my ears many many times. I do not know why, unless mother's grief so impressed me that it linked itself in the air of that dear old song. Later Walty died, his funeral was in the home. Aunt Phillips came and laid him out. He died in Jeremiah Baldwin's arms, who at that time was in the home, and later went to Beloit with our family.

"Mr. Edwards you do not know how your kindness, in caring for the little graves, impresses me, that you too, like my father, have a heart that beats for humanity. I thank you so much. Father and mother were always doing little acts of love and kindness, and I wish they could know that after all these years some kind hand is laying the tribute of love on those sacred mounds. How proud I used to be of my dear parents and yet we never know how to appreciate our treasures until they are gone. I started out to be bormal but I can't do it—too much like father. They used to call me when a child, 'chip of the old block', when they wanted to get me spunky; and they usually did. Quick to get mad, then quick to forgive—another Hersey trait.

"I received a letter in April from Mrs. James Callahan of Abilene, she said she had father's picture, and I have one in my room enlarged from a photo taken while father was at Topeka; he had on a plug hat, he wore them so much. He wrote mother and said: 'See Tim with his plug hat on.' How I would love to go

back there once more, it would be hard for me, but I would be all right in a short time. It means much to me—the kind way you speak of my appearance there as a representative of the oldest family in the history of the old days, then to offer me the keys to the city and key to the hearts of the people makes it doubly dear to me and perhaps some time it may be possible to go so.

"In regard to the name Abilene being suggested to mother by a reverend it may be true, although I do not remember of them speaking of it. I have in my possession the last letter father wrote for publication, it was written to a dear friend of his, Mayor Mitchell, of Beloit. Now if I have not trespassed on your good nature to much I will say if there is any thing I can do to assist you in history I will be glad to do so, if you would like to know of my family I would be glad to write you our son, Seargt. H. C. Barger, is assistant director of the Third Iowa Infantry band, was on the border eight months. He has been in service seven years, and I tremble now for fear of his being called out in this world war.

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CHAUTAQUA PROGRAM TO BE THE BEST EVER

A meeting of the Chautauqua committee was held this afternoon at the Citizens bank room to arrange for the coming session which will be held August 31 to September 6. The program this year is the best ever given and big crowds will attend. Two plays, "Little Women" and "H. M. S. Pinafore," the latter a comic opera with 20 people in the cast, are leading features. Russell Conwell with his famous lecture, "Acres of Diamonds," will also be here. The success of last year resulted in nearly enough tickets being sold for this year and the work now is the routine matter of preparation. C. H. Harger is president of the Chautauqua association, C. R. Baker, secretary; G. W. Rees, treasurer; J. A. Tufts, chairman of the grounds committee; P. W. Heath and J. W. Howe, advertising committee; W. H. Eroughton, chairman of the ticket committee. A meeting of all the association members will be held later.

TRUNKS WERE FULL OF BOOZE.

Enterprise Men Arrested for Violating "Bone Dry."

Two Enterprise men were fined \$200 each and 60 days in the county jail here for violating the "bone dry" law yesterday. A third man was caught but his case was continued for 30 days to permit him to thresh his wheat.

George Bischoff and John Sherman met the Santa Fe at Enterprise yesterday morning and now several trunks taken off the train. Two men called for the trunks and proceeded to open them in the freight house. The sheriff and county attorney "walked in" on them and found the trunks full of whiskey.

The third shipment of whiskey arrived in Detroit. A small boy took it away and a great deal of difficulty was encountered in finding the person to whom it was shipped. All three trunks were sent from Kansas City.

DODGE CAR "DODGED" INTO A PHONE POLE YESTERDAY

[From Saturday's Daily.]

J. F. Coe, driving west on Second street yesterday, decided to put on a pair of goggles. Mrs. Coe didn't think the car was running straight when her husband had his hands off the wheel and as she gave the wheel a little turn. The new Dodge car went up over the curbing and struck a telephone pole. A running board was broken, a fender bent and one light smashed.

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"MAIDS OF AMERICA" TO BE WITH CARNIVAL SHOW

The Maids of America musical comedy performance is to be one of the big feature attractions of the Allen shows here next week, and is worthy of the attendance of people who enjoy high class and refined comedy, singing and dancing, the latter including the latest novelty balloon dancing, introducing on a stage for the first time the "Machese" and others that will be equally as popular the coming dancing season. Either of the above numbers will repay any visitor to this attraction.

The company numbers over twenty-five members and a ten-piece orchestra and carries special scenery and electrical effects. The costumes worn by the beauty chorus of fifteen girls are extremely elaborate, more than a hundred gowns and dresses being used in the various singing and dancing numbers.

Any visitor to the show grounds should certainly not miss seeing The Maids of America production. The ladies and children are especially invited, as the performance contains not a word or action of a suggestive or offensive nature.

MAYOR AND POLICE JUDGE SAY NO BOOZE IS HERE

Recently Senator Thompson wrote to the mayors of the county seats of Kansas asking about the enforcement of the prohibition laws. Mayor Nichols and Police Judge Porter sent these replies, which were written before the "bone dry" law became effective:

In reply to yours of recent date, will say that prohibition certainly does prohibit with us. During the year 1916 there were five warrants issued and two arrests made for drunkenness and one bootlegger, and no joints running. The morals of our city are good and have been for some time.—J. C. Porter, Police Judge.

In regard to my knowledge of prohibition in Kansas, it practically does prohibit the sale of liquor in Kansas. We have, of course, a little trouble with an occasional bootlegger and a little drunkenness. That, of course, is owing to the ease with which they can get liquor from Missouri.

In this town before prohibition law was enacted there was from one to three men killed every year on account of saloon fights or drunkenness, and a number of farmers were foreclosed every year who lost their homes on account of excessive drinking.

In the last ten years there has not been a man killed in any fight which could be charged up to liquor. And there are no homes being foreclosed on account of liquor. Every year the few bootleggers are getting less. Last year in this town of 5,000 there were only two arrests for drunkenness.

We think we have the liquor business just about as near the prohibitory point as you could have it in a state where they can ship it in from other states.—W. D. Nichols, Mayor.

BELLE SPRINGS CREAMERY ASKS FOR \$572.25 DAMAGES

The Belle Springs Creamery Co. has brought a suit against the Fairmont Creamery Co., at Chicago similar to the one filed by J. E. Brewer & Co., against the same company. The Belle Springs had an order from the Chicago firm for 12,000 dozen eggs but when they were shipped, the company refused to accept them. The Belle Springs lost \$572.25 in the transaction and it is asking this amount of damages.

ABILENE GETS 1.85 INCHES OF RAIN—3.5 AT TALMAGE

[From Monday's Daily.]

Kansas Sunday had the first soaking rain in two months, amounting in places to three inches or more. Abilene received 1.85 inches up to 6:00 o'clock last evening. Reports indicate that the prolonged drought generally has injured early corn past redemption, especially in the uplands, but late corn in bottom land fields will be greatly benefited. Pastures are much improved for late grazing and will increase the supply of ensilage. It is reported that 3.5 inches fell at Talmage last evening. The creek was raised and culverts were washed out.

Liver Trouble.

"I am bothered with liver trouble about twice a year," writes Joe Dingman, Webster City, Iowa. "I have pains in my side and back and an awful soreness in my stomach. I heard of Chamberlain's Tablets and tried them. By the time I had used half a bottle of them I was feeling fine and had no signs of pain." Obtainable everywhere.

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THIRD STREET BRIDGE IS DISCUSSED AGAIN BY BOARD

The city commissioners this morning went with the city attorney and several business men to call on the county commissioners and ask the county to assist in the rebuilding of the Third street bridge. It is on a county road and the commissioners expressed their willingness to do whatever was legal and feasible as it is one of the most used bridges in the county. It will probably be impossible to do anything this year as the levy is limited, but next year it may be done. The bridge is in bad condition and unsafe for anything but light travel. Further effort will be made and the matter planned for the soonest possible time.

The weekly bills were allowed. The matter of opening Kuney between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets, was not discussed.

For Recovery of Note.

Richard Neis borrowed \$200 from R. B. Hull, of Hope in 1913, and failed to pay the interest on the note or to pay the principal when due. Mr. Hull is suing for \$304 which includes the principal and interest due to date.

GET YOUR MONEY READY TO BUY LIBERTY BONDS

The Liberty bonds will be ready in about a month, according to information received today by the Abilene National bank.

The Federal Reserve bank at Kansas City notified the bank here that the department of bureau and engraving probably will have the bonds ready so they can be delivered to subscribers in about thirty days.

Just the Thing for Diarrhoea.
"About two years ago I had a severe attack of diarrhoea which lasted over a week," writes W. C. Jones, Buford, N. D. "I became so weak that I could not stand upright. A druggist recommended Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. The first dose relieved me and within two days I was as well as ever." Many druggists recommend this remedy because they know that it is reliable. Obtainable everywhere.

Solomon's Big Night.

About 25 persons attended the dance at Solomon last evening from Abilene. It is reported that there was nearly 2,000 persons on the streets of that city last night.

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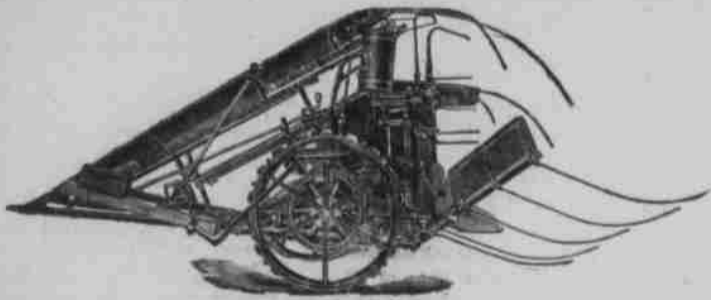
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