

CAN'T ABANDON ROADS

Attorney General Major has rendered an opinion in which he holds that railroad companies cannot abandon any part of the line owned by them without forfeiting the charter of their entire line, and are also subject to prosecutions for violations of the state laws.

This question came up over the Frisco railroad abandoning its line between Wardell and Tallipoosa, two stations on the road running north from Pascola. The road involved is 11 miles long.

The attorney general said in his opinion:

The great weight of modern authority, and particularly in Missouri, is to the effect that a railroad company in accepting a franchise must construct same in toto, and such authority does not authorize the construction of a part only. After its construction, the duty then is placed on the railroad company to commence operating same, and if the operation of the entire lines authorized by the franchise proves unremunerative, or the company becomes insolvent, it can lawfully abandon the entire line covered by its franchise.

But if the operation of one part proves unremunerative and the operation of the residue is profitable, so the whole, when taken together, is remunerative, the company cannot abandon the unprofitable part and operate the profitable residue. For the company to do this would be to assume a new franchise not granted them and ouster or mandamus proceedings would lie.

We, therefore, conclude that this portion being a part of the lines now operated and covered by one franchise the company cannot lawfully abandon same.—Kennett Democrat.

C. W. Frick, the lumberman, saw mill, planing mill and shingle mill man, is kept pretty busy these days, and seems to be well patronized. Mr. Frick is an old citizen here, and we hope our people will see to it that he is given a substantial patronage, for a business like this will do the town much good.

MAY BE MURDER

Willie Jones, who was hit on the head with a shot gun in the hands of Chas. Stephens a week ago last Sunday, was brought into town Saturday morning in a critical condition, and money was made up to send him to a hospital at Memphis.

On arriving at Memphis the report was sent back that the boy's chances of recovery were extremely doubtful, and another warrant was taken out for Stephens and he was rearrested Monday and landed in jail at Caruthersville, to await developments.

It will be remembered that Stephens was tried before a justice court last week and fined \$5.

Stephens is about 55 years old, while Jones is only about 15. The boy is living with his father, who is on a visit here from Tennessee, and it seems a shady reputation has followed them, which is creating some sympathy for Stephens. It is also reported that the boy's father forced him to go out in the cold and work since being hurt.

The Herald very cordially invites and urges the people living in the country to call at the office when in town. Come to see us, whether you have any business or not, and tell us the news in your neighborhood, condition of the crops, deaths, births, schools, churches, etc. This is strictly a Pemiscom county paper and wants the local news.

The machinery on the dredge boat is now in working order, and has been tested for digging, but as yet there is not enough water for the boat to start. There is yet some woodwork to be done on the boat, but it appears now that everything will be in readiness long before there is sufficient water.

Taken up—1 bay horse, 16 hands high, about 11 years old, star in forehead, white spot on nose, scar left shoulder, left hindfoot white; also 1 brown horse, 16½ hands high, about 12 years old, 3 white feet, large star in forehead, collar marks. W. P. Hedge, Hayti. 15-3t

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

City council met in regular session Tuesday night, an L. L. Lefler qualified to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Henry Ransburgh.

The following bills were allowed: Ben Tinsley, \$12.00 for certified tax lists; Wm. York, printing, \$5.25; Fred Morgan, coal, \$4.50; S. E. Juden, official duties, \$43.87.

Report of collector showed that \$269.40 was collected during January.

Adjourned to meet Friday night. [Note: Much more could have been added to above, but the copy came to us after the forms had been made up, and had to be condensed. Ed.]

Wedding Presents

The Teaster-Johnson wedding presents were as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. Utley, 1 pr. linen towels.

Mr. Kerter, 1 cake plate.

Mrs. Nettie Popham, 1 spoon tray.

Mrs. Jettie Sturm, 1 cake plate.

Mrs. Camile Durham, 1 berry dish and handkerchief holder.

Mrs. Jas. Myers, 1 linen table cloth.

Miss Anna Dunklin, 1 cream pitcher.

Miss Duleia Bryant, 1 linen tablecloth.

Miss Myrtle Foley, 1 berry set.

Mrs. Anna Hearc, 1 set silver knives and forks.

Mrs. Erma Bissett, 1 pr. linen towels.

Miss Effie Teaster, 1 set glass goblets,

pie plates, meat platter, jelly dish, box dry goods.

Elsie Brown, "the Brownie Girl," versatile entertainer in clever offerings, will be at the city hall on the evening of Feb 12. This will be a rare treat for every lover of the refined and the good, and no one should be absent. The proceeds are to go to the public school library, to buy books.

Dr. J. G. Crider and family have returned from their visit at Carrollton, Ga. The doctor informs us that he has sufficiently regained his health to once more enter the active practice of medicine.

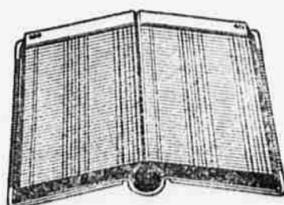
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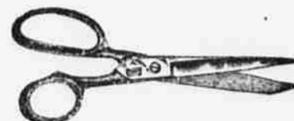
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