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CAPE GIRARDEAU AND THE FRISCO.

When the Frisco Railroad entered into an agreement with Louis Houck and then attempted to forget it, he twisted the railroad's tail. This city could well afford to adopt the Houck idea. The City Council's protests at the Frisco's impositions heretofore have been as mild as a grass widow's indignation over a stolen kiss.

THE MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL.

The municipal swimming pool, which now seems a certainty through the efforts of the Civic Improvement Association and the donation of \$3000 by the city, is an advanced idea, but to be useful, it must be given close attention.

Public swimming pools have proved very beneficial to grown-ups as well as to children in the large cities, and the Cape Girardeau lake will no doubt serve a great purpose.

But it is necessary that proper precautions be taken to prevent drownings, which occur even in the pools of St. Louis. Expert swimmers should be required to be in constant attendance at the pool during the hours when children visit it.

To prevent the spread of disease, the water must be changed at least once in every forty-eight hours, and to keep the pool absolutely free from germs, the water should be kept running in and out of the tank.

Typhoid fever finds no field more fertile for its germs than in stagnant and unclean water. This is a disease that is most dreaded during the summer months, and every precaution should be taken to avoid it.

Under proper conditions, the swimming pool would become immensely popular. There is no more wholesome sport than swimming, for men and women as well as for the young. It is one of the best forms of exercise.

By charging all adults admission the city should be able to obtain sufficient revenue to properly take care of the lake. But men and women will not find enjoyment unless the water is kept pure and those who visit it are compelled to conduct themselves properly.

When the weather is hot, no power will be able to restrain boys from a splash in the pool, whether the sanitary conditions are good or bad. It is, therefore, imperative that adequate plans be made to properly care for the pool before it has been opened to the public. If it is managed successfully it will prove a boon enough to keep it well managed, but it must be remembered that children will enter it, regardless of its condition.

The swimming pool is a necessity and The Tribune heartily approves of it. We take this opportunity to point out the danger that lurks in dead water. Keep it sanitary and there will be no apologies to make. Neglect and the whole movement will be condemned.

THE FRISCO AND CAPE GIRARDEAU.

The City Council is entitled to commendation, even for its belated decision to resent the Frisco Railroad's conduct toward this city. The officials of that road seem to be unwilling to live up to any clause of its franchise.

Its promises to build a new station have not been kept. Its assurances that the people of this city would get a 60-cent coal rate have been contemptuously violated. Its equipment is second-class and its service is abominable.

Cape Girardeau has been lenient to the point of stupidity with the Frisco. This city has accepted every affront without protest, hoping that each offense would be the last. But it has only invited fresh violations.

It now adds insult to injury by removing what second-hand machinery it has left in this city to another point, and reducing its force of employees to the minimum.

If Cape Girardeau's franchise is worth the paper it was written on, it is worth enforcing, and if it isn't worth anything, we may just as well reach this conclusion now.

Either the Frisco should keep its agreement with the people here, or it ought to be denied the privilege of running into this city. The Frisco has throttled the town. It has enjoyed a monopoly and at the same time rendered service that would bring a protest from a fishing resort.

Its franchise with the city provides a penalty for each violation. If Cape Girardeau had enforced the penalty clause to the limit, the total fines would now equal the aggregate value of the railroad. Cape Girardeau is not entitled to sympathy. It deserves condemnation.

THE NEW DRAINAGE BILL.

The new drainage bill now pending in the Legislature deserves to pass because it was drafted with a view to fairness. It exempts Cape Girardeau County from being taxed for something that does not benefit this county and for which the county is in no way responsible.

The measure places the responsibility for bridges over the diversion channel upon the drainage company. But it provides that structures over ditches running into the diversion channel shall be constructed and maintained by the counties through which they pass.

The diversion channel is usually located some distance from the overflowed land, and usually runs through territory that is safe from flood water. So instead of being favored by a drainage company, the county or counties which thus gives its right-of-way for a channel, which will redeem another county, plays the role of the Good Samaritan.

Cape Girardeau has rendered a service to the lower counties by carrying away the water that has kept the lands to the south inundated for centuries. To ask the taxpayers of this county to provide bridges over this channel is the worst sort of ingratitude, and to force them to build these would be outrageous.

THE FRISCO AS AN OUTLAW.

Mayor Kage chose the only course open to him when he gave the City Council orders to sue the Frisco Railroad for trespassing. The Frisco has deliberately violated its franchise with Cape Girardeau. It has repudiated almost every clause in the contract, without reason or excuse.

And so long as it selects to be classed as a bandit, it is only proper that Mayor Kage and the city deal with it as an outlaw. In view of the railroad's determination to abrogate its agreement with the people of this city, it has no legal right to operate its trains through Cape Girardeau. When it does, it trespasses, and for each offense it is subject to a fine.

The Frisco Railroad has repudiated an agreement that other railroads would give hundreds of thousands of dollars to possess. It has but one reason for its action, and that is a desire to do what it should not do and what it knows to be without defense.

When it refused to haul coal into Cape Girardeau for 60 cents a ton, as it agreed to do, it forfeited its franchise and became a public sneak. Instead of enforcing its rights, the city then only mildly protested.

But to show its further contempt for the people of Cape Girardeau, the Frisco dismissed the men in its shops and hauled the machinery away. To have received this challenge without acceptance, would have convicted the city officials of disloyalty to the people.

The Frisco has assumed the attitude of the man in a mask who enters the private home through a rear window. It runs through Cape Girardeau unwelcome and without authority. It proposes to compel this city to give it all of the privileges that it may need in return for nothing. It expects to keep Cape Girardeau business bottled up, but refuses to pay for this privilege.

If Cape Girardeau cannot regulate this arrogant corporation while it is in this city, then Cape Girardeau might just as well bundle up and move to Springfield, because the Frisco will take us there by and by.

LEGAL NOTICES.

FINAL SETTLEMENT NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to all creditors and others interested in the estate of John Gustav Bochner, deceased, that I, the undersigned, intend to make final settlement of the estate of said deceased at the next term of the Probate Court of Cape Girardeau County, Missouri, to be held at Jackson, Missouri, beginning on the 12th day of February, 1917.

Fritz W. Bochner, Executor.

FINAL SETTLEMENT NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to all creditors and others interested in the estate of Mary Myer, deceased, that I, the undersigned, intend to make final settlement of the estate of said deceased at the next term of the Probate Court of Cape Girardeau County, Missouri, to be held at Jackson, Missouri, beginning on the 12th day of February, 1917.

E. G. Schoen, Executor.

FINAL SETTLEMENT NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to all creditors and others interested in the estate of William Neinstedt, deceased, that I, the undersigned, intend to make final settlement of the estate of said deceased at the next term of the Probate Court of Cape Girardeau County, Missouri, to be held at Jackson, Missouri, beginning on the 12th day of February, 1917.

E. J. Neinstedt, Administrator.

FINAL SETTLEMENT NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to all creditors and others interested in the estate of James Brooks, deceased, that I, the undersigned, intend to make final settlement of the estate of said deceased at the next term of the Probate Court of Cape Girardeau County, Missouri, to be held at Jackson, Missouri, beginning on the 12th day of February, 1917.

Chas. L. Brooks, Administrator.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Anthony (Antone) Benson, deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the Cape Girardeau Court of Common Pleas, of Cape Girardeau County, Missouri, on the 29th day of January, 1917. Persons having claims against said estate are requested to exhibit the same to the undersigned for allowance within six months after the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of said estate. And if said claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of the last insertion of this publication they shall be forever barred.

Dated Jan. 29, 1917.

Charles Blattner, Public Administrator.

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE BY ADMINISTRATOR

In the matter of the Estate of Henry Baehre, deceased; Joseph Bollinger, administrator de bonis non.

By virtue of an order of the Cape Girardeau Court of Common Pleas, of Cape Girardeau County, Missouri, made at the November term, 1916, of said Court, I will, in obedience to said order, on Monday, the 26th day of February, next, at the east door of the Courthouse in the city of Cape Girardeau, and during the session of the Cape Girardeau Court of Common Pleas, expose for sale at public auction all the interest of Henry Baehre, deceased, in and to the following described real estate, lying, being and situate in the county of Cape Girardeau and State of Missouri, to-wit:

Lots No. Two (2) and No. Three (3) of Block No. Two (2) of Giboney Houck's Second Subdivision of cut lot No. Seventy-four (74), said lot Two (2) and said lot Three (3) each fronting west on Sprigg street, between Maple avenue and Walnut avenue, both of said lots having an aggregate frontage of 100 feet by a depth of 150 feet, all in the city of Cape Girardeau, in the county of Cape Girardeau and State of Missouri, said real estate being subject to the life estate therein of Marh Baehre, widow of said Henry Baehre, deceased.

Terms of sale: Cash in hand.

Dated this 22d day of January, 1917.

Joseph Bollinger, Administrator De Bonis Non of the Estate of Henry Baehre, Deceased.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary upon the estate of Marie Schaefer, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of Cape Girardeau County, Missouri, bearing date the 1st day of February, 1917.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to the undersigned for allowance within six months from the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and

if said claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of the publication of this notice, they will be forever barred.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration upon the estate of R. P. Wilkinson, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of Cape Girardeau County, Missouri, bearing date the 7th day of February, 1917.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to the undersigned for allowance within six months from the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if said claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of the publication of this notice, they will be forever barred.

L. M. Wilkinson, Administrator.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration upon the estate of William Foesta, deceased have been granted to the undersigned, by the Cape Girardeau Court of Common Pleas of Cape Girardeau County, Missouri, bearing date the 12th day of February, 1917.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to him for allowance, within six months from the date of said letters or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if said claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of the last publication of this notice, they shall be forever barred.

C. C. Foesta, Administrator.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration upon the estate of Louis Ristig, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of Cape Girardeau County, Missouri, bearing date the 1st day of February, 1917.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit them to the undersigned for allowance within six months from the date of said letters, or they may be precluded from any benefit of such estate; and if said claims be not exhibited within one year from the date of the publication of this notice, they will be forever barred.

Chas. Blattner, Administrator.

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Chas. Blattner, Administrator.

HAFNER FUNERAL TO BE HELD TOMORROW

The funeral of Phil A. Hafner, the Scott County editor, who died at his home in Benton yesterday morning, will be held tomorrow afternoon at 1 o'clock. Mr. Hafner died of chronic heart trouble, from which he had suffered for the past year.

He suffered a serious attack during the latter part of last summer, but rallied and for several months his health was improved. Three weeks ago, however, he became critically ill and his physician announced that he could survive but a short time. For the past week he had been kept alive only by the most heroic measures. He suffered a smothering attack yesterday morning and expired at 10:30.

Mr. Hafner was an Illinoisian by birth, but the greater part of his life was spent in Missouri. He was born at Santa Fe, Ill., June 18, 1858, the son of a potter. When old enough to go to work, he adopted the trade of his father.

When 12 years old he entered the employ of the Cairo (Ill.) Bulletin, where he served his printer's apprenticeship. He was compelled to leave the Bulletin office to take charge of the trade of his father, who became an invalid. Young Hafner managed his father's business for several years, and then went to Commerce, Mo., where he worked on the Commerce Dispatch, then owned by James Allen and Marshal Arnold.

From Commerce Hafner moved to Pemisot County, where he became editor of the Gayoso Gazette. He later went to St. Louis, where he worked for a time in the street car service. After leaving this work, he became a traveling salesman.

In 1887 Mr. Hafner established the Scott County Newsboy, which he conducted for 12 years, disposing of his property in 1899 to W. Gordon Tapp. The following two years were spent in the insurance business in Benton.

In 1901 he organized the Scott County Kicker, which he managed until his death.

Mr. Hafner was married in 1895 to Miss Jennie Dickerson of Alexander County, Ill. The ceremony was performed in St. Louis at St. Valentine's parsonage by Father Ziegler.

Editor Hafner is survived by his widow, two nieces, the latter two living in Norfolk, Va., and a nephew at Petersburg, Va.

He will be buried in the Oakdale Cemetery, near Commerce.

Col. Matt Chirps on Price of Food And Talk of War

Goosebone Prophet Would Hang Those Who Tamper With Cost of Steak—Outlines Note He Wanted Sent to Belligerents.

"I see Wilson has started a rumpus over the high cost of living," remarked Col. Matt Morrison, the goosebone prophet, as he entered The Tribune office to predict fair weather for today. "Now wouldn't that sink your cork? Everytime I read a story about one of them investigations I feel like calling the police."

"We no sooner find that some feller has been grafting in eggs until someone busts loose and grabs all the potatoes in the world. If the Government don't quit this here investigating and hang some of these crooks who are always takin' charge of the food market, why damned if I don't believe we'll all be eatin' each other before long."

"Two-bits worth of meat ought to be plenty for breakfast at my house, but if I went into a butcher shop and ordered a quarter's worth of steak, somebody would throw a spittoon at me. When I wuz a boy the butchers would give you a whole cow's liver for your pup, but I ordered two-bits worth the other day and they sent me a slice no bigger than a postage stamp."

"When I hear that President Wilson is goin' to investigate, I feel like writin' him a letter and tell him to go way back and hush. There ain't no use to investigate. Hell's fire! Everybody knows we're gettin' picked. What we need is action. Hangin' is the only way to break up these companies. These wheeps ought to be treated like we used to handle horse thieves."

The reporter interrupted the Colonel with a request that he make a few remarks concerning the submarine question, and he readily consented.

"Well I'll just let my gizzard against a plugged dime that them Dutch start somethin' with us. You know when I wuz a boy there wuz an expression that went somethin' like this: 'If you don't want to get grease on your pants don't get too close to the band wagon.' Now I'm afraid Wilson has done it."

"If I had been President when them European rulers got fresh with one another and started the fight, I'd sent but one note and this is what I'd told 'em: 'You damn fools started this war on your own hook. Now you can't buy nothin' over here, and I want to tell you right now to keep of my dung hill.'"

"Wilson made a mistake when he began writin' them long letters. The first thing we hear, one of them Dutch submarines will bob up at New York and take the town. I look for this most any day now. I'm afraid our navy will sink if it gets away from the bank."

"It looks like I can't pick up a paper without noticin' a story about one of our warships goin' down. It looks to me like the navy is tryin' to float our ships without pluggin' up all the holes."

Before the Colonel concluded his conversation, he said he wanted to ask the readers of The Tribune this question: How does a layin' hen cut off everytime the weather changes? In his study of hens, he says, he has discovered that one can lay every day while the weather is warm, but stops the morning that the thermometer registers zero. "How does she turn off without bustin' something?" is the exact wording of Colonel Morrison's conundrum.

Gordonville News

Mrs. Robert Volkerding and children returned home after visiting relatives in the Cape a few days.

Mrs. W. W. Ford had as her guests Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Hinkle Wilson of Jackson, Mrs. A. W. Hink, Mrs. H. W. Bancroft, Mrs. E. W. Hink and Mrs. L. Siemers.

Mrs. A. M. Spradling of Jackson is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luptek.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Niemann entertained with a dinner Sunday. Those present were: Misses Meta Meier, Anna Wilhelm and Alma Bancroft; Mr. Charlie Reed, Leo Schwab and Dr. Crites.

Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Schoen entertained with a card party Sunday evening.

The F. E. B. Club will meet with Miss Alma Kichne Thursday evening. Willie Winkler, who is attending the Normal at the Cape, spent several days with his parents.

JENNINGS TALLENT WEDS GERTIE SWAN

Couple Surprise Parents With Announcement of Plans to Marry.

A courtship of two months culminated last night in the wedding of Jennings Tallent and Miss Gertrude Swan. They were married late last night at the home of the parents of the bridegroom, Mr. and Mrs. George Tallent, on Bellevue street, by Rev. J. P. Handy, pastor the Methodist Church.

Following the wedding ceremony, which was performed in the presence of the immediate family of both the bridegroom and the bride, a wedding dinner was served. The couple left early this morning to go on their honeymoon trip, which will take them to St. Louis and to the great lakes. They will return in a few weeks.

Miss Swan is a student at the Normal and a beautiful brunette. She moved to the Cape several years ago with her parents. The bridegroom has been in the employ of his father who conducts a barber shop on Main street.

The parents of the bridegroom were not aware of the son's intention to marry until he revealed the secret yesterday morning. He is only 19 years of age. After obtaining his parents' consent he called on the parents of his fiancée and disclosed to them his wish of wanting to marry Miss Swan.

It was late in the evening when the couple left for Jackson to secure the marriage license. Recorder of Deeds Siemers was called out of bed to issue the license. He had been notified earlier in the evening that the couple would call for a license, but when they did not come at 9 o'clock, Mr. Siemers left the Courthouse. The young couple persuaded him to return at 10 o'clock and issue them the license for their marriage.

The young couple met two months ago shortly after Young Tallent had returned from Detroit, Mich. where he had worked for some time. They were introduced at a party given at the home of a mutual friend.

About two weeks ago Recorder of Deeds Siemers received a telephone message from a young man who asked to be given a marriage license. During his conversation the young man disclosed that he was not of age yet, and when told that he would have to show the written consent of his parents before the license could be issued, he hung up the receiver. It was learned last night that this young man was Jennings Tallent.

After their return from the honeymoon-trip the young couple will move into a flat which the father of the bridegroom will furnish during their absence. Young Tallent will return to his work in the barber shop on Main street.

DOING THE WORK

W. T. Nanney, Noel, Mo., writes: "Your B. A. Thomas' Her Powder is doing the work down in this part of the world. It proved to be what we needed to prevent and cure hog cholera and expel worms."

F. F. BRAUN & BROS.

COLD IS FATAL TO MRS. OPHELIA ELLIS

Her Mother Recently Was Burned to Death While Kindling Fire.

Mrs. Ophelia Ellis, a well-known Cape County woman, died rather suddenly yesterday morning at her home, several miles north of the Cape, following an attack of pneumonia from which she was believed to be recovering. The funeral will be held this afternoon at the McLain Cemetery on the Green Ferry Road.

Mrs. Ellis, who was the wife of Thomas Ellis, was the daughter of Mrs. Lanna Armstrong, who suffered a tragic death two months ago. Her mutilated body was found on the farm by the two sons when they returned from a shopping trip to the Cape where they had spent the day. She was fatally burned while kindling a fire and died almost immediately after she had sought relief in the open.

Mrs. Ellis had been ailing for two weeks. She developed pneumonia about two weeks ago, following a severe cold. She was showing signs of improvement and had recovered sufficiently Wednesday to be up during the day.

Later in the evening Mrs. Ellis suffered a relapse. She began to sink rapidly and expired early in the morning despite all efforts of the attending physician to save her life.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Ellis leaves five children, the oldest of whom is 16 years of age. The youngest child is a little more than a year old. Lawrence Haman, an employe of the Brinkopf Furniture Co., of the Cape, is a brother-in-law of the deceased. She has two brothers—Charles and Russell Armstrong—who live on the farm on which their mother died several months ago.

The place on which Mrs. Ellis and her husband resided with the family was recently purchased by them. He is a laborer and has been living near Oriole for a long time. Mrs. Ellis was 75 years old.

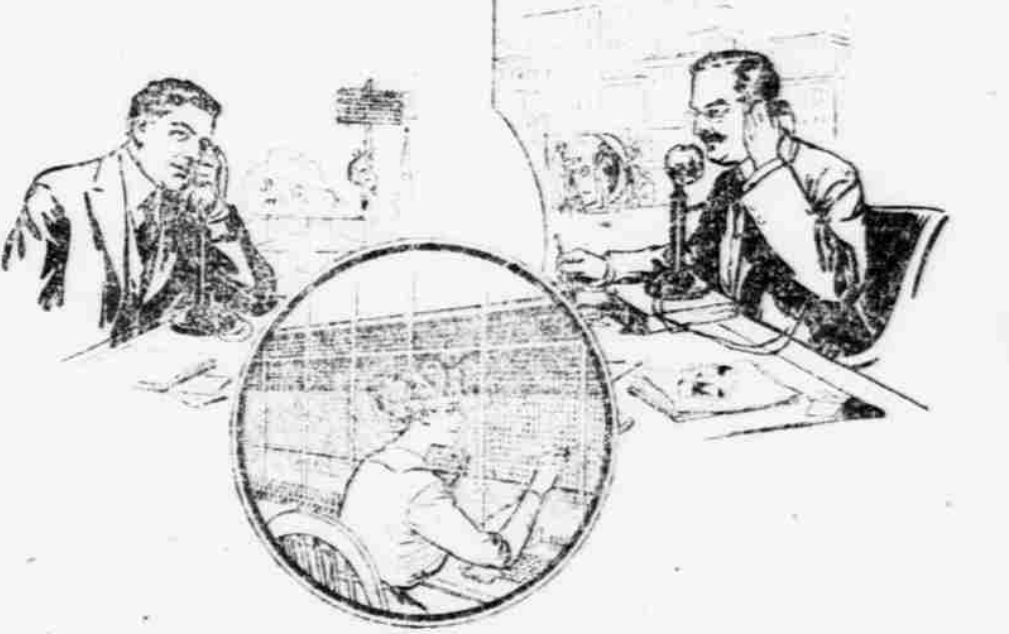
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