

Amsterdam.

From the Enterprise.
A. T. McMillen, of Centerville, Mo., purchased the Smith grocery store Wednesday and took immediate charge. We extend a hearty welcome to Mr. McMillen and family and wish them success.

Walter Moore came down from the city Friday night. He will move with his father and sisters to Indiana, Wednesday, where they will join Mr. Moore, who has been there visiting.

The employees of The Blaker Lumber Co. are moving the lumber out of the north shed preparatory to building a 5,000 bushel corn shed on the back end of the yards. They will also make substantial repairs on the west sheds.

While on a trip to Kansas City last week Theo. Green ran out to Lee's Summit, Missouri, to spend one evening with Capt. Holly Nickel. He reports the Capt., who recently suffered a stroke of paralysis, as being in a bad condition.

In company with the boss the writer inspected the large concrete cave just completed for A. H. Hall. The cave is a substantial improvement and will enable Mr. Hall to handle his perishable goods to better advantage to himself and his customers. The cave is concrete top, sides and bottom and is 12x30 with about a 9 foot center.

A team belonging to J. A. Rhodes started from in front of the Smith Grocery store Tuesday morning and ran east on Main street crashing through the board fence in front of the McBurney residence and came to a standstill when confronted by a large tree. No damage was done other than tearing out a couple of sections of the fence.

Hume Happenings.

From the Telephone.
Miss Bertha Smith, aged 18 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Smith, was taken to Kansas City Thursday to undergo a surgical operation for appendicitis. It is hoped that she may recover.
Mrs. Morrell reports that while she

was away from home a few days ago parties broke into her home and stole silverware valued at \$10 or more. She claims that she has pretty good evidence to establish the identity of the thieves, and unless the property is restored to her, she will have them arrested.

Wayts & Beadles report the sale of the J. J. Messinger property, east of S. R. Humphrey, to Mr. O. B. Odell of the Amos neighborhood. Mr. Odell will build an addition and otherwise improve same and move to town and make this his home.

Mr. W. B. Wayts received word Monday that his brother-in-law, R. A. Wilkinson, of Kansas City, well known to Hume people, had died very suddenly of heart failure. Mr. Wayts and family attended the funeral at Kansas City, Tuesday.

R. A. Jones and family have arrived from Vermont, Illinois, and moved on the Chestnut farm, southeast of town, which he purchased some time ago. We join our people in extending them a hearty welcome and hope they will like Missouri.

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Foster Notes.

N. T. Badgett is very poorly at this writing.

John Bangs, of Senmon, Kansas, was a business visitor at Foster last week.

The protracted meeting at Salem closed Sunday. Rev. McDonell left on the east bound train for his home at Urch, Mo.

W. B. Arbogast, of Knob Noster, Mo., is visiting his brother, D. H. Arbogast, of this place.

Lonzo Bright, who has been very poorly for the last week, is no better at this writing.

Bert Hartshorn committed suicide at his home in Maduca, Kan., Wednesday. The cause of the rash act as near as we were able to learn was financial affairs, as he had lost considerable on cattle, it was supposed. He became despondent and shot himself. Mr. Hartshorn formerly lived at Foster, where he lived for several years. His remains were shipped to this place Friday, and were buried in Woodfin cemetery. Mr. Hartshorn leaves a wife and four children, who have the sympathy of this community in their sad bereavement.

DINAH.

Southwest Summit.

The fine weather has dried up the mud, but the roads need to be dragged. Better get at it before the mail route is taken off.

George Palm is building a new shed.

School opened again after a two weeks vacation caused by sickness of our teacher, Miss Anna Bard.

Weddings seem to be very fashionable. From the sound one would not think there could be any more powder and dynamite left in Butler. Every one seems busy getting ready for Christmas which will soon be here.

Mr. Happy Hoots and Miss Bertha Wiser formed a life partnership last Monday morning. We extend congratulations.

Carrie Palm has returned from a two years sojourn in Texas. Her many friends will be glad to see her.

East Lone Oak.

Quite a number from this neighborhood attended the meetings at the tabernacle in Butler last Sunday evening and night.

Rev. Duncan filled his regular appointment at the church in Peru last Sunday, both morning and night. Preaching next Sunday night by Rev. Sutor.

Miss Loy Ballfinch took dinner last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ross Williams.

Mark Canfield, of near Paola, Kansas, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Ella Thomas for a few days. He came to attend the funeral of A. M. Thomas, but arrived too late.

Mrs. M. A. Carroll spent a few days visiting friends and attending services at the tabernacle in Butler.

Miss Loy Ballfinch, the Pleasant Valley school teacher, will discontinue her school for a couple of weeks next Friday. We hear that Charley Earson, the Peru school teacher, will not discontinue for the holidays.

E. S. Regna, who has purchased Geo. Baker's place, has torn down the old blacksmith shop in Peru, so it would be out of the way of his plowing.

A. M. Thomas died last Friday morning of pneumonia. He has been in falling health for several months, but contracted the dread disease pneumonia Sunday, from which he died Friday. The funeral was held at the church Saturday by Rev. Sutor, after which the remains were laid to rest in the Fairview cemetery. The family have the heartfelt sympathy of their many neighbors and friends.

PUSSY WILLOW.

Peru Items.

The beautiful weather is enjoyed by all in the neighborhood.

Rev. Duncan filled his regular appointment at this place last Sunday, morning and night. There was a fairly good crowd in the morning but owing to so many attending preaching at the tabernacle at Butler there were not many out to hear him at night.

Mr. and Mrs. M. R. Lyle and little granddaughter Lida spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Tom Harper.

Miss Loy Ballfinch was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Williams last Sunday.

Quite a number from this neighborhood attended the lecture at Butler Monday night given by Rev. McConnell the evangelist.

NOTICE: The death angel has again visited our neighborhood and has taken one of Bates county's best citizens. Mr. G. M. Thomas died Dec. 11, 1908 at his home and was buried Dec. 12 in the Fairview cemetery. The particulars will be in next week's paper.

Mr. Mark Canfield, Mrs. A. M. Thomas' brother is here for a few days visit. He came to attend the funeral of her husband, but arrived too late.

His Partner Absconded.

The usual smiling countenance of Arthur Oaks, prominent in "cultured" social circles of this city, is veiled, and he is making periodic trips to Kansas City with sorrow in his heart, blood in his eye and a razor in his sleeve. Thereby hangs a tale.

For some time Oaks has been collecting poultry, game and produce, taking them to that city and with the assistance of a partner of dusky shade, disposing of them at a substantial profit.

Last week, going to much trouble and expense, he managed to secure a fine coop of the festive Opossum, about twenty in all, and shipping them to his partner in the city, retired for the time being in anticipation of the fortune the sale of this shipment was to bring him. But he waited in vain. At last hearing nothing from his unpunctual business associate, Oaks hid him to the city, but his partner could not be found, nor has he been located up to date. When Oaks does find the gentleman, —But that will be another story.

In Times of Peace.

Con. Roach, in his paper, The Carthage Democrat, enters the following protest against the proposed revenue stamp in times of peace:

"Every business man remembers that revenue abomination of the Spanish-American war, the revenue stamp, but it was born with a certain degree of equanimity as the war was felt to be in a righteous cause and grumblings were forgotten when reading of Dewey's victory and Hobson's heroism. But stamps on checks and legal documents now in time of peace simply as a revenue measure to get money direct from the average citizen to meet the extravagant expenditures of the profligate two billion dollar Congresses the Republican party has been giving us is an other matter. It remains to be seen whether Mr. Everyday Citizen will accept the nuisance and burden without protest."

Going After the Peddlers.

In an interview the first of this week, Prosecuting Attorney Wats B. Dawson informed a TIMES reporter that preparations were being made in his office to enforce vigorously the law governing peddlers licenses, and that after allowing them a reasonable time to comply with the requirements of the law, prosecutions will be commenced. There are about twenty peddlers operating in this county and but few of them have paid their license tax as required.

On account of a desire not to pile up costs on the county, in attempting to enforce untested legislation, Mr. Dawson has been deferring prosecution in these cases, pending the settlement in the supreme court of a case similar to these, and known as the case of the State vs. Weber. This case was tried in the Vernon county circuit court and resulted in a conviction. It was then appealed to the Supreme Court and Mr. Dawson has been notified that the conviction is sustained and this law adjudged constitutional.

The penalty for a violation of this statute may be fine of not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$100.00.

Canning Factory.

Mr. T. W. Wade, of the Wade Manufacturing Co., will be in Butler Monday, Dec. 21st and would like to meet as many of the citizens of Butler, and farmers of the country tributary to the town who believe it would be a good thing for Butler and community if a canning factory were located here. All such who can do so should be at the Circuit Court room at 1:30 p. m., where Mr. Wade will give facts and figures to show that a canning factory is profitable as an investment and likewise a good thing for those who raise such products as would be needed for canning purposes.

Royal Arch Officers.

Miami Royal Arch Chapter has elected the following named officers for the ensuing term: Prof. C. A. Chambers, High Priest; Wm. Ross, King; Geo. Boswell, Scribe; John M. Catterlin, Treasurer; F. C. Smith, Secretary; O. D. Austin, Captain of the Host; Richard Lisle, P. S.; Frank Clay, R. A. Captain; W. R. Bell, Master of the Third Veil; C. C. Duke, Master of the Second Veil; Henry Donovan, Master of the First Veil; B. F. Rosemond, Sentinel.

Parents Meeting.

The Parents meeting at Harmony school last Friday afternoon was well attended and a very enjoyable and profitable time spent. The teacher, George Green, had prepared an excellent program, and much interest was taken in the discussions. These meetings, which are a new feature in country school work, bring the patrons of the school together and gets them more interested in the progress of the school and better acquainted with the teacher. Another meeting at this school house will be held in February, 1909, and it is hoped the parents of every pupil will attend. Printed programs will be distributed, and every parent is invited to participate in the general discussion.

Odd Fellows' Big Day.

The Grand Master I. O. O. F. of Missouri, in pursuance of a long established custom, has designated the 21st day of December, 1908, as the Big Day of Odd Fellowship in Missouri. On that day every lodge in the state is to meet and have at least one candidate in each degree and as many more as possible. Bates Lodge 180, has already three candidates and expects more before that evening. Every member of the Lodge is expected to be present at that meeting and answer to roll call. Aside from the business meeting and degree work, there will be a social gathering and refreshments will be served. All visiting brothers will be made welcome.

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