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### Believes in the Commercial Club.

Jasper, Mo., Dec. 23.

Dear Editor: I read an editorial in last week's News about the work of the Commercial Club and I thought your readers would like to hear from some one outside of Jasper. We think the club has accomplished a great deal for Jasper and vicinity, and should have credit for it. The majority of its members can be depended upon to do what they think is best, and the majority would rule and we need not be surprised if some of the money is spent on the park and streets of Jasper, as most

of the money is paid by the citizens of Jasper, and the people in the country can have the use of the park and streets as well as the people in Jasper.

Yours truly,  
D. H. Wampler.

### Papers Raising Rates.

Beginning January 1 the subscription rates to the Carthage Weekly Press, the Jasper County Democrat and the Greenfield Advocate will be raised from \$1.00 to \$1.50. These papers are falling into line with thousands of other country papers over the country.

### ANNUAL REPORT READ

#### Commercial Club Makes Good Record for First Year

Jasper, Mo., Dec. 21, 1916.

To the President and Members of the Jasper Commercial Club:

As the first year of the existence of the Jasper Commercial Club is now drawing to a close, your secretary herewith submits the following report of work accomplished during the year.

On call of Mayor C. L. Hayzlett, a meeting of the business men and citizens of Jasper was held on January 11, 1916, in the Jasper Opera House. Quite a large and enthusiastic audience had responded to the call. After being called to order by Mayor Hayzlett, who stated the object of the meeting was to consider the advisability of organizing a commercial club, and after quite a number of enthusiastic speeches it was unanimously agreed to organize a commercial club, and the proper committees were appointed.

The permanent organization of the club was effected January 27, 1916, and it was agreed that all dues should date from January 1, 1916. The first month of the Club's existence showed a membership of 42, and a monthly income from dues pledged of \$140.

According to the by-laws unanimously adopted, the purposes of the club were to encourage and develop the natural resources of this community; to further its commercial and educational interests; to keep Jasper and the surrounding country constantly before the public, to assist in securing better roads leading to our city, to actively assist in all civic work, and to install and keep a credit rating system.

As to what the Club has accomplished in the way of carrying out these purposes you will please note the following:

Through the efforts of the Jasper Commercial Club three miles of rock road known as the Jefferson Highway, and running from the Base Line north through the city of Jasper, has now been completed at a cost of nearly \$4000. With a little top dressing on roughest portions, and a little smoothing up, this will be as good a three miles of road as will be found on the Jefferson Highway in this section of the state.

The Club has assisted and through their efforts one mile of rock road has been built running east of the Jasper schoolhouse, at a cost of a little over \$800. Through the efforts and assistance of the Jasper Commercial Club several other miles of good rock road have been built, all leading to Jasper.

The Club has held four good roads meetings at country school houses, which were well attended and a great deal of good roads spirit worked up among the farmers.

The Club has held four good-roads days, wherein all work was donated, and the result of these good roads days were that 930 loads of rock and gravel were placed on the road free of charge, the value of which had it been paid for at the prevailing prices of labor would have been about \$400. In fact the good roads spirit manifest at Jasper and vicinity and the work done by the Jasper Commercial Club has been heralded all along the route of the Jefferson Highway, from Winnepeg to New Orleans.

The Club has assisted very materially in improving and beautifying the City Park.

The club made a very strong bid for the location of the \$75,000 Tuberculosis Sanatorium, and while they did not succeed in getting it located at Jasper, their proposition was seriously considered by the sanatorium commission, and all this part of the state were aware that Jasper was on the map.

The Club has used every effort possible to induce outside capital to invest in Jasper, and at the present time have a committee corresponding with capitalists in regard to installing a water works system in Jasper.

As stated before, the first month of the club's existence showed a membership of 42, and a monthly income of \$140. We now have 47 paying members, and a monthly income of \$131.50. We have lost a few members by their going out of business and moving away, and

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### Alpha Club.

The Alpha Club met at the home of Mrs. J. P. Leiss Tuesday, December 19, which was prettily decorated with Christmas bells, holly and mistletoe. The little tree which stood decorated and laden with gifts for the club members was the center of attraction. After the roll call and final settlement of all business for the year, the members present spent a most enjoyable afternoon socially. The hostess, assisted by Mrs. Gresham, served delicious refreshments after which each member hunted her gift from the Christmas tree. After wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, the club adjourned to meet with Mrs. Barnard Tuesday, January 2, 1917.

### Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Marsh Wed Fifty Years.

December 20, 1866, in the little town of Milford, Bracken County, Ky., a few miles southwest of Cincinnati, Thomas Marsh and Lamira D. Routt took upon themselves the marriage vow and promised to love and honor each other "until death do us part."

The bride was then about 19 and Mr. Marsh about 24. A few short months before he had returned from three years' service for the cause of the Confederacy. These young people had lived in the same little farming community since childhood and it was fitting that their lives should be drawn into a closer union and continue life's battles together. December 20, this year, Mr. and Mrs. Marsh celebrated that important event of their lives, surrounded by several of their children and grandchildren in their comfortable little home in Jasper, and thanking God for the large measure of peace and happiness that has come to them in half a century of married life. They both have excellent health for people of their age. They came to Jasper county in 1879, and except for three years in Colorado have lived here since, coming to Jasper 8 years ago from Carthage. Theirs is a happy lot—in perfect confidence and understanding with each other, blessed with a host of friends and surrounded with children and grandchildren, they ask no more.

Mrs. H. G. Tiller and family and John Marsh and family united in the celebration last week, they being the only children of Mr. and Mrs. Marsh in the state at this time.

A number of beautiful and appropriate gifts were presented Mr. and Mrs. Marsh.

### Commercial Club.

The Jasper Commercial Club met in regular session last Thursday night. After routine business the secretary's annual report was called for which appears in another column of this paper.

The report is a most excellent one and shows a great amount of valuable service accomplished in the community by the club the past year. It should be carefully read by all our readers.

A committee was appointed to solicit membership and make other preparations for starting the new year.

The annual election of officers will take place at the meeting Thursday January 6.

### Christmas Saddened.

M. T. Embree of Clark, Mo., arrived last Sunday at noon to visit his brother, C. Embree. The latter has been quite ill the past few weeks. After Mr. Embree left Clark and before he arrived here his grown son was thrown from a horse and killed, and when he arrived here a telegram awaited him telling him to return at once.

It was indeed a sad affair and Mr. Embree was so deeply affected that he could not make the return trip by himself. Lacie Embree returned with him.

### Funeral of H. Beall.

The funeral services for the late H. Beall were held at the home Monday morning at 10 o'clock. The services were conducted by Mr. Walls, a Christian Science reader from Joplin. Quite a large number of friends of the family were in attendance, many of whom followed the remains to their last resting place at Waters Cemetery.

John Beall of St. Joseph, Mo., and Mrs. Nora McCune from California, son and daughter of deceased, and Mrs. McCune's husband, were here for the funeral.

Uriah Smith went out to Haviland, Kiowa County, Kans., and bought a farm last week. Mr. Smith is one of Jasper County's most progressive farmers and we're hoping that this investment is just for speculative purposes and not made with any idea of Mr. Smith going away from here.

### BANK ROBBERS IN JASPER

#### Yeggs Get a Small Haul from First National Christmas Morning.

A muffled explosion was heard by a number of Jasper residents Christmas morning between 5:15 and 5:30, and a few minutes later the hurried departure of an automobile going north. No attention was paid to either and not until about 8 o'clock was it discovered that cracksmen had attempted a little job at the First National Bank. The discovery was made by Assistant Cashier E. L. Crawford, who went to the bank to get his gun to go hunting. The robbers forced the back doors to the bank to make their entrance and drilled a hole into the vault door lock and put in a shot of nitro. This part of the job was very nicely done, for it shattered the lock without doing any other damage and without attracting attention from the outside.

After gaining an entrance to the vault the men rilled the safe deposit boxes and other private boxes in the vault but found no money except a sum less than \$200 which had been received by the bank after the safe had been locked Saturday evening. This money had been placed in a pigeon hole in the vault.

The safe is a screw-door time-lock affair and sets in the back end of the vault. The robbers tried to force the safe door with heavy hammers of some kind but failed and gave up the job about 5:30, going north in some kind of a car, according to the belief of people residing in the block north of the bank.

The owners of private papers in the boxes in the vault have been going over their papers, but nothing is reported missing except the small amount of money above stated.

As far as we know, there is no clew to the robbers, although several strangers were noticed about town the night before. It is believed the men with the automobile did not arrive in Jasper until very late for some reason, which accounts for the explosion so late in the morning.

Depositors in Jasper banks, however, need have no fear of such visitors as both banks are fully insured in every respect.

The following family party enjoyed Christmas dinner with Jake Byers and family: Mrs. I. Y. Byers, C. O. Wine and family, Clarence Conroy and family, Lee Mitchell and family, P. V. Roberts and family, James Cherry and wife of Carthage. Mr. and Mrs. Byers provided gifts for each member of the happy party and joy reigned supreme.

Walter Lauderbaugh, who returned a few days ago from a hunting trip in Oklahoma, entertained a number of friends at a wild turkey dinner Tuesday evening. Among the guests were Charley Kitterman, Steve Cordz, Joe and Gene Smith and Martin Roberts. The latter is visiting here from California.

Mrs. Webb, mother of Bert and Omer Webb has been quite ill at the home of Bert Webb for some time. Mrs. Webb is about 89 years old and her illness is quite alarming to her friends.

George Masters and family came up from Joplin Tuesday morning to spend the balance of the holidays with Mrs. Masters' parents, J. P. Dunlap and wife.

Miss Bernice Boyd, the grown daughter of Mrs. J. A. Boyd, is very sick with pneumonia. Her father died about two weeks ago of the same trouble.

## First National Bank

Jasper, Missouri

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AT The threshold of the New Year we extend the Season's Greetings. May the coming year prove a happy and prosperous one to Jasper and her people.

**NYAL PHARMACY**  
C. L. HILL