

The Wichita Eagle.

WICHITA, FRIDAY, MAY 11, 1912. CITY AND COUNTY NEWS.

Wichita is growing beyond all conception. Early potatoes are in blossom in the gardens here.

The rains have put back our brickyards several weeks. Green peas have been in table use several days here.

The mallberry trees along both rivers are full of the fruit. Plant your winter potatoes in the decrease of this moon—right now.

Business booming over, streets crowded with strangers from every state.

Our sidewalks are ringing with the jingling spurs of the Texas riders. Rhubarb pies, then collie pups and dysentery medicine. Not contagious.

Wild grapes, says the "old inhabitant," never before grew so large and in such profusion as this year.

The M. E. Church are preparing to have a strawberry festival and general feast on the 6th of June.

Laborers have been engaged this week in putting in a turn-table and building a switch to it from the depot.

"Have a shine, str" and "Here's your CITY EAGLE"—reference to our bird—have been the only street banter this week.

The freight depot is to be enlarged at once. It is now the size of the one at Emporia, but much too small for this city.

The first regular day, pigeon-tailed and iron-bound, made its appearance on our streets last week. Pat Dolan, landlord.

Mr. Weale, living on Mrs. Everett's place, claims to have had a valuable buck horse stolen from him a few nights since.

W. C. Walkenbach, an old Leavenworth railroad man, is here on the new reform movement to be made in the railroad postal service.

Black & Nixon have received from St. Louis a large invoice of oranges and lemons. They are the largest we have yet seen in this market.

Do not fail to read the advertisement of Abraham Kelly, Jr., "Farm for sale." Mr. Kelly has one of the best located farms in this section of country, which is offering very low.

Work on the flouring mill was commenced Wednesday last. It is located near the switch, south and west of the depot. According to contract it will be grinding by the middle of July.

Some barbarian sings barbarously thus: "I want to be a Indian, a Arapahoe or Ute; 'Tm tired of being a white man, and a unprosperous brute." Granted, as far as we are concerned.

We have received one poem at last, but owing to the author withholding his name we are unable to publish. To insure publication it requires a name as much as an application for any other insurance.

The Wichita and southwest railroad have the contract for the shipment of government freight to this point for forts south and west of here. This completes them to immediately erect another freight house.

T. J. Peter bought twelve acres, last Saturday, on the southeast corner of N. A. English's addition, where the cattle yards are being permanently built. The entire twelve acres are to be enclosed immediately.

We counted thirteen new buildings, all begun within the last few days. The town is growing so rapidly that a three-days absence from any one locality makes one go for his guide-book to ascertain his bearings.

Now come Haynes and King and claim that they hauled the first load of freight ever brought by car to Wichita. This matter is assuming such importance that we expect pretty soon to devote all our space to the discussion of it.

A Texas man informs us that there are twelve herds of cattle grazing on the Seneca-sh, comprising about fifty thousand head, and a hundred and fifty thousand have crossed Blue creek, all waiting shipment from this point.

The man Munch, who was drowned on Monday, was not found until Saturday afternoon last. He had got fastened in the roots of a tree, and was so disfigured by the water as to be almost beyond recognition. He was buried on the river bank.

Charley Hill returned from the east Monday, after enjoying a plethoric mess of everything pertaining to city life. He also laid in enough drugs to drug this market. Soon he will be heard singing his sweetest song, which goes on, "Come ye afflicted."

The force on the Big River bridge was troubled this week and the contractors pledge the formal opening of the bridge for travel one week from today. They are building handsome toll houses at the bridge ends, and things are "whooping" in that locality.

Fred. Martzell is putting up a snug little rookery for himself on his handsome lots in E. P. Waterman's new addition to the city. Fred's cottage by the river is modern, and will adorn that side ever so much. We hope he may live long and tenderly in it.

It is a safe rule that whoever gets "crows" hoop" or big head, when elevated to a high position, never stays long in it. Whoever is afflicted this way, from an M. C. to a railroad king, has a weak little spot somewhere in his head that is active food for drifting idiosyncy.

An indignant Main street merchant declares that he "can walk with his coat on his arm" from Wichita to Cottonwood Falls and here and there and have his friends here two weeks sooner than he can get it by car. The complaint is general. There is something wrong somewhere.

A lively competition among milkmen here has reduced the lactical fluid to a minimum of six cents per quart. We sometimes think the late copiousness has had something to do with this reduction. It being a principal ingredient not only in milk but in everything lately, we are safe to attribute it to this cause, and so we will.

Mr. Frank Babcock, of the State Record, Topeka, left some of his geni at our office on Tuesday last. He was here for the purpose of working on the subscription of the Record, and we hope he will receive all the encouragement in the world of newspapermen. He is a clever boy, well up in his part, and can scarcely fail of success.

The amount of freight shipped to this point by cars in the last few days is simply enormous. We tried to ascertain the figures, but the manner in which the few clerks behaved while we were there convinced us that to approach them for such an item, so busy were they, would be suicidal. We will try to give the figures next week.

Mrs. John Marshall, wife of "Curly" Marshall, died in this city on last Monday and was buried in the First Presbyterian church on Tuesday at 2 o'clock. She died in the belief of a blessed Redeemer, and we believe she is being attended to her last resting place by a large concourse of sympathizing friends.

On the farm of Mr. James Royal, situated on the classical (called Cowskin), happened, during the late heavy rains, one of those rarely seen occurrences, a genuine water-spout. Mr. Royal says, while he was working about the house his attention was attracted by a heavy rolling noise and the sound of rushing water, throwing in the direction from whence the sounds proceeded he saw a dark cloud like a column, within twenty feet of the ground, from whence poured like a small torrent a column of water as thick as a man's body. It lasted about ten minutes, and swelled the Cowskin in that time to a black, roiling river.

It has long been apparent that a bridge was needed across the Little Arkansas river near Wichita. The complaint comes longer and longer than ever from the other side, since the continued rains of late have made the river unfordable for the last two weeks. This is a serious drawback, not only to the farmers over there, who haul their freight from and do their marketing here, but also to our dealers and to our entire city in a business point of view. The rich and highly populated region lying between the rivers is a source of revenue to the city which it is safe to say is cut off, owing to the high water, for two months at least in the year from trading at this their most accessible point, and either forced to go to Park City or do without sometimes even the necessities of life. A petition has gone into the board of county commissioners, the twenty-eight names on it having been procured in a single day for a bridge across the Little river at or near the upper ford on Weidner's place. The bridge can be located there, or at the ford of Mungen's, just where a competent engineer determines is the most economical, safest and practicable place to put it. We hope an election will be called at an early date to vote bonds for this most useful and necessary object. Let us have a bridge by all means, and let it be for all time—not only substantial, but ornamental. The best of stone for piers can now be procured at Florence, as cheap as our native rock. We hope the commissioners will take immediate action in this matter.

In the stirring march of events in this quickening locality none have kept up their end in a business way with as great a show of success as the "Blue Store" boys. The firm of Houghton, Mills & Co., 77 Main street, is the fashionable emporium of the Southwest. Clothing of the latest cut and style, gent's furnishing goods in every variety and kind, are among the principal articles they vend. The latest "swell" styles can be obtained here ready made, or measures left and clothes returned on the shortest time from New York City by express. Samples of latest goods worn shown to customers—you take your choice. Hats, caps, boots and shoes, of the new patterns, are also sold or procured on order. When you desire regaling yourself to a gentleman's complete outfit you do so by calling at 77 Main street, where, with the rapidity of a drama, you can shake your worn-out jeans and step into the street with a plug hat on and a silk umbrella under your arm. Of course you will need other clothing to match.

Under the head of new advertisements in this week's issue will be found the business showing of the Florence Stone Company, J. Exton & Tucker, exclusive agents at Wichita. This stone is now accessible to all of our people, city and county. In quality and appearance it is unrivaled anywhere in the United States. We are glad, and no doubt all here are glad, of the change from wooden window and door caps to the more ornamental stone resembling marble and just as durable. Examine their advertisement for a complete list of what they manufacture. They furnish flagging in any size, also curbing, stoops, columns, in fact all work pertaining to the best eastern quarries. Mr. Exton is well known to our citizens as an energetic, honest business man, and we are glad that he is selected as the agent for this important enterprise here. Fort Scott, Osage City, Burlingame and Carbonado coal will be kept also in yard by him, for sale in any quantity. Office for the present with Shellbarger & Ledigh, near the depot.

Few business men are entitled to more credit for energy, business tact and zeal than Mr. George Schlichter, our extensive hardware dealer. By his industry and devotion to his calling he has built up a trade and credit second to none in our state. He began here in the midst of our frontier struggle and has worked gradually and determinedly into the front rank of our public-spirited citizens. He has united with him Mr. A. L. Hovek, a genial, clever gentleman, of large means, untiring industry and successful business experience. These two are a team that are pulling the St. Louis Hardware Store into wide-spread popularity. Their sales per diem would astonish some of our river wholesalers. Success continue with them say we.

D. S. Mungler led us exultingly through his fine three-acre garden this week and showed us convincing proofs of the vegetable productiveness of Arkansas valley soil. He has been using, for nearly a month, radishes, lettuce and onions gathered in his garden. Gooseberry pie is his latest; and from vines planted last fall in his garden the yield was a quart and a pint to the bush. The prettiest and most enticing place in all the surroundings of this city is the elegantly kept garden of the kind-hearted D. S. We only regret that others who have large grounds do not likewise try to adorn, beautify and turn to practical use so much of God's rich alluvial.

It affords us pleasure to announce to our citizens and strangers contemplating building here that the firm of Reese & Sawyer, whose advertisement will be found in this issue, are prepared to take contracts on public and private buildings, of whatever dimensions, and to do work in the most modern and approved styles. Messrs. Reese & Sawyer are among our best mechanics, honest, straight-forward and capable. All work done by them carries its warranty upon the face of it. We earnestly recommend them to our readers as among the best mechanics in their calling. Their shop is on Market street, near the corner of Douglas avenue.

The soda water manufactory of Harris & Co., an advertisement of which will be found on our second page, is doing an immense trade here and at the surrounding towns. Mr. Harris has already increased his facilities and purposes immediately starting wagon to make regular trips to all towns south of us with a view of supplying them with this innocent, healthful and invigorating beverage. The firm of Harris & Co. manufacture here the best article of soda we have tasted anywhere, and we are glad to note their success.

At the regular semi-annual meeting of the First Union School of this city, held on the 4th inst., the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: Superintendent, F. C. Martzell; treasurer, Wm. Reese; librarian, A. A. Gard; secretary, T. L. Nixon; chorister, S. A. Sturgis; organist, J. M. H. Allen. This school is prospering finely, and bids fair to do a good work. The sessions of the school are held every Sabbath morning at 9 o'clock, in the Presbyterian church. All are cordially invited.

Wm. Mahanah, whose riderless horse came back to Sedgewick City last week from the ford of the Little Arkansas, has not been heard of nor found, notwithstanding active search. He had just arrived at Sedgewick from Illinois, and was going to see his sister, who lived on the opposite side of the river. He is reported to have had a thousand dollars on his person.

STEEL.—The body has just been found a few miles below the ford, after having been in the water nine days. Steel & Smith, our extensive and enterprising real estate dealers, have done a larger business since our last issue than ever before in a single week. They sold over fifteen thousand dollars worth of property. Included within this is lot 4, Main street, sold to Mr. George W. Dunkle, of Baxter Springs, for \$1650. Mr. Dunkle will immediately erect a business house thereon 25x75, which he intends "chucking" to the full of the goods as soon as it is finished.

At the other end of one long bridge is located that busy mart West Wichita. It is well known to some that a splendid opportunity is offered there for the building and opening of a hotel, and that a land office business awaits it, besides the liberal inducements offered for buildings of all kinds, and that five shares in this thriving suburb of Wichita remain yet unsold, the president of the company, Sol H. Kohn, would be hunted up and "things would go on again."

In another column will be found an article written by the editor before leaving for the east, which discusses the probability of a removal of the state capital. Because of the flings at our town by the Topeka daily some might construe the article into a jocular retort, but from expressions made by Col. Murdoch we are satisfied that he considers the removal of the state capital in the next ten years an improbability by no means.

Topeka is wild over the biting of two persons there by mad dogs, on last Saturday. The police and citizens have commenced an extermination slaughter. Large inventories of medicine may be expected here soon. Our dog business is in statu quo, and is likely to remain so until some valuable life is lost. Then the mayor will blame the council and the council the mayor. In the meantime the corpse will be borne to the cemetery and the dog tied up by its owner.

Capt. E. S. Mosely has just got in from Kiowa City, Harbourside. The captain brought some beautiful specimens of pure magnesia and salt with him. He says there are a great many fine timbered claims close by him. Coal is found in the shales. The promises for other mineral wealth are abundant. The land is the richest he has seen anywhere south of the Arkansas valley, and of the same character. Emigrants should note this.

On last Sabbath, at the close of the morning service, there was a Baptist church organized, with twenty-six members, and we learn that measures will be taken soon to erect a house of worship and have regular services. The ladies of the society have organized a mite society or social, and they will hold their first meeting at the home of Mr. Hobbs on next Tuesday night, at 8 o'clock, to which all are cordially invited.

At an adjourned meeting of Odd Fellows, assembled in the office of Sius, Reeves & House, on Tuesday evening last, all the necessary arrangements were made for the first general conference of a lodge at Wichita. Another meeting is to be held at the same place next Tuesday evening, to which all members in good standing are earnestly invited.

Impudence and abuse combined itself in the knocking down of a little red-faced man in one of the lower end saloons this morning. As a crowd, while balancing on his knees, his husky persecutor said: "What do you wear such long-tailed shoes for and you won't be fallin' over yer feet?"

MARRIED.—On Thursday evening, at the Manger House, by the Rev. J. P. Harmon, of the First Presbyterian church, Mr. Fred. C. Martzell to Mrs. Alice M. Ledford. The above did not take us much by surprise, as we have noticed carryings-on for some time. The bride and groom left last evening for the east. We congratulate both parties. Fred has got one of the noblest of little women for a wife, and Alice has exchanged herself for a man whose qualities of head and heart are in perfect accord with his pure christian life.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

McClure & Co., lumber dealers, are at Wichita with a stock of lumber, not the largest stock in America, but a stock sufficient for all demands. W. F. McClure was a partner in the firm of John Wayne & Co., at Topeka, Burlingame and Emporia until two years ago—since that time on the L. & G. R. R. at New Chicago, Tanager and Independence, and on the M. & T. R. R. at Chopota. Our shipments last year on those roads were over 500 car loads of lumber. We do not claim to buy and sell cheaper than any one, but from our long experience in buying and handling lumber we know something about it. We are satisfied to let Chicago make our grades, and if we cannot sell standard grades we will get out and quit the trade. Office and yards at Wichita on Douglas avenue, on the east bank of the river, between the bridge and the Avenue Hotel; at Independence on railroad track, and down town opposite U. S. land office; at Thayer west of railroad track.

Having recently purchased the above well known establishment, we invite the public to the fact that appointments are come in to furnish particular. The hall is furnished with

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Fred. A. Sowers is agent for the Phoenix Insurance Company, of Hartford, Conn., and the State Insurance Company, of Hamilton, Mo.

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WANTED—30,000 feet of Walnut Lumber at Haywood's Furniture Store, corner Douglas avenue and Main street. ap19-4f

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