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MEETING NOTICE.

All members of Mizpah Lodge No. 304, A. O. U. W., are requested to meet at their hall at 1 o'clock to-day, to attend the funeral of our recorder, H. P. Gallager.
H. COMMENS, M. W.

LOCATED A "JOINT."

MILLER'S PLACE IN TOAD-A-LOUP FOUND TO BE IN KANSAS.

SIX INCHES WEST OF THE LINE.

THE CITY COUNCIL DISPOSES OF ITS UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Republican and Democratic Central Committees Will Soon Arrange for Opening the Campaign—Police Commissioners Puzzled—Peculiar Verdict.

The skill of the city engineer, aided by a spy glass, was required to enable the police to locate "King" Miller's notorious "joint" in Toad-a-Loup yesterday. This will seem rather odd to the many politicians who have for years regarded Miller's place as political headquarters for that section of the city. The spy glass was used to good advantage, however, by the police.

Monday afternoon the police went to Toad-a-Loup and arrested Bill Miller, "king" of the place, on the charge of violating the city tippling shop ordinance. Miller accompanied the policemen to the city hall. There he claimed that his place was located in Missouri and that the Kansas officials had no right to interfere with his business. Captain Porter claimed that the "joint" was in Kansas. He told Miller that he would have to put up bond for his appearance in the police court or go to jail for the night. Miller put up $50 cash, after which he said he knew that his place was in Missouri and that he would make the police "sweat" for arresting him. By agreement the case will not be called for trial until this morning.

In order to satisfy himself Captain Porter yesterday afternoon took the city engineer to Toad-a-Loup to find out where the "joint" was located. The engineer took along his field instruments and with them ascertained the exact location of the state line. He found that the "joint" building was located in Kansas, and that the state line was just six inches east of the building. Mr. Miller heard that the police captain and the city engineer were going to locate the building, so he made it convenient to be absent when they arrived. After they had run the line and started back to the city hall they saw Miller crawling out of a box car. He had been in it all the time the officials were there running the line. Captain Porter said last evening that the case would be called in police court this morning and that if Miller failed to appear the bond would be declared forfeited.

Miller has been called "king" of Toad-a-Loup for several years. He has been in the saloon business there since the time memory runneth not. He has always got along swimmingly, for, being so close to the state line, and having a place in such an out of the way district, the officers never paid any attention to him.

The action of Captain Porter and the city engineer yesterday in taking an instrument along to settle a dispute over the location of Miller's "joint" recalls an incident that occurred there about five years ago, in which a Toad-a-Loup "jointist" and a city official figured. Bill Lewis was the "joint" keeper and Corvine Patterson was the official. Lewis ran a "joint" in Toad-a-Loup. One-half of it was in Kansas and the other half in Missouri. When the Kansas officials would go there they would always find Lewis in the Missouri side of the building. He laughed at them, for he knew that they had no authority to go into Missouri to make an arrest. The officials found that the building which Lewis occupied was in the center of a street, although the street was not opened. Street Commissioner Patterson took a force of men there and sawed the building in two. Large cross-cut saws were used. The state line was the saw mark. When this was accomplished the commissioner hitched several teams to the end of the building located in Kansas and pulled it out of the street. This broke up Lewis' smooth scheme of evading arrest.

IN REGULAR SESSION.

City Council Disposes of Its Accumulation of Unfinished Business.

The city council met in regular session last night and disposed of a large amount of unfinished business. Bids for the construction of sidewalks were opened and read. S. P. Folsom was awarded the contract for building walks on Miami avenue, Greeley avenue, Cheyenne and Harrison streets. Henry Wheeler was the lowest bidder for the construction of walks on Euclid avenue, and was awarded the contract for the same. An ordinance to appropriate $530, to be used in paying off a number of claims against the city, was passed. City Treasurer Ferguson filed his monthly report, which showed that there is $193,000 now in the city depositories.

An ordinance for the grading of South Eighth street, from Central avenue to church avenue, was passed. The estimated cost of the grading was placed at $6,700.

A motion to purchase fifty tons of coal, to be given to the Kansas City Relief Association for distribution among the poor of this city, was passed.

Street Commissioner Woodward was instructed to purchase a dozen picks and a dozen shovels, to be loaned to the Relief Association, to be used by men on the streets, who receive aid frm the association. A communication from R. J. McCarty, stating that the Elevated Railway Company would look up the back licenses due on its cars and remit the same at once, was read. An ordinance was introduced by Alderman Bunn, requesting the different street railway companies to transfer passengers at each crossing, and intersection of their lines. The matter was referred to the franchise committee. A communication was read from T. J. Barker, in which he called the city fathers' attention to the condition of the James street bridge. He stated that for a small sum of money the much traveled structure could be put in a safe condition. The bridge is at present condemned by the city. The communication was referred to the bridge and viaduct committee.

TO PAY THE HEIRS.

Land Left by the Late William Hornamann to Be Sold.

Attorney A. L. Berger is preparing a final decree in the case of the Hornamann estate. William Hornamann was murdered on January 17, 1891, in his little hovel on his farm just west of Argentine. He left an estate consisting of a farm and about $1,000 in money. Judge Alden appointed Attorney Berger as administrator of the estate. After several months the attorney, through correspondence, found that the deceased left fourteen heirs in Germany. Judge Alden then appointed C. K. Wells, Winfield Freeman and W. H. Bridgens to divide the property equitably among the heirs. The commissioners viewed the property and made a report, finding that the land could not be divided without manifest loss, and they appraised the land at $175 an acre. The court, upon the recommendation of the commissioners, issued an order to sell the property, and the sheriff will sell it to the highest bidder within the next sixty days. The proceeds of the sale, after the costs and attorneys' fees have been paid, will be divided among the heirs.

IN A QUANDARY.

Commissioners Would Like to Leave the Chief of Police Vacancy Unfilled.

The police commissioners of this city are in a peculiar predicament. It was said yesterday that one of the members had announced that the board, in order to reduce expenses, would not appoint a chief to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of W. T. Quarles, and that Captain Porter would be placed at the head of the department. This report somewhat agitated the various candidates for chief, and they examined the law to ascertain if such action could be taken legally. They found that the law makes it mandatory for the board to appoint a chief of police, but the board is given power to appoint a captain if it chooses. When the law on the matter had become known the aspirants for the position felt easier. The police commissioners' attention will be called to the law to-day, and it is thought that they will soon appoint a chief. It was stated last evening that a special meeting of the board will be held to-night or to-morrow night.

REPUBLICAN CAMPAIGN.

City Central Committee Will To-day Arrange for Opening It.

The Republican city central committee will hold a meeting this afternoon in the hall on the fifth floor of the Portsmouth building for the purpose of setting dates for the primaries and city convention. The secretary has notified all the members and a full attendance is expected. The question as to what system will be adopted for holding the primaries will elicit considerable discussion. All of the candidates are in favor of an early convention, so that there will likely be no dispute over the date as to when that shall be held.

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

Date of Holding It to Be Fixed by the Central Committee Saturday.

J. W. Jenkins, chairman of the Democratic central committee, has issued a call for the committee to meet at his office in the Portsmouth building Saturday afternoon, for the purpose of fixing a time for holding the city convention. The Democrats of this city will not adopt the Crawford county system.

In the Courts.

J. T. Arnett began four suits in the court of common pleas yesterday against the board of county commissioners, seeking to enjoin the collection of special taxes on improvements on Thirteenth street. The plaintiff claims that the proceedings were irregular.

J. J. Holloway brought suit in the court of common pleas yesterday against Benjamin Friedburg et al, seeking to recover $4,000 on a promissory note. The obligation was given November 15, 1887, and was purchased by the plaintiff November 18, 1889.

A. J. Venable commenced a suit for personal damages in the court of common pleas yesterday against the Metropolitan Street Railway Company. The petition charges that on February 13, 1895, the plaintiff was driving along Minnesota avenue, and when he was crossing the car tracks between Third and Fourth streets he was run into by a grip car belonging to the defendant, and sustained great injuries. It is further claimed that the wagon was broken and the team was injured. He asks for $2,000 damages.

The case of Joe Wade, charged with burglary and grand larceny, was given to the jury last evening in the court of common pleas. The jury was released until this morning on account of the sickness of the wife of one of the jurors.

The next case to be tried in the court of common pleas will be that of A. J. Pike, charged with embezzlement. The alleged crime was committed in the city of Argentine.

James Hansford filed suit yesterday against W. S. Mesearve, guardian of J. H. Stevens, and the Gossard Investment Company, to quiet a title to lots 23 and 24, in block 128, in Old Wyandotte city. In the petition the plaintiff claims that once not long ago the property mentioned above belonged to Lillie Gregory. She gave the Gossard Investment Company a mortgage on the property to secure a loan of $2,500. Before the note fell due she gave the plaintiff a deed to the property and he paid $1,900 on the note, and the interest that was due. When the rest of the note fell due the plaintiff claims that he tendered the company the money, but that it refused to take it, and also refused to give him the mortgage. He says that he has made several tenders of the amount to the Gossard company, and also to its receivers, since it failed, but that they refused to take it. He now wants the court to compel the defendants to take his money and give him the mortgage.

Requested Dr. Alderman's Reappointment.

The fourth quarterly conference of the Washington Avenue M. E. church was held Monday evening. The report showed that the church was in a good financial condition. By a unanimous vote the congregation requested that Dr. J. W. Alderman be returned to this charge for the coming year. The conference of the church for this district will be held at Leavenworth beginning March 13. Assignments will then be made to the different charges. Bishop Goodsill, of San Francisco, will preside. Dr. Alderman took charge of that church when it was not in the best of condition. He has, by hard work, built it up, and eliminated all the factions that formerly existed. He is not only well liked by the members of his flock, but also by everybody here.

Will Hear Arguments Saturday.

Argument will be made in the county superintendent's office Saturday in the matter of the location of a new school district. The district will be located in the vicinity of the old Quindaro cemetery and will be formed of three districts. There have been several petitions presented asking for the establishment of the district. There also have been several remonstrances against the establishment of the district.

Recovering Rapidly.

Information was received here yesterday by J. Logan Jones, of the firm of Jones & Co., and by C. O. Erwin from J. F. Ensminger, the well known Kansas City, Kas., clothier, who is in a hospital at Los Angeles, Cal. He had an operation performed a few weeks ago for the removal of a cancer from his stomach. Mr. Ensminger says he is recovering very rapidly and will be able to return home in three or four weeks.

A. H. Simpson Critically Ill.

Attorney A. H. Simpson, of No. 733 Troup avenue, is in a critical condition, the result of an operation for the removal of a cancer from his neck.

PERSONAL NEWS.

Miss Mattie Reed, who left this city Saturday for Fort Worth, Tex., was on the train which was wrecked Sunday morning. She telegraphed to her relatives in this city that she escaped injury.

Mrs. Matilda B. McBride, pastor of London Heights Methodist Protestant church, is seriously ill at her home, No. 1532 Virginia avenue.

William Matfeldt left yesterday for Lawrence.

Judge O. L. Miller, congressman-elect of this district, has gone to Washington to attend a conference of Kansas congressmen-elect. He will remain there until the close of the present session of congress.

T. J. Barker No. 2, returned yesterday from St. Louis, where he has been for two weeks.

Deputy County Attorney Hobbs was at Topeka yesterday on legal business.

"Uncle" Tom Barker spent yesterday at Leavenworth.

Miss Frankie Reynolds, of Lexington, Ky., is in the city visiting relatives.

Mrs. J. W. Pierson has gone to Ottawa, Kas., to attend the wedding of Miss Carrie Houghton, of that city.

Rev. David M. Mitchell, a retired Methodist minister, is seriously ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Josie M. Eaton.

METROPOLIS MISCELLANY.

Detective Thomas Cahill arraigned Thomas Schultz before Justice of the Peace Swingley yesterday on the charge of burglarizing the Bacon drug store a few days ago. Schultz will have his examination Thursday afternoon, February 21.

The members of the fire department were out yesterday flushing some of the side streets.

H. Smolensky was released from the custody of the sheriff yesterday on a writ of habeas corpus. He was arrested some time ago on the charge of perjury in Argentine, and at his examination in that city was bound over to the district court.

Sidney Whisner has announced himself as candidate for the office of justice of the peace, subject to the action of the Republican convention.

Thomas Smith, a boy, was fined $10 by Police Judge King yesterday morning for stealing a Bible from Jones & Co.

Word was received in this city yesterday morning from East St. Louis announcing the death of Eugene Nugent, son of Patrick Nugent, of James street and Lyons avenue.

Margaret Scheeing, aged 87 years, died yesterday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. B. Teepin, No. 521 State avenue. The body will be sent to Smithton, Mo., for burial.

A. J. Lehman, aged 27 years, of Chicago, and Miss L. F. Hess, aged 30 years, of Joplin, were granted a marriage license yesterday in the probate court.

The American National bank yesterday filed suit in the district court against E. E. Richardson to recover $5,000 on a note, and interest.

Burnside post, G. A. R., No. 28, yesterday received instruction from the state commander to hold special services on Friday evening in honor of Washington's birthday. The members of the post cannot use their hall on that evening for the reason that another lodge has it, and so it has been decided to hold the services to-morrow evening. A fine literary and musical programme will be arranged for the occasion.

John Hahn was called to Centerville, Ill., yesterday, by a telegram announcing the serious illness of his father. His mother died a few months ago, and her loss is supposed to have caused the illness of his father.

Claud Finn, the 14-year-old son of D. E. Finn, of No. 733 Troup avenue, is lying very ill from the effects of a fall received three months ago.

The ladies of the Federation of Clubs of this city are arranging for the second public reception of the season. They will meet to-day at the home of Mrs. H. L. Brainson, No. 502 North Seventh street. It will be one of the most interesting social events of the season. Mr. Sully Ossier, of Kansas City, Mo., will render a violin solo.

ARMOURDALE.

A Jury in Justice Sims' Court Renders a Peculiar Verdict—Prisoner Betrays Sheriff Peterson's Confidence.

Justice of the Peace Sims experienced a great deal of trouble yesterday in disposing of his criminal docket. There were four cases on the docket for trial. The first case was the state vs. John R. Conley, charged with violating the prohibitory law. About an hour was taken up by the attorneys in private consultation. They then agreed to have the case continued until next Tuesday. The second case called was the state vs. John Haggarty, charged with the same offense. By mutual agreement his case was also continued until Tuesday.

The third liquor case was then called and the defendant, Thomas Heffern, was arraigned for trial. He demanded that he be given a jury trial. The justice consented to his request and succeeded in finding twelve men to sit on the jury. The evidence produced on the witness stand was rather against the prisoner and after the usual instructions from the justice the case was given to the jurors. After being out they returned a verdict discharging the defendant and holding Constable Laughlin, who made the arrest, for malicious prosecution. The verdict caused considerable laughter among the spectators and attorneys who crowded the court room. The justice did not get wrathy, but in a few words told the jurors it would be rather hard to hold an officer for malicious prosecution. The jurors then proceeded to the jury room the second time and returned a verdict of not guilty. The prisoner was then discharged.

The fourth and last case on the docket was next called. In this case the defendant was William Casey, charged with assault. He had been given a preliminary hearing last week and was committed to the county jail in default of bond. When the constable arrived at the jail to bring the prisoner into court he was told that the man was not there. Upon investigation it was learned that Sheriff Peterson had permitted Casey to look for bail unguarded. He was released the same night he was placed in jail on his promise to return the following morning with or without the necessary bondsmen, and he has not been seen since by any of the authorities. Justice Sims was greatly surprised when he learned the true state of affairs and continued the case for an indefinite length of time. Sheriff Peterson was seen last night and stated that he allowed the prisoner to go home on account of the serious illness of his wife and little child. He furthr stated that he would bring the ungrateful man to justice if it cost him twice the amount of the man's bond to do it.

Miscellaneous.

Mrs. W. H. Baker, wife of Fireman Baker, of No. 3 fire company, is seriously ill.

Dr. E. R. Russell, who went to Humboldt, Kas., Monday, did not leave with the intention of locating there, as was stated in yesterday's Journal. He will spend a few days visiting relatives in that city and return to this city and resume practice here.

M. C. Harrison, the Kansas avenue hardware merchant, is seriously ill with pneumonia.

Switchmen's Union No. 2 will give a select ball Friday night at McLean & McAnany's hall on Kansas avenue.

The body of Miss Francis Hughes, who died at El Paso, Tex., arrived in this city last night. Funeral services will be held this afternoon at the Baptist church. The body will be taken to-morrow morning to Hiawatha, Kas., where it will be buried in the family burying grounds in that city.

The funeral of J. Cross took place yesterday afternoon from the Central Presbyterian church. The body was buried at Oak Grove cemetery.

Miss Kate Barry, of St. Paul, Minn., is in the city, the guest of her cousin, Miss B. Torpey, No. 289 South Chestnut street.

The Women's Relief Corps will meet this afternoon at the home of Mrs. Winship, No. 603 Shawnee avenue.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Central Presbyterian church will be entertained to-morrow afternoon by Mrs. J. Barney.

Liberty Council No. 18, Junior Order of United American Mechanics, will give an entertainment Friday night at the I. O. O. F. hall.

The funeral of H. P. Gallagher will take place this afternoon at 2 o'clock from St. Thomas' Catholic church. Burial will be in St. John's cemetery.

ARGENTINE.

Much Interest Is Being Taken by the Citizens of This City in the Coming Election.

The coming municipal election is the subject of a large portion of the talk among the local politicians and other citizens. The aspiring candidates are many, as is usual. The campaign will very likely be a warm one, as great interest is already manifested. An organization has been formed for political purposes, with E. H. Cook as chairman, B. F. Gordon, assistant chairman, and E. F. Moore, secretary. It will be known as the Citizens' Club and will hold meetings every Monday evening.

Miscellaneous.

Mrs. J. W. McDaniel, of Bonner Springs, Kas., has been in the city several days, the guest of Mrs. Zabrisky.

T. P. Morrison, of Moline, Kas., is the guest of friends here.

Miss M. C. Monroe, of Camden, Mo., is the guest of J. E. Anderson.

Fred Horn returned yesterday from a brief trip to Olathe.

Mrs. C. M. Hubbard, of South Fourth street, is quite ill with pneumonia.

R. Morris, of Denver, is the guest of E. F. Earhart and family.

When you suffer from sick headache, dizziness, constipation, etc., remember Carter's Little Liver Pills will relieve you. One pill is a dose.

Burglar Wears Armor.

Trinidad, Col., Feb. 19.—Thomas Cook, a merchant in El Moro, was forced to open his safe by a masked man, who got the drop on him, but, as the burglar was leaving the store, Mr. Cook shot him with a Winchester. The bullet struck the robber on the shoulder and fell to the floor, flattened out, showing that he had some sort of bulletproof covering for the upper part of his body. He escaped, but got only a small sum of money.

A Fire at Council Grove, Kas.

Council Grove, Kas., Feb. 19.—(Special.) This morning at 2 o'clock fire broke out in the general mercantile store of Alex Cunningham, at the corner of Main and First streets. The building and stock are a complete loss, amounting to about $8,000, with insurance of about $4,000.

The hose companies and good water pressure saved many buildings in the same block. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Half a Million School Children.

Topeka, Kas., Feb. 19.—(Special.) State Superintendent Stanley has nearly completed the semi-annual apportionment of the state school fund. The fund amounts to $222,000, and will be divided among the 493,761 school children, giving each about the sum of 45 cents.

INDEPENDENCE.

Council Adopts a Resolution Notifying Property Owners to Comply With the Ordinance.

A meeting of the city council was held last night. The question of buildings within the fire limits was discussed. The fire committee submitted a report as to buildings which do not conform to the fire ordinance. Property on the south side of the square was mentioned specifically and a resolution notifying the property owners to at once comply with the law was adopted. It was alleged by Alderman O'Brien that the buildings caused insurance rates to be high.

City Engineer Jones reported that $118.98 of the relief fund had been expended.

The water works company was the subject of a discussion. Mr. Loar stated that the telephone line between the water tower and the fire engine house was out of order. The council ordered the fire committee to look after the matter at once, also to ascertain where frozen mains were located. The committee detailed to ascertain the cost of eight steel towers for lighting purposes was granted more time to make a report. The council ordered approved claims to the amount of $491.23, to be paid.

A Company Formed.

A number of Independence business men have formed a corporation for the purpose of building suspension bridges. Yesterday articles of incorporation were filed, which set out that the capital stock of the company was $20,000. The following well known Independence people are interested in the enterprise: C. Lewis, president; L. S. Cherry, vice president; M. A. Devasher, secretary, and F. C. Florence, chief engineer. The directors are: Walter Rider, F. C. Florence, L. S. Cherry, C. L. Lewis.

Entertained Relatives.

Mrs. Charles R. Thomas gave a dining yesterday to a number of invited guests from Independence and Kansas City. It was one of a series of dinings given during the past two weeks. A pleasant diversion of the afternoon was the "observation table," and the "animal drawing." Mrs. R. J. Turner won the first prize for animal pictures, and Mrs. J. G. Smart, of Kansas City, won the prize at the observation table. The guests were: Mesdames G. B. Gray, M. Gray, J. W. T. Gray, J. G. Smart; Miss Maud Boley, of Kansas City; Mrs. Hunter, of Elgin, Ill., from Independence; Mrs. I. N. Rogers, Mrs. A. M. Ott, Mrs. O. W. Cogswell, Mrs. R. J. Turner, Mrs. S. M. Swearengen, Mrs. J. B. Ross, Mrs. J. W. Rouse, Miss Sallie RoRgers, Emma Cogswell, Rose Ott, Bettie Ross, Mamie Levy.

New Suits Filed.

John A. Sea, as administrator, for the estate of H. M. Vaile, deceased, filed suit yesterday in the circuit court against William Boyd to recover on a note valued at $2,525.

Ida Lee Miller and others filed suit in partition yesterday for a division of valuable lands belonging to the estate of Sarah Patterson, deceased. Joel Patterson and others were named as defendants.

Councilmen Who Will Retire.

There will be four vacancies to fill at the coming city election. In the First ward Mr. Joseph Randall's term will expire; in the Second ward Mr. John O'Brien, who has served his ward for a number of years, will be out. J. D. Wood will be the retiring councilman from the Third ward, and in the Fourth ward C. S. Blankenship, who has been councilman, will be in the race again. In nearly every case the present incumbents will seek re-election.

Said to Be a Bad Man.

Charles Barton, who was arrested in this city Monday evening while trying to dispose of postage stamps at cut prices, was turned over to the United States authorities yesterday. Deputy United States Marshal Haldeman took charge of the prisoner and conveyed him to Kansas City. City Marshal Hulse, who made the arrest, has information in his possession which, if correct, will land Barton at Jefferson City. A cipher telegram was taken from Barton yesterday and information was given to the effect that Barton was wanted at Osawatomie, Kas., for certain irregularities.

Will Try a New Remedy.

J. D. Bagby, James Rearodon and J. P. Jones, who were appointed appraisers to value two horses belonging to J. D. Cusenbary, reported yesterday that the animals had glanders. The valuation of each animal was fixed at $50. The afflicted animals are race horses and are quite valuable. Mr. Casenbary is not inclined to the belief that the horses have glanders, and proposes to quarantine the animals, pending the trial of a remedy recently discovered. The remedy is called "Manoline" and brings the disease out thirty-six hours after an injection. A number of horsemen are interested in the trial of the remedy. State Veterinary Surgeon Adair went, yesterday, to Columbia, Mo., for a trial bottle and will conduct the experiment in the presence of a number of young surgeons and horsemen.

Miscellaneous.

Call Saturday at Robers' Bros. store and see the cooking display on the Great Majestic Range. Souvenirs given to ladies.

F. B. Hearne left last night for Higginsville, Mo., where he attended a social gathering.

Misses Hattie Werden and Miss Alice Deutcher, who have been the guests of Mrs. J. Mack Peacock, will return to their home at St. Louis to-day.

Mrs. T. C. Creel is quite ill at her home in McCauley place.

James E. Cooper was arrested yesterday by Marshal Hulse for disturbing the peace. Cooper claims to be a clergyman. He was sent to jail for one day.

James Clinton, manager of the Gem drug store, is confined to his home by illness.

Mrs. W. F. Bahlman and Miss Francis Wood are the guests of friends at Richmon, Mo. During their stay they will be the guests of Mrs. Bahlman's daughter, Mrs. Charles Parker.

Mrs. W. N. Southern will give a reception to-morrow afternoon. The hours will be from 2 to 5 o'clock.

Miss Katie Coan, who has been the guest of Miss Mary Higgason at her home on North Main street, returned to her home at Lee's Summit yesterday.

Miss Ida Dailey, of Argentine, Kas., is being entertained by Mrs. Obe Gentry, Jr., at her home on North Pleasant street.

Attorney L. T. Dryden is confined to his home by illness.

Rev. J. Demand, presiding elder of the Kansas City district, conducted the services last night at the German M. E. church on West Lexington street.

Rev. A. E. Higgason received a telegram yesterday from Rev. Northcutt, of Rock Island, Ill., which stated that he would be unable to take part in the protracted meetings at the Christian church, until Tuesday night.

T. W. Warren, of Wyandotte, was the guest of City Clerk Coakley, yesterday.

Harry F. Kirk, of the Waggoner Gates Milling Company purchased the H. H. Corbin residence in Pleasant place yesterday. The residence is one of the handsomest in the city.

Henry McCurday, of Stafford, Kas., is in the city visiting his father, J. W. McCurdy, on North Liberty street.

Marriage licenses were granted yesterday to William Rudd and Miss Maggie Gelvin, James Patterson and Miss Manley, Z. T. McGannon and Mrs. R. L. McEntyre.

The young lady boarders of the Presbyterian college were furnished a treat last night. Miss Moxley, the principal of the institution, took seventeen of the boarders to witness Keene's production of Hamlet. A special car was provided, and the young ladies interested in Shakespearian studies, enjoyed themselves hugely.

Kansas Equitable Aid Union.

Lawrence, Kas., Feb. 19.—(Special.) The Equitable Aid Union for Kansas about completed the work of its fourth annual session in this city to-day. The morning and afternoon were largely taken up with routine business and at the close of the afternoon meeting the following officers were re-elected for the coming year: William Fletcher, Kansas City, Kas., president; Mrs. Jennie E. White, Paola, vice president; F. H. Barker, Wyandotte, secretary; J. H. Webber, Kansas City, Kas., accountant; J. H. Justis, Minneapolis, treasurer. This evening the visiting delegates were given a reception and banquet by the two Lawrence lodges.

Help for Western Kansas.

Topeka, Kas., Feb. 19.—(Special.) Governor Morrill has received a check for $130 from citizens of Olathe as a contribution to the aid fund for Western Kansas. Notice has been received of the shipment of a carload of aid goods from Garnett and also notification from Coffeyville and Lansing that a carload each was ready for shipment. The most pressing requests being received from Western Kansas are for coal.

Why Mr. Nightingale Disappeared.

Golden City, Mo., Feb. 19.—(Special.) Several weeks ago Rev. W. O. Nightingale disappeared from this city, leaving his relatives no clue to his whereabouts. It now transpires that he is living happily upon the farm of a wealthy lady of Pettis county, whom he married on the 6th inst. It was a case of courtship by mail, the parties never having met before the day of the wedding. The bride was Miss Sarah Helsey, of Ionia, Mo. The groom was a widower, having seven children.

SLOW WORK IN THE SENATE

THE KANSAS UPPER HOUSE TAKING THINGS VERY DELIBERATELY.

Only One Bill Passed Yesterday—The Appellate Court Measure Considered—Leedy's Discourteous Motion—Free Text Book Bill.

Topeka, Kas., Feb. 19.—(Special.) It puzzles the newspaper reporters to make a story out of the senate proceedings this morning. Like the king of France, who marched his soldiers up the hill and then marched them down again, the senate advanced one measure after another to the point of passing, and then marched them back for consideration at some other time.

Only one bill was passed during the morning session, and that was an act to protect fish from the rapacity of man.

Five new bills were added to the appalling list, running the total number up to 548, but none of them was of general interest.

Senator Leedy tried to accomplish a discourteous thing when the appellate court bill came back from the house this morning. He moved that the conference committee on the bill be appointed by the senate instead of its presiding officer, but he could only find five other Populists who were willing to vote for this unmannerly reflection upon Lieutenant Governor Troutman, and his motion was emphatically lost.

The Appellate Court Bill.

More interest has centered in this bill than perhaps any other measure which has been before the legislature. It creates a number of good offices and in other ways absorbs the attention of the legal profession. The bill was originally framed by Senator Dillard, the Democratic senator from Fort Scott. It passed the senate with few amendments more than two weeks ago. Last night it passed the house and this morning was messaged back to the senate with a number of amendments. It now goes to a conference committee and it is not likely that any great difficulty will be had there in getting to an agreement.

The senate measure provided for dividing the state into two departments, north and south, and each department into three districts, from each one of which a judge was to be appointed by the unanimous vote of the supreme judges of the state, to hold until January, 1897, after which they were to be elected by the people. Right here is the only serious difference between the house and senate. The bill comes back amended by the house so that the governor may appoint three judges instead of the supreme court. The bill provides that these judges shall be appointed by April 20 next, and each must be a resident of the district for which he is appointed. At the election of 1896 one judge shall be chosen for each of the six districts, whose term shall be three years. The judges receive a salary of $2,500 and may choose the clerks and stenographers of their court. The court is to expire in 1900. Each judge may name one stenographer at a salary of $900 per annum. Appeals to this court are taken in the same manner as to the supreme court. To appeal from the appellate court to the supreme court the value involved must exceed $2,000. The state is divided into districts as follows:

The Eastern division of the Northern department shall consist of the counties of Wyandotte, Johnson, Douglas, Shawnee, Osage, Franklin, Pottawatomie, Jackson, Jefferson, Leavenworth, Atchison, Doniphan, Brown, Nemaha and Morris, with the terms of court at Topeka.

The Central division of the Northern department shall consist of the counties of Marshall, Geary, Riley, Washington, Clay, Dickinson, Saline, Ottawa, Cloud, Republic, Jewell, Mitchell, Lincoln, Ellsworth, Osborne and Smith, with terms of court at Concordia.

The Western division of the Northern department shall consist of the remaining counties of said Northern department, with terms of court at Colby.

The Eastern division of the Southern department shall consist of the counties of Miami, Linn, Bourbon, Crawford, Cherokee, Labette, Neosho, Allen, Anderson, Coffey, Woodson, Wilson, Montgomery, Chautauqua and Elk, with terms of court at Fort Scott.

The Central division of the Southern department shall consist of the counties of Lyon and Greenwood, Chase, Marion, McPherson, Reno, Harvey, Butler, Sedgwick, Kingman, Harper, Sumner and Cowley, with terms of court at Wichita.

The Western division of the Southern department shall consist of the remaining counties of the Southern department, with terms of court at Garden City.

All terms of said court of appeals shall convene on the first Tuesday of the months respectively in which such terms are to be held, and shall be held in said Eastern divisions in the months of March, June and November; in said Central divisions in the months of January, May and October, and in said Western divisions in the months of February, September and December, and at such other times as said courts designate.

Free Text Book Bill.

The free text book bill which passed the senate last night provides that the board of directors of any school district and the board of education of cities of the first and second class shall purchase and furnish free for the use of pupils below the high school all books and stationery needed; provided, that nothing in this act shall be construed to prohibit any pupil or parent from purchasing from the board such books as may be necessary, at cost to the district.

Section 2. All the books and supplies purchased under the provisions of this act shall be paid for out of a fund to be designated the contingent fund, and the several boards of directors and of education shall certify to the voters at the annual school meeting or meeting of the board of education, when other tax levies are made, the amount necessary to levy for said contingent fund; and the levy shall be made in the manner as now provided by law for school purposes. The amount so levied shall be in addition to the amount now authorized by law for other school purposes.

Under this act any district may select any series of text books it sees fit and make the best terms it can with any agent or publisher.

More Railroad Legislation.

This afternoon, after a call of the senate and the hustling in of every senator who could be found in the city, another of the Populist measures in control of railroads was passed by a majority of 2 votes. It was Senator Jumper's bill which fixes the passenger tariff at 2 cents per mile for adults and 1 cent per mile for children under the age of 12.

The second section provides that it shall be unlawful for any railroad to give a free ticket or pass to any person whomsoever, except employes of the railroad company, and the state board of railroad assessors, when making their annual assessment. Senator Jumper did not explain how this law was going to operate along wth a law passed last week, which forces every railroad to give a round trip pass to every shipper of a carload of stock, fruit or vegetables.

An Irrigation Measure Passed.

A bill was adopted, after considerable amendment, which appropriates $10,000 for irrigation experiments in Western Kansas. Experiments are to be made under supervision of a board composed of the chancellor of the state university, the president of the agricultural college, the secretary of the state board of agriculture and one member to be appointed by the governor and one by the senate, who are to receive actual expenses incurred. One section provides that at least twenty wells shall be bored on high ground in Western Kansas to test the underflow.

Other Bills Passed.

Senator Householder's mammoth bill regulating state charities was passed without debate, several senators making the explanation that they knew the house would kill the measure, as it ought to, but they would vote for it as a matter of accommodation to Senator Householder.

The bill fixing telegraph tolls was also passed. If the house agrees to this measure telegraph companies may charge but 15 cents for each ten words for a distance of 200 miles and ½ cent for each additional word. For any distance over 200 miles the rate is fixed at 20 cents for each ten words. For newspaper dispatches the rate for day messages is fixed at ⅓ cent per word and for night messages ¼ cent.

The next bill regulating things which was passed was directed against the express companies. This act gives the board of railroad commissioners the power to regulate express charges and fix the rates in its discretion.

The house bill which abolishes the circuit court of Shawnee county became a law.

The next bill passed was one directed at the Russian thistle. It provides that upon a given date, to be named by boards of county commissioners, every farmer must turn out and destroy the thistles on his farm, while the road overseers are to see to the same destruction along the public highways.

An act was passed to punish trainmen who abandoned their trains anywhere except at the end of a division.

Senator Brown secured the passage of his bill taxing stock brought in for grazing purposes by non-residents.

Senate Notes.

The senate committee on elections this morning reported favorably for passage the bill by Senator Parker granting the right of complete suffrage to Mrs. Althea Briggs-Stryker, of Great Bend, and nine other Kansas women, eight of whom live in Topeka.

Senator Bowling was called home to Republic county by the death of his mother-in-law to-day.

J. J. Barnes, bookkeeper in the senate, fell on the slippery sidewalk on Sunday morning and broke his arm, but he is pluckily trying to attend to his duties.

Governor Morrill sent the name of C. H. Daughters, of Lincoln county, to the senate to-day to be member of the board of regents for the state agricultural college. Mr. Daughters is a practicing attorney at Lincoln and was formerly editor of the Lincoln Beacon.

United States Senator Lucien Baker, who is still a member of the state senate, was upon the floor for the first time in two weeks to-day. He expects to leave for Washington on Monday morning.

Senator Danner presented a petition to-day, signed by 930 citizens of Harvey county, who prayed the legislature to pass the bill legalizing the records of Harvey county prepared to take the place of those destroyed by an incendiary.

House.

The house got together at 9 o'clock this morning. The fact that only a few days remain of the session for which per diem can be collected is making members uneasy for the fate of pet measures which they have watched with tender solicitude since early in the session and still see buried under several pages of the calendar.

This morning the advocates of stringent railroad legislation tried to get a special order, but the majority wouldn't have it that way.

Then Seaton tried to get a committee to revise the calendar, with the idea of ruthlessly slaughtering a number of obscure measures, but the fellows who have been nursing that sort of measures were too many for Mr. Seaton.

Eleven new bills were added to the calendar this morning: One by Mr. White to repeal chapter 180, session laws of 1889; one by Mr. Cox, to provide for the construction and maintenance of cuts and channels on the Neosho river; one by Mr. Glenn, authorizing county commissioners to levy a tax for the purpose of rainmaking experiments and to contract therefor; one by Mr. Marshall to change the name of one of his constituents; one by Mr. Forsythe, which is an act to protect passengers on railroad trains.

The substance of this bill is to the effect that every passenger shall be furnished with a seat, or, in the event that he is not, he shall not be compelled to put up the usual amount of cash.

A bill by Mr. Foster proposes to disorganize a joint school district in Republic and Cloud counties; a bill by Mr. Remington regulates the fees and salaries of certain officers in Miami county; one by Veale vacates part of the townsite of McFarland; another by Veale vacates part of Steele's addition to the city of Topeka; one by Mr. Cornell vacates part of the town of Wabaunsee.

On third reading of bills the house passed without trouble an act providing for the numbering of the divisions and subdivisions of the statutes, but when the body struck Mr. Rohrbaugh's bill to vacate townsites and parts of townsites all over Kansas there was trouble. The members out in the northwestern part of the state object to having their cities wiped out without being consulted, and with little ceremony but against the earnest protest of the gentleman from Sedgwick they proceeded to knock out some fifteen sections of the bill. The bill thus shorn was passed.

House bill No. 84 is Mr. Cox's bill to limit the number of special questions that may be asked in civil cases. This bill has been the subject of vigorous discussion and various changes. As it came before the house to-day it provides that not more than twenty-five special questions can be asked unless more questions are deemed necessary by the trial court. Cole, of Barton, Rohrbaugh of Sedgwick, Bone of Clark, Lambert of Lyon, and Glenn of Greeley, all explained their reasons for voting against the bill; and Mr. Cox of Neosho, Robinson of Jackson, and Funk of Marion, explained their reasons for voting for it. The bill was lost by a vote of 53 for and 56 against.

A bill was introduced this morning by Mr. White, of Atchison, to abolish the office of coal oil inspector. The title to this bill, which is simply to repeal a certain section of the laws of 1889, does not disclose the fact that if it passes it will knock out one of the softest, as well as most useless snaps, of the state.

There were two calls of the house this morning during the third reading of bills. One was demanded by Cox on his special question bill and one by committee of education on the bill which provides that diplomas from the state normal school, university or other institution of the county, which gives at least two years instruction in pedagogy, shall be a valid certificate to teach in any of the schools of the state. This bill, after a call of the house, passed by a scratch.

This afternoon at 2 o'clock the house went into committee of the whole with Seaton, of Atchison, in the chair, and began the consideration of the state soldiers' home bill. This bill originally provided for the appropriation of $59,850 for 1896 and $54,400 for 1897. This amount, however, was cut down by about $13,000. The only considerable discussion was caused by an amendment offered by Painter, of Meade, providing that the quartermaster should be appointed from among the inmates. The motion was supported by Painter, of Meade, and Johnson, of Nemaha, and opposed by Fitzgerald, Hopkins and Remington. Cox, of Neosho, attempted to get a reduction of some of the items of appropriation, but the committee stood loyally by the member from Ford and gave the home all he asked.

Senate bill No. 316, granting a pension to Erwin Covey, who was injured during the Lewelling war of 1893, was recommended for passage, with the provision that the pension should not be paid during the time the young man was in the employ of the state. It came out during the debate that Covey had been located in charge of the clothing department at the penitentiary. The senate bill contained a long proviso, setting out that Covey had been injured while in the line of duty during a disturbance of the peace in the winter of 1893. Colonel Warner moved to strike out this proviso and, in support of his motion, delivered a warm eulogy on the Douglass house. He did not want any proviso in the statute book that might by inference seem to declare that that house was disturbing the peace. The disturbance of the peace was by the governor of Kansas—L. D. Lewelling. The proviso was stricken out. The committee also passed the senate bill making an appropriation for the girls' industrial home at Beloit.

At a little before 4 o'clock the house again went into committee of the whole, with Benefiel in the chair, to consider the bill introduced by the committee on irrigation and also the Sutton bill on the same subject. The committee bill provides in brief for the appointment of a commission of irrigation, not more than two of them to belong to the same party, at a salary of $1,500 each; said board to have its office at Topeka. The board shall cause to be constructed twenty irrigation wells and pumping stations, not more than one station to be located in any one county. At these stations the board is to make practical experiments and make a complete report of the results, and cost per acre. The bill further provides that these experiments shall be made on school lands. The bill appropriates $50,000 for the purpose.

The Sutton bill provides that the regents of the state agricultural college shall appoint a competent person to give instructions and conduct experiments and observations in irrigation.

The bill provides that the regents, together with the council of the agricultural experiment station, shall establish, west of the ninety-eighth meridian, five stations for experimenting in irrigation. The bill appropriates, all told, to conduct these experiments and for pay of instructor, $15,000.

The fight opened with a motion to substitute the Sutton bill for the committee bill.

Grimes, of Greeley, made his maiden speech, in opposition to Sutton's motion and in favor of the committee bill. Grimes cited the house to the fact that during the last three years the western third of the state has paid into the state treasury over half a million dollars. It was now a question of necessity with their people. It was their only hope of being able to stay in that country.

Kelley, of Kearney, spoke in favor of the committee bill, as did Caldwell, of Douglas.

Brown, of Pratt, declared that the whole thing was a fraud. There was no merit, in his opinion, in either bill. It was spending money to demonstrate something that everybody knew already.

Haines, of Wyandotte, was in favor of the Sutton bill, in preference to the committee bill.

Hopkins, of Finney, made a strong argument in favor of the committee bill. He called the attention of the house to the fact that the regents of the agricultural college had drawn from the United States government in the past eight years $120,000 to be used in experiments, and they had never made any experiments in the way of irrigation that had any value whatever. In his opinion, if anything was to be done, it had better be done by men who are willing to give it their attention, and not by men who would make it a secondary matter. He called attention to the fact that in his county alone $121,000 had been paid into the state treasury for school lands, 83 per cent of which had reverted to the state, making a clear gain to the state of more than $100,000. This was simply asking that the state expend a part of the money which had been paid to the state by Western Kansas in experiments in irrigation.

Mr. Sutton argued in favor of his substitute, but his motion was lost by a strong vote.

House Notes.

Fitzgerald, the member from Ford, has demonstrated that he is a shrewd and successful manager of an appropriation bill.

E. H. Funston, the well known ex-congressman, had a seat with the Johnson county delegation to-day.

Fred Funston, who has made himself famous as an Arctic explorer, had a seat at the press table this afternoon.

Judge W. R. Hutchinson, of Ulysses, was an interested spectator of the proceedings of the statesmen of the lower house this afternoon.

Mrs. Dickson, wife of the member from Jackson county, is here looking after the moral and physical welfare of her husband to-day.

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WASHINGTON CHIT CHAT.

J. B. Clark, of the Sac and Fox agency, arrived yesterday to look after some departmental matters in the Indian trader business.

Secretary and Mrs. Carlisle left here for New York this morning with their son, W. K. Carlisle, of Chicago, who will sail for Europe to-morrow, for the benefit of his health.

Judge Lindsay, of Gainesville, a business partner of Mr. Bailey, of the house, and a friend of Judge Stuart, is on hand to secure one of the judicial places in the Indian country.

Senator Cullom, Illinois, is confined to his room with a slight attack of the grip. He is able to sit up a part of the time and probably will be able to resume his senatorial duties within a few days.

Up to and including February 18, the amount of gold coin reported to the treasury as having been received at New York and Philadelphia, on account of the recent gold purchase, was $20,484,500, with San Francisco, Chicago and Boston, where deposits are known to have been made, not yet reported.

The first session of the fourth continental congress of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution was held yesterday in the audience room of the Church of Our Father. The attendance of delegates was the largest in the history of the society, there being present fully 200 representatives of local chapters.

Representative Blair, of New Hampshire, has introduced a resolution in the house proposing an amendment to the constitution of the United States prohibiting the liquor traffic in the United States. The resolution is introduced by "request of the general officers of the world's and the national W. C. T. U.," and as the legal expression of the polyglot petition just presented to the president.

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