

**SIXTEEN YEARS AGO.**

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1899.  
(Intended for last week.)  
Jasper Sanders was over from Gayoso.

Rev. A. J. Carter was here holding a series of meetings.

J. A. Willis, a prominent lumber dealer at that time, was here on business.

Virg P. Adams and Dr. J. J. Raaf were opening a drug store in the Michie-Coleman building.

John Dowdy, son of T. J. Dowdy of Carleton, died Tuesday, February 21, 1899, of cerebro spinal meningitis.

Lon G. Maxwell of Covington, a brother of Newt Maxwell, died of cerebro spinal meningitis Sunday evening, February 19, 1899.

Elmer Stephens changed the name of his business to Elmer Stephens & Son. The son, John L., now holds a responsible railroad position at Chaffee.

Hon. John T. Averill, representative of Pemiscot county in the Missouri legislature, died in Jefferson City Tuesday morning, February 21, 1899. He had formerly held the office of sheriff and collector.

The dreadful disease, cerebro spinal meningitis, had made its appearance in several parts of the county, and continued for about six weeks. It was estimated that more than one hundred people in the county died from the disease, and so far as known, only one was reported to recover. Years later, the doctor who treated this case, being called after the patient was unconscious, informed us he administered calomel in 20-grain doses, to which he attributes the recovery.

As a fair sample of the way our subscriptions came in those days we publish the following 29 names, all of whom sent us \$1.00 during the week ending February 24: C. L. Organ, W. H. Foley, Chas. Schillings, J. W. Bader, F. M. Gwin, B. C. Mobley, G. M. Hayes, Miss Nettie Reed, Geo. Webb, John McClanahan, I. E. Williams, E. C. Harris, R. G. Sandidge, Virg P. Adams, J. A. Crawford, John Mears, John W. Green, E. L. Davis, John Boon, R. F. Finney, Frank Hopkins, T. J. Williams, R. A. Thomas, John Swails, Geo. W. Treece, W. A. Samford, J. G. McCarter, R. F. Michie, J. G. Sudbury. Out of the above named persons eight are known to be dead, and two we have lost sight of. This shows the mortality of 29 people in 16 years, and those who are familiar with the names will be surprised to note that it is mostly the older people who have survived.

FRIDAY, MARCH 3, 1899.  
Aaron T. Mathews, a young school teacher, died Tuesday, February 28, 1899.

Irwin Clyde Randolph, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Randolph, aged fourteen years, died Feb. 24, 1899.

Some of the "newcomers" have doubted that Edwin S. Huffman, our circuit court clerk, is a battle-scarred veteran of the Spanish American war, but he is, and the files of our paper will show that he had returned from the army shortly prior to the above date. He then lived at Cot-

**Things and Scenes of Other Days Fast Passing Away.**



**Morris' Lake, Gayoso, Mo., as it Appeared in 1902.**

Morris Lake, like the once metropolis of Pemiscot county, Gayoso, which sat on its shore, is fast becoming a thing of the past, and one of the beauty-spots of the county will be gone. This lake was the pride of the late Capt. W. H. Morris, who many years ago became its owner and converted it into the best known fishing resort in the state.



**The Late Capt. W. H. Morris.**

tonwood Point and was a "clod-hopper." No disrespect—we were one, too, once, and are proud of it.

The Democratic Central Committee had ordered township conventions to be held March 9, to nominate a candidate for representative to fill the vacancy caused by the death of John T. Averill. Based on the court house election, Little Prairie township had fifteen delegates and all the balance of the county but nineteen; for this reason Hayti did not participate in the affair. F. D. Roberts was nominated and elected without opposition.

**The McElheny Case.**

As is generally known, the case against C. J. McElheny, charging him with taking a girl under the age of 18 years away from her home for the purpose of prostitution and concubinage, was dismissed before a justice of the peace court in this city, by the prosecuting attorney, on February 13, on account of a ruling of the justice against the admissibility of the State's evidence, there being nothing left for the state's attorney to do but to dismiss and file in another court.

Perhaps it is no secret that the new warrant was issued about a week ago, but, from the best information obtainable, has not up to the present time been served. The new trial, before a justice of the peace in Caruthersville, we understand, is, or was, scheduled for next Saturday. Whatever the developments are will be published next week.

Why go about posting bills on telephone poles, fences and barns, and throwing them over in yards, when the Hayti Herald goes right into the homes of all the people every week and can carry your message for you? Don't overlook the fact that in your daily rounds you can talk to but one person at a time, while the Herald talks to not less than two thousand, each week, and probably three thousand. Place an ad in the Herald and let it deliver your message to the people.

**Night Riders Post Warning.**

Last Thursday night the following notices were posted in different parts of Hayti:

Warning!  
Negros Read and run if you cant read run anyway.

All negros of Pemiscot county Missouri, are hereby warned to leave the said county are take the consequence. This means ten days from date. 2-27-15.

To-white-people:  
Do not hire negros at your peril. Do not disregard this notice.  
Signed Night Riders.

The negroes are taking the above notices more seriously than the white people. In fact, the white people are inclined to regard the matter lightly, while many negroes, not knowing what may happen, are leaving, at the same time they are taking the matter good naturedly and expressing no ill will.

We understand some demonstration against the negroes has been made out in the country and that dynamite has been exploded about one negro tenant house on a near-by farm, frightening the negroes away.

We are told that several of those implicated in scaring the negroes are known, and that as soon as the Federal officers have time to act they will be arraigned before the United States court at Cape Girardeau. It is thought best, it is said, not to bring the matter before the state courts.

**Letter to the Herald.**

Des Moines, Ia., Feb. 13, 1915.  
MR. WILL YORK,  
Hayti, Mo.

Dear Mr. York:  
Perhaps you would enjoy another missive from your old, floating friend. I receive Hayti's leading paper regularly, and in spite of the great excitement of our city, I find time to read it thoroughly. I dislike to boost Hayti and its good people while I am located in such a city as is Des Moines, but I believe, after a person once gets a whiff down there, they become the polished steel to the Hayti magnet.

We are having much excitement here in the city today. We are enjoying our last "wet" day here, so from this statement you will understand our city will be dry as a bone after this date. I guess people will have to go from here to Hayti next summer to get a "cold one." I am anxious to see our papers of tomorrow, to learn how many grew too hot tonight and have been placed in the "cooler," that they may be preserved without salting.

Guess you will be surprised to hear I am womanless yet, but it is a fact. I think I will advertise for a wife in this large city, and should I meet with disappointment, will try a more sure plan—the Hayti Herald.

Just a little cold up here this winter, "Bill;" 20 below zero many times. I have gotten through winter in fine shape, and carry today fully as much flesh as did some of the eel fish I so cleverly hooked before leav-

ing there.

I am playing a very active part up here in the oil business, and my competitors find much of my scratching around in the best feeding places. Soon it will be gobbling time, and you will hear from me after I learn the art of strutting.

I am sales manager here, and the company say everything is moving to their entire satisfaction. I hope to visit my many friends of that country this year, and sincerely hope my work will permit of my absence. I think, when Des Moines gets too small for me, I will go back to Hayti, where I can get action on myself, and purchase the Herald on the streets.

Wishing you all the success you are so deserving, and extending to you and family my tender regards, I am,  
Yours truly,  
H. A. DORTCH.

**DESPERADOES CAUGHT.**

Early last Thursday morning, J. A. Johnson, special agent of the Frisco, in company with Constable Will Wilks of Caruthersville and Deputy Sheriff Newt Maxwell of Steele, succeeded in landing two of the most wanted men in this section of the country, if reports are true. The arrest came about on account of a robbery which occurred in this city Wednesday night, a man being relieved of fifty dollars in the rear of Pete Meatte's saloon. Night Marshal Dan Giffin was on their trail, and, in company with City Marshal W. E. Robertson and Mr. Johnson, searched the railroad yards here, at one time getting in close proximity to the men. But they eluded the officers and walked to Caruthersville, Mr. Johnson going over on the train, and, with the Caruthersville officers, being on the lookout for them, apprehending them at the depot. When the arrest was attempted both men placed themselves in threatening attitudes, but Mr. Maxwell got the drop, which he held, and the men submitted to the officers without trouble. Both were relieved of new, 38-calibre Smith & Wesson revolvers, fully loaded, and eighteen cartridges each. The older man, John Stinson, alias W. J. Tate, claims he is wanted in Little Rock, Ark., as an escaped convict, but the officer, will doubtless hold him to answer a more serious charge in this state. The other man, about 22 years old, gave the name of Alfred Virgin, and both had been living about seven miles east of Portageville. It is claimed they are two of a band of horse thieves which has been operating in this section for some time, and the next day seven horses were found just above Caruthersville, known to have been stolen, four belonging to Alex Boon and Frank Hopkins, near Steele, and three to Jasper Coble, near the same place; a saddle belonging to Harry Davis of the same neighborhood was also identified. On the night before the arrest

**A MOTHER'S VIEWS.**

Concord, Mo., March 2, 1915.  
MR. WILLIAM YORK,  
Editor Hayti Herald,  
Hayti, Mo.

Dear Mr. York:  
Being a mother, with the care of girls and their welfare to look after, allow me to congratulate you in the stand you have taken in the Morris-McElheny case. I feel sure that no mother of the intelligence and refinement of Mrs. Morris would stoop so low as to disgrace her own child with the hope of trying to get a few dollars, and her having no husband here to look to for protection. Again let me congratulate you, for what you are doing in defense of her daughter. I think you are doing only what is your duty as a father, having a family of your own.

Hoping that all may receive justice, and wishing injustice to no one, I am,  
Respectfully,  
A MOTHER.

[We appreciate the sentiment "A Mother" expresses, but we did no more than publish the news, which was our duty. However, it grows more and more apparent that the Herald is the only paper in the county that the people can depend upon to publish the news, without respect to whom it concerns.—Ed.]

R. S. Hart, one of the Herald's most valued subscribers, truck grower and dairyman, has again placed his name upon our honor roll. If we are not mistaken, Mr. Hart first began taking the Hayti paper seventeen years ago, while he lived in Kentucky, and we believe he has been a subscriber pretty well all the time since. He was among the first on the Herald's list seven years ago.

The men were known to be in Hayti, and the same night night-rider notices were posted over town, warning negroes to leave and white people not to give them further employment. This thought by some that they were in the gang posting these notices.

**LOOK WHO IS COMING LOOK**

**MRS. ORR**

**THE WELL-KNOWN BOSTON BEAUTY**

Specialist Will Give You a Free  
Massage in Your Own Home  
By Appointment

Careful attention to your skin will insure attractiveness and personal charm that every woman craves.

To Neglect Your Skin is to Forfeit Its Beauty

We have engaged Mrs. Orr, a professional beauty specialist of note, for the week of March 8th, to call on a number of ladies in Hayti each day, to give you a free massage and individual help and advice on the care of your skin. She also has the good sense to know how to get best results; she must follow the advice of some one who has successfully specialized in the beautifying of complexions, just as you seek the services of a specialist in time of sickness.

This is an Exceptional Opportunity for One Week Only

Step into the store, write or phone us. We'll do the rest. Understand Mrs. Orr's advice and massage is free.

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**IF YOU DON'T TRADE HERE NOW YOU WILL LATER ON**

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