

The Norwood Index

A few years of this newspaper "survived" to be microfilmed.

What follows are genealogical excerpts from those papers.

Dates of the newspapers serve as division points. The paper was published on Thursday.

In obits, I have omitted extraneous comments that do not contribute genealogical info.

(Please note that the dates given before each group of items is the date of the paper. For some reason these were not microfilmed in order.)

April 25, 1929:

James S. Anderson was born in Morgan County, Ohio November 17, 1842. He lived there until he was 15 years old, when he came to Illinois with his parents. Later on he went to Wisconsin. Was married to Vesta E. Patterson in 1878 and to this union 6 children were born, three girls and three boys, of whom three are now living, namely: Mrs. E. B. Lewis of Wichita, Kans.; Mrs. Lee Osborn of Kansas City, Kansas; and Will of this place. Those who preceded him in death were John Edwin, Allie Raie and Freddie Wayne. He was a veteran of the Civil War, being a member of Co. G., 50th Illinois Volunteer Infantry. The family came to Missouri in 1885 and have resided here ever since. He died April 3, 1929 being 86 years, 4 months and 10 days old.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Cramer are the proud parents of a baby girl born April 16th. The child has been named Annabelle.

Dr. VanNoy took Alvenah Ahland of Olatha to Springfield to the hospital Friday where she underwent an operation for a tumor which weighed 41 pounds when removed.

Emory Letsinger is in a critical condition at his home on Dry Creek, five miles south of Norwood, as a result of a gunshot wound in the chest just above the heart. Mr. Letsinger shot himself Monday night with a .32 calibre revolver, apparently with suicidal intent, the bullet going entirely through the body. No cause is known for his action in trying to end his own life.

Jim Letsinger of Olathe died Friday evening and was buried in Prairie Hollow Cemetery Saturday afternoon.

Jesse James Adamson was sentenced last week at a special term of the Oregon County Circuit Court by Judge Green to four years in the penitentiary on a plea of guilty to chicken stealing and jail breaking, receiving two years on each count. After breaking jail some weeks ago, he seems to have made a raid on a hen roost near Rogersville, where a farmer put a load of shot into his legs. He was arrested near Macomb. Adamson, who was reared near Mansfield, has been married, but he and his wife are separated. They have three children, two of whom are with relatives near Mansfield

while the other is with the wife in Oklahoma. He has served one term in the penitentiary for chicken stealing and was only recently released.

April 18, 1929:

Marriage Licenses: Virgil Deavers and Louise Arnold, both of Mansfield; W. D. Delk of Grove Springs and Missouri Jordan of Conway.

Little Virginia Joy Coats, baby of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Coats was born at 1:00 Easter Sunday morning and lived only one day.

From the Bulletin-Journal of Independence, Iowa: Rebecca Jane Gill was born near Ft. Wayne, Ind. on Dec. 18, 1837. Here she grew to young womanhood and was married Jan. 1, 1858 to Alonzo D. Griswold of the same place. The older children were born here. In the fall of 1865, as pioneers, they emigrated to the farm near Littleton, Iowa where they resided until 1900. Her husband preceded her in death in 1907; also four daughter and three sons. Mrs. Griswold lived 5 years at the home of her brother in Kirksville, Mo., helping to care for him in his old age. At his death she moved to Independence, Iowa, residing there until the spring of 1927, when her advanced age caused the home to be closed. She spent a year in the home of her son, Fred, at Eagle Grove, Iowa. The last year she was cared for in the home of her only remaining daughter, Mrs. G. B. Thayer, of Norwood, Mo. She was stricken with paralysis Saturday morning, March 16, while at prayer. She never spoke again but was able to take some liquid nourishment. She departed this life Thursday night, March 21, at 11 o'clock, being 91 years, 3 months and 9 days of age. She leaves 3 children, 29 grandchildren and 35 great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held here at the Baptist church Monday afternoon, Rev. Jesse V. Wright officiating. Interment was in the family lot at Littleton.

April 11, 1929:

Marriage Licenses: G. F. Lewis and Lucy Smith, both of Norwood; Willis Huffstettler and Lela Young, both of Hartville; Virgil Crisp of Manes and Cora Zirschky of Huggins.

Mrs. Celestia Bamford, aged 41 years, 9 months and 20 days, of 3308 Garfield, Kansas City, passed away Wednesday, March 27, leaving her husband, Mr. Noire Bamford, three sons, Lee christine, Pembroke Hotel; and Charles Christine and Frank Bamford at home, and four daughters, Elva Christine and Juanita, Dorothy and Ruth Bamford, all at home; her father, Martin Miller, Seneca, Mo.; 4 brothers Martin Miller, Silver Lake, Kansas; John Miller, Norwood; and Howard and Everton Miller, Picher, Okla; and three sisters, Mrs. Alice Sisco, Norwood; Mrs. Etta Christine, Kansas City, Kansas; and Mrs. May Jones, Drumwright, Okla. She was laid to rest in the Forest Hill Cemetery at Kansas City.

Several from this community attended the funeral of Uncle Jim Anderson at Oak Forest Friday.

Uncle Jim anderson died last Wednesday night at his home 6 miles south of Norwood. Burial was in Oak Forest.

M. K. McMurtrey was elected Special Judge of the Circuit Court last Thursday and sentenced Carl Fouty of Mountain Grove to two years in the Missouri Reformatory at Boonville for stealing chickens.

Lynch W. Smith, at one time editor of the Mansfield Mail and who later published the Southern Missourian at Norwood, died at his home in Los Angeles, Calif. last week. For the past 8 years he has been editor of the Triple Link in Los Angeles.

April 4, 1929:

Marriage Licenses: Newt Rogers of Manes and Gladys Baty of Ben Davis; Ernest Preston and Bessie Smart both of Mountain Grove.

Jesse Adamson, living 4 miles north of Macomb, came home in his car Tuesday morning suffering from a gun shot wound seemingly inflicted while the victim was on the run. Dr. Little was called to treat his wounds and reports that Mr. Adamson refused to state who did the shooting or why it was done.

The County Court met last Wednesday and ordered Sam R. Hendrich of Mansfield, an insane person, committed to State Hospital No. 3 at Nevada.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jarrett are the proud parents of a 10 1/2 pound baby girl born Thursday evening, March 21. Their family now consists of two boys and a girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Allen are the proud parents of an 8 pound son born March 31.

March 28, 1929:

Mr. Harry Damuth of Wright County and Mrs. Nora Akers, better known as Nora Strunk, of Douglas County, were united in marriage Thursday, March 21, at Ava. Mr. and Mrs. Damuth gave a party Saturday night and entertained about 65 friends and neighbors with games and music. Refreshments were also served. It was also for Everett Soule's birthday.

Mrs. Dovelue Sisco, wife of A. J. Sisco, of Cold Springs, Mo., passed away March 13, 1929, at Fort Lupton, Colo. where she had made her home since last August in hopes that her health might be regained. Mrs. Sisco was before her marriage Miss Dovelue Mears. She was born April 23, 1880. Was married to A. J. Sisco Nov. 3, 1897 and to this union were born 11 children. They are: Mrs. Opal Ussery of Norwood, Mo.; Mrs. Gearlie Galonos, Detroit, Mich.; Jim Sisco, Cold Springs; Delbert of Colorado; and Mrs. Edna Todd, Cold Springs. These 5 are married. Lester, Edith, Howard, Paul, Gustie and a baby of 4 years are at home with their father. Mrs. Sisco was converted in the Freewill Baptist church at Cold Springs in 1911. Rev. Walter Brook, pastor of the

Assembly of God church at Norwood, preached the funeral sermon March 19 at Cold Springs and the body was laid to rest in the new cemetery at that place.

Marriage Licenses: A. L. Foster and Mrs. Emma Hyslip, both of Mountain Grove; Elbert Barnett of Mountain Grove and Eunice Knight of Astoria; J. C. Taylor and Eula Cantrell, both of Seymour.

March 9th the stork visited Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Lark and left a dear little son.

March 21, 1929:

Mrs. Alma Penegraf, wife of Homer Penegraf, passed away at her home in Mountain Grove, Mo. March 3, 1929 at the age of 19 years. She was before her marriage Miss Alma Gregory. She leaves a husband and an infant baby.

"Died by his own hand!" Such was the verdict at the inquest held Tuesday afternoon. Edward Lee Masters was born August 1, 1911, age 17 years, 7 months and 11 days. He came to his death by his own hand, having shot himself through the chest with a shotgun at 8 o'clock Tuesday morning. He had resided with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Kelley of Macomb, Mo. since June 18, 1921. He had always been a boy of excellent moral character and was always kind and obedient in the home. He will be greatly missed by his foster parents and all who knew him. The deceased is supposed to be survived by his father, Lee Masters, and by two brothers, Joe and Harry, also three sisters. The eldest sister, Nora (married) was last known to be in Tulsa, Okla. Edward had professed a hope in Christ during a meeting held at the Mount Zion church during the winter of 1928.

John A. Barnett of north of town died last Thursday night. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon and interment was made in the Thomas Cemetery.

Charles Reeves who lives north of here died last Wednesday morning. Funeral services were conducted by Bro. Light at Caudle Church and burial in Norwood Cemetery.

From Exeter, Calif.: Mrs. Nell McIntosh's infant baby died and was buried in Tulare Cemetery.

March 14, 1929:

Last Friday, Gov. Caulfield announced the appointment of A. L. Pope as judge of the probate court of Wright County to finish the unexpired term of his brother, John T. Pope, deceased.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hacker are the proud parents of a baby girl born March 2.

A very quiet wedding occurred at the J. E. Coats home march 6th when Mr. Coats united in marriage Mr. John Gideon and Mrs. Anna Holiford. Mrs. Gideon has lived at Brushy Knob for 30 years or more. Mr. Gideon's home is on Dry Creek where he has spent the greater part of his 80 years.

March 7, 1929:

John T. Pope was born in North Carolina, Jan 25, 1850; died near Norwood, Mo., Feb. 21, 1929; age 79 years and 27 days. He moved to Wright County, Missouri about 1868. Married to Miss Mattie Bryant about 1875 and to this union were born 6 children: Charles E., Roy, Guy, Otto, Thomas L., and Aloth, two of whom survive: Charles E. of Boise City, Idaho, and Thomas L. Pope of Norwood, Mo. He leaves to mourn their loss, the two sons and their families, one grandson, John Pope of Hartville and one brother, A. L. Pope of Norwood. Uncle John, as he was familiarly known, has been honored with a number of positions of trust: Many years ago he was elected school commissioner, was elected 6 or 7 times as prosecuting attorney and at the time of his death he was serving his county as Probate Judge. Funeral services were held in the Methodist Episcopal church in Hartville, in charge of C. C. Vanzant, assisted by a community choir and an able address by J. W. Jackson, representing the local bar.

Mr. Willie H. Rowland and Miss Vera Hylton were united in marriage Tuesday, March 5th at the home of Rev. G. Chadwell, Rev. Chadwell officiating.

February 28, 1929:

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Hopper who died Saturday morning was laid to rest in the Oak Forest Cemetery Sunday afternoon.

Aunt Polly Coats and Uncle Jim John, our only Civil War pensioners, were both feeling fine yesterday. They are each 86 years old.

February 21, 1929:

Mr. F. P. Bloch, of Gentry, Ark., and Selma DeWoody of Summersville, Mo. were united in marriage last Thursday by Rev. G. Chadwell at the latter's home in Norwood. The bride has been making her home with an aunt in Mountain Grove for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Caudle received a letter from their son, Claude, who is in Calif. He states that he was married Jan. 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Farhm of Mansfield are the proud parents of a baby girl born Sunday morning. Mrs. Farhm will be remembered as Miss Sylvia Brazeal, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Brazeal.

February 14, 1929:

Just as we had begun to congratulate ourselves on our escape from any severe winter weather, the ground hog having failed to see his shadow and all predictions being for an early spring, along comes the weather man and puts an end to our fond anticipations. Last Thursday just before noon it began snowing, keeping it up well into the night. Then early Friday morning it began again, coming from the north and keeping it up all day without intermission, being driven along by a cold wind. Friday night the clouds cleared away and Saturday morning the thermometer registered zero and Sunday morning it was 4 below. Monday morning it was 6 above and then it gradually became warmer until Tuesday night when the sky was again overcast with clouds. As we go to press Wednesday afternoon it had cleared off again with the wind in the northwest.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wakefield of Hartville are the proud parents of a nine pound boy born at the home of Mrs. Wakefield's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Carlson, Sunday morning.

Mrs. W. D. Neukirk and son, Frank, attended the funeral of John Eckland in Mountain Grove last Monday.

Exeter, Calif.: All the Missouri people in California were deeply shocked at the death of Mr. Knotwell, and all send their sympathy to Mrs. Knotwell and children.

W. H. Heffington has been very sick with the flu since he left here. Mrs. Inez Plant's husband died with the flu recently. Mrs. Plant is Mrs. Heffington's daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Drake are the proud parents of a baby girl. Mrs. Drake will be remembered as Miss Bonnie Garland.

February 7, 1929:

J. E. Greenwood of near Whetstone Creek, east of here, was struck by a fast freight at the Bell Crossing near Mountain Grove Saturday. His truck was demolished and he was dragged a half mile before the train men knew they had struck him. His knee cap was fractured and he suffered several cuts and bruises about the head and face. Aside from a severe shock he received no serious injury and will soon be all right again.

Katherine Smith, better known as Aunt Katie McKinley, was born Oct. 25th 1846; died Jan 9th, 1929; age 82 years, 2 months and 14 days. She had been crippled for 23 years but Influenza caused her death. She was sick only a few days. She was born in Arkansas but lived in Wright County five miles from Norwood most of her life until 21 years ago when she came with her brother, Peter McKinley, with whom she lived, to Dora, Mo. She joined the Baptist church when a girl and always remained a Baptist. She leaves one brother and wife and several nieces and nephews.

Mrs. J. D. Mallatt received word last week from her brother R. L. Burke, that his married daughter had died Jan. 25th at her home at Fallett, Texas. Deceased leaves her husband and baby, her parents, 3 brothers and 3 sisters.

R. L. Whitaker sold J. R. McIntosh 5 nice hogs Saturday at 7 cents a pound.

January 24, 1929:

Just as the community was recovering from the shock of the death of I. R. Knotwell, news came of the death of Bill Fletcher about 11:45 Monday morning at his home west of town. He was apparently in good health, having told friend Saturday that he had never felt better, and went out to do some work when a stroke of paralysis, brought on by the hardening of the arteries killed him almost instantly. He leaves his wife and 4 children, Harvey and Florence at home, Mrs. Maggie Stephens of Mountain Grove and a son in California, besides several brothers and sisters. Funeral services were held at Oak Grove Tuesday at one o'clock, Rev. W. H. Kelley officiating and interment was made in Oak Grove Cemetery.

Fay and James Eckles, 4 and 6 years old, sons of Roy Eckles of Kansas City, Kansas, died very suddenly Monday and their bodies were brought to Norwood for burial in the Curtis Cemetery Thursday.

Funeral services for I. R. Knotwell whose death was reported last week were conducted at the home Saturday afternoon by Father Isadore of Springfield by Father Isadore of Springfield and interment was in the Thomas Cemetery. Those from a distance who attended the funeral were Mr. Knotwell's two brothers, one from Wisconsin and the other from Nebraska and Mrs. Knotwell's brother Dave Slate of Wisconsin. Also the daughter, Miss Kathryn, who is employed at Pine Bluff, Ark. Mr. Knotwell is survived by his wife and three children, Marie and Will, at home and Kathryn of Pine Bluff, Ark., besides his brothers.

Lucinda Thomas was born in Macoupin County, Ill., coming to Southwest Missouri with her husband about 30 years ago. She departed this life Jan. 16, 1929, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Will Anderson, south of Norwood, at the age of 86 years, one month and seven days. She was the mother of six children, two of whom died when small. She professed religion when young and joined the Dunkard Church. She leaves 4 children and 20 grandchildren. Funeral services were held at the Oak Forest Church by Rev. G. Chadwell Jan 18th. Her body was laid to rest in the Oak Forest Cemetery.

Louisa Theresa Funderburgh was born at Allendale, Mo., Jan 7, 1891 and departed this life Nov. 14, 1928, at the age of 37 years, 10 months and 7 days. She went with her parents to Cheney, Mo. in 1895. It was here at about the age of 15 she was baptized into the church of Latter Day Saints. She was united in marriage to Albert Ussery Aug. 2, 1913. To this union were born 3 children. She came to Kansas with her husband in 1922. She was sent to Bell Memorial Hospital and underwent an operation for cancer. Her condition seemed to be encouraging but the poison accumulated in the liver and

almost sudden death resulted. She leaves to mourn their loss, her husband, Albert Ussery; 3 children Zelma, Robert and Draxa; three brothers, Fred Funderburgh of Idaho; W. W. of Laverne, Okla., and Rolla of Winfield, Kans; one sister, Clara Smith of Tipton, Kans.; and one half sisters, Mrs. Mamie Roach of Arcadia, Kans. Funeral services were conducted in the Latter Day Saints Church at Netawaka, Kans., Nov. 17, Rev. Buck, pastor of the M. E. Church of that place delivering the sermon. The body was placed at rest in the Netawaka Cemetery.---Kansas Paper

January 17, 1929:

Once more the hand of the death angel has plucked a beautiful blossom from our midst. Lila Mae Dell Vining, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Vining, was born July 14, 1922 and departed this life Jan 13, 1929, being 6 years, 5 months and 29 days old. She leaves a father, mother, 2 brothers and 3 sisters. Brother Will Anderson conducted the funeral services at Pleasant Hill, Jan. 14, after which the little body was laid to rest in the Lone Star Cemetery.

Robert Sibiener Brown was born Sept 11, 1860 at Kingston, Roan County, Tenn. He came to Wright County, Mo. about 1893. He was united in marriage to Tennessee Shackelford the 19th day of August 1894. To this union were born three children, Glen Lee, Erben and Loyd Washington Brown, all of which are still living. He joined the Missionary Baptist Church when about 21 years of age. He departed this life Jan. 8. 1929 at the age of 68 years, 3 months and 27 days. He leaves 3 brothers and 2 sisters: M. C. Brown, Euchee, Tenn.; J. D. Brown, Maud, Okla.; J. B. Brown, Ada, Okla.; Mrs. J. A. Lewis, Erie, Tenn.; and Mrs. B. H. Lowery, Ada, Okla. His funeral service was held at the Curtis Cemetery by Rev. G. Chadwell Jan. 11th and his body was laid to rest there.

William Drake of Macomb died of pneumonia fever last Friday afternoon. The body was shipped to Manhattan, Kans. for burial.

S. R. Barnett has been appointed as Superintendent of the County Farm for a term of two years, beginning Feb. 8, 1929.

Rev. G. Chadwell was called to the Dennis Church, north of Mansfield, Wednesday to preach the funeral of Bud Cantrell.

At the recent meeting of the County Court, William Plemmons Deatherage was adjudged insane and order sent to State Hospital No. 3 at Nevada.

Exeter, Calif.: Tom Purtle passed away Nov. 27, 1928 at his ranch home near Tulare. Mr. Purtle had been ill for about two months with heart trouble and pneumonia. He was a native of Norwood. He leaves a wife, one daughter and 9 sons. Funeral services were conducted at Globe Parlor Nov. 29th by Rev. Tyler of the Church of God.

January 10, 1929:

W. R. Kempt ran his truck into the ditch between Springfield and Seymour last Friday evening, overturning it and injuring himself. He turned to the ditch to avoid a collision with another automobile. No damage was done to the truck except for a split tarpaulin, but Mr. Kempt had three ribs fractured, which will put him out of action for awhile.

According to Fred McMillian, local Frisco agent, 227 car loads were shipped from Norwood in 1928. They were as follows: Cattle, 97; Hogs, 23; Cordwood, 43; Staves, 26; Ties, 23; Sheep and Goats, 7; Mules, 1; Walnut logs, 6; Lumber, 1. Also, during 1928, Norwood received a total of 163 car loads, as follows: Flour, 40; Corn, 6; Furniture, 2; Cement, 2; Hardware, Implements and Wire, 2; Potatoes, 2; Automobiles, 2; Feed, 67; Cattle, 11; Hay, 8; Salt, 4; Fertilizer, 2; Coal, 2; Lumber and Shingles, 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Robinson of Exeter, Calif., formerly of Norwood, report the birth of an eight pound girl on Dec. 30.

January 3, 1929:

A double wedding of interest to our readers occurred at Hartville on Christmas Eve when Ray Wedge and Miss Wanda Anderson of near Norwood, and Medley Towe, of Olathe, and Miss Thelma Anderson were united in marriage by Rev. C. C. Vanzant in the latter's home.

Elizabeth Ann Tennes was born at Carlinville, Macoupin County, Illinois, Jan 5, 1844. Departed this life at her home in Norwood, Mo. December 24, 1928, at 12:05 a.m., at the age of 84 years, 11 months and 19 days. She was first married to William Tavis who preceded her in death and she was later united in marriage to C. T. Schoonover on Dec. 20, 1889. She leaves to mourn their loss the husband, C. T. Schoonover, and three sons and two daughters-in-law, Charles and Ada Tavis, of Kansas City, Mo., W. H. and Mabel Tavis, of Sand Springs, Okla., and John Tavis of Nevada, Mo. all of whom were present at the funeral except Ada and John. Mrs. Schoonover had been a resident of Norwood since 1894. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Ben F. Nall at the Methodist Church, of which deceased had long been a member, Dec. 26 at 2:30 p.m. and the body was laid to rest in the Norwood Cemetery.

Francis Marion Smallwood was born near Ann in Douglas County, Mo. July 6, 1871, and departed this life at his home in Norwood Dec. 26, 1928; age 57 years, 5 months and 20 days. He was converted in early life and joined the Mt. Ararat Baptist Church. He was united in marriage to Viola Ann Penner June 27, 1900. To this union were born 6 children, the oldest of which died in infancy and one son, Anzelle, died March 6, 1910. He is survived by his wife, one son, Duward, who is in the U. S. Navy and was unable to get leave of absence to visit his father in his last illness or to attend his funeral; three daughters, Mrs. Ruby Broadus, Mrs. Mae Cramer and Viola Fay Smallwood. Brother Smallwood was a member of the Masonic Lodge for many years. He was a member of Norwood Baptist Church. He was a great singer and led song

services for years. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. G. Chadwell at the family cemetery near Vanzant in Douglas County. Masons conducted the burial service which was very beautiful. His body was laid to rest by the side of his two children.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Cunningham are the proud parents of a baby boy.

January 2, 1930: (Maybe things are back in order.)

Bee Robert Allen, 24, died at 10:15 o'clock Wednesday night in a Springfield hospital, and one hour later, at 11:15, Sam Bartell, 35, died in a West Plains hospital. Both men were fatally injured shortly after 1 o'clock on Christmas Day in an air plane crash at Cabool. The front and top of Allen's head were severely crushed. Bartell suffered a head injury, a compound fracture of bones of the left leg, a double fracture of the left arm and internal injuries. The crash occurred near the home of L. Richardson, near U. S. Highway No. 60 at the west edge of Cabool, the plane falling from a height of some 50 to 75 feet. About 1 o'clock the two men had warmed up the plane and started for Mountain Grove, taking off from the field east of Cabool. They flew across the town, spectators testified at a height of 50 to 75 feet and were apparently having difficulty in gaining altitude, and when near the edge of town nose-dived to the earth. The men were dragged from the badly wrecked aircraft by persons who saw the fall and then were taken to the Galord-Elliott funeral parlors in Cabool in an automobile by two brothers, Verne and Orville Laws. There first aid was administered by Dr. L. M. Edens who ordered that they be taken immediately to hospitals. Young Allen was hurried to Springfield in a Gaylord-Elliott ambulance, accompanied by Dr. J. T. Cavalier of Cabool. Bartell was removed soon afterward to the West Plains hospital in an ambulance summoned from the C. R. Burns Undertaking company at Willow Springs. Bee Allen was the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Allen of Mountain Grove. His parents were notified of the accident and followed the ambulance to Springfield and were at their son's bedside when death came Wednesday night. His old brother, Jesse, is a high school teacher at Phoenix, Ariz. He is also survived by his wife and daughter, 4 years old, who live at Willow Springs, and a son, 6 years old, born to his first wife. The machine in which the men were flying was an American Eagle, the property of George Hartley, a farmer residing seven miles southeast of Mountain Grove. It was considered a trust-worthy craft by aviators who had examined it. Hartley purchased the plane last fall and stationed it a Mountain Grove where he expected to build up a flying school. Bartell was employed as pilot and instructor. The plane had been taken to Cabool last Friday where it had been intended to take passengers for short rides. Warned by Cabool residents that Bartell was in no condition to pilot an air plane, Mayor McKinney went to the flying field and forbade him to take up passengers for Christmas rides. Funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock for Bee Allen at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Allen, in Mountain Grove, by the Rev. F. O. Hunt, pastor of Trinity Methodist Church. Interment was at Hillcrest Cemetery.

Marriage Licenses: Ivan Land and Eula Matlock, both of Mansfield; Raymond Reberry and Eldora Jones, both of Mountain Grove; Frank Lucas and Amy May Binkley, both of Norwood; Ray Crisp and Fern Cline, both of Manes; Orville Jones and Cecil Marcum,

both of Grovespring; James H. Shannon and Cora Weaver, both of Mountain Grove; Melvin Binley and Velda Pope, both of Macomb; John J. England of Joplin and Georgia Lee Kessinger of Topeka; William Junior Snively of Norwood and Doris Lee Frost of Kansas City; Roy D. Shirley of Mudlick, Ky. and Vivian Jones of Grovespring; Dale Henderson and Hazel Lyman, both of Springfield.

Four armed men held up and robbed William Cottengim at his home in Hartville last Friday night. The men drove up to the Cottengim home in a car and a fifth man remained with the car, keeping the motor running, while the other four went into the house where they bound and gagged Mr. Cottengim, his daughter, Mrs. Edwards, and a neighbor woman who was calling at the home at the time. They chisled open the safe where the money and other valuables was kept, secured about \$700 in cash and carefully examined all papers in the safe but finding nothing that would be of value to them, took nothing but the cash. The victims were unable to free themselves and were found later by a neighbor who released them. Sheriff M. J. Crewse was notified of the robbery and he at once notified police headquarters in Springfield to be on the look-out for the bandits who were in a Chevrolet sedan. Police of St. Louis and Kansas City were also notified.

Mrs. F. M. Bell, for many years a resident of Norwood, died at her home in Mansfield last Thursday. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the M. E. Church in Mansfield and interment was at that place.

Rose Wilder Lane, the author, who lives on highway 60 west of Norwood, returned home last week from New York here she had been spending a few weeks.

Melvin Binley and Miss Velda Pope of Macomb were united in marriage by Squire Fuge in Mansfield Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Coats have a new baby girl at their home. She has been named Betty Jean.

Miss Zola Morgan who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. A. Campbell, at St. Joe, returned home Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell have a new baby girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wedge are the proud parents of a little daughter born Dec. 28th.

January 9, 1930:

Harriet and Vernon Agee who went to Hammond, Ind. in December to live with their mother, Mrs. Louise Agee, returned to Norwood Sunday morning and will continue to make their home with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Swing.

Mr. Leland Henry and Miss Oma McIntosh, of Norwood, were united in marriage by Rev. L. W. Hensley in Hartville Tuesday, Dec. 31, 1929.

January 16, 1930:

Sheriff M. J. Crewse, Deputy Sheriff Andrew Allen and Constable Charles H. Irwin, with Prosecuting Attorney Leonard E. Newton, made a raid Monday, January 6, and arrested Bill Hill, Roscoe Shields, Charles "Buss" Sherrell, Earl Brumley and Ted Raney, charged with unlawfully and feloniously selling hooch, moonshine or corn whiskey. Their trials are set for Monday, January 20, before Justice J. W. Allen. Two or three others who are wanted, heard of their danger in time to get out of town.---Mountain Grove Journal

The County Court was in session Tuesday at which time the Wright County Bank was named as temporary depository for the County funds previously kept in the Ryan Bank at Norwood. The bank furnished additional bond which was approved by the court. An order was made for the payment of all County warrants, on the pauper fund, salary fund and jury and election funds, registered previously to Aug. 1 and all warrants on the Contingent fund registered up to June 1, 1929. This order involves the payment of more than \$20,000. It is the opinion of the court that when all 1929 taxes are collected and turned in there will be sufficient funds on hand to pay all warrants registered in 1929. This would indicate that our county is in better financial condition that it was a year ago. The Court will meet again next Tuesday, Jan. 21, at which time the bondsmen for the Ryan Bank will meet with them for the purpose of making arrangements for the payment of the \$6800 of County funds which were in the bank at the time it closed.

Marriage Licenses: L. R. Gaddis and Flossie Boykin, both of Huggins; Homer Davis and Opal Hale, both of Mountain Grove.

James Peck and children of Rogersville are here visiting his brother, P. A. Peck and family. Mr. Peck's wife died last week.

Alice Louise Carter was born in Bentonsport, Iowa, Feb. 5, 1865. This was her home until her marriage to Frank M. Bell at Lawrence, Kansas, Nov. 5, 1885. No children were born to this union. Shortly after their marriage they moved to Wright County, Mo., where they have lived every since. She joined the Christian Church in early life. She was also a member of the Royal Neighbors Lodge. Mrs. Bell's last sickness was of about 6 weeks duration. Death came on Thursday, Dec. 26, 1929, at the family home in Mansfield. She leaves to mourn their loss her husband, F. M Bell and his brother H. H. Bell, who had made his home with them ever since their marriage; and a sister, Mrs. Mattie A. Jack, of Bentonsport, Iowa, who was at her bedside two days before she passed away. Funeral services were conducted at the M. E. Church in Mansfield Sunday Dec. 29, by Rev. J. W. Patterson. Burial was in the Mansfield Cemetery.

January 23, 1930:

James Riley Padgett was born July 16, 1876 and departed this life Jan. 17, 1930, being 53 years of age. In May of 1899 he was married to Tresa Pollmier who died the

following year. He was converted while young. He leaves to mourn his departure, his mother, two sisters, Mrs. Lizzie King of Kansas City and Grace of Norwood; two brothers, John of Chiles, Kansas, and Charles of Norwood. He had not been sick and had just retired for the night when he passed away without a struggle. Funeral services were conducted at the home Sunday afternoon by Rev. Ed. Brook. After services the body was taken to Norwood and his brother, Charles and Tom Perkins accompanied it to Adrian, Mo. for burial beside his father.

Uncle Dan Hylton, 73, of near Norwood and Mrs. Rachel Wade, 71, of Cabool, were united in marriage in Springfield Monday afternoon. They were childhood friends, having grown up together in Virginia. They will make their home on Mr. Hylton's farm.

Miss Daisy Marie Barnett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tiry Barnett, near Norwood and Mr. Vaughn Hutsell of Mountain Grove, were married last Thursday and will leave soon for California to make their home.

The community was greatly saddened by the death of George Hopewell, one of the old residents here. He died after a three days illness caused by a stroke of paralysis.

Saturday night a few friends charivariated Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Hopkins who were married Friday. Mrs. Hopkins was the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Burgess.

At the meeting of the County Court Tuesday the bondsmen of the Ryan Banking Co., were given until Feb. 3 to submit their final proposition for a settlement with the county for the county funds carried in the defunct bank.

The day after Christmas, Willy Moran came after J. T. Broadus and took him to Kansas City to the bedside of his sister, Mrs. Jim Lewis, who died the following Sunday.

The old saying has it that "the cat came back", but this time it was a dog. Just before the holidays, Harry Peters, who lives at West Branch, Iowa, came to Mansfield to attend the funeral of his father and decided to take the family dog home with him. The dog seemed to enjoy the trip to West Branch by auto and was apparently satisfied with his new home and surroundings. But, it seems that he had the idea that at Christmas time, the bones at Mansfield would be just a little juicier and the dog biscuits a little softer than those in the Iowa town, so on Christmas morning he failed to answer his master's call. Peters supposed the dog had been stolen until a few days later he received a letter from home that the dog had returned, a little tired and hungry but happy to be back in Missouri. He had travelled 500 miles alone.

The post office and the store of Henry Mallernee at Coldspring was robbed last Wednesday night, the loss being more than \$300.

January 30, 1930:

Wayne Claxton was killed last Friday morning when the truck he was driving from Mansfield to St. Louis overturned on a highway near Burgin, Mo. Another driver for the same company which employed Claxton drove along a few minutes after the accident to see the truck a mass of flames. He jumped from his own truck to look for Claxton and found him pinned beneath the wreckage. The driver hitched his truck to Claxton's and pulled it from Claxton's body, which by this time was burned beyond recognition. Young Claxton, who transported market products for the R. C. Claxton and Brothers Company, was the son of Marve Claxton, who lives near Grove Spring. Slippery highway was blamed for the accident.

Charging shortages of approximately \$25,000 in the accounts of David L. Connolly, cashier of the Ryan Banking Company of Norwood, who died in a Springfield hospital a few days before the bank failed, attorneys for the bank receivership yesterday began proceedings to collect upon the bond which guaranteed Connolly's conduct in the bank. Arthur Curtis of the law firm of Farrington and Curtis delivered to a representative of the National Surety Company a claim for the full amount of Connolly's bond, \$5,000. The claim was made to O. L. Sturbois, who went to Norwood for a personal investigation of the bank's condition before returning last night to his home office. At the same time a claim for \$2500 upon the \$5000 bond of Ralph L. Calhoun, assistant cashier of the bank, was made to Mr. Sturbois. The bonding company is expected to contest payment of this claim vigorously, contending that if any misapplied funds were paid to Calhoun he had no knowledge of the misapplications and received the money as salary due him. Mr. Curtis in his claim for payment of the full amount of Connolly's bond declared that an audit of the closed bank, made by the Southwest Audit and Systems Company of Springfield, revealed misapplications of bank funds amounting to more than \$25,000 and extending over a period of five years. The claim charged that in 1924 Connolly arbitrarily raised the listed value of the bank's building \$1000 and applied this amount to his own account. The same year, it is charged, he sold a note for \$1030 belonging to the bank and appropriated the amount for himself. In February, 1924, according to the Southwest Audit, Connolly placed an accommodation note for \$6000 in the bank to replace a \$3000 note which had been ordered out by the state bank department, and he appropriated some of the proceeds for himself. The report upon the Southwest Audit declares that twice in 1925 Connolly arbitrarily increased the total amount of listed notes in the bank, once by \$2000, which he placed in his own account, and again by \$1100, which he also took. It is charged that he placed no valid notes in the bank to take care of these amounts. In 1926, according to the claim made upon the bonding company, Connolly was given a note for \$3500 and a deed of trust which, according to the story of the friend who gave them to him, were not to be placed in the bank and were made only to make the friend's property judgment-proof. Connolly is accused of placing them in the bank and appropriating the proceeds himself. The biggest single shortage to the former cashier is alleged to have occurred in September, 1926, when it is charged that he increased the listed total of notes in the bank \$9955 without cause and placed this amount to his own credit. According to the audit, several small amounts of the money misappropriated by Connolly were placed to the credit of the assistant cashier, Mr.

Calhoun, whose father is a prominent merchant at Norwood and a former postmaster there. It is claimed, however, that Ralph Calhoun and his father put more than \$19,000 into the bank in a vain effort to save it, and that young Calhoun received much less from the bank's salary fund than he was entitled to get. It is his contention that money placed to his credit by Connolly was paid to him by the cashier as salary money, and he knew nothing of the transactions by which it was obtained. It is understood that the board of directors of the bank in May, 1928, put \$14,000 into the bank in an effort to keep the institution from failing.---Springfield Leader

In an interview with Mr. R. L. Calhoun, The Index was given the following corrections on the above report of the Auditors and receivers of the defunct, Ryan Bank of Norwood: Mr. Calhoun's father, Dr. W. S. Calhoun, never was a merchant at Norwood, nor was he ever postmaster, but has been a Dentist at Norwood for over 40 years. R. L. Calhoun was not an Assistant Cashier, nor was he an officer or director of the Ryan Banking Co. at the time that it closed, as he had sold his entire holdings on June first to D. L. Connolly and his resignation had been accepted and signed by N. F. Gresham, President; P. L. Connolly, vice president, and D. L. Connolly, cashier. Also that the Ryan Bank only paid to R. L. Calhoun as salary \$850 in 1924; \$300 in 1925; \$1000 in 1928; and \$100 in 1929. Making a balance due to R. L. Calhoun at only \$100 per month, and counting all money's received as salary and otherwise, a total of \$2150. This is not counting over \$19,000 that was placed in the Ryan Bank by W. S. Calhoun and R. L. Calhoun in a vain effort to save the depositors and other stock holders and community in and around Norwood.

Marriage Licenses: Luvon Hutsell of Mountain Grove and Daisy Marie Barnett of Norwood; Emmett A. Prock of Manes and Dorothy Pridgser of St. George; Ralph Moody of Macomb and Betty Lee of Mansfield.

We failed to mention in our last issue that Norwood had another fire. Monday morning of last week the tenement house across the street west of the Stark Produce Company caught fire, causing considerable excitement in that neighborhood before being extinguished. One room was a complete loss. The fire was caused by one of the tenants throwing hot ashes out through a window. The house was occupied by Oscar Taylor and family and Mr. and Mrs. Levi Preston and baby. Mrs. Preston was in bed sick at the time of the fire.

Mrs. George Townsend, wife of the senior editor of the Mountain Grove Journal, died at the family home in that city Sunday afternoon.

Charged with first degree murder in the death of M. B. Bateman, Springfield optometrist Ralph McClendon, a former state representative from Douglas County, is in jail at Ozark in default of \$10,000 bail pending a preliminary hearing Feb. 3rd.

M. F. Nall died at the hospital in Springfield Monday night at 11:25 o'clock from injuries received when he fell on the ice at his home in Norwood, Jan. 17th. His body was brought back here for burial Wednesday.

Reports are that Mrs. Jack Hanby, of Mansfield who was operated on Monday in Springfield is getting along fine. A 45 pound tumor containing 5 and 1/2 gallons of fluid was taken from her.

One of the most interesting publications that comes to our desk is the Railroad Man's Magazine published in New York by the Frank A. Munsey Company. The January number of this magazine is of special interest to Norwood folks on account of E.S. Dellinger, former Norwood boy, being one of the contributors. Mr. Dellinger's story, "Lure of the Rails," beginning this issue is a story of powerful interest. Speaking of himself Mr. Dellinger says: "Got my runnin' orders at Norwood, Mo. in 1886. Lived on a hill forty with the old folks. Attended the country school four months a year. Got my education chopping cord wood, cutting post oak sprouts and dodging grubs behind a bull-tongue plow. Folks, if you never tried to drive a wooden 'glut' with a hickory maul into a blackjack log that squirms like an eel on a hot pan when you hit it, nor ever had a broken hickory grub an inch through fly back and crack yuh on the shin, you don't know why we Ozark hillbillies go either school teaching or railroading as soon as we are old enough." Mr. Dellinger is at present teaching school at Springer, New Mexico.

February 6, 1930:

As mentioned in a brief news item in the Index last week, M. F. Nall died at the Baptist Hospital in Springfield Monday night, Jan. 27th, from injuries received when he fell on the ice at his home in Norwood 10 days before that time. She was brought back here Wednesday morning for burial in the family lot in the Thomas Cemetery. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. E. Brook at the Norwood Baptist church at 10:30. Millard Fillmore Nall was born in Kentucky Feb. 8, 1859. Departed this life Jan 27, 1930 at the age of 70 years, 11 months and 18 days. He was married to Ella Watson of Macon County, Mo., in 1882. To this union were born 6 children, 2 daughters and 4 sons. The girls died in infancy. The surviving sons are Ernest R. Nall, Bartlesville, Okla; Ben F. Nall, Norwood, Mo., and Charlie B. and Willie M. Nall of Springfield, Mo. all of whom were present at the funeral. The wife and mother preceded the husband and father in death several years ago. Mr. Nall was well known in Wright and Douglas counties, having spent most of his life near Norwood. He leaves his 4 sons and 8 grandchildren to mourn his departure.

Mrs. J. E. Hart received a telegram Monday announcing the death of Mrs. Mahalia Bruton at Tulare, Calif. Sunday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ira Scarborough, Tuesday morning at the home of Mr. Scarborough's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Scarborough, a fine baby girl.

The building being erected by Dr. W. S. Calhoun is to be cobblestone veneer with one story and basement. The Dr. had considered adding a second story to be used by the Masonic Lodge but decided that as he and Mrs. Calhoun were to have living quarters in the building they did not care to be bothered with the noise that would result from lodge meetings overhead at night.

February 13, 1930:

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Calhoun, Sr. who reside in Norwood are the parents of 15 children, 13 of whom are still living. They also have 58 grandchildren and 32 great-grandchildren living, making a total of 105 living members of this family in the 4 generations. They have 17 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren dead. Mr. Calhoun is 81 years and 7 months old while Mrs. Calhoun is 77 years and 3 months. They celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary last Fourth of July.

About 11:00 Saturday morning, the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Frye, west of Norwood, was destroyed by fire together with almost all the family's furniture, bed clothing and other household articles. The fire is supposed to have caught from a defective flue. We understand that Mr. Frye had only about \$300 insurance on both house and contents.

At a meeting of depositors of the defunct Ryan Bank Tuesday Judge Stewart of Ava was employed to look after the interests of the depositors during the further liquidation of the bank. Money to pay for his services was raised by popular subscription.

When Sam Chadwell parked his car near the post office Tuesday morning, the brake failed to hold and just a few minutes after Mr. Chadwell left it, the car ran backwards, being stopped when it hit the front of the Norwood Auto Co. garage. The car suffered but little damage.

A few weeks ago, the Norwood Auto Co. picked up a 1929 model Chevrolet roadster with a broken axle, on the detour north of town. By tracing back through the factory and locating the dealer who sold the car, it was found to belong to Charles Duncan of Atlanta, Ga., having been stolen from him on Jan. 6th.

Marriage Licenses: Newlen Truster and Chrissie Estell, both of Hartville; J. G. Forbes of Republic and C. M. Walker of Hartville.

February 20, 1930:

Last Friday, Deputy Constable Frank Jarrett and deputy sheriff Mose Gray discovered a car near Norwood loaded with liquor and gave chase, going on as far as Carthage where they found that in some manner they had passed the fugitive on the road. Turning back they located the liquor car, a Studebaker Special at Diggins where it was undergoing repairs, but neither the liquor nor the man were there at the time. The officers waited until the man came after the car Saturday morning and then followed him to where he turned in to a by-road and loaded the booze into the car again. Coming back onto the highway, he was soon captured but not until the officers had shot down his tires. He was taken to Springfield and turned over to the Federal authorities. He gave his name as Ira Lett, age 31, and his home as Independence, Kansas. His bond was fixed at \$3000 which he was unable to fill and he was lodged in the Greene County jail to await trial. Lett is said to have served two prison terms.

Mrs. Mahala Bruton passed away Feb. 2nd at her home at 127 North California St., Tulare, Calif. Funeral services were held Feb. 4th at the Goble Parlors at 2 o'clock. Rev. Shields of the Church of God and Rev. Guy Jones of the First Baptist Church were in charge of the services. The pall bearers were Benton Purtle, Bert Purtle, Ray Purtle, Bethel Bruton and Fenton and Ray Dean, all grandsons of Mrs. Bruton. She spent most of her life in Norwood, Mo. She had been sick since Christmas. She was 86 years of age. She was converted at the age of 26 years. She leave 12 children and a number of grandchildren. Her children are: Mrs. R. H. Purtle, Mrs. Thomas Purtle and Smith Bruton of Tulare, Calif.; B. S. Bruton, Fresno, Calif.; Mrs. A. C. Dean, Madera, Calif., and Mrs. Lula Stone of Kansas City, Mo. who were at her bedside when the end came; J. R. Bruton, Powhatan, Ark.; Mrs. J. E. Hart, Mrs. M. M. Lane and Mrs. J. A. Kempt of Norwood, Mo.; Mrs. T. F. Baker and Charles Bruton of Joplin, Mo.

Through an oversight we failed to mention that the \$5000 bond of D. L. Connolly, former cashier of the defunct Ryan Banking Company, had been paid to J. E. Cahill, receiver. A check for \$5000 from the bonding Company was received by Farrington & Curtis, attorney representing Mr. Cahill. The money will go toward paying claims of depositors of the bank.

Marriage Licenses: Elizie Edwards and Ina Scott, both of Mountain Grove; Troy J. Preston of Norwood and Ola Long of San Bernardino, Calif.; Silas Wells and Lillian Yandles, both of Mansfield; Lannie Davis of Grove Spring and Edith Massey of Competition.

Dr. VanNoy reports the arrival of new boy babies last Wednesday, Feb. 12 at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Snavely south of town and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Keves of Mansfield.

A message received Tuesday morning by John L. Scarborough announced the arrival of a baby girl that morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Scarborough in Jefferson City. The newcomer answers to the name of Francis Lee.

Joe Hill entered a plea of guilty of disturbing public worship before Justice Hilsabeck in Mountain Grove, Monday of last week and was given 60 days in the county jail. It is said that Hill appeared at Caudle Church on the previous Saturday night in an intoxicated condition, creating quite a disturbance. He will have plenty of time in which to sober up while a guest in the county bastile.

Mrs. Jeff Ridens was brought here from Independence, Kansas and buried in Curtis Cemetery Monday Feb. 10. She passed away Feb. 7. Mr. Ridens and family used to live in this neighborhood. She is survived by her husband and 6 children.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Smith are the proud parents of a fine baby born Feb. 6th.

Richard Warren Sowersby, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sowersby, was born Jan. 7, 1901; died Feb. 8, 1930; aged 29 years, 1 month and 1 day. He was married to Grace B. Clark Feb. 3, 1926. He leaves his wife, one child, father, mother and 3 brothers to

mourn his departure. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Mose Willis at the Pentecostal Church in Macomb Feb. 10 and interment was in the Macomb Cemetery.

February 27, 1930:

Marriage Licenses: F. M. James of Almartha and Agnes Rippee of Foil; Orval Inman and Velma Jones, both of Norwood.

John Burns, an elderly man who, with Mrs. Burns, has been living in the Uncle John Bryant property for several months, died very suddenly Sunday morning from a heart malady. He was being taken to the doctor's office by Ralph Hammack and Roy Miller in a car when the car became stalled in a ditch. Mr. Burns got out of the car and while standing on the ground was stricken, dying before he could be gotten to the doctor. Mr. and Mrs. Burns came here from Nebraska and it is said that they lost all their money in the Ryan Bank failure last fall and that Mrs. Burns is left in destitute circumstances. A subscription paper was circulated Monday and donations taken for her. Short funeral services were conducted by Rev. G. Chadwell at the Christian Church Thursday morning at 10:30 and the body was shipped on the Sunnyland train that afternoon to Burlington, Colo. for burial. Mrs. Burns sold her household goods at auction Wednesday and her sister sent her \$200 to help defray expenses.

The writer (Florence Robertson) was a witness to the large meteor which fell last Monday morning at 4 o'clock. Our house was all lighted. I looked out the window and saw the largest object I had ever seen. It was falling fast, and I thought it was a burning air plane until we saw in the paper that it was a large meteor.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bradshaw are rejoicing over the arrival of a new baby girl born Sunday night.

Aunt Cynthia Medlock who has been seriously ill for some time passed away Feb. 10th. She leaves her husband, Thomas Medlock and 5 children.

We learned of the death of Uncle Taylor Rhoades today. He was laid to rest in the New Hope Cemetery. He was up in 80 years old. He died at the home of his brother Dan Rhoades of Cheney.

March 6, 1930:

\$55.55 was collected in donations to help Mrs. Sadie M. Burns who husband died suddenly Feb. 23.

Marriage Licenses: Clifford Brook and Maggie Long, both of Mountain Grove; H. V. Williams of Competition and Anna Bennett of Hartville; Henry Cantrell of Niangua and Erda Viola Lambert of Hartville; F. P. Garner and Nancy Curtis, both of St. George; Dan Mings and Pearl Lathrom, both of Rayborn; William Ray Hutsell of Hannibal and Martha Artha Ballard of Mountain Grove.

John P. Burns was born in LaVavette County, Wisconsin August 20th, 1861. Departed this life Feb. 23rd, 1930 at the age of 68 years, 6 months and 3 days. He moved with his parents to Iowa in 1876 where he grew to manhood. On April 5th, 1891 he was united in marriage to Miss Sadie Holten. To this union no children were born. In the year 1906, he moved to Kansas where he spent the most of the remainder of his life on a farm until his health failed. In the Spring of 1929, he moved to Missouri in the hope of recovering his health, but it did not help him. He leaves to mourn their loss a loving wife, 3 brothers and 2 sisters, Mrs. Marion McCrary, Mrs. J. W. Holton.

The special grand jury in session at Hartville the past week returned indictments against N. F. Gresham, president; P. L. Connolly, vice president; Roy C. Raney, assistant cashier; and Homer Chadwell, bookkeeper, of the Ryan Banking Co. The officials are charged on 6 different counts with having taken deposits from customers while the bank was in a failing condition. Gresham, Connolly and Raney each appeared in court Tuesday and posted \$3500 bonds each. Chadwell has been employed in Kansas City for some time. The men will likely be tried in June. The jury completed its work and adjourned Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Ann Hurt, daughter of Elihu Gregory, died last Friday and was buried Saturday in the Spillman Cemetery, funeral services being conducted at the cemetery. She is survived by her husband and one son.

The 10 year old son of Mrs. John Woody died from an attack of typhoid fever last Thursday night at her home near Macomb. Mrs. Woody lost a new born infant only a week before and her husband passed away only a few months ago.

March 13, 1930:

Mr. Owen Cottengim and Miss Jewell Doyel slipped off to Hartville Saturday afternoon, securing a license and were united in marriage before returning home. Mr. Cottengim is a prominent young farmer, the son of Mrs. Mattie Cottengim, while the bride is the accomplished daughter of Mrs. Willa Doyel. She has been employed in the VanNoy Drug Store for nearly two years. The happy young couple will make their home on the Cottengim farm on Clark's Creek. A number of young folks were out to Charivari them Monday night but failed to find anyone at home. Though the nest was still warm the love birds had flown. However, the merry-makers were able to find a supply of cigars and candy and made themselves very much at home for awhile.

Marriage Licenses: Owen Cottengim and Jewell Doyel, both of Norwood; Guy Martin and Fran Priester, both of Hartville; Willie Tate and Hazel Randle, both of Mountain Grove.

Funeral services were held here (Oak Forest) by Bro. Stanton Sunday for Grandma Woods who died in Springfield.

We have a couple of fine boys at our house. They arrived between 9:30 and 10 o'clock Saturday night and weighted 5 1/2 and 6 pounds. They have been named Russell Dean and Robert William. Mother and babies are getting along fine. (The writer was Roy Bearce).

March 20, 1930:

John L. "Tint" Woods, formerly in the merchandise business in Norwood, died at his home in Springfield last Wednesday and the body was brought back here for burial Thursday, funeral services being conducted at the Christian Church and interment in the Norwood Cemetery.

March 27, 1930:

Marriage Licenses: Willie Tate and Hazel Randle, both of Mountain Grove; Damon Robinette of Hartville and Nola Owens of Norwood; Everett Brazeal and Elva Lucille Rosevear, both of Mansfield; Jim Bressie and Iva Kelton, both of Hartville; Owen L. Gregory and Jeauleta Smith, both of Hartville.

The community was saddened Thursday to learn that Mrs. Jim Bradshaw had passed away at her home in Norwood after a short illness. Funeral services were conducted Friday by Rev. Clarence Ussery and burial was in the Relaford Cemetery. Mrs. Bradshaw leave her husband and a number of children.

Mary Ann West was born at Jacksonville, Ill., Jan. 26, 1852, and departed this life at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Gertrude Williams, near Norwood, Mo., March 20, 1930 at the age of 78 years, two months and 20 days. She was united in marriage to James Whitworth Oct. 26, 1867. Five children were born to this union, three of whom survive her: Mrs. Gertrude Williams, Norwood, Mo.; Mrs. Emma Freeland, San Francisco, Calif.; and W. E. Whitworth, Kansas City, Mo. Three grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren also survive. After the death of Mr. Whitworth, she was united in marriage to Joseph Wendell who departed this life in 1920. No children were born to this union. A short funeral service was held at the Norwood Cemetery where her body was laid to rest.

Mrs. William Goad, aged 35 years, died at her home at Imboden, Ark., last Thursday and the body was brought to Norwood to the home of her mother, Mrs. Ada Bruton, Friday. Funeral services were conducted by her pastor from Imboden at the Norwood Baptist Church Sunday afternoon and interment was in the Thomas Cemetery. She is survived by her husband and two children besides her parents and brothers and sisters. Mrs. Goad will be remembered as Miss Ona Bruton.

Susie Cameron was born Jan. 28, 1893 at Joplin, Mo. She was married to J. L. McIntosh Oct. 22, 1910. To this union were born 7 children, 4 boys and 3 girls. One of the boys died in infancy. Mrs. McIntosh professed faith in Christ at an early age. She

departed this life March 20, 1930 at the age of 37 years, one month and 22 days. She leaves her husband and 6 children to mourn her departure.

Mr. and Mrs. Leco Jones of Grove Springs spent Saturday night with her aunt, Mrs. P. O. Carlson. Mrs. Jones was formerly Miss Gladys McAllister.

April 3, 1930:

Little Wilma Fay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kelley, was born April 8, 1926 and departed this life March 30, 1930. Her father, mother, 2 brothers and 3 sisters are left to mourn their loss.

The community is greatly saddened by the death of Mrs. J. E. Coats, better known as Aunt Hat, who passed away in Los Angeles, Calif., Sunday, March 23rd. Going there for her health, she had been gone only a few weeks. Her body was brought back here for burial in the Brushy Knob Cemetery Thursday. She leaves besides her husband, 4 sons, Percy of Brushy Knob; Hugh, Clyde and Jim of California, and 7 grandchildren.

Marriage Licenses: Charlie Stalker of Conway and Rhoda Collins of Hartville; Luther Dye of Ava and Pearl Handy of Mansfield.

April 10, 1930:

On Sunday April 6th, the Sheriff of Picher, Oklahoma brought Fred Anderson and the Sheriff from Joplin, Missouri, brought Arthur Hunter to Hartville. Anderson confessed to the Cottengim robbery, that occurred in December 1929. He told all details and said that Hunter was with him. He said that Arthur had planned the whole robbery, telling him that there would be at least \$50,000 or \$60,000 loot. M. J. Crewse, Sheriff, and Leonard E. Newton, prosecuting attorney, left Monday morning for Jefferson City, with a requisition for 3 more of the men, held in Columbus, Kansas jail. The above news of the capture of the Cottengim robbers was sent by our Hartville correspondent after we already had in type the following taken from Monday's St. Louis Post-Dispatch: Arthur Hunter of Joplin and Fred Anderson of Oklahoma, alleged members of a gang accused of bank robberies and other hold-ups in Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma, were brought to Hartville Saturday to face charges of robbing William Cottengim, 82 year old retired merchant. Hunter was arrested at Joplin and Anderson was removed from jail at Miama, Okla. Mrs. Pansy Edwards, daughter of Mr. Cottengim, identified "Big George" Harrelson, another alleged member of the gang, as one of the robbers who obtained more than \$800 from her father several weeks ago. Harrelson is in jail at Columbus, Kansas. Confession obtained from various members of the alleged gang implicated the men in the holdup, officers said, in addition to several others in the three states. Harrelson and Ernest royal, who is held at Mowata, Okla. are the two bandits who confessed to the actual robbery while other members waited outside.

J. W. Jackson, Mayor of Hartville, died at his home there Sunday April 6th, after 10 days illness with pneumonia. He was 72 years of age and is survived by his wife and 5

daughters and 2 sons, namely: Nola Pemberton, Weolika, Okla.; Bess Robinett of Oklahoma; Ruth Grossenheider, St Louis; Fay Jackson, Mountain Grove; Audrey Carter, Hartville; Owen Jackson, St Louis; and Irvin Jackson, Mountain Grove. He also leaves several sisters. Mr. Jackson formerly served as prosecuting attorney of Wright County before becoming mayor of Hartville, which office he held for several terms.

Mr. and Mrs. Young who live on the Will Eberhart place are the proud parents of a fine big baby girl.

April 17, 1930:

M. J. Crewse, Sheriff, and Leonard E. Newton, Prosecuting Attorney, returned to Hartville Saturday night from Columbus, Kansas, where they had gone in an attempt to gain possession of George Harrelson, being held there in connection with the Cottengim holdup. On interviewing Leonard E. Newton concerning the trip to Jefferson City and Columbus, Kansas, the follow was learned: After getting writs from the Government at Jefferson City and ready to bring defendant back to Missouri, the defendant's attorney field a writ of habeas corpus and the hearing on this writ is set for Saturday, April 19, in Columbus, Kansas. The defendant is making a hard fight through his attorney to keep from being brought back to Missouri for trial on the Cottengim robbery. M. J. Crewse, Mrs. Pansy Edwards, L. E. Newton and Fred Anderson, one of the confessed bandits, will be present for this trial Saturday. Newton also says, that "Pittsburg Fred" another bandit, thought to be one of the seven that committed the Cottengim robbery was captured and is in jail at Pittsburgh, Kansas but had not yet been identified. The prosecuting attorney has spent a great deal of time on this case, but says that without a doubt he intends to bring these men back for the trial they deserve. In cast Harrelson is not dismissed, his trial will be set for June 9 in circuit court, the officers declared.

The infant of Mr. and Mrs. Berley Hancock was buried at the New Hope Cemetery Sunday.

Marriage Licenses: Hersel Holland and Cassie Todd, both of Mountain Grove; Elmer Dowsey and Ruth I. Elliott, both of Mountain Grove.

I am making this statement for those who have been led to believe that I did not pay board for my boy, Murl Ehman, during my trip to Kansas City this last winter. His board was paid by me before I left and he also did chores which were not in the contract. He helped feed, milk, carried water half of a quarter from the house, cut cord wood, and had to get up and build fires or be late for school. I also want to say that I did not have intentions of having anyone adopt this boy as I would not have adopted him myself two years ago if I had wanted anyone else to adopt him, nor did I discuss with anyone about adopting the boy, in fact I never thought of such a thing. Any statement other than this is false and untrue.---Ernest L. Ehman

Edward Lee is the name of a fine 11 pound boy born to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Potter at their home at St. James April 12th.

Miss Lillie Letsinger was called to Mansfield Friday on account of the death of her cousin, Leo Letsinger, who died that day at the family home south of Mansfield. Funeral services were held Saturday morning at 11 o'clock at the Prairie Hollow Church and interment was at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Mulkey are the proud parents of a 9 1/2 pound son born Saturday. Mother and baby are doing nicely. The new son has been named Wayne.

April 24, 1930:

Norwood Graduating Class: Max Huffman, Frank Royal, Carl Cramer, Frank Calhoun, Raymond Wood, Marcus Mitchell, Wilbur Jarrett, Lura Raney, Golda Hart, Pansy Hart, Pauline Hart, Opal Hiser, Lola Long, Mabel Helums, Berniece Kelley, Velma Conrow and John Ellis

Statement: To the few who may be misled about the board bill mentioned before: We were to receive \$2 a week to be allowed on a wood saw for which we are holding the saw. There was no contract whatever, but the said party was to help do chores by agreement. The chores consisted of milking three cows (all strippers). He helped milk two or three times, carried about 30 ears of corn nearly a quarter of a mile ONE night; helped saw down one tree on his own accord which was the cord wood he cut. I was informed before he came that he could not sleep after 5 a.m. and that he always built the fires. He built the fire on morning while with us, and we learned, when allowed, he could sleep as late as anyone. The adoption part was news as we have all we can care for and I wouldn't adopt any child whose ancestors I knew nothing about. Statements made contrary are positively false.---S. O. Compton

At the hearing held at Columbus, Kansas last Saturday, George Harrelson, charged with being implicated in the Cottengim robbery, was turned over to the Wright County officers who brought him to Hartville. Arthur Hunter was transferred to the jail at Ava Sunday morning while Harrelson and Fred Anderson are being held in the Hartville jail. Anderson has waived preliminary hearing, but Hunter and Harrelson will be given a hearing before J. D. Turner, Justice of the Peace of Hart township, Tuesday, April 29th.

Marriage Licenses: Earl Still of Conway and Ellen Hunnicutt of Hartville

A marriage license was issued at Houston last week to Lewis Brook of Dawson and Virgie Headley of Hartville.

Walter Williams of Mansfield, plead guilty to the possession of 11 pints of liquor before Squire Hilsabeck of Mountain Grove, Monday, April 21, and was fined \$200 and costs.

Mrs. William Conley who has been in poor health for some time passed away Monday, April 14, and was buried in Turkey Creek Cemetery Tuesday. Her two children, Edna and Edmund, will make their home with their mother's relatives.

May 1, 1930:

"Big George" Harrelson and Art Hunter were given a preliminary hearing before Justice of the Peace J. D. Turner in Hartville Tuesday. This hearing brought out all the details of the Cottengim robbery committed here in December. Both men were bound over to the June term of Circuit court and are being held in jail under a \$10,000 bond each. The confession of Ernest Royal, another of the alleged bandits, is developing lots of evidence against the others.

J. F. "Jack" Allen, a highly respected citizen of Hartville, died at his home in that city Thursday, April 17th. He had been suffering for a number of years with diabetes but had been feeling pretty good and was able to be up most of the time. He started to go out on the back porch of his home but after opening the door suddenly swooned and fell. He got up, however, and went out on the porch where he again fell. This time he was carried into the house and placed on the bed where he passed away after a few minutes. The funeral was held at the home Sunday, April 20, conducted by Rev. Walker of the Christian Church of Hartville. Mr. Allen was the father of Mrs. W. E. Ellis of Norwood.

The following from the Fresno, Calif. Bee tells of the accidental death of Maynard Killian, who was raised on a farm one-half mile north of Norwood, being a son of Uncle Mose Killian and a brother of Henry Killian and Mrs. Uphia Ryan: Maynard L. Killian, 39, of 420 Recreation Avenue, an employee of the San Joaquin Light and Power Corporation, was instantly killed yesterday afternoon when a light automobile he was driving collided with another car at the corner of Ashland and Modoc avenues six and a half miles northwest of Kerman. Alex Afinsoff, a ranch worker living near the corner of Belmont and Humboldt avenues, six miles northwest of Kerman, was the driver of the other car. He was not hurt. Killian was employed as a truck driver by the power company. He was connected with the gang laying a power line along Ashlan Avenue, and had been dispatched to Fresno to get some dynamite. Afinsoff said he was returning from a ranch near the San Joaquine river where he had been working and did not see the car driven by Killian until too late to avoid it. He said Killian's car was travelling at a high rate of speed. Killian's machine hit that of Afinsoff broadside. Bystanders summoned Dr. J. C. Drake of Kerman and took Killian to a nearby farmhouse. He died a few minutes after his arrival. His injuries consisted of a fractured skull and a crushed chest. The body was taken in charge by the coroner. Power company records show that Killian was married. He had been employed by the company since 1923.

Mrs. Nellie Graves who has the new baby girl is getting along fine.

Mrs. Jim Kelley's mother passed away Sunday and was buried in Oak Grove Monday.

Marriage Licenses: Fred Newberry and Verba Boyer, both of Hartville.

Friends here recently received word of the death of Bob Martin of Cabool. He was a brother of Mrs. J. A. Bradshaw, formerly of Norwood.

May 8, 1930:

Ralph Moore of Hartville was arrested for forgery and taken to Springfield.

George Zurley, one of the men wanted in connection with the Cottengim robbery, has been arrested in Birdseye, Kansas, and is also being held in connection with two State Bank robberies. Cheser Dokes, under arrest at Pryor, Oklahoma and Earnest Royal, held at Nowata, are also charged with participating in these bank robberies. According to the confession of Earnest Royal, taken here last week, all of these men are guilty of the robbery here last winter.

Marriage Licenses: Paul Robinett of Hartville and Leone Hutsell of Rayborn; James Fry and Elsie Hedrich Branstetter, both of Mansfield.

The long drought was broken in Norwood and immediate vicinity Friday with a heavy rain accompanied by hail. It was no ordinary rain but a regular clod soaker and gully washer. The rain came down in torrents and soon all low places were turned into temporary lakes and the ditches all became roaring streams. The rain and hail storm seemed to have been staggered for the special benefit of this community as 4 miles south of town it only rained enough to barely lay the dust and folks coming in from Mountain Grove and from Hartville reported no rain at either place.

An item in the Index last week stated that Bob Martin who died at Cabool was a brother of Mrs. J. A. Bradshaw, but what we intended to say was that he was a brother of Mrs. J. A. Bradford.

Mrs. John Kelley just received word of the marriage of her niece, Miss Thelma Dake, of Tulare, Calif., to Mr. Oattie Owens, also of Tulare.

Dwight Davidson and Miss Hazel Allyn, formerly of this neighborhood, were married last week in Arkansas where they will make their home.

Several from this community attended the funeral of Mrs. A. J. Williams at the Calhoun Cemetery.

Julia B. Johnston was born in Wright County, Missouri, Nov. 24, 1878. She was married to A. J. Williams in 1899. To this union were born 2 children, Grace and Earl, the latter preceding his mother in death in his infancy. Grace is living in Coffeyville, Kansas. Julia professed faith in Christ in her girlhood days. She departed this life April 30, 1930. She leaves her husband, a daughter, 5 brothers and a sister.

May 15, 1930:

Last month the Index had another birthday, but we were too busy at the time to take notice of the event. However, we are well started now on our fourth year with prospects of long life and continued prosperity ahead.

N. L. Botten, Mountain Grove undertaker and coroner of Wright County, died at his home in Mountain Grove early last Wednesday morning from a heart attack. He had attended the Eastern Star lodge meeting in Norwood the evening before, but was not feeling well and declined to make a talk with called on. Mr. Botten had lived in Mountain Grove since 1915 and was active in the support of every move for the betterment of his city and surrounding territory. Funeral services were held at Trinity Methodist Church Friday afternoon, his pastor, Rev. F. O. Hunt, preaching the sermon. Burial was in Hillcrest Cemetery. Mr. Botton was born in Milwaukee, Wis., June 2, 1866. He was united in marriage to Miss Mary Barnes of Helena, Ark., Nov. 20, 1906. They had no children and the widow alone survives him.

Mary Louise Smotherman was born Sept. 15, 1864 in Henry County, Tenn. She departed this life May 11, 1930 at the age of 65 years, 7 months and 26 days. She was married to Clint Atkins Nov. 26, 1896. To this union were born one son and one daughter, the son preceding her in death in infancy. She leave to mourn her departure her husband and daughter and two brothers, Sam Smotherman of Murray, Ky. and John Smotherman of Tulare, Calif. She united with the Methodist Church early in life. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. H. Kelley Monday afternoon and interment was in the Jackson Cemetery.

On Saturday, May 10, Deputy Sheriff Joe H. Dennis and Mose Gray, with the assistance of other deputies raided the place of Charles Burns who lives on Whetstone and found 70 gallons of wine. The wine was destroyed with exceptions of enough for evidence. Mr. Burns was brought to the county jail at Hartville and released on bon for \$500 for his appearance at the June term of circuit court.

Sheriff M. J. Crewse arrested Taft Hitchcock Friday near Norwood and Rufus Hitchcock Saturday near Strafford on a charge of stealing chickens in the night time. The Hitchcock boys live near Norwood and are charged with stealing 10 or 12 hens from D. McNealy. They both waived preliminary examination and are being held in the county jail in default of bond until the June term of circuit court.

About 3:30 Monday morning parties tried to break into the F. J. Thompson filling station but were surprised by Mr. Thompson who shot at them 5 times. They attempted to escape in a Dodge car but ran into a ditch, whereupon they went to the home of Sam Bartley where they secured the Bartley Ford with which to pull their car out of the ditch. They then went on towards Mountain Grove with both cars. The Bartley car was captured this side of Mountain Grove by John Jarrett who shot down the tires. The man driving it escaped in the other car. Officers in Mountain Grove filed to recognize the

bandit car when it came into town as they had been notified to look out for a Ford. it is said that two men with the Dodge car had been in Norwood all day Sunday.

A new baby girl arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Locke of the Hickory Flat neighborhood last week.

If some folks that we know used as much energy in looking after their own business as they do in meddling in the affairs of others they would soon be living on Easy Street.

The blood hounds from Mountain Grove went through our (Shiloh) neighborhood after a couple of chicken thieves.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Conrow May 8th.

May 22, 1930:

Last Friday evening officers Ben Absher, Joe H. Dennis and Mose Gray captured a Fordor Chevrolet Sedan at Mansfield and confiscated 15 gallons of liquor, place under arrest the owner of the car, Frank Jones, of Pittsburg, Kans. and his three companions, Bert Haden of Picher, Okla., Virgil Stewart and Orville Inman of near Norwood. The liquor was all in one-gallon jugs. The car was seized and taken to Hartville together with the liquor and the four men who are being held in jail in default of bond.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Perkins are the proud parents of a 9 and 1/2 pound son, born May 16. The young man will answer to the name of Thomas Herschell Junior. Dr. VanNoy was attending physician.

The failure of the Young Brokerage Company in St. Louis has brought to light the fact that State Officials at Jefferson City were on the company's payroll, as legal advisors and members of the brokerage contributed large sums of money to the campaign expenses of other high officials. There is just as much rottenness around the State Capitol as the Teapot Dome, and it will all leak out some day.---West Plains Gazette

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wakefield are the proud parents of an 11 pound baby boy born May 17 at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Carlson. Mother and baby are doing fine.

May 29, 1930:

Wright County Circuit Court Convenes June 9; Norwood Bank Cases on Docket; 17 Divorce Cases

Much credit is due to D. S. Furnell of Mountain Grove, who, by the use of his blood hounds and in co-operation with local officers, have been instrumental in securing evidence that led to the arrest of a number of chicken thieves in the past few weeks. Mention has already been made of the arrest of the Hitchcock boys. Later they were

able to secure evidence that led to the arrest of Bill Barnett who lives one and one-half miles south of Mountain Grove. Barnett confessed to stealing chickens from J. W. Fletcher who lives near Whetstone bridge on the highway. Mr. Furnell was assisted by officers Charles Cole and Mose Gray on this case.

Our reporting was in error last week in stating that the arrest of Frank Jones, Bert Haden, Virgil Stewart and Orville Inman at Mansfield was made by Ben Absher, Joe H. Dennis and Mose Gray. The capture of these men was made by Mr. Absher alone.

The census enumerators for Wright County have all finished their work. It is desired to have the enumeration as complete as possible, therefore, all persons who believe that they have not been enumerated are requested to send their names to Marshall E. Carter, Supervisor of Census, Mountain Grove, at once.

Earnestine Dowthitt Felker was born in Ohio March 18, 1862. Departed this life May 21, 1930. She was united in marriage to Charles L. Felker Oct. 19, 1882. She was converted and joined the M. E. Church at the age of 15 years. She leaves to mourn their loss, Her husband, Charles L. Felker; one brother Samuel R. Dowthitt, of Corydon, Ind.; 6 children, Mrs. Herbert Bass, Fayette, Iowa; Arthur Felker and Mrs. William Joy, Norwood; Mrs. R. M. Norsworth, Ensign, Kansas; Ward Felker, Sioux City, Iowa; and Mrs. Olean Bass of Mansfield, Mo. and 18 grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Selph Jones of Mansfield at the Christian Church in Norwood Monday, May 26, and interment was in the Thomas Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs P. A. Peck and daughter Margy, attended the funeral of Ernest Peck near Rogersville Friday, returning home Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Hitchcock are the proud parents of a baby girl born May 24th.

June 4, 1930:

George T. Polk, son-in-law of J. H. Sanner of Norwood, died very suddenly Saturday evening at his home in Springfield. Supper had been served about 5 o'clock to enable the daughter, Florence, to go to her usual duties as an operator at the telephone building. The 14 year old son James had gone out to play with some of his boy friends, and only the youngest girl, Louise, was left at home with her father. The child left the room for a few minutes only to find her father dead when she returned about 8:30. Mr. Polk was sitting slumped forward in an easy chair, as if sleeping. He still wore his glasses and a pencil was in his hand which had fallen to his side. On his knee was a newspaper with a crossword puzzle almost worked. He very often amused himself with the puzzles in the evening. George T. Polk was born near Des Moines, Iowa, Aug. 13, 1860. Died at his home in Springfield, Mo. May 31, 1930. He was united in marriage to Mary S. Sanner in 1907. To this union were born 3 children, Florence, Jimmie and Louise. April 23, 1921 the mother was taken by death from the home. Besides the 3 children, he leaves two brothers, Ace of Brainerd, Minn., and Gus, of Bushong, Kansas and one sister Mrs. Cope of Marshallton, Iowa. Funeral services were conducted by

Rev. G. Chadwell at the Baptist Church in Norwood Tuesday afternoon and interment was in the Thomas Cemetery.

William Cottengim, aged capitalist and retired merchant, died at his home in Hartville Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bedford Cobb are the proud parents of a baby boy born May 31. Mother and baby are doing fine.

Marriage Licenses: Sherman Borders and Opal Cummings, both of Seymour.

June 12, 1930:

William Cottengim, son of Dill and Hiley Watkins Cottengim, was born October 15, 1846, near London, Kentucky and died at his home in Hartville June 3, 1930, at the age of 83 years, after a long illness. Funeral services were conducted at the M. E. Church in Hartville by Rev. George Wells of Stockton. In 1850 he moved with his family to Franklin County, Missouri. There he lived until he was 16 years of age when he ran away and joined the Federal Army near the beginning of the Civil War. He served as a bugler for three years, being stationed part of the time at Little Rock, Arkansas. After an honorable discharge he returned to his home and a little later, in 1866, the family moved to a farm in Wright County, Missouri. Mr. Cottengim and Sarah Elizabeth Turner were married in 1871. Eight children were born to them, four of whom are still living. They are: John Williamson Cottengim of near Norwood, Dill Woodson Cottengim of Hartville, Luke Weldon Cottengim of Grove Springs and Mrs. Betty Adams of Crescent, Okla. Mrs. Cottengim died April 2, 1886. Two years later Mr. Cottengim and his family moved to Hartville and he began general mercantile business which he continued for 31 years. He married Jessie Leon Kerr in 1893. They were the parents of four children: Mrs. Pansy Edwards of Hartville; Mrs. Leon Cable of Los Angeles, Calif.; Charles Donald Cottengim of Hartville; and Mrs. Jessie Ellis of Norwood. His late companion died January 7, 1928. Mr. Cottengim served as presiding judge for two terms in Wright County. Besides his children and their families, he leaves cousin, Willie Cottengim of Norwood, and two half-sisters, Mrs. Minerva Absher of near Norwood and Mrs. Susie Barnett of Tulare, California.

Last Tuesday night, officers Joe Dennis, Ben Absher and Lum Moore of Wright County gave chase to John Jarrett who was reported to be transporting a load of booze. He eluded the officers who notified officers at Cabool to be on the lookout for Jarrett and his companion, Mrs. Anne Franklin. As they came through Cabool they were commanded to stop by officers Marshall Brooks and John Broyles but the woman, who was driving, failed to heed the command and attempted to make a get-away. As she turned into a side road, they shot down one of the tires and the car was wrecked as it struck a culvert. The driver made her escape but Jarrett was arrested and 40 gallons of liquor was found in the car. Jarrett made affidavit that the liquor had been loaded in Wright County and he was turned over to authorities here. He was arraigned before Squire Fuge in Mansfield Wednesday and was released on \$2000 bond. In the meantime,

Mrs. Franklin was taken into custody by Texas County officers and was locked up at Houston. Jarrett decided that it was his duty to look after her so hid himself to the capital of Texas County where he too was put under lock and key by official at that place. Being unable to give bond there, he remained as an unwilling guest of the county. Jarrett, who operates a filling station 3 miles east of Norwood, is reported to have said that he loaded the whiskey into his car at the Bell farm near here and that he had gone to Mountain Grove, Cabool, Willow Springs and Mountain View and was captured on the return trip. It seems that parties to whom the liquor was to have been delivered failed to put in their appearance. Jarrett has been convicted three times on liquor charges, having served a term in the federal prison at Leavenworth, and it was said that federal authorities were only awaiting his release at Houston to again take him into custody. According to last Thursday's Springfield Press, Federal prohibition agent T. L. Harris of Springfield has received more than 30 complaints against Jarrett as a seller of booze. It was also stated that Ira Lett who was arrested a few months ago by deputy constable Frank Jarrett and others and turned over to the Federal authorities on a charge of transporting liquor had made the statement that part of the liquor which he had in his car when arrested had been stolen from Jarrett and also that the car in which he was taken to Springfield to be turned over to the prohibition agent contained liquor at the time. The following is from Saturday's Springfield Press: According to Marshal Broyles, Jarrett offered him \$250 or half of the whiskey if the officer would free him. In Jarrett's confession, he took all blame for the liquor transaction and Anne Franklin who was arrested with him, will probably not be held, Mr. Harris said. Mr. Harris went to Mansfield and Hartville Thursday afternoon and took possession of the whiskey and also the affidavit. Officers there expressed their willingness to turn over all evidence they have against Jarrett to Federal officers. A complaint filed Friday morning before Commissioner A. L. Arnold against Jarrett by Mr. Harris, who will seek to return him here. In case he is released under bond from Houston, officers in Texas, Wright and Shannon counties have been requested to hold him for Federal officers. Officers of Wright and Texas counties were complimented by Mr. Harris for their part in the capture of Jarrett, who arrest, Mr. Harris said, would help break up a liquor ring which has been flourishing in that section.

Marriage Licenses: J. C. Reece and Leon Matlock, both of Mansfield; Willis Peterson and Ola Dudley, both of Hartville.

Rufus and Taft Hitchcock were tried Monday in circuit court for stealing chickens and the former was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Taft was given a 60 day jail sentence, but was paroled to J. E. Kelley.

Tuesday Roy Raney was put on trial on the charge of having received deposits in the Ryan Bank when it was in a failing condition. The evidence failed to develop as expected by the prosecution and the case was dismissed before reaching the jury. The case against Homer Chadwell has been dismissed, and the other will be tried at the next term of court, we understand.

Mrs. Mabel Jarrett received announcement a few days ago of the birth of a baby girl to her son, Wayne Jarrett and wife. The little Miss was named Margaret Emily.

Uncle John Woolman passed away June 5th at the age of 82 years. He was an old soldier. He leaves his wife, 6 children and many grandchildren.

June 19, 1930:

Choosing rather to take chances with the Texas County circuit court than to fall into the hands of Federal authorities, John Jarrett plead guilty at Houston last week to the charge of transporting liquor and was given a sentence of two years in the penitentiary.

Wedding bells have been ringing and a charivari was had for Miss Marie Brook and Isaac Frye who were married Saturday evening. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Brook and of the Fairview neighborhood and Mr. Frye lives near Mansfield.

Several attended the funeral services of Jack Shaw who died Friday evening about 7 o'clock and was buried in the Strunk Cemetery on Fox Creek.

Mrs. William Paden died Sunday morning at her home in Mountain Grove at the age of 87 years, 3 months and 14 days. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. F. O. Hunt Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock and internment was in the Mountain Grove Cemetery. She is survived by 2 daughters, Mrs. H. J. Schofield and Mrs. Mary Allen, and one son, Eldredge Paden, who lives in California.

Not being able to dispose of the heavy docket last week, court adjourned to July 7, at which time a number of cases will be tried. George Harrelson, under indictment in the Cottengim robbery case, was given a change of venue to Polk County. The cases of Arthur Hunter and Fred Anderson were continued until the next term of court. All cases against officials of the Ryan Bank which were not dismissed were continued to the next term. The following divorces were granted: Lottie Hubbard from Jack K. Hubbard; Simon Benton from Melissa C. Benton; Jesse Franklin from Anna Franklin; Ida M. Beckham from James M. Beckham; Minnie E. Towe from Noah Towe; Sylvia Williams from Amos Williams; Daisy M. Simpson from Ben M. Simpson.

Jack Shaw was born in Indiana in July, 1870 and departed this life June 13, 1930. He was converted in his youth. For a number of years he made his home with his sister, Mrs. C. C. Ferry. He was never married. He leaves 3 sisters and one brother. Funeral services were conducted at the Strunk Cemetery by Rev. Ed Brook, where his body lies to await the resurrection.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sutherland are the proud parents of a fine baby boy.

John Robert Ely was born at Janesville, Va., July 10, 1857 and died at his home in the Little Creek community in Wright County, Mo. June 10, 1930, at the age of 72 years and 11 months. On Jan 1, 1885 he was united in marriage to Rebecca Ann Kelley who

survives him. To them were born 8 children, 4 sons and 4 daughters, of whom survive 3 sons and 3 daughters: Willie, Lee and Andrew Ely, Mrs. John Willis of Belleville, Kansas; Mrs. Willis Peterson of Hartville; and Mrs. Lon Davidson of Grovespring. James, their eldest child, died 9 years ago and Tillie died in 1890 at the age of 3 years. Four grandchildren survive him. Funeral service was conducted at the Little Creek Church near his home by Rev. G. Chadwell after which his body was laid in the Little Creek Cemetery.---obituary written by his son, Rev. Andrew Ely

Marriage Licenses: Isaac Fry of Mansfield and Marie Brooks of Mountain Grove; Fay Forrest of Hays Center, Nebr. and Mary Snavely of Norwood.

June 26, 1930:

Dr. Morgan M. Lane was born in Erie, Pa., August 25, 1844. His father, also M. M. Lane, removed thence to Ottumwa, Iowa, where he was engaged in mercantile pursuits for many years. His grandfather was a Lieutenant in the Navy in the war of 1812 and his great-grandfather was in the Revolutionary War. He himself enlisted at the age of 18 in the Civil War, being mustered in July 12, 1862 and honorably discharged from the service at Little Rock, Ark., July 20, 1865. After the war he read medicine with a gentleman of the old school, a Dr. Searle of Dahlonga, Iowa, took a term of lectures at the old college of Physicians and Surgeons, Keokuk, Iowa; graduating at the Missouri Medical College, St. Louis. He followed the practice of his profession for many years in a number of localities in the State of his adoption---Missouri---until blindness and enfeebled health compelled him to desist. His death occurred June 18, 1930 after a long illness. He leaves his widow, Mary Lane, and three sons by his first marriage; Dr. M. M. Lane, Harviell, Mo.; Leclair Lane, St Louis; and Raymond Lane, Kansas City, Mo. Internment was in the National Cemetery in Springfield, Mo., June 20th.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Drake died at their home in Mansfield last Friday and was buried in the Cemetery on John Pearson's place Friday afternoon.

Dr. M. M. Lane who had been seriously ill for many weeks died last Wednesday afternoon at his home west of Norwood. Short services were conducted Thursday afternoon at the Christian Church by Rev. Ben F. Nall at which time soldiers of three wars took part in the ceremonies, march to the church and blowing taps when the body was brought from the church. Fred McMillian of the American Legion was in command and the flag was carried by Thomas L. Burke, Civil War Veteran. Friday morning the body was taken to Springfield where he was given a full military burial in the Nation Cemetery. His obituary is published in another column.

Ray Neel, 19 year old boy of Mountain Grove, was drowned in Forest Park Lake at Moberly Sunday while in swimming. He had eaten a heavy meal just before entering the water.

Marriage Licenses: Amos Thompkins and Beatrice Manear, both of Hartville.

Word was received here Friday of the recent death of Winfield Vaughn of Mansfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Wilson are the proud parents of a big baby boy. Mrs. Wilson has been in a serious condition, but is better.

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