

Births, Marriages, Deaths and Other Events

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We are sorry to hear of the death of our old neighbor Mr. J. H. Newby which occurred at his home in Riverside, California Christmas morning. He was for many years a resident of this community but for the past year resided in California.

A very pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Goode, Wednesday evening, Dec. 21st which united their daughter, Alma, to Clarence Craig. At 6:30 to the strains of a wedding march played by Ruth DeMotte, they entered the parlor, which was decorated appropriately for the occasion, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Goode who were best man and bridesmaid. Rev. H. A. Mitchell performed a very impressive ceremony which made them man and wife. The bride was prettily attired in white silk, while the groom wore the conventional black. At 7.30 o'clock sharp, the guests which numbered about one hundred, were invited into the dining room, where they saw before them a table fairly groaning with good things to eat, to which all present did ample justice. They received many useful and valuable presents. The young couple is well known. We extend to them our heartiest congratulations.

U. H. Patton, a prominent citizen of Douglas County, died at his home in Ava of rheumatism, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Stewart, residents west of town, are the parents of a fine boy, born Saturday morning.

S. B. Simms and Miss Nona Royal were married at the home of the bride's parents, Monday evening.

W. A. King returned from Licking Monday where he had been called by the death of his father.

John Ervin Ellis, a farmer residing about ten miles north of Mountain Grove and two miles from Dawson lost his barn and its contents by fire early Sunday morning. When Mr. Ellis awoke about 2 a.m., the barn was in flames and it was impossible for him to get all the stock out, two horses dying by the flames. About 460 bushels of corn and a lot of hay went up in smoke. The fire was supposed to be the work of an incendiary and the Hinkle Blood Hounds were taken to the scene of the fire about noon Sunday. The

dogs tracked a man five miles to the home of another farmer, but so far no arrests have been made, and it is said that there is not very much evidence at hand. There was no insurance.

The manager of the telephone system at Ava is advertising for an old maid blind in one eye and without a tooth in her head to take a position as "hello" girl in the Ava central office. It seems that every girl the Ava central office employs gets married as soon as she learns the work of the office.

United States Marshal Arnold arrested J. W. Wilson, formerly postmaster at Plum Valley in Texas county, last Wednesday and took him to Springfield, where he was arraigned before U. S. Commissioner Pepperdine, on a charge of using postage stamps to pay for merchandise, while serving as postmaster. Wilson gave bond in the sum of \$500 and was released. It is charged that about \$12 in stamps were wrongfully used. Mr. Wilson is about 70 years of age and bears a good reputation where he is known.

George Logan, who was convicted in the Texas county circuit court in May 1899, on a charge of murder and sentenced to serve 99 years in the penitentiary, has been paroled by Governor Hadley.

January 11, 1911:

A very pleasant surprise took place last Thursday night at the home of Rev. and Mrs. I. P. Langley on North Main Street, when Miss Emma Briscoe of this city and Mr. W. S. Triplett of Bismark, North Dakota, were quietly married. Rev. I. P. Langley officiating. The wedding was a complete surprise to all her friends, no one being present only her brother and sister and Miss Faye Leighton. Miss Briscoe was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Briscoe, and has a host of friends who extend their congratulations. Mr. and Mrs. Triplett left on the 6:30 train for Guthrie, Okla., and Kansas where they will spend a few days visiting friends and relatives, after which they will go to Bismark, North Dakota where they will make their future home.

A Mr. Dix, residing three miles Southwest of Cabool, lost his barn by fire early Sunday morning. Eight head of cows, 30 head of hogs, two horses, a lot of hay and corn and harness were all lost in the flames. It is said the unfortunate farmer carried only a very small amount of insurance. The origin of the fire is not known.

The Bachelor's Club entertained with a well-appointed dancing party at Stone's Hall Saturday night. The orchestra furnished splendid music and a large crowd of the devotees of the Terpsichorean art enjoyed to the full extent the delight of the evening. Elegant refreshments were served at Newton's Cafe.

It is surprising to note the number of boys who spent Sunday morning on the streets. The Sunday School would be a better place for them.

Wonder when those electric lights will branch out from the public square a little bit? Mountain Grove is by far too big to grope about in the dark these wintry nights.

Night Marshall S. B. Reagor has filed suit in the Wright County circuit court at Hartville against J. D. Melton, Will Douglass, Harry Stiff, R. A. Staten and Arthur Baker for \$10,000 as damages. J. W. Jackson of Hartville is one of Mr. Reagor's attorneys and the case is the outgrowth of the alleged assault on the night Marshall several months ago.

Charles W. Evans, one of the editors of the Wright County "Progress", was in Kansas City last week buying a new press and printing material. The paper is to be enlarged and greatly improved. Its name will be changed to the "Republican."

January 18, 1911:

Neighbors Brothers of this city have sold the managers of the new Republican printing company at Hartville, a new Geiser gasoline engine to pull their big six column quarto eylinger press. The Geiser is one of the best engines made and will give good service.

Fred Lower, the 26 year old son of Mrs. Lower of this city, died suddenly while working as an electrician in Escondido, California, Saturday. Young Mr. Lower had not been in Escondido many months. Paul Lower, assistant Postmaster, was notified by telegraph Sunday. From the telegrams received it appears uncertain whether young Lower died of heart trouble or from an accidental contact with a live electrical wire. The remains were laid to rest in Long Beach, California.

John W. Key, secretary of the Lake Lily Canning Co., sold 10,000 cases of tomatoes, Monday, to be delivered next fall. The Company is expecting to make a big effort to have at least 500 acres of tomatoes grown, in this section this coming summer. Farmers who expect to grow as much as an acre should see Mr. Key at once and sign their contracts.

Mrs. James Anderson, the woman who was shot by her husband in Texas County a few weeks ago, is said to be in a fair way to recover. Anderson will be tried at the next term of the Texas County circuit court and is sure to get a long term in the penitentiary.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pace in old town, Friday morning, a ten pound girl.

Mr. Finley Neff and Miss Bea Cunningham of Cabool, were married on January 10th at Houston.

David Marion McBride was born April 6th, 1849 in Clay county, Ind., and died Dec. 23, 1910 in Arkansas Pass, Texas, aged 61 years, 8 months and 17 days. He moved from Mountain Grove about a year ago to that place for his health. In his fifteenth year he united with the Christian, or New Light church, but later united with the Methodist

church. He was married to Laura Bell Thompson, Oct. 9th, 1870. He was the father of eleven children, eight still living. Three were with him at the time of his death.

Col. W. H. Wade, a former congressman and representative, died at his home in Greene County, Sunday morning. Col. Wade was one of the best known men in the southwest.

Henry Watson of Willow Springs has sued the Frisco Railway Co. for \$23,288.40 as damages, in the circuit court of Howell County. Watson was formerly in the employ of the Frisco at Willow Springs, but was accused of stealing from the company and was arrested. Later the case was dismissed for want of evidence.

The Supreme Court has affirmed the death sentence against Eugene Tucker, convicted of the murder of Joshua Ellis and wife at Springfield in February, 1909, and fixed the date of his execution for March 26th. Tucker slew Ellis and his wife because they refused to release two cows, which had been impounded under the stock law.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gourley, Sunday night, a baby girl.

January 25, 1911:

Charged with counterfeiting nickels and passing them, Edward Sinclair, an old soldier who resides on the South Side, was arrested Saturday afternoon by Deputy U. S. Marshal A. L. Arnold and taken to Springfield. Sinclair will be released under bond and his trial will come up at the April term of the U. S. Court. The case against the old soldier was worked up by a secret service agent of the Government.

Miss Letta Beighley, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Beighley, died at the home of her parents, one half mile north of town, Monday afternoon. The deceased had been an invalid for three years, and returned from Kansas about two months ago, where she had spent nearly a year for the benefit of her health. Miss Beighley was born September 28, 1882 and had been an active member of the Baptist Church for many years. The funeral services will be held at the family home at 2:30 Thursday afternoon. Rev. Langley, pastor of the Baptist Church, assisted by Rev. Mitchell and Rev. Ramsey, will conduct the funeral exercises. Burial will be in the new cemetery.

Walter Diple and Goldie Smith who were charged with the murder of Stanley Ketchel on a farm in Webster county, were convicted in the circuit court at Marshfield Tuesday and will have to serve life sentences, unless they are pardoned or get new trials. The case was one of the most interesting and hotly contested ever tried in the courts of Southern Mo. Ketchel was the middle weight champion prize fighter. He was at the home of a friend on a ranch in Webster county, where he was negotiating for the purchase of land. Diple and Goldie Smith had secured employment at the ranch, passing themselves as man and wife. The defense alleged that the trouble came up over insults Ketchel was alleged to have offered to the Smith woman. Diple borrowed a rifle of Ketchel and shot him in the back. In the trial Diple swore that he shot Ketchel

in self defence. It was proven that Goldie Smith was a hard character and that Diple had a bad reputation. The defense will take an appeal to the supreme court, but in the meantime Diple and the Smith woman will be taken to the penitentiary.

Dan, the six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Collier of Oakland Ave., was thrown from a horse about noon Monday, and suffered a broken leg. The boy was out riding and when nearing home the horse became frightened at a dog and plunged forward, then wheeled to kick at the dog. The boy was carrying a large bottle of paste in his pocket and when he struck the ground his right leg was broken when it came in contact with the bottle. Warren Atkisson was passing at the time and carried the little fellow home. Dr. Hubbard was called and made the boy as comfortable as possible.

J. M. Handy died suddenly in a hotel at Smith Center, Kansas, Saturday night. Mr. Handy left this city Friday evening for Smith Center, where he intended to make his home. His son, Scott Handy who resides a few miles north of town, left Saturday with the car containing his father's household goods. He was informed when he reached Springfield of his father's death and boarded a passenger train for Smith Center. J. M. Handy traded a stock of merchandise for a farm a few miles southwest of Mountain Grove about a year ago. Last Spring a cancerous growth developed in his right temple and this had given him much concern and trouble. He had it removed several times, but it soon made its appearance again. It was this trouble that was inducing him to move to Kansas, where he hoped to get medical treatment that would relieve him of the trouble.

A very quiet wedding took place at the Colorado Springs Court House Jan. 16, 1911 when Mr. James I. McDole and Miss Clella Carrier were united in marriage. The bride is of a highly respected family of Mountain Grove and the granddaughter of James Mellott, an old settler residing in Texas County. The groom is a successful businessman of Colorado Springs and well respected. Mr. and Mrs. McDole will be at home to their friends on 1010 Colorado Ave., Colorado Springs, Colo. after Jan. 30.

Mrs. G. B. Lindholm received the sad news of the death of her mother, Mrs. Peter Johnson, who died January 19th at her home in Salem, Mo.

Curb Hake who had just returned from the West a few days ago was married Thursday of last week to Miss Edith Hensley of Mint. Rev. M. Wammack officiated.

Word has been received here that Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Wedge of Monte Vista, Colorado are the proud parents of a bouncing baby girl born New Year's Day. Mrs. Wedge is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Short of this vicinity.

Arthur P. Muzzy, a young man aged 28 years, committed suicide at his home in Marshfield, last Wednesday morning. The rash act was committed with a .22 caliber rifle. Poor health and financial reverses are supposed to be the causes.

It is charged that J. G. Durham of Licking has been making counterfeit five dollar bills, and he has been arrested on the charge. The bills were counterfeits of a five dollar bill issued by the First National Bank of Beloit, Kans.

A. C. Barley, one of the leading citizens of Douglas county, died at his home south of Ava, Monday of last week. The deceased was 71 years of age and had been an active man in Douglas county for many years.

W. J. Pyatt has been elected assistant cashier at the new National Bank at Seymour. Mr. Pyatt is an old citizen of Wright County and there are very few men who have more friends in this county than he has.

Irvine Hereford has been held for the next term of the Texas county circuit court, under a \$500 bond for assaulting one Bob Williams.

February 1, 1911:

Before adjourning the January term of the Webster county circuit court at Marshfield, Saturday, Judge Skinker sentenced Walter A. Diple and Goldie Smith to the penitentiary. The motion for a new trial was over-ruled, and the attempt of the attorneys for the defence to have the court make an order keeping the prisoners in the Webster county jail, also failed, the judge ordering the sheriff to at once convey them to the penitentiary where they will be kept pending the appeal to the supreme court.

Representative Paynter of Oregon County has a bill in the legislature that will put the bootleggers out of business if it becomes a law. Bootlegging is made a felony by the bill and the punishment is placed at from two to five years in the state penitentiary.

James Hagerman, one of the section foremen of this place, fell from the caboose of a freight train Thursday morning and broke his right arm. Mr. Hagerman had just boarded the freight when the engineer suddenly set the air. He was thrown violently to the ground. Drs. Hubbard and Butzke were called to treat the fracture. It will be several weeks before the section foreman can go to work.

Mrs. A. J. Bass was burned to death in her farm home in Greene county, about five o'clock Tuesday morning of last week. The woman was upstairs and the fire caught on the stairway cutting off all means of escape. The husband and two children jumped from a second story window and escaped.

Mary Gray of Koshkonong has sued the Frisco railway company for \$10,000 damages for the death of her son, Jesse Gray, who was killed while riding on a freight train.

Miss Jennie Hamlen, a 19 year old West Plains girl, killed herself in a rooming house in Kansas City, Sunday, by firing a pistol shot into her breast. The young woman had been induced to go to Kansas City by Curtis J. Valare, an actor. From the press dispatches, it seems that Valare had tired of the girl and was trying to get rid of her,

while she was trying to induce him to make his promises good and marry her. The girl's father, N. H. Hamlen, was recorder of Polk County for four years and was a candidate for police judge of West Plains at the last city election.

Greene County citizens are making a strong effort to have Governor Hadley commute the death sentence of Eugene Tucker, who is under sentence to hang in that county on the 26th of March, to life imprisonment. Tucker was to have been hanged on the 26th of January, but the Governor granted him a respite of 60 days.

W. A. Pyatt has been appointed Postmaster at Duncan.

The Meteor, one of the Frisco's fastest trains on the line from Springfield to St. Louis, was ditched on Dixon hill near the town of Dixon, Tuesday morning, while running at the rate of 35 miles an hour. Ten passengers were hurt more or less severely and the train equipment was badly damaged. The fireman had a leg broken. Dixon hill is considered the most dangerous place on the main line of the Frisco, and numerous wrecks have taken place on the ten miles of track used in getting down the steep incline.

Justice M. E. Needham is fast earning the reputation of the "marrying justice." He leads all the preachers in the county in the number of ceremonies performed, and sets a pace that no other justice in the county can keep step with. Sunday evening he united in marriage Miss Eliza Floyd and Dick Durney at the home of John Coats, in the third ward.

The Eagle Roller Mills of Mansfield have been forced to close down for want of water. This is said to be the first time in many years that the mill had had to shut down for want of water.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Ellis of Springfield were called to this place last week by the death of her sister, Miss Letta Beighley.

Rosa Rosencrans, a ten year old girl, died at the Children's Home Thursday night of consumption. [Compiler's Note: Death certificate issued in the name of Rosa Bell Julian, age 12, buried in Emanuel Home Cemetery. Same girl? On another page: Rosa Bell Julian, was born Feb. 8, 1898. Died Jan. 27, 1911. Accepted Jesus as her Saviour soon after coming to the "home" at the age of eight years.]

Thomas Wilbanks, a farmer residing near Odin in the west part of the county, died on January 20 of pneumonia.

The boys who stole my chickens are known and can save themselves trouble by calling and settling, at once. Otherwise, prepare to face prosecution.--W. N. Mann

February 8, 1911:

T. D. Burris, died at his home three miles west of Mountain Grove last Saturday, aged 50 years, three months and nine days. Mr. Burris has been in poor health for a number of years, being troubled with some form of lung disease. Interment was made in the Dunkard cemetery, a few miles east of town, Sunday. Elder A. L. Scott preached the funeral sermon. The deceased leaves a wife and five children.

The first issue of The Wright County Republican made its appearance last week.

Mountain Grove has been in the dark for several days. It was one of those acts of providence that cannot be avoided, but it served to show the value of electric lights and how much they are to be appreciated. Sunday morning the smoke stack at the light plant was blown down. This was not entirely unexpected and the light people had taken the precaution to supply themselves with a new stack, which will be erected this week.

The State Capitol at Jefferson City burned down Sunday night. A bolt of lightning is supposed to have struck the dome of the old building about seven o'clock and it was not long before the upper part of the building was in flames. Everything possible was done to save the old state records but a great many of them were destroyed. It is said that all the records of the present house of representatives were burned and that the house will have to do all the work of the session over again. The fire will put the question of a new capitol squarely up to the people of Missouri, and it seems that a number of other towns are going to want the seat of government. The businessmen of Springfield are taking steps to look into the matter and the Ozark town may get into the race.

Judge H. E. Farnsworth went to Springfield last Thursday to appear before the U.S. Commissioner, for Edwin Sinclair, the old soldier who is charged with counterfeiting. Mr. Sinclair was sick and unable to make his appearance so the preliminary hearing before the commissioner was waived. The case will be taken up by the U. S. Grand jury in April. Mr. Sinclair, a bond was signed by M. E. Needham, Joel F. Short, J. W. Allen, J. S. Leascher and W. W. Pennington.

Dr. J. A. Campbell died at his home in Hartville, Sunday. The deceased was one of the old citizens in the county seat and had been in the drug business for more than thirty years. His death was caused by a sickness of about a week's duration, of pneumonia and la grippe.

W. E. Rafferty, a Springfield young man, who has been doing electrical work on the telephone system in Hartville for several weeks, caused some excitement in Hartville Sunday night and Monday by mysteriously disappearing. He turned up Tuesday, seeming to regard his actions as a joke. His disappearance caused the officers some uneasiness and some trouble, and it is certain that the smart young man has not made any new friends by the prank he played.

An investigation has developed the fact that Mrs. Bass, the Greene County woman who was supposed to have perished in the flames when the Bass residence burned a few days ago, was shot and was probably dead before the fire was started. The

investigation was made at the request of the woman's father and physicians who found some small shot in the heart. A. J. Bass, husband of the unfortunate woman, has been placed under arrest.

A. S. P. Libyer, an old citizen of Texas County, died at his home near Dykes, Sunday afternoon. Mr. Libyer had been in very poor health for more than a year and his death had been expected for several months.

The state case against Joe Helms, charged with the illegal sale of liquor, in Justice Needham's' court, was dismissed at the cost of the state, Monday.

Ben F. Barr, an old citizen of Wright County, died at his home at Fuson, Monday, after a sickness of some weeks. Mr. Barr was formerly a merchant and was Postmaster at Fuson.

February 15, 1911:

A. J. Bass, the Greene County farmer, who is charged with murdering his wife and then burning his residence in attempt to cover up the crime, was captured Saturday at Stutgart, Ark. Bass came to Mountain Grove, when he left Greene county, and went to the home of a relative a few miles south in Douglas county. From there he went to Cabool, where he bought a ticket to Jonesboro, Ark. He will be returned to Green county, where he will have to stand trial on a charge of murdering his wife.

Benjamin Ellis, better known as "Uncle Buck", died at his home near Plunk, Monday night, of old age and general debility. The deceased was one of the early settlers of this part of the state, having come here from the north part of the state about 1840, with his parents. he was 88 years old and had lived for more than 40 years on the old home farm where he died. He had distinct recollections of the Indians in this country, when he came here as a boy and could relate many interesting incidents and hardships that marked the early settlement of this country.

Vincent T. Biggerstaff died in this city, at 5 p.m. Tuesday, of pneumonia fever. The funeral arrangements are in the hands of Undertaker Fenwick and the burial will probably take place Thursday in the new cemetery. The deceased was 76 years of age and had lived along for some time. He was an ex-Federal soldier having served in Company H 11th Kentucky Cal. He served a long term in Andersonville prison during the war. At the time of his death, he was receiving a pension of \$24 per month. His wife died a number of years ago and is buried on the Agee farm west of town, which he formerly owned. He has three children living in far western states. The deceased was a close personal friend of W. E. Young and Mr. Young was all to the aged man that an own son could have been. Practically all the care and trouble during the last sickness fell upon Mr. Young, Night Marshall Reagor and Thomas Sherrill.

Mrs. Winney Admire, aged 53 years, died at her home east of this place Wednesday of last week. Rev. A. L. Scott conducted the funeral.

Edwin Sinclair, who was taken ill immediately upon his return from United States court at Springfield some time ago, is still in a very feeble condition at his home south of town.

On Feb. 3rd, 1911, at 8 a.m., Mr. Alfred Murr died at his home near Stratford, Okla. His death resulted from injury received while assisting his son in drilling a well. The accident occurred about 3 p.m. on Wednesday, and he seemed to realize that it would terminate fatally, as soon as he was hurt. Four physicians were called, but unable to prevent his death, which occurred after much suffering. Mr. Murr was born July 1st, 1846 in Monroe County, Tenn. He moved to Illinois in 1862, and on Nov. 27, 1864 he was married to Miss Ellen Crabtree and they lived at Anna, Ill. until 1870. In Sept. 1870 he came to Texas County, Mo., and took up a homestead and lived on the same farm for forty years. Here he raised a large family, being the father of thirteen children, nine of whom survive him. Last November, Mr. Murr sold his old home here in Texas county and moved to Oklahoma, where he was well pleased with his new location. During his last illness he was conscious to the last, and requested that his family bury him near his new home, instead of bringing him back to the family burying ground as was generally supposed would be done. Mr. Murr was a member of the Free Baptist church having been converted at the age of 24, and had been preaching for the past few years in various parts of Texas county.

Ola Sherrill, little daughter of George Sherrill, died Tuesday morning. The funeral was conducted Wednesday afternoon by Rev. H. A. Mitchell at the home, after which interment was made in the Cothron Cemetery south of town.

February 22, 1911:

At the home of the bride's parents, Miss Bertha Inman and Mr. Charley Brott at one o'clock, Feb. 14th; Elder E. W. Yocum officiating. The bride is one of Fairview's highly esteemed young ladies and the groom is one of the most industrious young men in the community. The wedding was a quiet one only near relatives and close friends being present. At the close of the ceremony a splendid dinner was served.

Thomas R. Pearman, father of W. N. Pearman of this city, died at his home at Hartville, of pneumonia, Saturday morning at five o'clock. The funeral services were conducted Sunday by Rev. D. F. Ellis. Thomas R. Pearman was 76 years old and had resided in Wright county for more than forty years. He was known as one of the best men in the county, a man whose calm judgment was almost unerring. Born in Kentucky, he moved to Missouri and settled in Franklin county in 1858. In 1870 he moved to Wright county and located in the neighborhood in which he died. A Federal soldier in the Civil War, he saw more service than fell to the lot of an average soldier. He was with Grant in the siege of Vicksburg, and with Sherman on the famous march to the sea, and took an active part in 26 hard fought engagements and yet, escaped without a wound. The father of eleven children, ten of whom survive him with their mother, and all members of their father's favorite church.

O. M. Watkins returned from Chariton county, Thursday of last week, accompanied by his wife whom he married at Bynumville on the 16th of January. Mr. and Mrs. Watkins are at home to their friends in their residence property he recently bought just west of the city limits.

Born Feb. 18, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Keslar, a boy.

Born Feb. 11 to Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Chaney, a boy.

Born Feb. 23 to Mr. and Mrs. R. Stevenson, a boy.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Brooks, Thursday Feb. 16, a boy.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schofield on Friday, Feb. 17, a boy.

Born Thursday, Feb. 16 to Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Robinett, a nine pound boy.

The remains of the late Vincent Biggerstaff were laid to rest in the new cemetery last Thursday morning. Rev. H. A. Mitchell conducted the burial exercise.

The Houston Motor Car Company is operating three automobiles on the road from Houston to Cabool. The machines are doing finely while the dry weather lasts, but it is surmised that mud and high water will put them out of commission later.

March 1, 1911:

Lyman J. Stevens died at his home at two o'clock Tuesday afternoon of internal cancer. The end came peacefully and he passed to the unknown without a struggle. The funeral and burial will take place at Dunn, four miles east of Mountain Grove, Thursday afternoon. He had been a patient sufferer for more than a year and had been under the constant care of Dr. C. E. Barnes. Last August he went to Excelsior Springs, thinking that a change would benefit him. Later he went to Mineral Springs, Texas. There he was advised that an operation would be necessary and he returned to Mountain Grove and closed up his business affairs. In October he went to Mercy Hospital in Chicago to undergo the operation by Dr. J. P. Murphy, one of the most famous physicians in the United States. Dr. Murphy made an exploratory operation and found the trouble to be a cancer, with no chance for an operation. As nothing could be done for him he returned to Mountain Grove and since that time has been gradually wearing away. Soon after he returned from Chicago he was called to mourn the death of his father, S. M. Stevens. While he was entirely conversant with the findings and result of the operation by Dr. Murphy, he never lost courage nor gave up but continued hopeful to the end. He leaves a widow and an adopted daughter. Lyman Joshua Stevens came from a long line of Puritan ancestors and was a descendant of Governor Thomas Dudley of Massachusetts who emigrated to Mass. with Governor John Winthrop in 1630. He was born in Lancaster, Iowa, Sept. 12, 1860 and moved to Texas county with his father in 1880, and was engaged with his father in the milling business for several years. In 1886 he settled

on a homestead six miles east of Mountain Grove. In 1888 he was united in marriage with Miss Susie Neighbors, a sister to the Neighbors boys of the city. In 1909 he engaged in the hardware business in Mountain Grove with his brother, J. H. Stevens, under the firm name of Stevens Bros. A year later he bought his brother's business and continued in the hardware business until his health failed last fall. He was one of the best known business men in Mountain Grove, and was ever ready to lend a helping hand to the deserving.

P. N. Gulley, Sr., father of P. N. Gulley of this city, died at his home at Hutton Valley in Howell county, Wednesday of last week. He was 86 years of age and had lived in Howell county since early 1856.

Miss Ferol Whitaker died at her home in Norwood last Tuesday. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Zevers. The remains were laid to rest in the Thomas Cemetery.

The residence of Sam Massey, near Delto [Laclede County], burned down Monday night, and two sons, Charles and Harry were burned to death. The father was badly burned in trying to save the children. The house and contents were a total loss. Mr. and Mrs. Massey were awakened during the night to find the upper part of the house in flames. The mother ran out, taking the baby, the father taking the elder son, Harry in his arms, carried to boy to a point of safety and then ran back into the house after the younger boy, Charles, aged 7 years, who still slept. The older boy bewildered by his sudden awakening, followed his father into the burning house. The roof fell in before the bedroom was reached and all three were caught in the burning mass. The father again caught up Harry and carried him out, but the boy was so badly burned that he died within an hour. The body of the younger boy was entirely consumed. Two girls escaped in their night clothes. In addition to the heartrending death of their children, the loss of their home and furnishings is a dreadful calamity to Mr. and Mrs. Massey who are in very moderate circumstances.---Lebanon Republican

March 8, 1911:

Sim Todd, a restaurant keeper at Seymour shot and probably fatally wounded Steve Carter, a Frisco fireman, at Seymour Friday of last week. It appears that there had been trouble between the men over Todd's objection to Carter keeping company to a certain young lady that had been employed in Todd's restaurant. A fist fight started and it was during the mix-up that Todd shot Carter twice. A. H. Davis, prosecuting attorney for Webster county, witnessed the shooting. Todd was arrested and will have his preliminary trial on the 10th of the month. It is thought very doubtful, whether Carter can recover.

E. E. Young, the promoter who has been working for a new railroad from Rolla to Houston, was arrested at Rolla last week by U. S. Government authorities on a charge of passing counterfeit money. Young claims that he can prove his innocence in the matter but the officers who made the arrest are just as positive that they have the guilty man.

Dr. I. R. Lane, one of the oldest physicians in this part of the state is dangerously sick, and it is thought very doubtful if he ever recovers sufficiently to get out again. He has been in very poor health since last August and has been confined to his bed since the latter part of January. The trouble seems to be a complication of diseases combined with his advanced age. Dr. E. J. Butzke of this city, Dr. John Fulton of Springfield, and his son Dr. W. C. Lane, are the physicians in charge of the case.

Emory Melton, who was charged with stealing paints from the D. J. Landers Lumber Company of this city, entered a plea of guilty in the circuit court at Hartville, Tuesday. After hearing statements of the case, Judge Skinker sentenced young Melton to serve two years in the penitentiary, and then paroled him on the recommendation of C. M. Mitchell, and the promise of Mr. Mitchell to keep him employed. Ora Sherrell was charged with the same offence but the only evidence against him was the confession of Melton, and his case was dismissed.

Born on March 1 to Mr. and Mrs. R. Schofield, a boy.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Fixen March the 1st, a 12 pound boy. Mother and baby are doing nicely.

March 15, 1911:

Joseph Lathrom, cashier of the Bank of Hartville, and one of the best known men in Wright county, suffered a stroke of paralysis last Friday morning and is critically ill at his home in Hartville. It is not thought possible for him to recover. Mr. Lathrom served four years as recorder of Wright county and has been engaged in the banking business for a number of years. Norman J. Welchell is the assistant cashier, and it is more than probably that he will become the cashier.

March 22, 1911:

William M. Petty was born in Christian County, Illinois January 17th 1863, moved with his parents to the state of Kansas in 1873. He was married to Miss Ida Thorne in West Plains, Mo., in the year 1895, died March 14, 1911 at his home in Mountain Grove, Mo. He leaves a wife, three daughters, a mother and two sisters. Bro. Petty was a good citizen, a splendid Christian gentleman, having been a consistent member of the Baptist Church for many years. The funeral was held from the Baptist Church of this city, March 15, 1911, the pastor, I. P. Langley conducting the service. Mrs. Petty, the widow, is a sister of the Thorne brothers of Mountain Grove, Mo. and a daughter of Rev. D. Thorne of this city.

F. L. Pace, who resides six miles northeast of Mountain Grove took a dose of poison early Tuesday morning by accident. The poison had been put up in capsules for a sick horse, and Mr. Pace thought he was taking quinine. His son Ed Pace immediately started to town with him, while Dr. Barnes was telephoned to meet them on the road. The doctor was soon administering antidotes and the unfortunate man is resting quietly

at the home of his daughter, Mrs. B. H. Wywrick, in this city, with good chances to recover.

Walter W. Hall was arrested at a farm home near Cabool, Monday night by Constable Earnest Needham of this city and Deputy Sheriff Charles Sanders. He was then brought to Mountain Grove and locked up. It is understood that he will be taken to Hartville today and turned over to Sheriff Wood. Hall, who calls himself the "Irish Lad" and claims to be the Welter-weight champion of 22 states, landed in Mountain Grove about the 10th of this month. He was a shoemaker and secured work at the Grand Leader shoe shop. He worked at this place for a week. On last Saturday he told Mrs. McCuiston, who runs a restaurant on Union Ave. that he had bought the machinery in the Grand Leader shoe shop and that he needed \$20 to make the final payment. and that as soon as the deal was closed he would give her a mortgage on the property. He got the \$20. He went to Cabool the same night but returned here Sunday night, accompanied by Miss Elsie Vankirk, whose parents reside a few miles from Cabool. The couple registered at the hotel as man and wife. This aroused the suspicions of the city marshal and constable, who were aware that Hall had shown attentions to girls in this city. Monday morning an investigation was started. Hall claimed he and the girl were married in Oklahoma. The girl thought so but was not certain. An effort was made to communicate with Oklahoma officials, and while this was on, the couple slipped out of town. They were traced to Cabool and Hall was arrested. The girl's father took her home. It is probable that Hall will be prosecuted for obtaining money under false pretenses.

The many friends of J. S. Lathrom, cashier of the Hartville Bank, will be glad to learn that his sickness if nothing like so serious as was reported last week. He is able to go to the country for a visit and no doubt will soon be able to be at his post to the bank.

On the morning of the 4th of March, our community was saddened when messages were phoned from house to house saying Uncle Allen Ranken was no more, having died on the morning of the fourth of March, at six o'clock, at his home near Ann. Uncle Allen was born in the good old state of Kentucky of which he as always proud. He was 73 years, 2 months and 7 days old, had he lived until July would have been married fifty years. With the aid of Dr. Jim Hubbard, all help was given to the poor suffering father by a faithful companion and loving children, but alas, no human aid could be of any benefit. Uncle Allen had lived in southwest Missouri 26 years, was a most highly respected citizen. He had a wide reputation for moral and physical courage.

Jesse Cramer has a new graphophone with a good supply of records. The friends of the family are invited to call and be entertained.

March 29, 1911:

Pleasant Miller, aged 76 years, died at his home in the west part of Mountain Grove, Monday morning. He had been in very poor health for nearly a year and of late his

mental faculties had been deranged to some extent. The funeral occurred Tuesday afternoon at a cemetery in Douglas county near Van Zant.

Mrs. D. J. Fraser died very suddenly Friday night of last week. She had been in poor health for a long time but her death was wholly unexpected. The remains were shipped to Memphis, Tenn., her former home, for burial. Mr. Fraser and his son, Lon, accompanied her body to Memphis.

Mrs. Bogard passed away at her home here after an illness of about a week with pneumonia. Mrs. Bogard has lived in our neighborhood but a few months but was respected by all who knew her. She leaves five children. Her husband and two other children have died a few years ago. Mr. Gay of Kansas arrived here in time to be with his sister, Mrs. Bogard, before she died. He expects to stay with the children for a while.

Mrs. Stewart died Wednesday of last week at her son's home at the age of 73. The remains were laid to rest in the Stubbs Cemetery.

Born March 23 to Mr. and Mrs. Rowley an 8 pound girl.

Dr. Samuel Warner lost his hat in front of the Wholesale Grocery Store at two o'clock Monday morning as he was going from the M. E. Church to the depot. The wind was blowing a perfect gale and it was impossible to find it in the darkness. It was a grey fedora, and anyone finding such a hat should leave it at the M. C. parsonage.

Justice M. E. Needham performed the ceremony last Wednesday that made F. M. Shorter and Minnie McGeehee man and wife, notwithstanding there were nearly three hundred preachers in town.

April 5, 1911:

John W. Yocum, who has resided in the Mountain Grove neighborhood for many years died at 3 o'clock, Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Yocum was in town Saturday and transacted business at the Journal office. On Sunday he was taken with some kind of stomach trouble. This at once became serious and Dr. Daugherty was called. Later Drs. Daugherty and Barnes both visited the sick man. He grew worse rapidly until the end. The funeral service will be held at the Fairview church five miles west of Mountain Grove Thursday afternoon. John W. Yocum was 76 years old but well preserved and moved about as well as the average man that was many years younger.

Ben F. Denny died at his home one mile south of Mountain Grove, early Monday morning. The funeral will take place this afternoon at the M.E. Church South, and will be under the auspices of the Odd Fellows. The deceased was about 60 years of age and was a native of this section. He leaves a number of grown children. His wife died a few years ago.

Jim Wilson, formerly post master at Plum Valley, Texas county, entered a plea of guilty to a charge of misappropriating postal funds, in the U. S. court at Springfield, and was fined \$25. The charge against Mr. Wilson is understood to have been a technical error on his part, with no intentions to violate the law.

John Owens, a Wood township farmer, aged about twenty-five years became violently insane the first part of last week. He was taken to Hartville and confined in the county jail until Thursday, when the county court met and ordered him sent to the asylum at Nevada. Sheriff Wood left on the evening train with the patient. Young Owens is the son of Henry Owens and has a wife and two children. Relatives are unable to give any reason for his mind becoming unbalanced.

Harry DeAlvis, accompanied by W. J. Hinkle, Ernest Needham, and others, went to the country last Sunday where they gave Mr. Hinkle's famous blood-hounds a practical lesson in man-tracking. Mr. DeAlvis acted as "runner" for the occasion, and was given a half-hour's start from the dogs--the two older hounds and three puppies. The dogs quickly took up the trail and for several hours made life interesting for all parties concerned, dragging Hinkle and Needham through all kinds of rough places previously traversed by the fleet-footed Spaniard in his efforts to out-do the dogs. DeAlvis proved himself an expert at the business, but was so nearly captured by the hounds at one time that in attempting to climb a tree, he fell therefrom and tore his clothes in shreds; regaining his feet, however, he sprang through a clump of bushes and dashed into a small stream of water, which he waded several hundred yards before again taking to the woods, through which he finally wended his way safely into town, followed by the hounds and other members of the party. From all accounts it was an interesting affair; and from Mr. DeAlvis own confession in the matter, the dogs are of a fine breed and will eventually prove themselves a valuable acquisition to any community where thieves and criminals attempt to make their escape over land. These training lessons will be continued, and all citizens who care to witness the work are cordially invited to join the crowd.

City Marshall Ellington, W. J. Hinkle, Ottis Sherrell and Thomas Shields were in Springfield Monday, as witnesses in the U. S. Court in the case against Edward Sinclair of this place.

Bessie Barnes was born July 16, 1883, was married to Mr. F. Mass, Aug. 10, 1909, at Sheridan, Wyoming and lived at the home where she died March 19, 1911. Bessie was the daughter of John and Mildred Barnes, and was one of a family of nine children all of whom are living, but her father had preceded her to the home beyond, and he going forms the second link in the home up yonder. Her death was caused by blood poison, caused by a cut on the finger. Two sisters, Maggie and Clara, were with her at the time of death.

OI Denney came in from Oklahoma Monday morning, arriving a few hours after his father, B. F. Denney had died.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Spurlock, of Exeter, California, March 23, 1911, a ten pound boy.

April 12, 1911:

Rev. A. M. Livingston married Miss Mary L. Weatherman of Cabool and O. E. Luckey of Clayton, Kansas, in the church at Dunn at 3 p.m. last Wednesday. The newly wedded couple left for Kansas, where they will visit before locating in Colorado.

D. J. Wyrick of this place and Clara F. Adair of Omaha, Neb. were married in Omaha, March 29. Mr. and Mrs. Wyrick arrived here last Tuesday night and will make their home on Mr. Wyrick's ranch in Douglas county.

George Tayloe, one of the oldest citizens of this community, died at his home south of town Monday morning of pneumonia fever. Mr. Tayloe had been sick only a few days.

E. G. Neighbors and Egbert Randle are building an old fashioned log camping house on the John D. Green farm on Beaver Creek, six miles north of town. The building will have a big wide fire place and will be fitted up for comfort and convenience. The building is located near one of the best places to fish in this part of the country.

Probate Judge William Nickle of Hartville was here Tuesday on business connected with the estate of the late Lyman J. Stevens. Judge Nickle is one of the early settlers, having located in Wright county in 1855. He has a splendid memory and relates many interesting events connected with the early days. In 1859 he carried the mail from Hartville to Thomasville, Ark. That was before Mountain Grove's day, and Hickory Springs was the name of the post office, located on what is now Dr. J. M. Hubbard's farm in Texas county. This office was on the route supplied by Mr. Nickle. Later he carried the mail from Hartville to Forsythe. He knew this country when it was almost treeless and when wild turkeys and deer were so common that no attention was paid to them. He said "those were the good old days" when all a fellow had to do was to enjoy himself.

John W. Yocum was born in Montgomery county, Kentucky Jan. 13, 1840. With his parents he moved to Indiana, then to Illinois, where he remained until 1870 when he moved to Chariton county, remaining there till 1883, when he moved to Wright county and took up a homestead near Mountain Grove, where he remained until his death on April 4, 1911, age 71 years, 2 months, 21 days. He was married to Miss Martha Bailey on Dec. 12, 1873, and to this union were born nine children, seven girls and two boys, all which survive him and which were at his bedside, except Mrs. Ralph Reeves of Oregon, Mrs. D. O. Dey of Colorado and Miss Lillie Davis of Webb City, Mo. When the call came for volunteers in defence of his country, he was one of the first to enlist in Co. G., 103rd Reg't., Ill. Inf., serving three years. While young, he obeyed the gospel and united with the Church of Christ, and remained a faithful Christian until his death. He was one of the deacons of the Fairview Church. Two days before his death he walked 3 miles to church. His last service was in passing the emblems to the congregation. He

leaves a wife, nine children, an aged mother 91 years old, two brothers, three sisters. Funeral services were conducted at the Fairview church on Apr. 7, 1911 by Elder Wallace, after which his body was laid to rest.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley McCallister are the parents of a new baby girl.

April 19, 1911:

D. J. Wyrick, an old bachelor who came here several months ago from the state of Washington and bought several hundred acres of land 12 miles south of town in Douglas county, came home the first part of last week, from Omaha, where he had been married to a Mrs. Clara Adair. Mr. Wyrick took his bride to his farm home and kept her there about two days. He then brought her to this place and left her at the Palace hotel. Soon after leaving the woman at the hotel, he notified the proprietor that he would not be responsible for her board. Mr. Wyrick then put up at the Overton hotel. Mrs. Wyrick employed attorney W. F. Carroll to look after her interests and he got busy. Application was made to the prosecuting attorney for a warrant charging wife abandonment. This was issued and the case will come up for a hearing as soon as Mr. Wyrick, who is sick at his Douglas county home, gets able to come to town.

The little village of Dawson, 12 miles north of Mountain Grove was almost wiped out of existence by fire early last Sunday morning. The fire was discovered in the rear of a store building occupied by Magee's store and Ottis Ellis as a residence. When discovered, the flames had made such a headway that nothing could be saved from the building. The buildings were of wood and burned quickly. Perry Redmond lost his building but saved most of the stock of merchandise. H. C. Magee lost all his stock of merchandise, and the building he occupied was destroyed. It was the property of G. W. Cloyd. Dennis Hopkins lost his house and all its contents, as did Otis Ellis. The entire loss by the fire is estimated to have approximated \$3,000. There was some insurance on most of the losses.

William Coats, one of the real pioneers of Southern Missouri, came up from his Douglas county home 12 miles south of Mountain Grove, Saturday, and spent a couple of days with old friends. Mr. Coats is 78 years of age and as spry as a boy. He has sold his farm and proposes to move to the state of Oregon. He came to what is now Douglas county, in 1839. He says this was just three years after the Indians had moved out of this section, and that for several years after he came here large bands of Indians would return and spend weeks on hunting expeditions.

Miss Eva Adams and Mr. Jim Plemmons were married at the home of the bride's parents April 12.

The two days old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lewis died early Saturday morning.

"Uncle" Jack Canada was here from his Beaver Creek farm Saturday, selling live fish fresh from his ponds. He had German Carp that weighed nearly 15 pounds each, while

the bass, perch and other game fish were smaller. Mr. Canada has proven that the average farmer can have plenty of fish the year round if he will only take the trouble to build the ponds. Hundreds of farms in the Ozarks could be fixed at small expense to provide all the fish required for home use and then there is an every ready market for good fresh fish that would prove quite a neat source of revenue.

Thomas Elmer Poer was born Oct. 27, 1888 and died April 11, 1911, age 22 years, 5 months and 15 days. He leaves a wife and baby, his father and mother, four brothers and three sisters.

April 26, 1911:

D. J. Wyrick, the Douglas county ranch man, who stirred things up by marrying a Nebraska widow and then deserting her at this place last week, was in town Monday.

Mrs. Mary J. England, wife of Dr. C. M. England, and mother of Mrs. H. W. Jensen, died Tuesday evening at the home of her daughter, after an illness of five months. The remains were shipped to Mernen, Kans. for burial, where another daughter lives.

May 3, 1911:

E. C. Gregg, who managed the Gregg Hotel in this city for a number of years, died at his home in Lineus, Mo., Monday April 24 of pneumonia fever.

A. J. Bass was convicted in the Greene county circuit court Monday on a charge of murdering his wife. Journal readers will remember that Bass' residence burned a few months ago, that his wife was found in the ruins, that an examination revealed gun shot in her heart, that Bass fled to Douglas county and then to Arkansas, where he was captured. He was given a life term in the penitentiary. An appeal will be taken to the Supreme court.

Clarence, the five year old son of Elijah Todd, was drowned in the Gasconade river at a point in Gasconade township, in the Western part of the county about 8 o'clock Sunday night. The boy was in the wagon with his father at the time of the accident. It was dark and the father could not see that the river was so deep, and driving into the water, the wagon was over-turned and both occupants were thrown into the water. When the father came to the surface, the boy was out of sight. The body was not recovered until late Monday afternoon.

Mrs. John J. Taylor, aged 32, shot and killed herself in her home in Marshfield, early last Saturday morning. Mrs. Taylor is the wife of John J. Taylor, a lawyer, and is the mother of two children, a daughter, aged 16 and a son aged 8. She had been engaged in the millinery business for two years. No known reason exists for her actions.

At a meeting of the city council Monday night, Constable Earnest Needham was appointed Night Marshal to succeed J. B. Reagor, who has held the position for two years.

Mrs. Veler V. Viles, wife of the chief clerk of the Census Bureau at Washington, D. C., died at her home in that city, Saturday, April 29th. Interment was made at Springfield this morning. Mrs. Viles is the daughter of Mrs. M. G. Henslee at Mansfield, and a sister to Postmaster Gorman of the same place.

May 10, 1911:

Mayor R. E. Lee of Springfield, was granted a divorce from his wife, Mrs. Cate Cozzens-Lee, ten minutes after the filing of the petition in the circuit court of Greene county, Monday. It is claimed that Mrs. Lee received \$5000 in return for waving service. W. A. Newton, formerly of Hartville, represented Mrs. Lee in the divorce proceedings.

The 15 months old son of Dr. and Mrs. E. J. Butzke swallowed a small stick pin Sunday morning and its parents were given several hours of uneasiness. They took the baby to Springfield Sunday night to get the benefit of an X-ray machine in locating the pin. Luckily, the pin caused no trouble and Dr. and Mrs. Butzke returned home with the baby Monday night.

Mrs. W. H. Pearson of this city received word this week of the death of her brother, Grant Rudd, which occurred last week at his home in Oregon. His son, Bee Rudd, also resides here.

Dr. John W. Tiffin suffered a stroke of paralysis Sunday morning and is in a dangerous condition at the Overton hotel. His right side is affected, also his vocal organs. His brother, Dr. Clate Tiffin, arrived from North Missouri, Monday and is caring for him. Dr. Tiffin has been a resident of Mountain Grove for twenty years, and is 64 years of age. His daughter, Mrs. Clarence Hughes, is at present located in California.

M. L. Root, the carrier on rural route No. 2, has purchased a fine four horse power motorcycle and will use it during the summer to cover his route. Route No. 2 runs south into Douglas county and the road is not all that could be desired but Mr. Root is confident that he can get over it with his new machine.

May 17, 1911:

Mountain Grove friends of Dr. M. J. Butzke were greatly shocked, Saturday, when it became known that the physician had undergone an operation at Springfield for appendicitis. The doctor had been at the Springfield hospital, Thursday and had taken part in the operation performed upon the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Shannon, for the same dreaded disease. He worked unceasingly with the little patient all day Thursday, returning to his home at Mountain Grove Friday morning. Soon after reaching home, the first symptoms of the trouble began to manifest themselves. The

doctor's trained mind was quick to detect the symptoms and he soon satisfied himself regarding the nature of the trouble. Dr. J. M. Hubbard spent the night with him and did all possible to bring relief to his brother physician. At four o'clock the doctor, accompanied by his wife, left for Springfield, where he became a patient in the Springfield hospital. Drs. Terry, Cox and Lowe, of the hospital staff made two careful and thorough examinations and decided that the safest course to follow required a speedy operation. To this Dr. Butzke readily gave his consent and the operation was performed. The doctor is at the Springfield hospital, where everything that trained nurses and the best physicians can do is at his command. So far the symptoms are favorable and he stands a good chance to recover speedily. Reports received in Mountain Grove this morning from the hospital, say that the doctor is holding his own, and that while some complications are manifest, it is the opinion of the physicians in charge that he will recover.

Roy Ellis, the young man whom the school board recently elected as principal of the Mountain Grove schools, has been offered a position paying a much larger salary, and the board feeling that it would be an injustice to hold him here, has agreed to release him from any obligation. Mr. Ellis was entirely square in the matter. He simply stated that he was offered the position, but that he felt that he could not accept unless Mountain Grove would freely and willingly release him. The school board is now looking for two teachers for the high school. [Roy Ellis' career led him to becoming a long-tenured President of what is now Missouri State University in Springfield, MO].

Aletha, the nine year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Shannon, has been dangerously sick at the Springfield Hospital, Springfield, Mo., where she was taken last Thursday morning to undergo an operation for appendicitis. The operations was performed by Dr. Burzke of Mountain Grove and Drs. Terry, Cox and Lowe of Springfield, and was as successful as could be expected considering the aggravated nature of the trouble. The child was not well for several days before she became seriously sick, but she kept her place in school until Wednesday at noon, when he gave up and was put to bed. She did not appear to be suffering much and it was thought by her parents that the trouble was caused by indigestion. Wednesday night the pain became acute and Dr. E. J. Butzke was called in. He made a careful examination and urged a speedy operation as the only remedy. It was then two o'clock a.m. It was ascertained that the passenger train due at 4:15 was nearly three hours late. No. 106, the Frisco Flyer, was due at three o'clock and the Frisco officials were appealed to and graciously consented to stop this train to take aboard the little sufferer, whom Dr. Butzke was trying to get to a hospital. By 6:30, the operation had been performed and the little patient was battling bravely for her life, assisted by everything that the best physicians and trained nurses could do. The fact that gangrene had set up, and that other complications came to the front made the case one of desperate chances. For twenty hours, Dr. Butzke stood by the suffering child and took advantage of every opportunity to combat the disease and complications. Mrs. Shannon has remained with her little daughter day and night to assist the trained nurse and encourage the little one to make the fight for life. It has been a most severe trial for her as well as the father and brother. Hazel, the other little daughter, has been kept at the home of relatives in

Springfield and has not realized that her sister was so near death's door. Reports received in Mountain Grove this morning from the Hospital say that the little girl is making gains and that her condition is such that great hopes are entertained for her speedy recovery.

Cabool, ten miles east of Mountain Grove, suffered a severe loss Tuesday morning from fire. The flames started in a vacant building back of the Times office on Spruce street, and spread rapidly to the old wooden buildings adjoining. Grant & Davis were the heaviest losers. They were the owners of all the buildings that burned and besides lost 1500 bushels of corn, a lot of hay and their office fixtures. They estimate their loss at near \$10,000, and did not have a dollar insurance. Mr. Lemons of the Cabool Times was the next heaviest loser. It is said that he did not save over \$50 worth of material, and valued his plant at \$2500. He had no insurance. One dwelling, a boarding house and some other buildings burned. The Times is being printed in the office of the Cabool Enterprise this week, but it is not known what Mr. Lemons expects to do about continuing the publication in the future. The buildings were of wood and the insurance rates were so high that they were considered prohibitive by the occupants.

As Mildred, the ten year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hickey, was returning home from some errand in town, this morning, she fell in such a manner that a snag penetrated her thigh for several inches. The girl was crossing the property owned by Dr. Barnes in the west part of the city at the time of the accident. She was carried into the home of C. Stewart, nearby, and Dr. Magee was called to dress the wound. While the snag caused an ugly wound, it is not thought to be dangerous.

Frank Newton, the enterprising proprietor of Newton's "Palace of Sweets", has installed one of the finest Soda Fountains ever brought to Mountain Grove. It is a "Liquid Iceless" fountain, and is said to be one of the most sanitary fountains made. It is a beauty and is the equal of the best to be found in any city.

Prosecuting Attorney Curtis came over from Hartville Friday, and after making an investigation dismissed the state's case against D. J. Wyrick, who was charged with wife abandonment.

Earl, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Hunter, died in Kansas City, Mo. Friday, May 12th, 1911, and was buried Sunday, May 14, at Kansas City. Earl was 7 months old and was one of twins. Mr. and Mrs. Hunter are well known in Mountain Grove.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Eckland, May 6, a bouncing baby boy.

May 24, 1911:

W. C. Shannon received a telegram from Springfield this morning stating that Dr. E. J. Butzke and Aletha Shannon, who are in the Springfield Hospital, would be brought home Thursday night.

Dr. I. R. Lane, one of the oldest, best known physicians in the southern part of the state, died in a hospital in St. Louis last Friday afternoon. The funeral services were held in the St. Paul M. E. Church South, Sunday afternoon, in Springfield and burial was in Hazelwood cemetery. Dr. Lane was as closely identified with the building and history of Mountain Grove as any other one man. He laid out the principal part of the town and has always been a large property holder. He leaves an only child, Dr. W. C. Lane.

Don, the little 10 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Faurot accidentally slipped his fingers on the right hand into the cogs of a gasoline engine last Saturday morning. They were so badly mashed that Dr. Hubbard was compelled to amputate two of them.

Wiley Leach died in California, Monday. Mr. Leach resided in Mountain Grove about 16 years ago. He was married to Miss Mary Archer, a daughter of James Archer. For a number of years he lived in Springfield, and his family has made their home at that place all the time since leaving Mountain Grove. For more than two years, Mr. Leach had been representing a big milling company in China. Last fall it was found that he was suffering from Bright's disease. He spent most of the winter in a hospital and started home as soon as he was able to travel. He had reached the home of his mother in California when he died. The body will be shipped to this place for burial. It is expected that the funeral will take place about Sunday.

"He is arrogant, egotistical, high tempered, a Socialist and so wonderfully impregnated with his own self-conceit and of his political and religious ideas and beliefs that he allows it to control all of his words and actions and curses and abuses those who do not agree with him in his views." Is part of what Lillie C. Fouty says in her answer to the divorce suit brought against her by her husband, Henry M. Fouty, for trial at the term of circuit court. The answer is also a cross bill in which the wife asks alimony and the divorce decree sought by her mate. The husband filed suit for divorce early in March, in which he accused his wife of violent temper and abandoning him several months ago. He is represented by Attorney Perry T. Allen. It was thought at first that the suit would not be contested but upon her application the wife was allowed to answer to the charges and the cross bill filed in division number one of the circuit court this morning by her attorneys, Farnsworth and Lamar, will serve this purpose. The couple were married in Mountain Grove, Mo., in December 1904, the wife says in her answer, and lived there until April 6, 1910 when they moved to La Harpe, Kansas, where the wife now resides. She claims that her husband failed to support her and her children and has since failed to return home. She further says that he has filed suit for divorce in the Wright County circuit court, which is still pending. She says he had "bullied" her into giving him all of her property both personal and real, with the exception of the household goods in the home at La Harpe, and she is a frail and delicate little woman unable to support herself and asks that the court allow her sufficient alimony to support her. In the wife's answer the allegation that her husband is egotistical and arrogant is dwelt upon at length, as are the claims that it is his habit to abuse all those persons who do not agree with him in his religious and political views. She says that during their married life, her husband went so far as to even object to her associating with neighbors, or friends, who would not agree with his views, and called her a fool. The suit will be heard by Judge Guy D.

Kirby later in the present term, when both the plaintiff and the defendant each with witnesses, will be present to testify as to the true state of facts. Dr. H. M. Fouty is well known in Mountain Grove and the fact that he is a citizen of Greene county, as he must be to bring suit for a divorce in that county, will come as news to most people. The suit was filed in Greene county in March and at the city election in April the doctor was a candidate for alderman from the second ward.---Springfield Leader

Mrs. Margery Hammond, who was compelled to resign her position as instructor of history in West Plains High School last January, died at her home in Eldorado Springs last week of cancer. Mrs. Hammond came to West Plains in 1908 to teach in the city schools. She had taught for sixteen years before coming here and her last position before her engagement in the West Plains High Schools was at Mountain Grove. Last year, Mrs. Hammond's health began to fail. She spent the summer in Eldorado Springs with her parents and in the fall returned to West Plains to resume her school duties, believing that her health was better. She took up her work, but in January became so ill she was forced to give up her position. She went to a hospital in Kansas City for an operation, but grew steadily worse. She was taken to Eldorado Springs and died at the home of her parents. Mrs. Hammond was beloved by all her pupils and there is universal regret at the High School over her death. She leaves one son, Paul Hammond.

May 31, 1911:

It seems that the D. J. Wyrick matter is not settled. Prosecuting Attorney Curtis recently dismissed the state case against Mr. Wyrick, wherein he was charged with wife abandonment. Mrs. Wyrick's attorneys, Carrol & Welch, say the case was dismissed at their request. They say the suit is to be filed in the circuit court, also that Mrs. Wyrick has sued for separate maintenance and alimony. Her attorneys further say that Mrs. Wyrick knew her first husband had disappeared three years ago, and that, assisted by the Omaha police department and Mr. Wyrick himself, she had used every means to locate him, and that she had been advised by lawyers that she was free to marry again. Mrs. Wyrick's lawyers claim that Mr. Wyrick's defence is frivolous, that he simply wanted to trifle with her and then cast her away.

John S. Hopkins' residence, near Rayborn, was entered about 3:00 o'clock Saturday afternoon, while the family was absent, and ransacked. So far as known, the only things taken was five quarts of whiskey and a quart of brandy that was securely locked in a trunk. The thief had turned things upside down like he was searching for money, but there was none to be found. W. J. Hinkle was called by phone and went out Sunday morning with his blood hounds and trailed the culprit for several hours. It is said that Mr. Hopkins is reasonably certain as to the identity of the man who got away with his brandy and whiskey, but so far no arrests have been made.

Miss Fay Leighton and Mr. A. E. Fuerst were married at the home of Rev. I. P. Langley, at 7 o'clock Sunday evening. Rev. Langley performing the ceremony.

Prof. A. H. Bailey has been elected Superintendent of the public schools at Hartville for the next year. The county seat town could not have made a better choice. Mr. Bailey has been teaching in the north part of the state for several years, but had held Wright county as his home and at present, owns three fine farms near this city.

Sheriff Woods, Prosecuting Attorney Curtis and Constable Owens recently captured Floyd Claxton, Lyons McIntosh, Levi Moody, Ben Stacy and William McDaniels while they were engaged in shooting craps. The sheriff got the money and the dice. The parties were released under bond for their appearance at the September term of circuit court.

Miss Emma Hunt, the 17 year old daughter of I. N. Hunt, died the 23rd of May. Death was caused by the measles.

Mrs. D. J. Wyrick received a telegram Sunday telling of the death of her sister, at Princeton, Ill. Mrs. Wyrick was so prostrated that she was unable to attend the funeral, but as soon as she is able to travel, she will go to Illinois for a month, returning here in August.

[First week of June---no front page microfilmed]

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Anderson, Saturday June 3, 1911, a boy.

Born Saturday, June 3rd to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Peachee, a little baby boy. It proved however to be too frail a flower to blossom here and was taken again Sunday forenoon to be transplanted in the Heavenly Kingdom.

June 14, 1911:

L. B. Lemons of Cabool, was here Saturday to look after leasing a residence and other business matters. Mr. Lemons has bought the Journal and will take over the business of the first of July. In the meantime, he will install a six-column quarto newspaper press and other machinery necessary to the enlargement of the paper.

Mrs. Jennie Fenwick died at the home of her son, H. J. Fenwick, on East Second Street, Sunday afternoon of Dropsy. The deceased was 70 years old and has lived with her son at this place during the last year. Rev. A. M. Livingston conducted the funeral from the Fenwick residence at 10 a.m. this morning. Interment was made in the new cemetery.

Roy, the 5 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Herrin, died at their home on the Southside, Sunday afternoon, of whooping cough. The funeral took place Monday afternoon from the Herrin home and was conducted by Rev. O. E. Hamilton. Interment was made in the new cemetery.

Mrs. Sails, a widow lady residing 10 miles north of Mountain Grove, lost her home by fire about noon, Monday. The fire caught from the kitchen flue and but little of the contents of the house were saved. There was no insurance.

Charles Scott of Mountain Grove and Miss Martela Butts of Embree, Mo., were married at the home of Justice Ed Needham, Sunday afternoon, June 11th.

Charles E. Evans of Hartville, and Miss Frances Gregory of St. Louis, were married at the home of the bride, on Tuesday of last week and will be at home to their friends after the first of July, at Hartville. Mr. Evans is one of the most promising young lawyers in Wright County.

Lela M. Sims Pride was born Nov. 7, 1895 and died June 9, 1911, at the tender age of 16 years, 7 months and two days. She was married to Oscar Pride, of Ottwell, Ind., on Dec. 25th, 1908, and these few months were happily spent as a sweet companion to him she loved. She was laid to rest in the Clifty Hall Cemetery. Rev. H. W. Shannon, of the Baptist church preached the sermon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Raney have a nine pound baby boy.

Mrs. Elizabeth Forest died at her home in Norwood, Mo., Friday, June 2nd, 1911, aged 74 years. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Chadwell. Mrs. Forest leaves three children to mourn her loss; one son and two daughters, though only one, Mrs. W. A. Davis, could be with her during her brief illness. She was laid to rest in the Thomas Cemetery.

June 21, 1911:

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Storm are the proud parents of twin babies, a boy and a girl. They were born June 18th and mother and babes are doing well.

June 28, 1911:

Suit for damages of \$20,000 on account of the alleged action of citizens of Wright county in driving him from his home in Rayborn, Mo., has been filed in the southern division of the United States court of Springfield against J. C. B. Hopkins, William Hopkins, Dennis Hopkins, William Hensley, James M. Hutsell and Richard Rayborn, by Armon Elumbaugh, now of Allen county, Kansas. Elumbaugh demands this compensation on the grounds that he was compelled to sell his property in Wright county at a loss. The suit was filed by Attorneys J. E. Neveille and O. E. Gorman. Elumbaugh is but twenty years old and names John S. Farrington as his next friend. The action will be heard in the October term of federal court. The suit for damages follows an incident which occurred in Wright county and in which Elumbaugh and his relatives claim that he was driven from the country, after being accused of stealing a jug of whiskey from the home of John C. B. Hopkins, one of the defendants in the action. Bloodhounds trailed Elumbaugh to his home and he was charged with the theft. After

threats had been made, Elumbaugh claims, he confessed to the theft and was driven from the country. Following Elumbaugh's departure, Ezra Blaylock, a young man who lives in the same neighborhood, was arrested, suspected of having been implicated in the theft of the whiskey. After Blaylock arrest, relatives of Elumbaugh advertised for his return, stating in the advertisement that he was innocent of the crime with which he had been charged. Seeing the advertisement, Elumbaugh came home and filed suit against the men who are claimed to have been implicated in causing him to leave the country. Elumbaugh is married and has a wife and two children. He returned to Kansas after filing the suit for damages. A story that he was bodily injured by his accusers if denied by the authorities in Wright County.---Springfield Republican

It is not believed that young Elumbaugh has any grounds for his suit for damages. Wright county people are not willing to concede that such men as James Hutsell, Judge Rayborn, and others named in the suit, would have anything to do with the punishment of the crime except in a legal and proper way.

Olga, the nine year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Morris, was stricken with appendicitis last week and is now in the Springfield Hospital at Springfield, recovering from an operation. The little girl has been in poor health for several months, but last week she became much worse. Drs. Butzke and Peyton diagnosed the trouble as appendicitis on Saturday morning and the little sufferer was taken to Springfield on the evening train, where Drs. Terry, Lowe and Butzke performed the operation which was entirely successful. Mr. and Mrs. Morris are at the hospital with their child and will remain until the patient can be brought home.

John R. Lee was granted a divorce from his wife in the circuit court of Clay county at Liberty on Wednesday of last week. Judge Denton is said to have made severe restrictions in regard to Mr. Lee's marrying again soon, when he granted the decree.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Storm died Monday, June 19, age 7 days.

July 6, 1911:

Robert Lemons, the father of the editor of the Journal, after suffering from a stroke of paralysis and kidney trouble for the past two months peacefully passed away at his home near Cabool, Sunday morning at 6:50. He was born in Kentucky, March 26th, 1888, coming to Missouri in young manhood, locating in Jefferson county, where he met and married Margaret E. Beeler, in 1867. To this union ten children were born---five girls and five boys---all of whom are living, seven of them with their mother being at his bedside when he passed away. The funeral services were conducted by Elder W. A. Clute, Monday, July 3rd, after which the remains were buried in the Cabool cemetery.

Mrs. Cora M. Tucker was granted a divorce in Springfield this week from Eugene Tucker, who is now serving a life sentence for murder, in the penitentiary. They were married in this county in 1904.

There is to be an old-fashioned picnic and basket dinner at Rayborn Tuesday, July 25th. There is to be the usual picnic attractions to amuse and entertain all who desire to take a day's outing in the shady grove. Everybody is invited to come and bring a well-filled basket. The management writes us: "We don't expect to have anything like a World's Fair, but we do aim for everyone to have a fair time at least."

H. J. Fenwick was in Norwood Wednesday where he had been called to embalm the body of Nora, the 18 year old daughter of J. H. Sanners. She died of tuberculosis, Monday night.

John R. Lee, a former druggist of this place and Mrs. Lulu Pace, well known by the people here, were married at Sedalia on June 25. They will make their home at Excelsior Springs, where Mr. Lee is in the drug business.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Smotherman of Murray, Ky., are the proud parents of a baby boy, born June 18.

The little twin baby girl of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Storms died Saturday evening, age 12 days. It was buried Sunday by the side of the little twin brother.

Charlie Shifflet, living two miles north of town, left Monday evening for Meadville, Mo., in response to a telegram that his father had died that morning.

July 13, 1911:

Mrs. Laura Gourley died at her home two miles north of town Saturday evening, of tumor, at the age of 60 years. The remains were buried at the Coldwater cemetery Monday.

Mrs. N. A. Pearson informs us that her brother, Grant Rudd, of Portland, Oregon, who a few weeks ago was reported dead, is living and well, that she had a letter from him a few days ago and he is surprised to learn that he had been reported dead.

A baby boy was left at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Archer Monday evening. They seem to think he has a perfect right there and so have given him a name and home. Mother and child are getting along nicely.

Loring is still improving, one general merchandise store, one blacksmith shop and gasoline corn mill. Frank Priester and Charley Henderson are buying and selling sheep.

July 20, 1911:

Mrs. Laura A. Gourley was born March 28th, 1851, and died July 8th, 1911, being 60 years, two months and eleven days old. She was a devoted Christian and a member of the Methodist church for near forty-five years. In 1871 she was married to J. J. Burney and lived with him until his death in 1881. To this union was born five children, of whom

four are now living. They are: Prof. E. J. Burney of Cabool, Dr. E. T. Burney of Line, Ark., Mrs. J. C. Garrett and Mrs. J. T. Bridges of Turley, Mo. In 1883 she was married to S. H. Gourley, of Lebanon, Mo. To them were born three children, W. E. Gourley, of Line, Ark., Mrs. W. W. Lynch of Mountain Grove, and Grover C. Gourley of Neligh, Neb. She was buried in the family cemetery near Manes.

The death angel visited our neighborhood on Thursday evening June 29, and took away our dear friend and neighbor, Sister Amanda Bartley. She lived at her old home twelve miles north of Mountain Grove, where he had lived for 27 years. She was born Dec. 14, 1833 in Monroe county, Ky., coming with her husband and children to Missouri in 1883. Grandma Barley had been a faithful soldier for Christ and a member of the Free Baptist church of Oak Grove for about 8 years. She leaves four sons and two daughters.

J. J. Putnam, of Lost Springs, Wyo., and Mrs. Myrtle Deyo-Paxton of Mountain Grove, were married at Hartville, Tuesday of last week. Mrs. Putnam is master mechanic for the Lost Springs Coal Company. Mrs. Putnam is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Deyo of Mountain Grove and is an artist of no mean ability. The newly-weds left Tuesday evening of this week for El Paso, Tex., for a short visit with Mr. Putnam's parents. From there they will go to Lost Springs where they will make their future home.

Mrs. A. R. Wallace was called to Indiana on account of the death of her mother.

The services at the Hamilton tent meeting at Hartville are largely attended. The tent is too small to accommodate the crowds. More than 20 additions were made to the church during the first week.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Coble, formerly of Douglas county, were murdered at Rayner, Wyoming, July 10th. Mr. Coble was the son of A. L. Coble of Topaz, and had been married but a short time. The supposition is, from the meager returns received, that an insane person did the deed and that they were killed through mistake, as the man had been heard to remark that he intended to kill another man and his wife. The remains will arrive here Saturday, after which interment will be made at the Brushy Woods cemetery.

Robert Cole, who has been living as a hermit for some time in the outskirts of Willow Springs was found dead in his bed late yesterday afternoon. He was 80 years old. A coroner's jury returned a verdict of death by dropsy and old age.

J. W. Souder was born April 8th, 1846 in Henry County, Ind. When he was about six years of age, his parents moved to Gasconade county, Mo., where he grew to manhood and there married Miss N. T. Ridenour, March 13th, 1868. Soon after his marriage, he moved to Ozark county where he resided for 13 years. Since then, until February of the present year he lived on the farm near Dunlow. Ten children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Souder, all of whom survive except the first born---Louisa---who died at 16 months of age. The surviving children are: Mrs. Arada Southerland, Mrs. Mary Blankenship, Mrs. Dora Devault, Mrs. Emma Johnston, all of Denlow; L. F. and Miss Golda, of Norwood;

H. G. and Otto, of Wright, Kans., and Mrs. Pearl Smith of Oklahoma City, Okla, all being present at the bedside and funeral services. Mr. Souder's wife passed away some three years ago. Mr. Souder was a Christian man, having been a faithful member of the Christian Church for more than 40 years. He represented Ozark county in the legislature while a resident of that county and later held like office in Douglas county. His death was caused by a complication of diseases and occurred at Norwood, at 4:45 Sunday afternoon July 9th, 1911. Funeral services were conducted by D. B. Warpen, Evangelist of the West Plains District Christian Churches, in the Christian church at Denlow on Wednesday, July 12th.

July 27, 1911:

Charles, the 14 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Cutting, living four miles east of Norwood, accidentally shot and killed himself Friday afternoon at about 5:30. He took the shotgun and started to the pasture to get the cows. It is thought that he fell and discharged the gun the contents of which entered his stomach. He was found soon after by his mother, who had heard the report of the gun. Medical aid was summoned at once, but he died after four hours of suffering.

Rev. VanNoy died at his home near Norwood, Sunday, July 23rd, at 7:30 a.m. after a long illness. He was the father of Dr. L. T. VanNoy

Elisha Webb returned Thursday night of last week from Oklahoma where he went two weeks ago for the purpose of removing the bodies of George Wilson and Baby who have been deceased about twelve years. The remains were brought here and deposited in the Friendship cemetery on Friday morning.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. William Love died Wednesday morning.

Earl Stuart and Maude Jarrett both of Norwood, were married at the home of the bride's parents near Norwood, Monday evening.

Alva R. Curry, former superintendent of schools at Mountain Grove, but now a druggist at that place, and Miss Ethel Greene, a popular young lady of Mountain Grove, were married here this afternoon at 12:30. The marriage took place at the home of Dr. and Mrs. G. B. Lemmons, the Rev. J. E. McDonald, pastor of the St. Paul M. E. church officiating. The wedding will be a surprise to the friends of the popular couple at Mountain Grove, the two having slipped off to Springfield this morning in order to carry out their plans and get away on a honeymoon before friends learned of the wedding. Prof. S. J. Phelps, superintendent of the Mountain Grove schools, Mrs. Phelps and Mrs. Shinkle, also of Mountain Grove, and Dr. and Mrs. Lemmons were present at the ceremony. This afternoon, Mr. Curry and his bride left for Warrensburg, Mo., where they will visit for a week with friends, that being the groom's former home. Before returning to Mountain Grove, they expect to visit several points in North Missouri. Dr. Lemmons and Mr. Curry were schoolmates at Warrensburg, both having been reared there. Mr. Curry is a graduate of Missouri university, where he gained several honors.

After leaving the school, he became superintendent to schools at Mountain Grove and later engaged in the drug business, being at present one of the best known businessmen of his town. His bride was reared there and is an accomplished young lady. The two will be at home to friends in Mountain Grove after August 15.---
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While working with the gasoline engine at the Mansfield Bottling Works last Friday, Oran Moore sustained a very unfortunate accident. The first finger of his left hand was caught between two cog wheels and mangled in such a condition that amputation was necessary. Dr. Fuson performed the operations, severing the finger at the second joint. The operation was very painful and somewhat difficult owing to the dirt and grease which was ground into the macerated flesh.

August 3, 1911:

Isaac W. Fox was born in Rutherford county, Tenn., October 31, 1833 and died in Mountain Grove, July 29, 1911, aged 77 years, 9 months and 28 days. Brother Fox was married August 16, 1854, to Elizabeth Majors, who died almost six years ago. Brother Fox was father of four children, two sons and two daughters. The sons with their families are present today; one daughter is living in Tennessee and the other died at the age of sixteen. There are seventeen grandchildren living. Brother Fox was converted in early manhood and united with the Baptist church. Coming to Missouri in 1867, he united with the M. E. church, South, and at the time of his death he had been a member of this church for 42 years. After the death of his wife, Father Fox made his home with his son, W. I. Fox and family, of our city. Sunday afternoon, July 30th, at 1:30 the funeral services were held in the M. E. Church, South, conducted by Rev. W. W. Ramsey. The body was taken to the Stubbs cemetery in the country for burial.

M. V. Ussery died at his home Thursday morning at 4:30 and was buried Friday morning at 11 o'clock.

There were 81 additions in the Hamilton meeting at Hartville.

At a special election held Tuesday to vote on the issue of \$3,000,000 bonds to rebuild the State Capitol at Jefferson City, there was a very light vote polled. Those voting registered their approval of the bond issue by about 4 to 1. This will insure Missouri a capitol building in keeping with her rank with the sister states and cause the construction to be begun with the least possible delay.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lee M. Floyd of Dawson, Monday, July 31st.

The case of the State against Aaman Ellenbaugh which came up for preliminary hearing in Judge Freeman's court on Monday was dismissed. The prosecuting attorney then filed on the case in Circuit Court which gives Mr. Ellenbaugh the privilege of preparing for trial in September. The defendant is charged with breaking into and stealing some valuable from the house of John Hopkins sometime during last May. The case is

exciting great interest as Ellenbaugh has brought a damage suit against several citizens of his neighborhood, who, he claims, had intimidated him. Ellenbaugh has a number of friends who are backing him and a vigorous defence will probably be made, meanwhile the prosecuting attorney simply asks for justice to be done.

A Republican speaker in his talk to an audience one afternoon said he could pick out any man before him and tell what party he supported. He then pointed to an elderly man to the left of the room and said: "You are a Republican." "Yes, Sir" said the man. He then pointed to a man to the right of the hall and said he was also a Republican. The man rose in his seat and said he was. The speaker next pointed to a sickly looking gentleman at the rear of the hall and said: "You, sir, are a Republican." "No, sir, I'm not. I've had the grippe for nearly two weeks and that's the reason I look so sour."

Bad money charges were in evidence yesterday when A. L. Arnold, United States deputy marshal brought James P. Wiggins here from Texas county to answer to an indictment returned in the April term of the Federal court for alleged counterfeiting. Bond was furnished in the sum of \$1,000 by Wiggins for his appearance at the October term of Federal court. A gang of "green goods" men have been operating among the farmers in Texas county, and Wiggins is charged with having had associations with them. Six arrests have been made. Wiggins' home is said to be in the northwest corner of Texas county, 45 miles from the railroad, where he is proprietor of a small distillery.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Warren Robertson, Sunday, August 6th, a nine pound baby girl.

Miss Pearl Denney died Tuesday, August 8th, 1911 at Thomas, Ok., of tuberculosis. Miss Denny was raised and educated here and is well and most favorably known by a majority of our citizens. She was born May 29th, 1887, and was 24 years, 2 months and 10 days of age at the time of her death. The remains arrived here Wednesday evening and the funeral services were held at the M. E. Church South, today at 2:00 p.m., conducted by Rev. Harney, after which interment was made in the old Mountain Grove cemetery. This is the third member of this family that has succumbed to this dreaded disease in the past few months.

William Courtney Curry, a former resident of this place, having been manager of the Curry Drug Co., for a long time, died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Curry, in West Plains. While in Arkansas travelling for the J. S. Murrill Drug Co., of St. Louis, he contracted malaria and last Monday at Fort Smith, he consulted a physician who advised him to go home to a hospital. He at once started for the home of his parents, arriving there Monday evening about 4:00. At 8:00 p.m.. he was taken much worse and at 11:30 Monday night he died. Mr. Curry was 24 years old. The remains were buried at Oak Lawn cemetery at West Plains, Tuesday afternoon at 2:00.

A 12 pound boy arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Hilsabeck last week.

August 17, 1911:

Fred Hegberg, 24 years old, died Tuesday at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. Gus Hegberg who live west of town. Fred had suffered long with Tuberculosis and sought different climes in hopes of securing relief. He returned from Nebraska only about one month ago. The deceased is survived by his parents and a sister and two brothers who live here besides a sister who lives in Nebraska and a brother C. O. Hegberg who resides in Springfield. Funeral services will be held this afternoon.

Arthur Helm, the 14 year old son of Joe Helm, living 4 miles west of town, was shot with a .22 rifle late Saturday afternoon. At 4:30 p.m. Saturday evening some of the neighboring children were at the place; Arthur was there. At about 8 o'clock when the boy's father and stepmother were coming from town, upon arriving at about 1/4 mile from the house, they heard someone seemingly crying or groaning near the road. Upon investigation it proved to be their son and he was unconscious. He was taken home, a physician summoned and all that could be done was done for the boy. He however died at 5:20 Sunday morning. The Coroner was notified and rendered a verdict of accidental shooting. The remains were then interred at the Cothran cemetery. During the first of the week it was noised around that possibly there had been foul play. The talk became so general that the Prosecuting Attorney was notified. He with County physician B. E. Latimer, came over from Hartville on Wednesday. A postmortem examination was ordered under the supervision of Dr. Latimer. It was found that the boy had been shot in the back of the head with a .22 caliber rifle, the ball lodging near the brain. A Coroner's inquest was again ordered and every person that was known to know anything of the case was examined. After the examination, the jury returned a verdict that death was caused by an accidental gunshot wound, or by unknown hands. Prosecuting Attorney, A. M. Curtis, states that there was not the slightest suspicion attached to anyone. It is deeply to be regretted that all this unnecessary humiliation should have been heaped upon the parents, but now they should feel better, knowing that their boy's untimely death was accidentally caused and that he was not laid low by the hands of an assassin.

Fred Ussery and Miss Sinda Hurt were united in marriage Sunday, August 13th, 1911 at 10 o'clock.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Shannon, a baby boy last Saturday morning.

Frank Morrison living on the south side died Thursday of Bright's disease, age 64 years. Interment at the Cothran cemetery Friday.

August 24, 1911:

Arthur Freels and wife are the proud parents of a baby girl.

James Cole and Miss Lola Woods were married Saturday night August 19. Bert Cole and Miss Lillie Hylton were married Sunday night at the home of his brother, Charles Cole. Miss Woods is a daughter of J. S. Woods a merchant of this place and Miss

Hylton is a daughter of Dan Hylton. James and Bert are brothers. Their father lives at Dawson City, Mo.

John Spang, a native of Pennsylvania, who lived about five miles north of Mountain Grove, died Friday and was buried Sunday afternoon at 2:30. He was 56 years old and leaves a wife and four children. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. A. M. Livingston of the M. E. church. Interment in the Stubbs cemetery.

August 31, 1911:

Being choked to death by a live fish was the peculiar death narrowly averted one day last week by Zeke Belew, a farmer living about 10 miles northeast of here, while fishing in Jacks Fork. Mr. Belew was fishing under rocks with his hands, and catching a perch placed its head between his teeth to hold it while making a second catch. He succeeded in catching another and started to place its head also in his mouth when the first one plunged into his throat nearly choking him. Jim Boone, a neighboring farmer who was near him at the time removed the fish with a pair of Pliers. In this operation a painful wound was cut in the young man's throat by the dorsal fins hanging in the lining of the throat. His condition is serious but it is thought he will recover.---Willow Springs Republican

Dateline: North Tonawanda, N. Y.: E. G. Neighbors of Mountain Grove, Mo., was badly injured in an unusual accident on a north bound Niagara Falls trolley car on the Military road between Tonawanda and Buffalo at 10:30 this morning. His right hand was struck by an automobile while protruding from the window of the trolley car and crushed. With his wife and little son, Darrell, and a party of friends from Mountain Grove, Neighbors was on his way to Niagara Falls. Neighbors sat next to the window and had his right hand lying just outside the sill. Suddenly his hand was caught between the rapidly moving trolley car and a touring automobile and torn and crushed. The touring car kept on in the direction of Buffalo and the trolley car continued on towards the Falls. An effort was made to have the conductor stop the car but the large crowd of passengers aboard made it impossible to attract his attention until the automobile had passed from sight. The injured man was taken off the car here and removed to the office of Dr. A. T. Leonard where his injuries were dressed. Upon the arrival of the injured man here, the local police and those of Buffalo were notified in the hope that the owner or driver of the automobile would be ascertained. When the touring car hit the trolley car, the jolt was so great that it caused the windows to rattle as though they would break. Some doubt is expressed as to whether the autoists were aware of the damage done to Neighbors' hand.

Word was received the first of the week to the effect that Everett Vincil was killed at Verdi, Nev. We could get no particulars as to how nor when he was killed. His mother left Tuesday evening for Verdi, to the present at the funeral Saturday.

John Spang was born in Burks county, Pennsylvania, January 23rd, 1865 and died near Mountain Grove, Mo., August 17th, 1911, aged 56 years, 6 months and 24 days. He

was married to Henrietta Husenmeyer March 30, 1895, who with four children, is left to mourn his loss. The family moved from Nebraska to their present home in March of this year. Deceased was a member of the German Lutheran church for many years.

September 7, 1911:

W. A. Rippee shot and killed himself at his home near Hartville, Monday night.

Mrs. A. E. Mitchell died Monday after a lingering illness of thirty years at the age of 72 years and 6 months. The funeral was held at the residence of her brother, L. Colvin, by Rev. Alden R. Wallace, Tuesday at 2:30 p.m.. Interment was in the new cemetery.

Born, the Mr. and Mrs. Lee Wittwer, Wednesday, August 30th, a baby girl.

Mrs. Kisa Lindholm died Friday, September 1st, at the home of her daughter Mrs. Tilda Frisk, after a long illness. The deceased was 82 years of age and is survived by two daughters, Miss Emma Lindholm and Mrs. Tilda Frisk. Funeral services were conducted at the home by Student Frank Erickson, after which the remains were laid to rest in the Swedish cemetery at Mountain Grove.

Henry Frisk and Miss Nell Caudle were united in marriage Wednesday, August 20th, at the bride's home. The young couple will leave in the near future for Woodbine, Kans, where they expect to make their home.

September 14, 1911:

After the circus Wednesday night, when they were loading the trains preparatory to leaving, some of the boys from town and country gathered around the tracks in the way of those loading. When asked to get out of the way, the boys refused to do so saying "no _____N-----" could tell them what to do. The laborers resented the remark and a mix-up occurred in which one of the boys received a trouncing. Angered at this they returned to town and tried to get up a crowd to "clean the circus people out." Failing in this they found Marshal Reager whom they prevailed upon to go to the tracks and made the arrest of the supposed miscreant. After placing one of the gang under arrest, someone threw a rock, striking the Marshal on the nose, breaking it and lacerating his face. This is a deplorable condition, but then we consider that the people of the town should have stayed away from the right of way where these laborers had a perfect right to be in the performance of their duty.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Craig, Sept. 7th, a wee baby girl.

The saw mill moved this week close to A. Larue's farm where they will saw several house and barn patterns.

Mrs. A. E. Mitchell was born in St. Lawrence Co., New York, March 12, 1839 and died in Mountain Grove Sept. 4, 1911. She was 72 years, 6 months and 22 days old at the

time of her death. When she was a young girl, the family came west, settling in Illinois near Chicago. She was the youngest of six children, two brothers dying in infancy. She has been an invalid 32 years of her life and has been a great sufferer owing to the extreme nervousness of her affliction. After an illness of 15 years, she partly regained her health and was able to attend her household duties for three years, when she was again obliged to take to her bed that terminated in her death. She was married to William Mitchell in the year 1864 and buried her husband in Mountain Grove in the year 1899. While a young woman she united with the Episcopal Church of which she died a member. She is survived by a brother, I. Colvin; two sister, Mrs. Rosetta Scott and Jennie Shadell; two nephews and niece, Charles and Margaret Colvin and Ralph Scott.

A new baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Hurt, Sunday night, September 3rd.

September 21, 1911:

Quite a wind storm visited Dawson last Monday evening and left its signs be tearing the roofs from buildings and also over-turned some small barns and other small buildings, but no serious damage was done.

Mrs. J. J. Hilsabeck died Saturday September 16th at her home one mile south of Dawson. The remains were laid to rest in the Friendship cemetery.

On Wednesday, Sept. 20th, 1911, at 9:00 in the morning, in the court house at Lamar, Mo., occurred the marriage of Jesse McGregor and Lucilla Mitchell. Mr. McGregor holds a position with the Wells Fargo Express Co., at Gypsum City, Kansas., but was formerly an Ann boy and Miss Mitchell is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. August Mitchell of this place. They left immediately for their home in Kansas.

September 28, 1911:

Mrs. John Odell was born Jan. 7, 1841 and died at her home in Norwood, Mo., Sept. 20, 1911. She was married to John Odell Feb. 21, 1864 and to this union was born 4 children, 3 have preceded her to the better land. Funeral services were conducted by Eld. Thomas Todd at the Christian Church at Hartville. Sis Odell obeyed the gospel and became a member of the church of Christ 40 years ago. She leaves a husband, one daughter, and 2 grandsons.

News was received here last week of the death of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Smotherman, now living at Murray, Ky.

James William Boatman, born March 22, 1885 in Wright County, Mo., died September 21, 1911 at El Centro, Calif., aged 26 years, 5 months and 29 days. He was reared on his father's farm eight miles north of Mountain Grove, and made that his home until March 1909 when he moved to California. He leaves a wife and two children, a mother and three sisters. The remains were brought to this place Monday night and the funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the residence of L. M. Needham.

The services were conducted by Rev. W. W. Ramsey, assisted by Rev. A. M. Livingston, after which the remains were laid to rest in the Pritchett cemetery, five miles north of Mountain Grove.

October 5, 1911:

Determined on having his liberty, "Dutch" Milton, aged about 24 years, who was serving out a \$300 fine in the county jail here for selling liquor without a license, escaped Sunday night and the officers have been unable to get any trace of him. He opened the inner door of the jail by reaching his hand through a very small opening and turning the key, which had been left in the key-hole. He is supposed to have picked the lock on the outer door with a pocket knife. Milton has served one term in the reform school and one in the penitentiary.

Henry Fry and Miss Mamie Clefenger were united in marriage by Justice Stubbs, at the latter's residence, Sunday, September 24th.

Mr. John O. Fox and Miss Iris Cunningham were married at the residence of the bride's parents Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Rev. Alden R. Wallace of the Christian Church officiated. Mr. Fox is a promising businessman of this place, the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Fox, and the manager of the Fox Grocery & Seed co. Miss Cunningham is the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Cunningham. The contract was solemnized in the presence of a few relatives and friends, after which a bountiful repast was served. Mr. and Mrs. Fox will be at home on Oakland Avenue.

C. D. Thompson of Manes and Miss Brooxie Ingraham of Mountain Grove were married at Hartville last Saturday.

Atty. E. H. Farnsworth received a telegram Monday announcing the death of the wife of Dr. D. W. Farnsworth at Galva, Iowa. The Doctor is the brother of E. H.

Obie Sherrell and Tom Alsup became involved in an altercation Friday in which blows were exchanged as a culmination of the event, Sherrell shot Alsup in the hand with a .22 rifle. Sherrell was arrested and placed under a bond of \$1500 to appear before Justice L. H. Slaughter this Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock for a preliminary hearing.

Irwin Wells, the man who was stabbed when the circus was here on the 13th, was so far recovered from his wounds that he was able to leave for the south on the 10:30 train last Thursday evening. His departure was a surprise to many as few knew of his intention to leave.

The 12 year old daughter of Grant Leach of Douglas county was buried in Lone Star cemetery Saturday, September 30th.

Miss Oattie Bruton and Philip Killian, both of this place, were married at Springfield, Mo. on Sept. 18th and will make their home at Carl Junction.

Mr. George C. Smith, whose home is about five miles south of Mountain Grove, died Oct. 5th and was buried in Coughran Cemetery Monday Oct. 9th. The funeral service was held in the church nearby, the sermon preached by Alden R. Wallace, minister of the Mountain Grove Christian Church. Mr. Smith was born in Clark County, Indiana June 22, 1864 making him 47 years, 3 months and 12 days of age. He moved from Indiana to Nebraska years ago and came from there to Mountain Grove March 29, 1911. Mr. Smith leaves a wife and seven children besides two sisters to mourn his loss.

Charles Higgins of Dunn arrived Thursday night from Kansas City and Chillicothe where he had been called to the bedside of his brother Roy, who was run over and fatally injured by a train in the Kansas City railroad yards Saturday. Roy's injuries proved fatal, he expiring before the arrival of his brother. Three brothers, a sister and the wife of the deceased accompanied the remains to Chillicothe the home of the parents where he was buried Tuesday. Roy was an expert box maker in the employ of the Kansas City box factory and was killed while crossing the track to his work. He was 28 year old. He leaves a wife but no children.

In our last week's issue we failed to mention a very pleasant affair at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Lathrom, Saturday Sept. 30th. It was occasioned by being the 45th anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Lathrom's wedded life. The affair was supervised by their children and was intended as a surprise on Mr. Lathrom; the fact proved that he could enjoy a surprise as well as the perpetrators. A bountiful repast was spread of which all present did justice. A social time was spent until the sun was obscured by the evening shadows.

About 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, the fire alarm was sounded in the little city of Ava, and all eyes were soon turned toward the post office building, the upper story of which was observed to be in flames. Within a very few seconds the streets near the post office were crowded with men, women and children, eager to assist in saving the surrounding buildings. It seemed at first as if it would be impossible to save the Hailey Hotel, but by strenuous efforts of at least 200 people, the miracle was performed. Dr. Mefford who had a dental office in the upper story of the building was lighting a cigar. He threw a match near a can of gasoline which exploded and the fire started therefrom. The building was owned by C. W. Meeker and it was not insured. While the post office building was burning, the L. O. Hailey Real estate office was torn down by the workmen and the remains of it were burned. All mails and valuables in the post office were saved.---Ava Herald

Most anyone can be an editor. All the editor has to do is to sit at a desk six days out of the week, four weeks out of the month, and twelve months of the year, and "edit" such stuff as this: "Mrs. Jones of Cactus Creek, let a can opener slip last week and cut herself in the pantry." "A mischievous lad of Pike Town threw a stone and struck Mr. Pike in the alley last Tuesday." "John Doe climbed on the roof of his house last week looking for a leak and fell, striking himself on the back porch." "While Harold Green was escorting Miss Violet Wise from the church social last Saturday night, a savage dog attacked them and bit Mr. Green on the public square." "Isaiah Trimmer of Running

Creek was playing with a cat last Friday when it scratched him on the veranda." "Mr. Fong while harnessing a broncho last Saturday was kicked just south of the corn crib."

October 19, 1911:

The State Poultry Station was dedicated at Mountain Grove, Friday, October 13th with an Impressive Ceremony and Great Enthusiasm.

Mr. Eli Atkison and Lawrence Butcher of Norwood were quietly united in marriage at Mountain Grove last Friday night. The writer wished them a long and happy life in their marriage career.

A telephone message has been received from Sheriff Cantrell of Texas county stating that the store and post office at Clear Springs had been robbed and burned during the night. He is asking that W. J. Hinkle come with his blood hounds. It is to be hoped that the perpetrator of the deed will be captured and punished.

October 26, 1911:

Cabool was again visited by a disastrous fire. A whole block on the south side of Main Street, including the principal stores of the town were destroyed, entailing a loss estimated at \$100,000.

At the State Poultry Experiment Station this week, a lot of valuable poultry was killed by dogs. They have about fifty of the finest ducks in the state which swim on the creek on the Station grounds. Six or seven dogs congregated there about the same time, and proceeded to kill several of the most valuable ducks and crippled and injured a great many more. Mr. Quisenberry, the director, called to the dogs, but they refused to leave, and continued to slay the ducks, so Mr. Quisenberry got his gun and proceeded to shoot into the bunch of dogs. Mr. Quisenberry states that he is a great lover of dogs, had no desire to kill any of the, and would not of shot into the bunch had this been the first offence. But he states that he has lost at least 100 or more valuable chickens by dogs visiting the Experiment Station. He has been getting out of bed at all hours of the night to drive dogs from the coops and yards, which were catching chickens. He had some chickens hatched from eggs which sold for \$15 per setting, and the dogs killed all of them. He had previously made a request through this paper that visitors keep their dogs off of the Station grounds. After having paid fancy prices for some of the best breeding stock he could purchase, and raising it nearly to maturity, and having his peaceful slumbers disturbed every night for the past two months, his patience with dogs is about exhausted, and he has invested in a good automatic shotgun. Some of the ducks which were killed were hatched from eggs which cost \$1 each, and some were from New York, and some were fowls entered in the National Egg Laying Contest were injured and other killed.

Mary Catherine Jones, the infant daughter of A. C. and Monrovia Jones, died October 16, 1911 and was laid to rest in the Coughran Cemetery Oct. 18th. The little one was

but one year and eleven months old, but she was a beautiful child and the parents feel the loss deeply.

Sara J. Peachee was born in Davis county, Indiana, in 1842 and died in Wright county, Oct.. 18, 1911, age 69 years, 2 months. Sister Peachee was married to Alfred Peachee in 1866, of this union were born 11 children, 6 still living and 5 having passed on before the mother. She was converted and united with the church in early life. At the time of her death, she had been a member of the M. E. church for 54 years. Her last sickness lasted almost three months. She leaves husband, children and grandchildren to mourn their loss. She was laid to rest in the family graveyard on Thursday afternoon of Oct. 19th.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Russell Monday morning a baby boy.

Green Lane, a former resident of Mountain Grove, died Friday at Nevada, Mo. [He was buried on the State Hospital grounds.]

A dwelling in Old Town and owned by Mrs. Julia Thompson, occupied by the family of Fred Keesler, was destroyed by fire on Monday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Keesler were at the Opera House and unaware of the fire until everything was destroyed.

Cards were issued Monday by Mr. and Mrs. Harve Young announcing the marriage of the daughter, Daisy Lucile, to Mr. Raymond E. Hayes in Springfield, Oct. 15th, 1911. The bride is highly accomplished and is popular in a wife circle of friends. The groom is a young man of splendid business ability and now holds a position in the railroad office at Marked Tree, Arkansas, where they will make their future home.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Perry Redman a baby boy last Saturday.

Once more the dark winged messenger of death has visited our community, on the evening of the 20th and took from the home of James Greenlee their darling little son Lester.

Mr. Fred D. Atkisson and Miss Lola Brown both young people of this city, were married at the residence of Ed Needham on last Saturday evening. Justice Needham officiated.

November 2, 1911:

Connell an old resident of Cabool having owned the Peter Garst farm, died in Oklahoma last week. The remains arrived here Sunday and were buried in the afternoon.

Mrs. J. P. Horton who has been an invalid for years died Thursday and was buried Friday.

Isaac O. Parker and Miss Bertha Low VanEver, both of Ann, came to Mountain Grove Monday, proceeding to the residence of Rev. A. L. Scott where they were joined in the

bonds of wedlock. Mr. Parker is a prosperous young farmer of Ann. The young people will make their home on the farm.

Houston, Texas county, was visited by a serious fire at 2:10 Tuesday morning. The fire originated in the Jewelry store of J. E. Pace, whose loss is estimated at \$2,300; damaging Kings grocery store to the extent of \$1800; Corbertt Jewelry \$2000; Rutherford Hardware \$100; Post office \$50; Masonic Building \$100; I.O.O.F. Building \$100; Texas County Telephone Company \$200; Electric Light Company \$50; Coy Roberts, Optician \$200; A. E. Leavitt, the owner of the building sustained a loss of \$2500. The estimated loss is about \$10,000 with but little insurance. The cause of the fire is unknown, but is supposed to be of incendiary origin. Mr. Leavitt will erect a modern building to replace the one destroyed.

Frances Saunders, he 12 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harve Saunders died Sunday morning at 3 o'clock. Tonsillitis being the cause of death. She leaves a mother and father and sister. The remains were laid to rest Monday in the Lone Star cemetery.

Elmer Newby is wearing a broader smile than he ever did in his life. He and Mrs. Newby are rejoicing over a 10 pound boy.

November 9, 1911:

Several of our businessmen, including our postmaster, went 'possum hunting Saturday night. They spent their time eating fried bacon and cold biscuits and thinking they were having a good time.

Mohn Brown of Topaz and Miss Fannie Baney of Dunn were married Sunday at the residence of justice E. Needham of this city. The young couple will make their home on the farm of the bridegroom at Topaz.

November 16, 1911:

Harry Watson, an employee of the Frisco at Thayer, was shot and instantly killed on the farm of his mother near there Tuesday afternoon. John Simpson, who was the tenant on the farm, did the shooting and afterwards surrendered, claiming he fired in self defence. A division of the products raised on the farm is said to have led to the trouble. Watson, accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Anna White, went to the farm early in the afternoon. It is claimed Watson took a revolver with him. As soon as he saw Simpson, he is said to have exclaimed, "If you have a gun, you had better get it out." Simpson quickly drew a revolver and both began shooting. Watson fell dead near his mother with a bullet through his head. Simpson was unhurt.

An unusual sight--to the new editor at least---was a flock of 200 turkeys being driven into town by G. W. Pool and one or two helpers, last Friday afternoon. They were raised on Mr. Pool's place near Manes, 23 or 24 miles from here, and but a few of them seemed to be sore-footed from their long tramp, which occupied almost two days. Two

of them were belled. They were sold to the Ellis Live Stock Company, at 15 cents a pound. Mr. Pool says that in former years, he had marketed as many as 300 in the same manner.

Never set a fried egg with the expectations of hatching a fried chicken.

The stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Gray early Saturday morning and left a baby girl.

The little daughter of M. L. Root, our mail carrier, was buried in the Lone Star cemetery Saturday. Membranous croup was the cause of the little one's death.

November 23, 1911:

Mr. Edward L. Klawitter of Dawson and Miss Mary A. Denny were married at 8 o'clock Tuesday evening at the home of Uncle John Coats, in Old Town, 'Squire Needham performing the ceremony. They will make their home in Dawson, where the groom is in the mercantile business.

Col. Townsend's bird dog, strayed or stolen for about ten days, showed up on the streets Wednesday morning minus its collar and considerably the worse for wear.

Albert Zirschky of Huggins and Miss Ruth Ellis of this place were married at 3 o'clock Sunday at the bride's home.

Mrs. Nellie Whittaker died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Daniel Towhig Nov. 21. She was born in Jackson county, Ind., July 24, 1834, and had been a resident of Wright County for 73 years. Mrs. Whittaker came to this country when she was 4 years old. She was only sick five days, her death being caused by pneumonia.

It was Miss Mary A. Durney (not Denney) who was married to Mr. El L. Klawitter of Dawson on the 21st.

The funeral of Albert V. Anderson, who died at his home three miles northwest of Mountain Grove, was held at the First Methodist church last Saturday afternoon.

December 7, 1911:

Mr. Dillard A. Melton and Miss Sada I. Gorside both of Texas county, Mo. were married Wednesday night by pastor I. P. Langley at his home.

Miss Mary M. Davidson died at her home near this city on Monday night of last week, of heart failure, at the age of 69 years, 5 months and 20 days. Funeral services were held at Lone Star church, conducted by Rev. Henry Shannon, and the burial was in the church cemetery. Deceased was the wife of W. J. Davidson and is survived by him, three children and quite a number of grandchildren.

Malcolm Hunter, an old and respected citizen of Wright county, died at his home near Astoria on Tuesday of last week, at the age of seventy-six years. His death was caused by typhoid fever. Mr. Hunter came from Tennessee in the early seventies and bought land on Beaver Creek and was not long in winning the respect of his neighbors, which he retained until his death. Five sons and a daughter survive him.

Several people attended the pie supper at Lone Star Thursday night. The pies sold well. Ruth DeMotte's bringing the most, which was \$3.75.

Canton Bruton, Justice of the Peace at Norwood, died Friday, Dec. 1, after a long and painful illness.

December 14, 1911:

Albert V. Anderson, who died Thursday, Nov. 23, 1911, at his home three miles northwest of Mountain Grove, of typhoid fever, was born of Swedish parents at Salem, Mo., Nov. 30, 1873. His father was killed in a mine accident, Oct. 20, 1873---a few days before the birth of the son. The widow married Frank Lindholm on the 28th of March 1875, and afterwards made her home in the Mountain Grove vicinity. A. V. Anderson was married Sept. 21, 1903 to Miss Annie Daniels of Hamburg, Iowa. She and five children survive him, twin children having been born to them on the night preceding Mr. Anderson's death. He was a member of the First Methodist church of Mountain Grove and his funeral was conducted there on the afternoon of Nov. 25, by his pastor, Rev. A. M. Livingston. Interment at the Swedish cemetery. Mrs. Anderson's brother, John Daniels of Hamburg, Iowa is here assisting in closing up business affairs. After the sale on Tuesday next, she and her children will accompany him to Iowa and make their home there.

Married in Mountain Grove, Thursday, Nov. 30, Mr. Charles Reecer of the Willow Springs vicinity and Miss Elizabeth Edward of Mountain Grove.

Mountain Grove friends of Circuit Clerk Pryor are sorry to learn of the death, recently, of his infant child.

A son was born Dec. 7, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Fox of Carthage, Mo. Henry Fox is the son of R. H. Fox and formerly lived here. The young man has been named Henry Robert, after his father and grandfather.

Samuel Eldrege Edwards, who for 40 years past, had lived on Roubidoux Creek, near Upton, Texas county, died at 9 o'clock last Saturday night, of cancer, at the age of 69 years, 3 months and 9 days. He is survived by his widow, four sons and three daughters, all of whom were present during his last moments, except his son in Idaho, who was here a few days before his death. He was a native of Ste. Genevieve county. His burial took place Monday at the Concord cemetery, both Masons and Odd Fellows testifying to their esteem for a brother member by taking part in the funeral rites.

A Manes correspondent reports very new comers at the homes of Bud Cope, Scrub Perkins, Newt Brills and Earn Prock.

W. A. Johnson of Cabool dropped dead in his store at 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. He was in the wholesale flour and feed business, and better known as "Chicken" Johnson.

A fast freight train on the Frisco had an accident at the crossing half a mile east of Cabool on Wednesday morning and ten or twelve cars of meat went off, tearing up the track so badly traffic was delayed for several hours. The wrecking crew got the track in shape, however, and trains are now running on regular time.

Addie Nall's childhood days were spent at Hartville, Wright Co., Mo. Her young womanhood days in Mountain Grove, Mo., at which place she was united in marriage with George Cassil in 1886. They resided in Mountain Grove, till about twelve years ago, when they moved to Waverly, Washington, and later to Spokane, Wash., where Nov. 16, 1911, she died from that dreaded disease cancer. The remains were laid to rest in the cemetery at Waverly, Wash. While in Mountain Grove, there came into their home three children---one son and two daughters. The broken-hearted son is left with his broken-hearted father to mourn the irretrievable loss of this devoted Christian mother. The two daughters---Bessie and Beatrice, were buds given by the Gardner, to be cherished only a few years. For several years, Addie was a faithful member of the Presbyterian church, later united with the Methodist church to which she remained a true member until her death.

Mr. Charles Minnie and Miss Rose were married Saturday, Dec. 10, at the bride's home, near Buckhart, Mo. They returned to their future home near Norwood, Thursday. Friday night a crowd of young folks surprised them with a lively charivari.

The rabbit market has gone to the bottom on account of warm weather. They were worth but two cents each in Dawson Saturday.

Weddings seem to be the order of the day at Ben Davis. Last Wednesday, Frank Zirskey, following the good example of his brother, Albert, was married to Miss Mary Knight. Of course the boys gave them a noisy serenade that night. Sunday following, Mr. George Tate, who has been for some time employed at the power house in Kansas City, Mo., was married to Miss Ballard. They will begin housekeeping on the farm owned by Mr. Tate, on the Higgins road.

December 21, 1911:

Frisco fast train No. 106, formerly called the Southwestern Limited, but now the Kansas City and Florida Special, went into the ditch at about four o'clock Tuesday morning near the Denny spring, a mile and a half east of Mountain Grove. The only fatalities were the deaths of Engineer Hugh P. Colvin and Fireman William Sanford Ragan, whose bodies were found in the cab of the overturned engine just after the wreck, enveloped in such a cloud of scalding steam that it was some time before they could be removed. The

fireman's body was partially covered by coal which had come down from the tender, and the engineer's body was lying across his. The latter had a wound on his forehead which was probably caused by his being thrown against some part of the engine, and it is thought that the death of both was instantaneous. The body of the fireman was more badly scaled. The train consisted of six cars, all being of steel except the sleeper in the rear and this fact accounts for the passengers, but two or three of whom were hurt. Two men had their backs sprained and one was cut in the face by falling against a window. The engine evidently left the track some 300 feet from where it came to a stop, went down the bank about eighteen feet, turning over on its side. The tender went only partially down the embankment, and was turned around and jammed against a mass of ties and wreckage, and this aided in stopping the cars and keeping them from piling into the engine. Had the cars been of wood, they would have been badly wrecked and the consequent injury of passengers great. The rear trucks of the sleeper were the only ones left on the tracks, but neither engine nor cars were badly damaged. A relief train was soon on the spot, wrecking trains were sent out from Memphis and Springfield and the track was cleared before the close of the day. The distress call from the engine's whistle soon summoned neighboring farmers and many citizens of Mountain Grove, Drs. Hubbard and Butzke and other physicians hurrying to the spot. Dr. H. J. Rowe, the company's surgeon at Willow Springs, was also at the wreck. The officials of the relief train were attentive to the stranded passengers, brought about 50 of them to the Mountain Grove hotels for breakfast, and later took them on to Springfield. The bodies of the engineer and fireman were taken on the same train. Engineer Colvin was 52 years old and had been in the service of the Frisco since 1887. His widow and seven children survive him, and he is said to have had \$4500 life insurance. Fireman Ragan had only \$1500 insurance and leaves a widow and one son. He came from Oregon county and was a member of the Odd Fellows lodge at Thayer. Both lived in Springfield. The condition of the track was such that the cause of the wreck could not be accurately determined. It occurred at a portion of the roadbed where there is a short reverse curve and this and the speed of the train may have caused it to leave the rails. The train was 45 minutes late at Willow Springs and the engineer is said to have remarked there that he would make it up before Cedar Gap was reached. Even if he made a mistake in judgment, he and the fireman were game. They met death in the cab with the throttle closed and the air on.

At 8:30 o'clock Monday night the barn of Forrest Caulkins some six miles north of town, was destroyed by fire, together with some hay and grain. Mr. Caulkins thinks the fire was started by hogs overturning a lighted lantern which he left on a box while out of the barn for a time. He had insurance in the county mutual company, which met in Mountain Grove yesterday and allowed him \$448. An assessment of 20 cents for each \$100 of insurance has been made on the membership. This is the fourth loss of the company, which was organized two years ago and now had \$200,000 insurance in force.

Elijah Brentlinger, a hard-working young farmer and son of Mr. and Mrs. George Brentlinger, near Mansfield, died on the 10th in terrible agony, at the home of his brother John. His symptoms indicated strychnine poisoning, but he declined to admit to

the attending physician, Dr. Fuson, that he had taken poison. He was a member of the Modern Woodman Camp of Mansfield and was insured for \$1000. Funeral services were held at the C. P. church by Rev. J. J. Russell after which the remains were conveyed to the city cemetery and laid to rest by the Modern Woodmen. Young Brentlinger was married about a year ago to Miss Alma Smedley of Mansfield, and reports are that their married life was none too happy. They finally separated, but had a conference the day before his death, and it is supposed that his suicide was a result of this.

The cases of the United States vs. E. E. Young, Bode Payne and C. M. Evers, charged with counterfeiting were dismissed by Judge Dyer in the U. S. District court in St. Louis Monday. Young, Payne and Evers were charged with making and circulating twenties on the Beloit, Kansas National Bank. The case was dismissed on a demurrer filed by defendants' attorneys.

Lilburn H. Murray, for years one of the most prominent businessmen of Springfield, died at his home there at 4:30 Saturday afternoon. He had been ill for several weeks from lung trouble and general debility and death was not unexpected. Mr. Murray was three months over 78 years of age. He had served the city as mayor and county as representative, and for many years was the moving spirit in Springfield's progress.

Six cans of young black bass, estimated to be 25,000 in number, were received at Houston last week from the state fish hatchery near St. Louis. The fish were very much alive and vigorous. One can was emptied at the Mitchell ford, one at Fisher eddy, one at the mouth of Little Piney, two at the Mires mill pond and one below the mill dam.

A son was born to Hon. and Mrs. Talbert Taylor of Texas county on the 11th.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Gregory, south of Houston, last week.

Ray Clayton's store and goods at Blackfoot were destroyed by an incendiary fire on the night of the 8th.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Carnall of Mansfield on the 12th.

Constable Jesse Brown of Phelps county shot and killed Lum Riley Dec. 1. Riley was under arrest and struck at the officer with a knife.

Mrs. House of Springfield was badly burned and had her home destroyed last Friday. She kindled a fire with coal oil.

George Epperson and Maude Coggins, both of Mountain Grove, were married by Justice M. E. Needham at his home Sunday night.

Marriage licenses were granted in Texas county last week to J. R. Bryant and Sarah Richard, both of Hazelton, and George A. Tate and Ollie Ballard, both of Huggins.

The Mansfield Press says the explosion of a gasoline lamp in Robinett's Bankrupt store destroyed two suits of clothing and some overalls and came near causing a serious fire.

Last week the Ozark county court ordered the sheriff to take John Beamon to the state hospital at Nevada, but John left for Kansas before the sheriff could get him.

While Mr. and Mrs. Rivers Benton were in Hartville Friday, their house burned down. No one being at home but the children. Nothing was saved.

We have been told of the marriage in North Dakota of Rex Singmaster, a former Wood township boy, to a lady of a northern state whose name we did not learn.

December 28, 1911:

Married---Miss Julia Montgomery of Greenfield, Mo., to Mr. Cordis Tindill of Lockwood, Mo., on Saturday evening, Dec. 23, at 6 o'clock at the M. E. parsonage on N. Main St. Rev. A. M. Livingston officiating. The bride is an old friend to the minister's family, he having formerly been her pastor for three years at Greenfield. She has been a school teacher of Dade county for several years, and is the daughter of C. W. Montgomery, who is probate judge of Dade county. Mr. Tindill is a prosperous farmer of Dade county.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lindholm, Dec. 19, a fine boy.

Dr. F. J. Worthley, a former resident of the city and a member of Mountain Grove Lodge, No. 158, died in Kansas City Wednesday and his body will be brought here for burial tomorrow. At the request of his Lodge in Kansas City, the Lodge here will conduct the funeral.

Moritz Allgeier was born in the town of Haslach, State of Baden, in Germany, Feb. 20, 1830. Hearing about the great prospects for fortunes in America, he decided to come over and try it himself. Arriving here in 1854 at the age of 24, he came west as far as Ohio, where he remained for a short time only. From there he came directly to Missouri and remained in this state the remainder of his life. While living at St. Charles in June 1862, he met and married Johanna Kempf, who survives him. To this union 11 children were born---7 boys and 4 girls, all of whom are still alive. About 20 years ago he came to the Ozark region, settling on a homestead about 13 miles south of Mountain Grove, near what is now Vanzant. On this farm he lived till about 4 years ago when, on account of his age and the fact that all his boys were gone, he decided to give up the farm and come to town. Here he passed the remaining years of his long life in quietness. The end came peacefully Dec. 26 at 9:30 p.m. He had been sick but a few days but his age was against him and from the first there was little hope of his recovery. He was laid to rest in the New Cemetery in the lot owned by his oldest son, H. F. Allgeier.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lorton of White Hall, Illinois, Dec. 16th, a "wee" baby girl. Mrs. Lorton is better known here as Edna Williamson.

A very pretty home wedding occurred at high noon Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Brenizer, northeast of Mountain Grove, when their daughter, Miss Fern Mattie was united in marriage to Mr. E. A. Inkenberry. Elder C. W. Gitt officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lyming are the proud parents of a baby girl born Dec. 20.

Little Tommy, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Purdle, died Monday and was buried in the Thomas cemetery Tuesday.

G. E. Pace, whose jewelry store and optical shop at Houston was destroyed by fire a few weeks ago, has been arrested on a charge of arson and has given bond in the sum of \$1000 for appearance at circuit court. The fire was about a \$10,000 one and almost ruined a grocery man whose stock was not insured. Pace is aid to have had \$1800 insurance, which the companies decline to pay. He was in Mountain Grove shortly after the fire, trying to find a business building with a view of locating here.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Frisk, at Woodbine, Kansas, Dec. 14, a fine baby boy.

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