

MEETING TO BE CALLED FOR KING OF TRAILS

National Meeting of the King of Trails Association to be Held at an Early Date.

At the state meeting of the King of Trails Association for the state of Kansas, held in Kansas City, Kansas, on February 7th, the state association of Kansas appointed a committee to call together the different state organizations and all persons desiring the new military highway, the King of Trails. A committee was appointed and instructed to notify the different boosters organizations of the principal cities along the route, of the intention of the national meeting, of the King of Trails Association, so that any who might desire to make a bid can do so.

It is estimated that there will be between twenty-five hundred and three thousand delegates in attendance. The state of Kansas, state association held a very enthusiastic meeting at Kansas City, Kansas, in which was presented for hot contest, for the location of the highway across the state of Kansas. These contests were referred to the executive board, consisting of the vice-presidents of the state association for a recommendation to the national meeting. A resolution was passed that this meeting endorse the present good roads legislation of the House and Senate at Topeka. Attention was called to the fact that Ft. Leavenworth is within two miles of being the exact geographical center of this highway.

Judge W. W. Brown, of Parsons, Kansas, was elected state president for the state of Kansas, and Dr. J. C. Cornell, of Parsons, elected secretary.

This is the highway that has been before the attention of the public for the past few months and has one of the liveliest organizations of any good roads movements in the country. The trail has been marked through this city and clear to Winnipeg, Canada, and a second trip of the routers will make it one of the best marked roads in the country.

THE JURY PANEL FOR FEBRUARY TERM DISMISSED

From Friday's Daily. The jury panel for the February term of the district court completed their labors yesterday afternoon and were excused by Judge Begley and allowed to return home to look after their own business affairs. The last case taken up by the jury was that of the State of Nebraska against Robert Leland, charging the defendant with incest. The case has attracted considerable attention owing to the nature of the charges, but the evidence offered all the way through was very favorably to the defendant, Mr. Leland and it was clear to see that the jury must return a verdict in his favor. The appearance of Mr. Leland on the stand in his behalf was very convincing to the jury and it only required a little over five minutes from the time they were sent out to deliberate until they returned with a verdict of not guilty of the crime charged. At the close of the trial Judge Begley thanked the members of the jury panel for their work at this term and allowed them to leave for their homes. The second incest case was to have been tried at this term of the district court has been passed over the term and will not be brought up until the next term of the court in May.

A FINE LITTLE DAUGHTER.

From Friday's Daily. The home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Holmes in this city was gladdened on Wednesday, February 14, when a charming little daughter made her appearance at their home. The mother and little one are both progressing nicely. Mrs. Holmes was formerly Miss Grace Dalton of this city.

THE BEVERAGE CASE DISPOSED OF IN DISTRICT COURT

From Friday's Daily. The case of the sovereign camp of the Woodmen of the World against Eliza Beverage et al., which was on trial yesterday to determine the right of the beneficiaries of the insurance policy of the late George W. Beverage, carried in the Woodmen of the World, was passed upon yesterday by Judge Begley, who found in his decision that one-half of the value of the policy was the property of Ethel Beverage, a daughter of the deceased, and one-half was to go to George W. Snyder, a nephew. The court accordingly ordered that the clerk of the district court pay over to the heirs named by the court the amount of the value of the policy, which had been deposited in his office by the head officials of the Woodmen of the World. This relieves the Woodmen of the responsibility for the policy which they have been desirous of turning over to the beneficiaries, and settles the matter.

J. S. BENSCHOTER HAS ANOTHER RUNAWAY

From Friday's Daily. This morning shortly before the noon hour the horse attached to the milk wagon of J. S. Benschoter proceeded to raise several varieties of excitement in a mad dash down Fifth street from the St. Paul's church to the alleyway in the rear of the Geise saloon, and thence down the alley to the Waterman lumber office, where it was stopped. The horse was standing in the road near the church while the owner was delivering milk to some of the householders, when suddenly the animal decided that it was time to go, and from the statement of the bystanders he sure went some. The wagon collided with that of Claus Boetel near the Egenberger corner and here one wheel was left, and another parted company with the wagon near the alleyway, where the horse turned east for his joy ride. In the rear of Goennichen's store the animal made several revolutions with the wagon and narrowly escaped doing damage to another wagon which was hitched in the rear of the store. The remains of the dilapidated milk wagon struck a fence post at the entrance to the alley on Fourth street and the horse was finally stopped by some of the parties nearby. The route of the runaway was liberally strewn with milk bottles along the entire way and the loss to Mr. Benschoter will be considerable. This is the second time in the last few weeks that the horse has run away.

BIG RESIDENCE ON WINTERSTEEN HILL DESTROYED BY FIRE

One of the most serious fires of the last year occurred last night shortly before 8 o'clock, when the Vass residence in the southeast part of the city was completely destroyed by the flames, and its distance from the fire hydrant made it impossible to do any effective work in checking the flames, which had secured a good start before they were discovered. The building was a two-story frame structure and occupied by Joseph Tague and family, who, however, were absent from home, being on a visit to relatives in Iowa, and owing to this fact the fire was well under way before the neighbors saw the flames bursting from the roof of the house, and in a very few minutes the whole building was a roaring furnace. It was impossible to save anything to speak of from the burning house as the heat and smoke was terrific, and only a few articles were rescued before the flames drove everyone from the building. Just what was the cause of the fire is not known but seems to have been caused from combustion of coal, of which there was a large quantity stored in the cellar of the house. The flames, leaping high in the air, made the whole southern sky bright with the lurid tint of the fire and attracted the attention of the entire city.

QUITE A SERIOUS AUTO ACCIDENT

Mark White's Car Turns Turtle, and He and His Three Companions Have Narrow Escape From Instant Death.

From Friday's Daily. Quite a serious accident occurred last night just south of the residence of Mike Lutz on the Rock Bluff road, when the Ford car of Mark White turned turtle into a deep ditch along the roadway and Mr. White and his three companions had a narrow escape from being pinned beneath the automobile. The party had been attending the wrestling match at Coates' hall and left for home shortly after 10 o'clock, and when the accident occurred they were not traveling at a very high rate of speed. Where the accident happened there is a sharp double turn and it was in making this turn that the accident occurred. The right wheel of the automobile has not been in good shape for some time, being weakened, and when the sharp turn was made the wheel gave way, hurling the car, occupants and all over into the ditch. The car turned completely over and rested on the bank of the ditch and a high woven wire fence and this fact saved the members of the party, who were lying in the ditch just under the overturned machine. One of the party had his overcoat badly torn by being thrown into the wire fence and all were badly bruised by the force with which they were tumbled into the ditch. Mr. White was in a dazed state for a few minutes but suffered no serious injury, and Charles Reeves was the only member of the party that sustained any really serious injury, he receiving a long cut over the right eye that required several stitches to close. The members of the party did not realize for several minutes their plight as they were all more or less dazed by the experience, but were able to shut off the engine of the auto, which had continued to run with the machine turned upside down. Mr. Reeves was brought back to this city to receive medical attention, and the whole party were then taken the White home near Rock Bluffs. This morning Harve Manners proceeded out to the scene of the accident to secure the wrecked car and brought it back to this city, where it was repaired and is now ready for commission. The front wheel was a complete wreck and two of the rear wheels were damaged so that it was necessary to replace them with new ones, while the wind shield was broken and the body of the car badly scuffed up in the mixup. Mark and the members of the party can certainly consider themselves very fortunate that the accident did not result in crippling or killing some of them.

FUNERAL OF LITTLE DAUGHTER OF MR. AND MRS. KISER

The funeral services of Jennie Kiser, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Kiser of Mynard, was held at the Eight Mile Grove church last Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and interment was made in Eight Mile Grove cemetery. She was born November 26, 1915, being 2 years, 2 months, 18 days old. Little Jennie Kathryn will certainly be missed by all who knew her. Her sweet disposition and child-like way of expressing her love won the hearts of all. Surely her life was short but the world surely is better for her having lived in it. The beautiful shower of flowers that were sent by friends and relatives all helped to show their appreciation of her life and their heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family. Rev. G. A. Randall of Union had charge of the service.

ASKS TO HAVE NAME CHANGED.

An action has been filed in the district court by George Onde of Weeping Water in which he asks that his name be changed to George Carley, and the matter will be taken up by Judge Begley on the petition.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT HAPPENS TO CHARLES RICHARDS

From Friday's Daily. This noon shortly before 1 o'clock C. P. Richards, the carpenter, met with a very serious accident while engaged in some work at the carpenter shop of Peters & Parker, where he is employed. Mr. Richards was engaged in cutting some board, for use in making window frames, and was operating a buzz saw at the time the accident happened. The board with which he was working slipped and allowed his hand to strike the sharp teeth of the saw, which was traveling at the rate of 2,500 revolutions a minute. The first finger of the left hand was entirely severed from the hand, while a portion of the thumb was also taken off by the saw. Mr. Richards was at once hurried to the office of a surgeon, accompanied by Mr. Parker, who was in the building at the time the accident occurred, and the injured member was dressed and made as comfortable as possible under the circumstances.

FUNERAL OF A PIONEER LADY

Remains of Mrs. Priscilla Noyes Laid to Rest at River View.

The funeral of "Grandma" Noyes occurred from the Christian church Sunday at 2 o'clock conducted by Rev. Wachtel of the M. E. church. The church was filled to overflowing with friends and neighbors who wished to pay their last token of love and respect to the departed.

Mrs. Priscilla Ayers Noyes was born at Beverly, Adams Co., Ill., August 9, 1837. Died at her home in Louisville, Neb., Feb. 8, 1917. Aged 79 years, 5 months, 29 days. She was married Christmas day 1864. She was the mother of five sons: John Elmer, Charles E., George Frederick, Frank Ayers and James Roland, three of whom survive her. Owing to poor health John Elmer of Corpus Christi, Texas was not able to be in attendance at the funeral services.

In the spring of 1867, she moved from Illinois to Mills county, Iowa, and the following November came out to Nebraska, locating on a farm 4 miles southeast of Louisville, purchased from Mr. Buskirk, the father of Mrs. Theodore Boedeler. In the spring of 1870 she removed to Louisville about ten years she moved to the village. After residing in Louisville for about ten years she moved to the present home where she died after having been helpless for nearly a year and a half. She was converted at about the age of 14, uniting with the Baptist church to which she was always faithful and never lost an opportunity to say or do something for her Master. She organized the first Sunday school in Louisville, which was conducted in the waiting room of the B. & M. depot for about two years. A village school house being built at this time, the Sunday school and church services were taken to the school house. She was one of five charter members of the Baptist church at this point and never failed in her active church and Sunday school work until compelled to do so owing to failing health. She made it her rule not only to attend the services herself, but took her family with her, and even in the past fifteen years, when she could not herself attend, she always felt responsible for all in the home to be present at every Sunday service.

She leaves to mourn her loss three sons and their families, eight grand children, one sister, besides the nieces and nephews that loved her as a mother. To the community she was "Grandma Noyes," and all that knew her feel that they have really lost a near and dear "Grandma."—Louisville Courier.

Philip Schafer and wife of Nebawka motored to this city Saturday afternoon for a short visit with friends, and to attend to some important business matters. Mr. Schafer was a pleasant caller at this office.

MARRY YOUR TOWN SAYS BROADMAN

Speaker at Retail Dealers' Convention Tells of Community Spirit.

"The problem of merchandising is the social problem, not dollars and cents; competition is the life of trade; forget competition, think about what you are going to spend, not what you are going to get, think about what you are going to spend not what you are going to save, and marry yourself to your town."

This is the advice that John R. Boardman, of Chicago, organizer of Business Men's Associations, gave to Nebraska Retailers, in a spicy talk Wednesday morning on the subject of "Community Life." Boardman has been engaged in community work for twenty-five years, during which time he has worked in 600 different communities in the United States and Canada.

He told the association that Nebraska needed clear-thinking business men. "Something is wrong in the business life, or the mail order houses and farmers' organizations would not exist," declared the speaker.

"The greatest menace to a merchant is the merchant himself. Some merchants are only bundle wrappers and clerks. There is no reason for the mail order houses and farmers' organizations. Every merchant should subject himself to a rigid examination."

"There is too much social distance between the man in town and the man in the country. Touch your elbows with the other fellow and business will come in mighty strides."

"Kill the man who locks up his store at a certain hour and then sneaks around the back and opens up again. Smack him between the eyes and lay him cold, for if you don't give him the knockout blow he will surely kill you," asserted Boardman.

"Get in your tin lizzy and go out into the country where the folks are. Talk with the farmer, eat with him and once and a while go out and sleep with him under a blanket beneath God's shining stars."

"Marry yourself to the town, marry every man, woman, boy and girl in your town and the town will give you competence. Think about what you will give, what you receive will take care of itself; think about what you will spend, what you save will take care of itself."

After a brief outline of school training for business and professional men in his remarks on the subject of "Relation of the State University to the Business Interests of the State" by Chancellor Avery, Prof. J. E. Rossignol, director of the School of Commerce and its Functions.

"We feel that a long felt want has been filled, but of course we are apt to exaggerate our own importance," said the speaker. The supreme need of the hour is better trained business men, but how and when to get the education is the problem. Business men have no time to go to school and hence the time to receive education is in youth.

"This is a new country and there are many opportunities. There will be a demand in the east for western men. The business world cannot depend on apprenticeship. We don't expect schooling to take the place of practical education. Experience of the past is a body of knowledge which should be studied. The rising generation should be benefited by the experience of the past. We must learn from the experience of other people. Business men and teachers should co-operate." The speaker briefly explained the various branches of the department of the university. He advocated research work in commerce.

I. O. O. F. NOTICE.

The regular session of Platte lodge No. 7, I. O. O. F. will be held Tuesday, February 20. At this time a proposition of vital interest will be presented. Every member of this lodge is urgently requested to be present. Transient members of the order are welcome to visit with us. By order of noble grand, H. SIEVERS, Secy.

Dawson Will Fix It.

THE OLD LIBRARY BUILDING BEING REMODELED

From Saturday's Daily. The old library building at the corner of Fourth and Vine streets which was recently purchased by J. V. Hatt from the library board is now in the state of being remodeled into a residence and when completed will make a neat and commodious home in every way. The building is one that is well built and with the changes necessary to complete the transformation into a residence, will make a most attractive home. There is to be six rooms constructed of the building as well as a bath room, and each will be of good size. A number of changes will be made in the windows of the building and the present ceiling will be lowered to allow if needed, the use of the top story for additional rooms.

M. E. SMITH COMPANY LEASES NEW FACTORY

From Saturday's Daily.

The M. E. Smith company of Omaha, which has been operating a shirt factory in this city for the past several years have decided to open their plant in this city on a much more extensive scale as they have just closed a deal for the lease of the Wetenkamp building through Mr. C. C. Parmele and will occupy the building May 1st, or as soon thereafter as possible. The Smith company will occupy one of the rooms on the ground floor of the building and the entire second floor of the building with their factory and this increase in the size of the plant will permit the installation of many additional machines to care for the demands made on the lines turned out by the Plattsmouth factory. The owner will have the building remodeled throughout for the Smith company and it will be made to conform to the needs of a factory of this kind and when the changes contemplated are made it will be one of the best arranged factories of its kind in this portion of the state. This is a matter that is of much interest to the citizens of Plattsmouth as this company has during the years it has operated a factory in this city employed a large number of girls and women in the operation of the machines and with the improved conditions in their new location will be in a position to employ a great many more. Other cities have been endeavoring to secure this plant or a similar one and it is with pleasure that the public will learn that this branch of the Omaha company is not to be removed from this city, but is to take up larger and more commodious quarters in the new building. J. W. Falter, the owner, will have the work on the building started as soon as possible and will do all possible to facilitate the work of getting everything in readiness for the enlargement of the factory.

DE LAVAL SERVICE DAY.

At the store of the Murray Hardware and Implement company on Wednesday, February 21, will be held a service day for the owners and purchasers of the DeLaval cream separators. On this date there will be a representative of the DeLaval company present at the store in Murray to inspect and repair all DeLaval separators free of charge. This is a splendid opportunity for the owners of cream separators to secure expert advice on the care of their machines and free of all cost. The farmers are urged to come in early Wednesday to have their separators inspected, and the earlier they bring them in the store the quicker the work can be handled.

ENJOYING LIFE IN FLORIDA.

Letters received in this city from Mr. and Mrs. John R. Pearson of Table Rock, who are sojourning in Florida and enjoying the mild climate of that state, indicate that they are enjoying life to the utmost and having the time of their life in picking oranges and fishing and taking in the sights of the tropical land. Mr. and Mrs. Pearson sent back home a fine large lemon, sixteen inches around and seventeen inches in length, and it is certainly some lemon.

MURRAY IS HARD HIT BY BURGLARS

Several Business Houses Were Burglarized, But the Store of Hiatt & Tutt Seems to Be the Biggest Loser.

From Saturday's Daily. Last night or early this morning our neighboring town of Murray was visited by a gang of robbers who proceeded to do business on a wholesale scale with the stores of the place and secured a large amount of goods and valuables as the result of their raid. From the traces left by the robbers it is evident that it was the work of the same gang that has been operating through the county in the last few months, the means of getting into the stores being the same as that used in similar robberies throughout the county. The firm of Hiatt & Tutt seems to have been the hardest hit by the raiders as something like \$400 worth of goods were taken from their store including practically the entire Brodeggard stock of jewelry which was in the store as well as eighteen pairs of shoes, a mackinaw coat and a large number of boys overalls. The Murray Hardware Co., was also one of the sufferers from the unwelcome visitors they having secured there a large number of razors as well as a large stock of cartridges for the revolver that they lifted from the Hiatt & Tutt store, and several expensive pocket knives.

From all indications the robbers first visited the Farmers elevator office as here a window was pried open and an effort made to open the safe which proved unsuccessful and the robbers seemed to have taken things easy at this place as the cigarette butts lying around on the floor indicates that they were in no hurry in getting away. At the elevator the robbers secured a crow bar with which they proceeded to move onto the other business houses. At the Hiatt & Tutt stores the robbers were compelled to do a great deal of work to get in as the back door which was heavily barred bears the marks of the efforts to force it open as does also the windows. From the rear of the store the robbers evidently proceeded to the front of the building where the transom over the front door was forced open allowing some of the party, evidently a small person, to get into the interior of the building to open the rear door of the store. Here, as at the elevator, the burglars evidently took their time in operating, as several more half smoked cigarettes were found scattered over the floor where the men had worked gathering up the different articles. The jewelry taken belonged to the Brodeggard company of Omaha, and this stock was packed by the robbers in a suit case, which was stolen from the store. The cash in the drawer, \$1.45 which had been placed there after the days business had been checked up was also taken, but as far as could be discovered no attempt had been made to open the safe as the robbers were evidently not safe blowing experts.

The store of the Murray Hardware Co., was entered from the rear, the robbers first breaking into a small shed connected with the main building, then forcing out a panel of the rear door allowing them to get into the store room where they proceeded to help themselves to the stock of pocket knives and razors and the stock of ammunition. The Pitman elevator was also visited but so far as could be determined nothing of value was taken. Sheriff Quinton was notified of the robbery early this morning and at once sent out notices to the surrounding towns to be on the outlook for the robbers, but as yet they have not been landed.

A FINE VALENTINE.

From Friday's Daily. The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Parriott in this city will be pleased to learn of the splendid valentine that was given them on Wednesday the 14th, at their home in Peru in the shape of a fine little son and heir. The mother and little one are both doing nicely and it is needless to say that the proud father is the happiest man in Nemaha county at the present time. Grandpa Ed Parriott is also feeling very much pleased over the advent of the young man that bears his name.