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MANY YEARS AGO

Files of the Journal, November 21, 1877. A good deal of money could be made in this city by the proper man, in buying and selling city property. There is a demand, too, for tenement houses. A man of means, understanding his business would do well.

It is said one of the officials of the city who, at the time of the earthquake shock was in the bank building, proposed to his companions that it was time to pray. This, however, he denies, as he has not prayed any for three years.

On Thursday last at 11:35 two distinct waves of earthquake, with numerous tremors, were felt here, lasting, according to our estimate, about thirty seconds. The "assonation" was a thorough one. Everybody was "moved," though all were not conscious of it, and some few were for awhile very incredulous. The motion, some affirm was from southeast to northwest, others who noticed the vibrations of hanging articles, say it was north and south. The two story brick houses in the city were more perceptibly affected than others. At the brick school in district number one the walls were cracked from the foundation up in two places, and the school children so thoroughly frightened that they rushed out of the building and could not be persuaded to re-enter it. School was dismissed for the day. A. W. Crites, whose office is in the second story of the bank building, says that he doesn't wish to be invited out to another such matinee. He could hear the grinding of the mortar, and Chas. Wake, who was in the same building, declares he could see the walls move. Similar sensations were experienced at the court house, and the wall was cracked in one place. Some fear is expressed that the school house will not be safe for occupancy in a storm of wind; the damage to the court house is so slight as not to create any apprehension. No other buildings in the city were perceptibly injured, though some of the frame ones creaked and swayed considerably. There is no telling what would have been the result if the shocks had been continued another time or two. As it was, most of our people had a slight experience of an earthquake with consequences which often attend them.

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D. C. KAVANAUGH

At the State Teachers' association, to be held in Lincoln next week, industrial exhibits will be made by the various schools in the state, and Columbus is planning to send an exceptionally good exhibit. It will consist of exhibits of work done in the manual training department, such as joinery, wood turning and manufactured articles, towel racks, mail boxes, and in fact nearly every article produced in a well equipped manual training department. These exhibits will be from work done by the Seventh, Eighth, Ninth and Tenth grades. There will also be an exhibit from the domestic science department, consisting of the pupils' cooking. The Seventh and Eighth grades will have an exhibit of sewing, showing the work of the new progressive system introduced this year. Exhibits from art and industrial work will be made from the grades, from the kindergarten to the Eighth, inclusive. The latter is composed of basket work, raphia mats and hammocks. A few specimens of clay modeling and drawing will complete this portion of the exhibit. Those in charge of this exhibit to make a showing equal to any heretofore made, and they will be ready to forward it to Lincoln by the latter part of this week. N. W. Graham, the president of the state association, will be presented with a gavel by the Columbus High school, the handwork of Lloyd Neater, and it is a very creditable piece of work. And in this connection it has been decided to introduce a local exhibit of general school work, to be open to the public so that an idea can be gained as to what is being done in the schools. This, however, will not be completed until about April 1, so as to include as much of this year's work as possible.

Captain A. Haight, one of the early settlers of this locality, who came here in the '70s, died at the home of E. M. Sparhawk, Sunday morning, aged 84 years. Alonzo Haight was born in Syracuse, N. Y., July 26, 1826. Here he lived until he removed to Michigan, where in 1867 he was married to Orrie B. Beebe, who still survives him. During the construction of the Union Pacific railroad Captain Haight was employed in that work until the road was completed to Cheyenne. In 1876 he came to Platte county and located on what is now known as the Sheldon ranch, south of the city. Here he resided until 1891, when he removed to Columbus. During his residence in this city he was elected city treasurer for one term, but as he did not want the office he turned it over to another to act in his place. In 1904 Mr. and Mrs. Haight decided to seek a milder climate and in that year sold their property here and moved to San Diego, Cal., which has since been their home. They returned to Columbus on August 1 of this year, and have been here since. For eighteen years Mr. Haight followed the sea, and it was while thus employed that he was given the title of captain. Mrs. Haight alone survives her husband, there being no children. Funeral services were held Monday at the Methodist church, being conducted by the pastor, Rev. C. W. Ray, and burial was in the Columbus cemetery.

Owing to the fact that the Metz bowling team of Omaha did not put in an appearance last Saturday evening the game with the Columbus team was postponed for a week, and instead of this game the first and second bowling teams of this city bowled a game, the second team winning, being given a handicap of 150 pins by the first team. The game with the Metz team is scheduled for Saturday evening, November 19. Much interest is being taken by local bowlers in the tournament of the Midwest Bowling association, which will be held in Omaha, beginning November 26. The Columbus bowling team consisting of Ed Kavanaugh, Joe Gutzmer, Henry Porter, Jap Nichols, Fred Sawyer, Geo. Hazel and R. S. Palmer, will represent Columbus at the tournament. It is also expected that quite a number of local bowlers will also attend the tournament. Some time this month the local bowling association will give a dance at the Orpheum hall to help defray the expense of the team attending the tournament.

Last Saturday afternoon the Columbus High school football team defeated the Fremont High school 23 to 0 on the Columbus grounds. Columbus outplayed the visitors, on the offensive and defensive. Team work by the local eleven was better than the visitors and this was responsible for the victory. Lloyd Neater and Earl Westbrook, for Columbus, did some exceptionally good work. The last foot ball game of the season will be played by the Columbus High school team at David City on Thanksgiving day, this being the return game with that team. Shelby was also asking for a game, but the boys declined as that team is so much heavier and outclasses the Columbus team, that the crowd does not appreciate the game, and their request was declined.

While in Olsen, Switzerland, this summer, Nick Blaser took part in a boat race in that city, and he and a companion won the first prize, the race being in pontoons. Mr. Blaser received a diploma for winning the event and this, with a picture of the club, which gave the event in which he was included, he prizes very highly. Often was Mr. Blaser's home before coming to America and the picture has a number of faces familiar to him.

Dr. Naumann, Dentist 13th St.
Dr. Morrow, office Luessen building.
Baled hay for sale—Ernst & Brock.
Wm. Dietrichs, painting, Ind. phone 1694.

Red Tag sale at Gipe's, 403 west Eleventh street.
Dr. C. A. Allenburger, office in new State Bank building.

Dr. L. P. Carstenson, Veterinarian, Infirmary, 11th and Kummer Sts.

Watch for bargains in queensware and china at Gipe's, 403 west Eleventh street.

A safe and sure investment that guarantees to pay ten per cent or more from the start. See Koon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Egger are the proud parents of a baby boy, which was born Thursday morning.

The Columbus City band will give a public dance at the Orpheum hall on Friday evening December 2, 1910. Music furnished by the band.

For Sale—Four thoroughbred Short-Horn bull calves. The low-down blocky kind. Will be sold cheap if sold soon at Carl Rohde's farm.—Rohde & Zarek.

E. M. Sparhawk, who has been in poor health for the last several months, is reported not gaining strength, and his friends fear that on account of his advanced age, his illness may prove serious.

Mr. and Mrs. Shell Clark of Woodville township were in the city over Sunday, and while here were looking for a suitable piece of property for a residence, as they expect to move to this city in the near future.

The trouble between the Platte county Independent and Leigh telephone companies has been finally settled, the state railway commission ordering the two companies to connect their lines, and put into effect the same service as there was prior to the trouble in June, 1908.

Saturday morning an overheated smokstack at the gas works started a blaze in the cupola of the building, and burned a hole in the wood work. The fire department responded promptly and confined the blaze to the roof of the building. The damage was nominal, fully covered by insurance.

Editor E. A. Harms of the Biene, accompanied by his wife, left Tuesday for Barnes, Kas, to attend the funeral of his cousin, George Wichmann, who died Monday of this week. Mr. Wichmann was twenty-five years of age, and Mr. Harms is the only cousin of his on this side of the water. Funeral services were held Wednesday.

President Ross of the Columbus Light Heat & Power company, was in the city last week on business connected with the action the city council has taken regarding complaints made by the consumers. On account of Mr. Ross not being able to be present Friday evening, the meeting of the representatives and the council will be postponed.

W. H. Pagsley of Monroe is a patient at St. Mary's hospital during the week, and returning home over Sunday. For some time Mr. Pagsley has been in poor health, and on the advice of his physician he has entered the hospital so he can take treatment during the week. At present his condition is improving slowly and he expects to soon regain his normal health.

During the last few months several new members have been added to the Columbus City band, making that organization stronger than ever, and in order to meet the additional expense for new uniforms and instruments the boys have decided to give a series of dances this winter. They have arranged for the first one on December 2, at the Orpheum hall and the music will be furnished by the entire band.

Last Thursday the fire department was called to the home of S. A. Bowers, Seventeenth street, west of the Meridian line, where some bed clothes caught fire. Before the department reached the house Mrs. Bowers had carried the burning clothes out into the street, and put out the blaze. Some of the furniture in the house was slightly damaged, by smoke, but there was no damage to the building. Just how the fire started is unknown.

Tuesday evening Harry Leffingwell, a former inmate of the Industrial school at Kearney, was returned to that institution. Harry has been here for some time with his parents, but he refuses to attend school and has kept Trans Officer Schaad busy looking after him. At last it was decided that he should be returned to Kearney, and as Superintendent Manuel was passing through the city that evening, Harry was turned over to him.

Monday of this week the November term of the district court convened with Judge Hollenbeck on the bench. The term will be a light one, as there are no criminal cases. So far but two civil cases have been disposed of, the first being the Trade Discount Co. vs. Nagent, being a suit over a note, which defendant denied having signed, the verdict being for the defendant. Vackes vs. Snyder, involving a countermanded order for trees, was the second case up for trial and a verdict was rendered for the defendant. Wednesday morning the Curtis-Baum Co. vs. Lang case, which involves the sale of a piano, was up.

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Dr. Paul and Matzen, Dentists.

Dr. Vallier, Osteopath, Barber block.

Wanted, a girl to clerk in the store.—Wm. Poesch.

Wanted—Boy to learn candy making trade.—Wm. Poesch.

Dr. Chas. H. Campbell, oculist, and aurist, 1215 Olive street.

Dr. W. R. Neumarker, office with Dr. C. D. Evans, west side of Park.

Special cut price sale on our plumes and trimmed hats.—H. H. Stires.

Don't forget the dance on Friday evening December 2, 1910, given by the Columbus City Band.

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Are you going to attend the dance at the Orpheum hall on December 2, 1910, given by the Columbus City Band. Music by the band.

No Thanksgiving table is complete without flowers. Flowers for all occasions, plants for all purposes. Order early. A. C. Anderson, Florist, 813 East Eighth street, both phones.

Hugh Hughes left Wednesday of this week for an all winter sojourn on the Pacific coast. His destination will be Los Angeles, but it will be a month before he reaches there as he expects to stop at several points on his journey west.

Because he did not approve of the actions of Peter Schmitt, the Shell Creek miller, during the recent campaign, Judge L. L. Albert invited him up to his office and before the interview ended the judge struck Mr. Schmitt several times. When Schmitt came to the office he was questioned regarding what he did, as he was one of the democrats in the county who were for McElfresh for county attorney. His answers to the judge were such that he made light of the questions asked, and then the judge became angered and struck him. After the trouble Mr. Schmitt left the office, and it is probable other action will be taken in the matter.

Sunday the remains of Mrs. Wm. Aspinwall, a former resident of Colfax county, near Leigh, were brought here for burial. Thirty years ago Mr. Aspinwall died, and as there was no cemetery at Leigh at the time, he was brought to this city for burial, and his wife was brought here to be buried with her husband. Mrs. Aspinwall was about ninety years of age, and lived with her sons at Cody, Neb., where she died. Besides the two sons, Thomas and John of Cody, there is one son, James Aspinwall of Leigh, and a daughter, Mrs. Adam Staub of Hay Springs, Neb. Funeral services were held at the home of her son, in Leigh, and the body brought here in the afternoon.

Marriage Licenses.

John M. Kula, Tarnov	29
Belle Stempeck, Humphrey	21
Elmer L. Jacobs, Humphrey	21
May T. Burnham, Creston	17



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Some Light.

To the Public: Our attention has been called to a letter appearing in a Columbus paper signed by Mr. R. S. Dickinson, concerning his controversy with the Columbus Light, Heat & Power company. The letter referred to does not reflect the facts and, therefore, we deem it advisable, in order that the people of Columbus may know the true situation, to make a statement.

About eighteen months ago Mr. Dickinson notified the company that he considered his demand service too high and asked for arbitration. The arbitrators having fixed Mr. Dickinson's demand service, he still declined to pay, and eventually the company was compelled to bring suit to collect the account. The suit was brought in October of this year in the District Court of Platte county, Nebraska, and covered not only the lighting bill for his residence and office, but also covered labor and material furnished on March 17, 1909, for wiring at his residence. After the suit was brought and his light disconnected for non-payment of his bill, he paid the amount sued for into court. The position taken by the company, and which we believe to be the correct one, was that when Mr. Dickinson refused to pay his bill and the company was compelled to sue him for same and disconnected his service, he ceased to be a "customer" or "consumer," as contemplated by the company's franchise, and the company should not be compelled to turn on his light until it had some assurance that he would pay in the future. Prior, however, to the filing of the mandamus suit by Mr. Dickinson, and after he had paid his bill sued for into court, the company had concluded, as a matter of courtesy and because of the inconvenience that might be occasioned to Mr. Dickinson's family, to turn on his light. After the company sued Mr. Dickinson for the amount he owed it, and before he paid he served a notice on the company for a second arbitration, which notice the company acknowledged in writing served on Mr. Dickinson October 29th, and in which writing he requested him to meet the representative of the company for the purpose of trying to amicably arrange his demand service in order to avoid the expense incident to the arbitration which he had asked for, and stating to him: "We shall be pleased to furnish you service upon the basis that other citizens of Columbus are furnished service." He met the representative of the company and declined all proposals suggested to him fixing his demand service and left the impression with the representative of the company that the matter might be further considered, and the matter was being further considered by the company at the time Mr. Dickinson brought the mandamus suit to compel the company to turn on his light. Mr. Dickinson knew from the notice served on him October 29th last that if the demand service could not be amicably arranged, we would immediately proceed to the arbitration, for the reason that said notice stated: "If you and the company can not arrive at a proper basis of your demand service, then we will immediately appoint our arbitrator and have him forthwith meet with your arbitrator, in order that they may appoint a third, as provided for in our franchise, and we shall do everything within our power to have as speedy a hearing and determination of the matter as possible." Mr. Dickinson's light would have been turned on when it was whether the suit had been brought or not, as the company had determined upon this action and had so written it on local counsel in Columbus. The petition in the mandamus suit was positively sworn to, and was not sworn to, as he verily believed. This kind of verification of a petition means that the facts alleged in the petition are absolutely true. In the petition it is alleged: "This plaintiff was paying for said light at the rate of 9 kilowatt demand service, as fixed by the arbitration committee appointed by the plaintiff and the defendant." The truth is that Mr. Dickinson had not paid a cent for his light since said arbitration committee had fixed his demand, until after the time the company sued him. He alleges further that the company wrongfully and unlawfully turned off his lights. The only reason the company sued him and turned off his lights was because he refused to pay for same. No company is compelled to furnish electric light for nothing, and when payment for the same is refused, the company has a perfect right, legally and morally, to turn the lights off. He alleges further in his petition that he offered and still offers to pay for lights at the rates established by the arbitration committee which fixed said demand service more than a year ago. The answer to this is that he refused to pay anything, hence, he was sued for not paying his light bill since said arbitration committee acted. Before he paid the amount sued for into court he had demanded a second arbitration. We think it is only fair to say that had the board of arbitration which fixed Mr. Dickinson's demand service been familiar with such matters and of the expense to the company to construct and maintain its plant and furnish the service, it would not have fixed his demand service as low as it did, but because it did fix it so low, we mean no reflection upon said board, believing that they acted honestly and to the best of their ability in the matter, although

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under a misapprehension of the facts. We believe that Mr. Dickinson's antagonism to the company is not so much what he pays per month for his lighting privileges as it is to harass and annoy the company and create the impression with the people of Columbus that it is not treating them fairly.

The demand service system of furnishing electric current, while proper, is somewhat complicated and difficult for the laymen to readily understand, but we can say without fear of successful contradiction, that the rates for electric current in Columbus are as low, if not lower, than in any city in this country where the conditions are the same.

Mr. Dickinson says in his published letter: "Nobody wants the company to furnish electric lights for less than a legitimate profit." The company desires no more. The company has made no profit beyond a legitimate one. Answering that part of Mr. Dickinson's letter as to what Mr. Burke said or did not say, we know nothing as to what was or was not said by Mr. Burke at the time the franchise was granted. The company purchased the franchise relying upon its terms and conditions, and the rates for electric current furnished by the company can only be furnished under the terms and conditions of the franchise, unless amended, and not on what somebody may or may not have said. It is ridiculous to talk about the company furnishing a demand service based on one-third of the wattage or one-third of the lights in each house. The company could not run its plant on such a basis and had such a provision been incorporated in the franchise, this company would not have purchased it or built the plant in Columbus.

For the information of the public we desire to state that the ordinary basis for figuring demand service in the United States for residences is approximately sixty per cent of the consumption in watt hours of the installation burning one hour per day for thirty days. The installation means the number of lamps in each house. Mr. Dickinson's demand service as fixed by the former arbitration is too low, and is unprofitable.

In conclusion, let us state that Columbus has the best equipped electric light plant of any city of its size in the state; that the rates for electric current furnished in Columbus are as low, if not lower, than in any city in the United States where the conditions are the same; that the service is not excelled anywhere; that the company has endeavored and is endeavoring to serve the people of Columbus equitably; that the company is trying to help Columbus and has certainly done so by establishing such a plant here.

In return for this, we ask fair treatment, and we believe, as we have always believed, that the people of Columbus as a whole appreciate our efforts, notwithstanding the fact that we apparently have been unable to satisfy Mr. Dickinson, whose bills for the seventeen months, covering the claim sued on, average \$1.87 per month.

Respectfully,
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(By W. C. Ross, President.)

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