July 4, 1912:

It is not often that a father, in the discharge of his duty as an officer of the law, has to arrest his son on a criminal charge, but that task fell to Sheriff John S. Huff yesterday when he arrested his son Opal Hufft, at Springfield, and he did not flinch from the disagreeable duty. Some three weeks ago, young Hufft secured a team and buggy from W. E. Ashenhurst & Son to, as he represented to them, make a trip with a typewriter salesman. He went from here to Buffalo and then to Bolivar where he sold the team and harness and with the money secured for them set out on a round of dissipation. For some time, Sheriff Hufft has been tailing him and yesterday morning he found him asleep in a Frisco switchman’s shanty in Springfield and arrested him and brought him to Lebanon yesterday and he will have to answer the charge at the August term of circuit court.---Lebanon Rustic

James Miller, an old citizen of Douglas County, died at Springfield recently and was buried at Mansfield. He was the founder of the Bryant grist mill.

During a storm near Wheaton on Thursday last, Austin Davis was killed by lightning. He was cutting wheat when struck and his two horses also were killed.

Russell S. Cochran and Miss Mary VanWormer, representatives of well-known West Plains families, were married at Mammoth Spring, Ark., May 10 and kept their wedding secret for six weeks.

The Heflen brothers, who escaped from the Houston jail and were recaptured, pleaded guilty to burglary and got sentences of two years each. The Phelps county sheriff got $50 from his Texas county brother officer for catching them.

R. L. Hollenbeck died Tuesday of paralysis of the brain. The stroke came Sunday while Mr. Hollenbeck was attending church. He complained of a headache, which grew more severe rapidly, and in a short time was unconscious, remaining so until death.---Cabool Enterprise

On last Friday evening, June 28, 1912, Mr. Sherman Lee and Miss Mary McGowan were married at the home of Mr. Lee’s cousin, Elbia Lee, Rev. Harney pronouncing the words that made the happy couple man and wife. The boys gave them an old-fashioned charivari Saturday night.
Mrs. H. S. Mason was called to Cheney, Kansas, last Saturday evening by a telegram announcing the sudden death from heart trouble of her daughter-in-law, Mrs. E. B. Mason. The latter was before her marriage Miss Lily Atkins, and the news of her death will sadden many old friends in the country north of Mountain Grove, where she spent the early years of her life.

Misses Eva Cover, Allie Archer, Opal Leach and Clara Robertson packed tent, fishing tackle and camping outfit into a wagon last week and spent several days at Grimes's mill on the Gasconade, returning home with plenty of sunburn and improved appetites. Masters Fred Leach and Harold Cover accompanied them as protectors, but were possibly not as gallant as they should have been, as the girls report that they had to get their own firewood and seine for their own minnows.

The Hartville Democrat chronicles the arrival of new babies in the families of J. S. Lathrom, Owen Gorman and Sam Harris.

Loranzo G. Gentry, for over 62 years a resident of Texas County, died June 19, in the 82nd year of his age.

Charles T. Newton, who has been in the engineering department on the Panama Canal, arrived home yesterday, on a 42 days' furlough. He is a son of Andrew Newton on the Gasconade, and has been in Panama for the past two years.---Mansfield Press

The Hartville Democrat reports marriage licenses issued recently to Jesse Ballard and Hester Barnes, Hartville; Elijah Berry and Elizabeth Drumright, Norwood; Ernest L. Carder and Zenia May Young, Hartville.

Mr. Frank Hahan of Rockbridge and Miss Marie Gaulding of Notting Hill were married at the bride's home last week.

J. B. Hensley, a former citizen and ex-sheriff of Wright County, recently had his house in Oklahoma totally destroyed by a cyclone while he and his wife were visiting a neighbor.

Mr. and Mrs. Vester Davis are the parents of a baby girl, born Saturday, June 29.

Mabel Lovins and Harvey McNamee were married Saturday evening at the home of the bride's parents, Brother Livingston officiating.

July 11, 1912:

Samuel Wesley Haines, a resident of Laclede County since 1869, died June 30 at the age of 84 years.

Ernest McAdams, aged 20 years, died of spinal meningitis near Winona last week. He contracted the disease in Kansas City.
Jim Rippee, near Hartville, says he spent nine days in the woods this spring and during that time, he dug and marketed $54 worth of golden seal.

William Roy, born in Scotland in 1834, died at Licking on the 30th. Mrs. Margaret McKinney, another old citizen, died July 2, at the age of 80 years.

Harmon Barnett, a young man of near Diggins, was killed in Springfield last week while trying to board a fast train. His right leg was cut off and he died in a hospital.

Ira Kackley, aged twenty-four years, a well-known young farmer residing four miles southwest of West Plains, was struck by lightning and instantly killed, June 27, while he and his young wife were running hand in hand to the house from a berry patch near their home, where they had been picking blackberries.

Ben Bugg, a chronic bootlegger of Howell County, is again in jail with a $300 fine to settle. Ben seems to have the booze-selling habit. He has been paroled, given stays of execution, arrested on capias executions, denied writes of habeas corpus, and also released on writs of habeas corpus, until a record of his lie during the past few years would consist chiefly of legal terms, interspersed now and then with a fine or an occasional few days lodging in the county jail.

Marriage Licenses---Hartville Republican: Claude Kelley of Springfield and Edna Hutsell of Dawson; Dan Hubler and Della Ellis of Mountain Grove; Luther Chandler and Delpha Davis of Hartville; Harvey R. G. McNamee and Mabel Lovins of Mountain Grove; Jesse Ballard and Hester Barnes of Hartville; Elijah Berry and Elizabeth Drumright of Norwood; Ernest L. Carder and Zena Young of Hartville; Albert J. Williams of Lamb and Zeta Jones of Smittle; Edgar A. Sesk and Agnes Rogers of Mansfield; Russell Bond Rogers and Alta Kellough of Mansfield; Wheeler A. Fletcher of Astoria and Ora Fielden of Plato

Sherman Lee and Mary McGowan, both of Mountain Grove, were granted marriage license at Houston last week.

In 'Squire Needham's office on the afternoon of the Fourth, Mr. Claude Kelly of Springfield and Miss Edna Hutsell of Dawson were united in the holy bonds of matrimony.

Harry McNamee and Miss Mabel Lovins were married Saturday, June 29th, at the home of Mrs. Mary Klamm, 3 miles southwest of Mountain Grove. A large number of relatives and friends were present and after the ceremony, which was performed by Rev. A. M. Livingston, a bountiful wedding dinner was served. The couple will make their home on the farm of the groom's father, Mr. McNamee, Sr. having decided to move to Mountain Grove.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Odell on the 3rd.
July 18, 1912:

Homer Hensley of Mansfield was recently married to Miss Flossie Jack of Topeka, Kansas.

John Abbott and Miss Lulu Campbell, aged 18 and 15, were married in Cabool last week.

Two men were killed recently at Iron Mountain over a row which the women folks started about some chickens.

The Houston Star says that over-dose of booze caused several heads to be badly bruised at the Fourth of July picnic at Sand Shoals. At Plato, Huggins and Licking, the people behaved themselves.

Grandma Bell, as she was familiarly known, who lived west of town near Clara, died Wednesday morning from a complication of diseases and old age. She was very old and has been in Texas County for many years. She was Scotch by birth. She had made her home with Jim Douglas and his wife for several years.---Houston Star

Chester Waddell, wanted in Oregon County for robbing a caboose at Thayer in November, 1911, was captured last week at Fort Scott, Kansas. W. R. Ryan, who was connected with Waddell in the robbery, was captured at Hoxie soon after the robbery, entered a plea of guilty to the crime and received a sentence of two years in the penitentiary.

Thomas M. Culver, for many years a prominent fruit grower of Koshkonong, died at his home in West Plains, Monday, July 8, after an illness of several weeks from a complication of diseases; at the age of 44 years. Mr. Culver, who had been engaged in fruit growing for the past twenty years, sold his big farm at that place and with his family moved to West Plains about two months ago. He is survived by a wife and four children.

At Houston last week there was rather an unusual case in a justice’s court, wherein George McCullough was tried on charge of assault on his wife, both being deaf mutes. Harry Smith acted as interpreter, the principal witness for the state being Mrs. McCullough, and the husband testifying in his own behalf. The testimony was all given in sign language, questions being asked the witnesses by Mr. Smith and by him the answers were repeated to the jury. The case seemed merely a family trouble in which the husband likely got a little too rough. The verdict was guilty and a fine of $1 and costs assessed. The husband and wife then smoothed over their domestic difficulties, made up again, the ‘Squire paroled the defendant on payment of costs and the family left in good spirits.

Two young men giving their names as Wiley Bros., and claiming to hail from Mississippi, were arrested at Macomb Sunday evening by Deputy Sheriff Sanders and Constable
John Balt, charged with boot-legging and jumping their board bill at Webster's Hotel. They were taken to Hartville and placed in jail, where they will remain, unless bond is filled, until September term of court.

Harrison Wynne of near Fuson and Tennis Odell of the Little Creek neighborhood were married on the 4th.

George Stone, a barber well known in this section of the Ozarks, was adjudged insane by the probate court of Webster County last week and sent to the Farmington hospital for treatment. He is a brother of S. F. Stone of this city.

Edward Whiteside, aged 74 years, died last Wednesday, the 10th, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. P. E. Moore, four and a half miles northeast of Mountain Grove, in the edge of Texas county. Undertaker Clark took charge of the remains and prepared them for shipment to Chillicothe, Mo., on the following day, for interment.

Elmer Williams, a farmer living 3 1/2 miles southeast of Mountain Grove, died Saturday, July 13th, from erysipelas of the face. He was 35 years of age and leaves a wife, who was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rev. Albert Anderson, and a son about three years old.

July 25, 1912:

John Webb of Douglas County was arrested at Springfield last week and jailed at Ava on a charge of wife abandonment.

Waldren Maynard of Tulsa, Okla., and Miss Gertrude Hylton were married in Mansfield on the 16th. The bride is a sister of Prof. J. A. Hylton.

Pete Marsh and Ed Goodnight, arrested in Springfield Tuesday, had in their possession two fine horses thought to have been stolen in Douglas County.

We reproduce but cannot vouch for this item from last week's Seymour Citizen: "A decayed egg exploded under a hen at Jake Bender's a few days ago and set the chicken house on fire besides tearing the hen into several pieces.

The county court has decided to have a steel bridge erected across the Gasconade River at the Cottengim ford, a mile east of Hartville. The contract will be let at "public outcry" at the court house in Hartville on Wednesday, Aug. 7, at 1 p.m.

Lifus Davis, another member of the Mammoth Spring bank robber gang, has been arrested in Arkansas. Several other crimes are charged against these men, one of which was the murder of the mother of one of them and the theft of a drove of her cattle.

A United States Marshall visited Eminence last week and went out to Culpepper's mill and arrested Charles McClellan, who is charged with furnishing a horse to one Williams
who escaped from the officers at Mountain View recently, when three men, including George Stanton, the telephone man, were arrested on a charge of selling whiskey.

On Thursday morning Sheriff Cantrell went to Jefferson City, where he will place William Bray and Isaac and Fred Helfin in the state prison. William Bray will serve a term of two years for felonious assault, and Isaac and Fred Helfin will serve a term of two years each for burglary and larceny. George H. Scott and Everett Harmon went along to assist Sheriff Cantrell with the prisoners.—Houston Star

William O'Brien has struck oil on his farm four and a half miles north of Rolla. Three years ago Mr. O'Brien drilled a well 104 feet deep. Water stood in the well at a depth of 50 to 60 feet. About two weeks ago the water left the well, and an investigation discloses a sediment of oil and sand working up from the bottom of the well. Mr. O'Brien is having this oil and sand tested, and naturally is feeling pretty good over the prospect of having a gusher on his farm.—Rolla Herald

Born to Harry Smith and wife, Saturday, July 20, a baby girl.

Mr. and Mrs. John O. Fox are receiving congratulations over their first born, Ferol Fordyce Fox, who arrived on the 23rd and was a nine-pounder, down weight.

J. C., Pete and Miss Ida Gaskill attended the funeral of their cousin, Kinsey Gaskill, a prominent Wright county farmer and a highly respected citizen, at the Newton cemetery on Friday of last week. Mr. Gaskill died as a result of internal injuries caused by being kicked by a mule three weeks ago.—Seymour Citizen

"Dutch" Melton, charged with bootlegging and who broke jail at Hartville a few months ago, was gathered in by Marshal Reager and placed in the calaboose. Melton was at the west crossing, waiting to catch a ride on the midnight stock train, No. 136, and was rather surprised when the marshal threw his light on him. Deputy Sheriff Sanders was telephoned to and took the prisoner to Hartville Tuesday.

Elmer H. Williams was born in Shelby County, Ill., November 29, 1876, and passed from this life July 12, 1912, aged 35 years, 7 months and 13 days. The death was caused by erysipelas of the face and eyes, the disease starting from a sty on the right eye, and he was only sick about twelve hours after the setting up of erysipelas. He came to Douglas County with his parents in his boyhood days but a greater part of his life was spent in the West. He leaves a wife and one son six years of age, an aged father and mother, five brothers and two sisters. All his brothers and sisters were present at the funeral except Orrin E. of Chase, Kans., Owen B. of Raymond Alta, Canada and Mrs. Hardin Duggar of Grassvalley, Ore. An excellent funeral service was held before a very large crowd at the home at 1:00 p.m. by Rev. John Smallwood of Heborn, Mo. The body was laid to rest in the new cemetery by the K. and L. of S.

Virginia Chidester was born in Monroe county, Iowa, on May 24, 1855, and departed this life July 18, 1912, in Mountain Grove, Mo., the length of her pilgrimage being 57
years, 1 month and 24 days. She grew to womanhood in Iowa, where on April 25, 1872 she was united in marriage to J. H. Pittenger. Two children were born to this happy union---Mrs. J. L. Jackson of Mountain Grove and Mrs. C. D. Moyer of Elmo, Mo. In the year 1883 Bro. and Sister Pittenger removed to Nebraska and in 1896 they came to Mountain Grove, where they have since resided. Sister Pittenger was converted to God in 1875 and united with the M. E. church in Eldorado, la. Burial Mountain Grove Cemetery.

**August 1, 1912:**

A. Kolb of Rolla has raised a cucumber three feet two inches long.

Ex-Sheriff Aaron Wood of Texas County died on the 25th at the age of 45 years.

Walter Lane was recently acquitted of the charge of murdering Louis Colvin at Newburg.

Frank E. Crouse, who was killed in Iowa by the kick of a horse, was buried at Cabool last week. He was the eldest son of Marion Crouse of Elk Creek.

Dan Foster, 17 year old Marshfield boy, was drowned in James River, near Strafford, Monday afternoon. He was seized with a cramp while swimming.

H. L. Hammond, a businessman of Fair Play, was drowned while swimming in Big Sac River on Wednesday of last week. He was on a camping trip at the time.

The oil specimens from the O'Brien well, north of Rolla, show better indications, and from inspection of an old oil man from Ohio and Pennsylvania, Billy has the real stuff.

John Lyon, a 12 year old Springfield boy, died last Friday evening of concussion of the brain. He was thrown from his bicycle to the pavement while doing trick riding.

Ola Doing and Paul Runge, brothers-in-law, got into a row last week near Phillipsburg over an old mower which both claimed, and Runge put a few shot in Doing at long range.

Riley Fox, a 19 months old Howell county baby, is as large as a boy of ten, weighing 77 pounds. It is said that whiskey has been part of his daily food since he was two weeks old.

Andrew Cruson, a former citizen of Elk Creek country, committed suicide by shooting himself last week. He resided in western Kansas. He threatened to kill his wife and family and they left home to escape him. On their return they found his corpse.

Charles D. Albright, of Kansas City, was drowned Tuesday of last week in the Niangua River at Arnold's mill. The body was taken to Lebanon that night and embalmed and
then taken to Kansas City for burial. The unfortunate man and three friends were at the Niangua on a fishing and camping trip.

An automobile belonging to Fred W. Webb of Rolla, went dead while crossing the railroad track and was smashed to pieces by the train. Mr. and Mrs. Webb, their daughter and another young lady were occupants of the car but saved their lives by jumping out just in time.

Fearing that he would be committed to jail to serve out a fine that had been assessed against him in the Greene county criminal court for stealing a valuable bird dog, Clarence Wyatt, a 22 year old Negro, committed suicide at his home in Springfield by swallowing a large dose of carbolic acid.

Born to C. Z. Watkins and wife, a nine pound boy Sunday morning. Dr. Dougherty attending physician. This is six boys, sure pop.

Will Murr of Bendavis and Miss Gertrude Coble of Graff were married at the latter place last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Hopkins, near Grimes, have a new boy at their house.

Tom Winn and wife, north of Hartville, also have a new boy.

Dr. N. J. Scott's automobile, driven by Yale Myers, and Dr. Lane's car collided last Friday evening at a double turn in the road near Lane's orchard, and Dr. Scott's machine was damaged to the amount of $40, requiring a new wheel, axle, lamp and fender. Wiley Neighbors took charge of the injured car and ordered repairs by telephone and had it in running order again Monday morning. There were two occupants in each of the autos when the accident occurred, but fortunately no one was hurt. The turn is a rather dangerous place, especially after dusk.

Mrs. Sam Martin of Lute, Ozark County, attempted to commit suicide last week while brooding over domestic troubles. She drank carbolic acid, but little of it reached her stomach and she will recover.

**August 8, 1912:**

Wilson Woods, who died in Dallas County last week at the age of 73, was the father of twenty children.

A fourteen year old son of Julian Eaton of Current River was killed last week by an accidental discharge of a shot gun.

Axle H. Page, Union army veteran, was killed by a fast train at St. James last week. He attempted to run across the track and was landed fifteen feet into the air and his body
fell on the brick platform and rolled to a point in front of the waiting room, 150 feet from
where he was struck.

After two unsuccessful attempts within the past few months, John H. Hutchinson, a well-
known farmer living two miles and a half of Brooklyn, took his life by hanging himself
Saturday. The body was discovered at an early hour hanging suspended from a rafter
in the barn, where once before he had been discovered in the act of placing a noose
about his neck. Ill health and recent loss of his wife which had contributed in causing
partial loss of mental powers, are responsible for his act.

Mr. Thomas E. Frank of Hartville and Miss Loll E. Dyers of Mountain Grove were
married in West Plains last Saturday evening by Rev. Mr. Mitchell. After a short visit to
relatives here, they left Monday evening for Hartville, where they will reside. The groom
is editor of the Wright County Republican, and the bride one of Mountain Grove's most
accomplished and loveable young ladies---was until recently a member of our public
school faculty.

Friends and relatives were severely shocked by the sudden and unexpected death of
Mrs. H. T. Walker last Saturday night. She had been enjoying her usual health and
good spirits, and Saturday afternoon did some shopping at the stores. Shortly after
retiring she awoke her husband and told him that she was very sick, and death came
before medical aid could reach her. Heart trouble is supposed to have caused her
death. Funeral services were held at the family residence at 11 o'clock Tuesday
morning and burial was at the Stubbs cemetery, for miles north of town. Rev. Bundy of
the Christian church conducted the services, and the Women's Relief Corps attended in
a body.

A son was born last Sunday to Mr. and Mrs. John Mabe of Route 1.

Miss Mamie Stevens and Mr. George W. Leonard were married at the home of V. L.
Martin, Rev. Bundy of the Christian church officiating. After a wedding trip to Springfield
they will make their home for the present with his mother in the south part of town.

August 15, 1912:

Gottlieb Mantz, born in Germany in 1831, died at his home six miles west of Licking on
the 1st.

At West Plains last week Bill Collier of Mountain View was fined $300 in circuit court for
bootlegging.

Dykes, in Texas County, has organized a law and order league which will devote some
of its attention to investigating the illegal sale of intoxicants.

Last week, Grandma Patton of Philipsburg was stormed by sixty-three of her
grandchildren and great-grandchildren, the occasion being her 80th birthday.
Sam McCrakin, a prominent Howell county farmer was killed on Tuesday of last week by being run over by a loaded hay wagon from which he had fallen.

W. H. Payton, a fifty-eight year old merchant of Mountain View, jilted Miss Lucy Todd, aged 15, on the eve of their wedding and now has been sued for slandering her.

James N. Stouch, for fifteen years a prominent Commercial street merchant of Springfield, committed suicide Monday by cutting his throat. He was despondent over his wife's illness.

Marriage licenses in Douglas County last week: Lewis Davenport and Amie Reynolds, both of Ava; Elmer Cox and Dollie Smith, both of Ava; D. E. Reece and Martha Hancock, both of Bertha; Steve Lowtrip and Hulba Briscoe, both of Mainad

In the criminal court at Springfield last Thursday Judge Page dismissed three cases because Prosecuting Attorney Mason was slow about getting into court. The prosecutor is hot about it, and the judge says he is tired of the court being delayed by Mason's slowness.

J. W. D. Hall, one of the best known fruit growers of this section of the state, died Tuesday morning of last week at the home of his daughter, Mrs. G. D. Cartmell, near Brandsville. His death was very sudden and was due to infirmities incident to old age. He was 70 year old, and president of the Howell County Fruit Co.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Hook, 2 1/2 miles southeast of town, on Wednesday, the 14th.

A fine son, weighing 11 1/2 pounds, was born Saturday morning to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Dake of this city.

James Strode, merchant on the South side, and Miss Lottie Royal were married last Saturday, by 'Squire Needham, at his residence.

The Hartville Republican of last week contains an obituary of Barney Saw, who died July 26, at the age of 52, leaving a wife and six children.

Mr. Clyde Craig and Miss Lillian Glenn Paul were married at 8 o'clock last Thursday evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Paul, about six miles southwest of Mountain Grove, Rev. A. M. Livingston officiating. The young people have been residents of this community for several years, but will make their home in Pike County, Ind.

As the prosecuting attorney could not be here Wednesday, the case against John Lee was dismissed in 'Squire Needham's court and may be taken up in circuit court. About two weeks ago, angered over political matters, he struck J. A. Wheeler with a knife, and an information charging him with felonious assault was filed by the constable.
Harry Agee of Mountain Grove and Miss Louisa Swing of Mansfield were married at the recorder's office Thursday afternoon of last week, Judge J. A. Clifton of the probate court performing the ceremony. ---Marshfield Chronicle

Johnnie Poff, ten months old, died August 6. Funeral services were conducted at Dunkard church and the interment was in the Dunkard cemetery.

Elender Rust, aged nine months, died August 5 and was interred in the Cothern cemetery, after funeral services at the home of Mr. Epperson, conducted by Rev. H. A. Mitchell.

Mrs. John Newton of Rogers died July 26 leaving a husband, three sons and one daughter.

"Grandma" Worsham died at noon Thursday at the home of U. G. Seburn in the Rubidoux neighborhood. Her body will be brought to Mountain Grove for interment in the city cemetery.

At a recent social event in Hartville at the home of Mrs. H. E. Frink, the approaching marriage of Miss Bess Jackson and Mr. Howard Robinett was announced. It will take place on Sept. 4.

Marriage Licenses from Hartville Republican: Andrew W. Lathrom and Lydia Riley of Rayborn; Atho F. Henderson and Grace L. Hudson of Grove Springs; Ira J. Thomas and Ailett M. Stewart of Norwood; Charles E. Burkette, of Sapulpa, Okla. and Ruth Gourley of St. George; Clyde Craig and Glen Paul of Douglas county; Hermon Roberts of Macomb and Fay France of Norwood; George W. Leonard and Mayme D. Stevens of Mountain Grove; John D. Inman and Nellie Yocum of Mountain Grove; Charles Dowden and Bertie Breedlove of Manes; William Murr and Gertie Coble of Graff

John Gaddis was in town Monday with a huge smile on his face over the arrival of a 9 pound boy.

 Married at the Fairview church Sunday night, August 4, after the services, Mr. John D. Inman and Miss Nellie Yocum. The bride's father, Elder E. W. Yocum, performed the ceremony. The bride is one of Fairview's most accomplished young ladies, loved and respected by all. The groom is one of the most respected young men of Fairview. They will make their home in the Fairview neighborhood. On Monday night their friends both old and young charivaried them and spent a pleasant evening wishing them the greatest joys for the future.

**August 22, 1912:**

Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Goss of Cedar Gap have a new baby at their home.
In Howell County last week J. F. Roof, aged 17 and Nellie Hobbs, aged 14, were granted marriage license, parents consenting.

Miss Gladys Poage of West Plains eloped to Kansas City last week and married Clarence M. Liner, a Missouri Pacific railroad engineer.

Elijah Stamps, a Frisco track sweep, was run over in the Springfield yards and cut to pieces last Saturday. He was struck by a switch engine and dragged some distance.

Henry P., known as "Hankey" Crane, supposed to be the oldest person in Laclede county, aged 95, died on the 12th of August. He was a tailor and came from Dayton, Ohio, to Lebanon in 1850.

In Webster county last week while road workmen were using dynamite, a section of a stump was blown into a yard 135 feet away and killed Virgil McCauley, aged 11 years. His skull was crushed and an arm broken.

David H. Robinson, a pioneer and resident of Springfield and until five years ago superintendent of the Springfield City Water company, dropped dead at 9 o'clock Monday morning while driving alone on Commercial street.

Hearing the cries of a strange baby, Benjamin Martin of Springfield stepped upon his front porch and found a day old baby wrapped in shabby clothing and placed in a half bushel basket. He and his wife will care for it until it can be placed in the children's home.

Reports to the effect that in an attempt to arrest Judge George W. Wallace of the Dallas county court, shots were fired by members of a trio of deputy United States marshals from Kansas City, has caused widespread indignation in that county. The shots are said to have been fired near the Judge's home.

Mrs. Marie Dinger, living two miles south of Birch Tree, died August 10, after suffering for fifteen days from being poisoned by vinegar which she kept in a tin bucket awhile before making pickles. Every effort was made to save her and it was once thought she would recover.

Among the effects of Bessie Altus, the 17 year old girl who committed suicide by throwing herself in front of a train at Sedalia, was a letter addressed to Delos Niblack, her 19 year old sweetheart whose mother refused permission for him to marry on account of his age. In one sentence Miss Altus says she will always love him, no matter whom he might marry, but she hopes he will never wed. "I am sending my soul to hell for the love a bear you," is another sentence.

A Manes correspondent reports new boys at the homes of Cassins Thompson, Wes Delcour and Ernest Hutsell, and a girl at Jack, the telephone man’s.
Mr. Doyle, a former resident of the county, died in Joplin and his body was brought to Pea Ridge and buried on the 10th.

The body of Mr. Pratt, who died in this city last Friday afternoon, was taken to Hebron, Neb., for burial. Rev. A. M. Livingston accompanied the remains and will make a short visit in Iowa before returning.

Died, at his home near Bendavis, John L. Tyrrell, aged 72 years. He was an old settler here, and leaves several grown children. He was buried at Fowler.

A son was born to Jacob Denton and wife, near Hartville, last week.

Dutch Melton and Lewis Carver broke jail Thursday night, August 15th. Melton worked the corridor locks and then made a hole through the south wall and used a blanket rope to get to the ground. This is Melton's second time to break this jail this year. Carver was being held waiting to be sent to the insane asylum. Two young men being held for bootlegging refused to leave jail.---Hartville Democrat

A new post office at George R. Crisp's, near Manes, is called Crisptown.

Mr. Guy Shirley of Marshfield and Miss Pearl Trout of Hartville were married at the bride's home on the 11th.

The county jail at Hartville evidently needs some sort of repairing or remodeling, so that prisoners put in it will "stay put."

Mr. Hugh Haddock and Miss Lepa M. Ward were married Monday afternoon at the home of the groom's mother, 'Squire J. E. Needham trying the nuptial knot. The boys got up a party Monday night to give the "newlyweds" a serenade at their home in Old Town, but we are not advised as to whether the plan was carried out.

August 29, 1912:

Douglas Manon, a popular travelling man of West Plains, died last week from the effects of a stroke of paralysis.

Marriage licenses in Douglas County last week: George W. Pyatt and Rosa Crisp; Robert C. Owerman and Annie Johnson; A. W. Murray and Martha L. Wallace

Marriage licenses in Texas County last week: John Benfield and Mrs. Sarah J. Penegraft; Roy Holder and Delia Hale; D. C. Graham and Mrs. Martha Bower; Harrison Willcox and Janey Salmon

Marriage licenses in Laclede county last week: Leonard C. Sage and Beulah Sullivan; Cary G. Combs and Ida Bolles; James W. Vernon and Lena M. Gerrison; George W. Ballard and Manda Harris; Samuel J. Randolph and Lucy Lindsay
Elmer E. Hawley, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hawley of the Mountain Grove vicinity, died in Kansas City at noon on the 16th after an illness of five months. He was a night watchman and died as a result of injuries received while on duty about five months ago, when robbers slugged and robbed him. He was born in New York City in 1862. Funeral services were held in undertaking rooms in Kansas City on the following day, the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers; the Modern Woodmen and the Yeomen, of which he was a member, having the services in charge. The body was brought to Mountain Grove and buried on Sunday, the 18th, in Fairview cemetery, six miles northwest of the city, Elder H. Upton conducting the services.

George Reddick and Cammie Todd were married August 11 at the bride’s home, near Fuson.

The old soldiers have all received their checks, after a delay of a week caused by a row between president and congress. After the November payment, the veterans will receive their checks direct from Washington, the pension agencies having been abolished. Much money will be saved to the government under this plan.

An eight pound son was born to Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Bowler of Burlington, Ark., August 22; mother and baby doing well.

Roy Strong of Mansfield brought over Lewis Carver, the insane man who escaped jail here last week, when Dutch Melton broke out. He was captured in Douglas County. While out he had nothing to eat for three days except a few apples and was so hungry then that they made him sick.---Hartville Democrat

Albert G. Reese, a young Houston attorney, was married last week to Miss Margaret Lloyd of New Cambria, Mo.

Mrs. Rosal died Wednesday night at the home of Otto Reberry, in the western suburbs, and her funeral will take place tomorrow. Her family had just completed a new home in Slaughter's addition and were preparing to move into it this week.

Mrs. Hanna Gray, wife of Rev. Joseph Gray, died at 6 o'clock Sunday morning, August 21, 1912. The funeral services were conducted by Revs. Chadwell and A. L. Babb. Her remains were laid to rest in the Macomb cemetery. She was a member of the Missionary Baptist Church and leaves a husband and five children.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Hyde, near Rogers, on the 10th.

The Hartville Democrat announces that a Wilson Democrat arrived at the home of John T. Nickle on Tuesday of last week.

Press Jones and wife are the proud parents of a nine pound boy.
It is reported that Mr. Smalley of Whetstone will open a dry goods store in Dawson in a few days.

Nancy Scott was born in middle Tennessee on May 7, 1825, and died at Upton, Mo., August 15, 1912, at the age of 87 years, 3 months and 13 days. Her early life was spent in Tennessee, where she was married about 1847 to Mr. P. R. Worsham, of the same state, who preceded her to the eternal world about three years ago. Ten children; three boys and seven girls were born to this union, five of whom survive and mourn the loss of a devoted mother. About the year 1850 the family removed to Missouri and settled near Rolla, at which place they lived most of the time till after the war, since which time they have resided in Wright and Texas counties, Mo. Mother Worsham was converted to God when just a girl and joined the M. E. church, remaining a faithful member.

The Mansfield Press gives details of the accidental death of M. F. Grissom, which occurred near the canning factory there last week. While driving to the canning factory, on a load of crates from a car on the house track, Mr. Grissom fell from his seat on the front end of the wagon to the ground as the front wheels dropped into a gutter in the by-road leading to the factory. The near horse kicked him in the head as he fell and both left wheels of the wagon passed over him, crushing the life out of him almost instantly. The blow from the horse’s hoof, which was shod, was no doubt sufficiently hard to cause death, but the wheels passing over his head finished the horrible work. The team then ran away, scattering crates and wreckage of the wagon half a mile. His remain were buried in the city cemetery the following afternoon, after the funeral at the C. P. church. Mr. Grissom bought the C. L. Beach place southeast of town about a year ago. He was about 60 years old and is survived by his wife and several children.

September 5, 1912:

Heat and dust were the most unpleasant things the old soldiers had to contend with, at their annual reunion in McQuiston’s park, on the southern borders of Mountain Grove last week. The registration this year was the largest in the history of the association, 153 of the "old boys" being present, and four veterans of the Spanish War. There may be slight errors in the following list as the old boys can’t write as well as they did half a century ago. Mountain Grove: J. A. Mitchell, E, 14 Ills.; Thomas Ingraham, G, 24 Mo.; Winthrop Johnson, E, 32 Mo.; William Foster, E, 5 Mo. Cav.; G. A. Stowell, A, 3 Wis. Cav.; I. N. Dunn, D, 4 Cav. M.S.M.; S. F. Plemmons, H, 6 Mo. Vol. Cav; Alexander McGowen, F, 48 Mo.; William Reaves, K, 19, Mo.; Preston P. Gaige, E, 18, N. Y. Cav.; Peter kropp, 155 Ill.; John Parrot, B, 4 Iowa; T. Green, H, M.S.M.; W. W. Ramsay, F, 15 Ind. vol.; John Latham, L, 73, Mo.; Dan'l W. Baley, B, 11 Mo.; W. F. Shorter, H, 12 Iowa; I. S. Glenn, G, 81 Ill.; W. M. Coats, H, 46 Mo.; C. Wittwer, C, 80 Ohio; Jonathan Coatney, D, 23 Mo. Vol.; O. H. Underbuyer, F, Wis. Heavy Art.; George Wheeler, L, 1 S. M.; Joseph Weeks, I, 58 Ind.; C. Crist, A, 154 Ohio; Edward Polk, M, 11 Ill.; Brown Wyatt, G, Philippines; M. A. Franklin, D, M. M. S.; J. Errett, K, 58 Ill.; Henry L. Leach, I, 50 Mo.; F. A. Snider, G, 3 Mo. Cav.; David Vance, H, 1 Tenn. Cav.; James C. Clouse, E, 5 Tenn.; Charles H. Deyo, A, 36 Iowa Vol.; David Blazer, C, 30 Ohio; O. M. Watkins,
Dr. J. M. Perkins of Lebanon died on the 24th, age 58 years.
Carl McGuire, a well-known young businessman of Springfield, was killed by a street car last week.

Tecumseh Ussery and Pearl Carlson of Mountain Grove were granted marriage license in Texas County last week.

Adam Ludwig, aged 25, committed suicide at Des Moines last week. His family live in Howell county and he was buried there.

In an altercation at Houston last week between Ben Meador and Dr. Wiley, the latter received a knife wound in his left side.

Granville Allen, an old citizen of Rolla, died last week. He was born in Kentucky in 1836 and held several offices in Phelps County.

Douglas county marriage licenses last week: Riley Denney and Lena Andrews; Lester Gray and Bessie Brown; Isaac Trotter and Etta Halcomb

Duncan Ricketts, a fourteen year old youth of Springfield, was found dead in a bath tub at his home last Thursday. He is supposed to have fainted and then drowned.

Claire Little and Miss Madge Thornburgh, both of West Plains, eloped to Mammoth Springs, Ark., and were married, keeping the matter quite until the Arkansas papers reached down.

Texas county marriage licenses: Ora Sloan and Bildah Brhcoe; Edgar Pembook and Maud Robertson; Thomas E. Allen and Helen M. Boone; Elmer Manier and Jessie Trapp; William M. Rusk and Nellie Davis

W. C. Cummins died at his home three miles south of Houston last week. He was an old resident of Texas County, having lived near Houston for 25 years. Deceased was 76 years old and was born in Kentucky.

Near Thayer, last Thursday, F. M. Douglass killed his farm partner, J. E. Burnett, firing six shots into his body. He claims that the latter started to strike him during a quarrel over a division of the crops.

William Cochran and Miss Clara Langston, members of the West Plains' younger society set, last week announced their marriage after keeping it secret nine weeks. They were married at a West Plains hotel, but kept the matter quiet by importing a minister from Mammoth Spring and a license from Poplar Bluff.

At the recent old settlers' reunion at Houston, the oldest man attending was Willis Goddard, who claims to be 112 years old, but as he and others who had received premiums heretofore were barred, the selection for this year was Mr. Aaron Smith, of Houston, who is 83 years of age. The oldest woman was Mrs. Emily Holder, mother of
Joseph Holder, south of town, who is 87 years of age. The oldest settler was Jasper Williams, of near Licking, who had resided in Texas County 75 years last October.

The trial of James Miles, who shot and killed a young man by the name of Rush at Branson, Taney county, last winter, was held last week in the Christian county circuit court, the case having been sent to that county from Taney county on change of venue. Miles is considered a bad man, having been accused of killing two men previous to the last killing. He got a sentence of ten years in the penitentiary for the Rush murder.

A sixteen year old girl giving her name as Rosa Eggleston, and that her home was in Wright county, was arrested at this place Sunday afternoon last and lodged in jail on the charge of having broken into the home of Tobe Richardson, in the east part of town, some time Saturday night and stealing a dress and other wearing apparel, which she had on when arrested. She was arraigned before Justice McCormick Monday forenoon when she entered a plea of guilty and was sentenced to ten days in jail. She is also wanted in Wright County to answer to some charge of a similar nature and will be turned over to the Wright county authorities as soon as her sentence here expires.--- Marshfield Chronicle

A little daughter of the Williams family, newcomers from Oklahoma, died at their home 4 1/2 miles southeast of this city Tuesday and was buried in the Chapel cemetery the day following.

In circuit court this week, John Lee pleaded guilty without trial to the charge of assaulting J. A. Wheeler and was fined $50 and costs.

Mr. J. H. Washburn and Mrs. Jane Foster, both of Mountain Grove, quietly slipped away to West Plains last Saturday and were united in marriage by Rev. William Mitchell, former pastor of the First Methodist church here. They returned on the evening train and are now cozily at home in the Walker cottage on Second street. The boys had a serenade in store for them Saturday night, but a box of cigars promptly supplied by the groom stopped the "music."

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Freeman of Mansfield died on the 23rd.

The Wright County Republican at Hartville has been sold to James. G. Upton of Bolivar.

Mrs. Margaret Lindholm died last Monday at her home, three miles west of town, and burial took place at the Swedish cemetery, Wednesday afternoon, Rev. A. M. Livingston conducting funeral services. She was the widow of Peter Lindholm, who died a year or more ago, and was 79 years old on the 19th of April. She had been a resident of the community since 1869. She is survived by a son, Bert Lindholm, and a step-daughter, Mrs. J. A. Russell.

Ed Kelley, four miles west of Hartville, died Tuesday and was buried in the Pleasant Hill cemetery Wednesday. Mr. Kelley has been sick for several years. He was a member
of the Masonic fraternity and a Union veteran. He leaves a wife and three sons, James Kelley of Fawn, Oklahoma, Will Kelley of Hebron, Colorado and Ed Kelley of Rembert.--Hartville Democrat

Mrs. L. G. Rosal, whose death occurred on the 25th at the home of Andrew Reberry, near the southwestern borders of the city, was born in Sweden and came to this country in 1884, spending the remainder of her life in Wright County. She is survived by her husband, four sons and four daughters. She was a member of the Swedish Baptist church, and in the absence of Rev. I. P. Langley, funeral services were conducted by Thomas Thorne, after which interment took place in the Swedish cemetery.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Purtle of Hartville last week.

"Well, I won't be with you much longer." This remark, made to the editor on Wednesday afternoon of last week by George L. Lipscomb, one of our old citizens, was at first misunderstood and startled the writer, but a further conversation, during which the old gentleman's frail body was racked by coughing, developed his meaning. "I am tired of batching, tired of being alone and tired of my own cooking and am going to Ozark County to make my home with my daughter." W. M. Tilman of Dormis, his son-in-law, came for him on Thursday, and on the morning following, Mr. Lipscomb made two or three attempts to get into the vehicle for the drive of forty miles, but had to give up on account of weakness. The son-in-law, stating that his duties as postmaster required him to reach home that night, drove off and had been gone but a few minutes when the old man turned his face to the wall and died. Unsuccessful efforts were made to reach Tilman by telephone, after which the local post of G. A. R. took charge and conducted the funeral and burial. The interment was in a cemetery lot purchased by them for the purpose, a large number of old soldiers and friends attending. As we stated last week, Mr. Lipscomb came to Mountain Grove about five years ago, built a house and made his own furniture. He was well read and had decided literary ability, but was reserved in manner and led a lonely life. When preparing to leave, he placed his affairs here in the hands of his friend John W. Egbert. The house and lots belong to a niece at Santa Barbara, Calif. The deceased has also a daughter in Washington and a brother at Okena, Okla.

The friends of Miss Edna Lagle were genuinely surprised yesterday by the announcement of her marriage to Benjamin Agee of Mountain Grove, Mo. The wedding occurred at the home of Miss Lagle's parents, on South Tom Street. The couple will make their home in St. Joseph, Mo. Mrs. Agee has been a resident of this city for a number of years. She was for some months an attaché of the Joplin Globe's bureau, holding the position of society reporter and bookkeeper. Mr. Agee formerly resided here.--Joplin Globe

September 12, 1912:

Charles Tyler died at West Plains last week at the age of 95 years and 6 months.
Mr. Ray Ellis and Miss Rettie Whelchell of Hartville were married August 31 and will make California their future home.

John Teeter, a 17 year old employee of the Bolivar post office, has been arrested on a charge of rifling letters of money and has confessed guilt.

Ed Walker and Dorsel Johnson have just been released from the Ava jail, where they had been serving terms for disturbing public worship.

Dr. James M. Perkins, a well-known physician of Lebanon, died last week after an illness of seven weeks, blood poison being the principal cause of his death. A rusty nail stuck into the palm of his hand was the cause of the blood poison and later his death.

Left asleep and locked in at home while her parents were calling at a nearby farm house, the three and one half year old daughter of Austin Bolin, a farmer residing four miles west of Ozark, was burned to death about 8 o'clock Tuesday night, when flames originating from an unknown cause destroyed the building.

Albert Prewitt, son of the sheriff of Camden County, was tried at the recent session of the circuit court of that county on the charge of murder, but the jury failed to agree on a verdict, eleven standing for acquittal and one for conviction. Prewitt shot and killed a man several months since. He claims the killing was done in self defence.

Frank C. Reed, a former resident of Texas County, was burned to death in California last week under very unusual circumstances. He had gone to make an after-supper call on a neighbor, and just as he was approaching the door of the other house, his friend rushed to the door with an exploding lamp and threw it out, not knowing that anyone was near. Mr. Reed must have seen the intention and turned to get out of the way, but was too late, as the lamp struck him in the back, exploding at that instant and enveloping his entire body in a mass of flames. His body was brought to Beulah and buried in the cemetery there.

Wes Moore, nineteen year old youth, stabbed L. O. Hill, a prominent young Brandsville merchant, Sunday night of last week and was lodged in jail in West Plains. He later gave bond in the sum of $500 for his appearance at the December term of circuit court.

Jesse Lay, son of Jack Lay, of near Avery, on the Salem Branch, was struck by a train last Thursday night and instantly killed. He had been to Salem on business and started home on his three-wheel, or railroad velocipede. At the long hill near Gano it is thought he stopped to rest and went to sleep. The body was found next morning and an inquest was held. The verdict of the jury was accidental death and held that the railroad was blameless. Mr. Lay was a young man and a section foreman on the Branch. He leaves a wife, four small children.---Salem Monitor

Hartville has a new school piano, also sanitary drinking fountains in all departments of the school.
Mr. Jesse DeArmond and Miss Verdie Telfter, both of Mansfield, were married in Hartville last week.

Mrs. Roy Grizzle, on Route 1 out of Hartville, died on Sunday of last week as a result of pneumonia following typhoid fever.

Mr. James A. Lathrom and Miss Lily Prock, both of Mountain Grove, were married last Friday night by 'Squire J. E. Needham at his home.

A son was born September 2, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Lee Kenreigh of Cofferyville, Kansas. He has been named John Daugherty Kenreigh.

Eber Casebeer and wife have a new girl.

Elbert Murr and wife have a new boy at their house.

William Coomes and Miss Bessie Beany slipped off to Springfield last week and got married. The boys gave them a rousing serenade Saturday night.

Margaret Bergen was born in Maurum, Sweden, April 19, 1833, and died in Wright County, Mo., on September 2, 1912 at the advanced age of 79 years, 4 months and 13 days. She was reared in Sweden and removed to the United States of American in 1869, and settled in Wright County, Mo., in which place she resided till she answered the summons. On January 22, 1871, she was married to Mr. Peter Lindholm, a resident of Wright County, Mo. To this happy union one child was born, Mr. G. B. Lindholm, with whom she resided at the time of her death. He and a stepdaughter, Mrs. J. A. Russell, are the only surviving members of the family, the father having preceded the mother to the eternal world some couple of years ago. In early life, Mother Lindholm was confirmed in the Lutheran church and on July 15, 1883, she united with the Baptist church.

Rev. Seth M. Manes, a well-known minister at Crocker, was found dead in a field near his home Tuesday of last week, and although the coroner's jury returned a verdict of death due to accidental shooting, a note found near the body suggested that he had taken his own life. He had been acting rather queerly for some time as though something was troubling him. A few years ago, while trying to shoot a chicken, he accidentally shot and killed one of his sons, and that tragedy is believed to have partially unbalanced his mind. Tuesday morning, he told his wife he was going quail hunting and shortly after she heard the report of a gun in a nearby field, but thought nothing of it at the time. Children passing through the field some time afterwards found the dead body of the minister with the back of his head blown off.---Mansfield Chronicle

September 19, 1912:

Ike Robinson, a young bootlegger, was jailed at West Plains last week for selling wet goods at the Siloam Springs picnic.
Morris M. Martin, a Howell county veteran of the Civil War, died last week at the age of 87 years. He was the father of Dr. D. J. Martin of Norwood.

William Redford, who was brought back from Idaho on a charge of stealing cattle, pleaded guilty before Judge Evans at Eminence last week and was given two years in the penitentiary.

The Sheriff of Howell County marveled at the frequent intoxication of Ben Bugg, a prisoner serving out a fine for bootlegging, until he found that Ben's friends were getting booze to him through a funnel.

The little 13 month old child of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Boillot, of Avilla, was fatally hurt by a window falling on it at the home. The child was at play in the window when in some manner a prop which held the sash was knocked out and the sash fell upon the baby, crushing the little head, death following instantly.

At Ava on Monday night of last week, two prisoners sawed their way out of jail and left the vicinity. J. H. Hall, charged with forgery, and Pete C. Marsh, charged with stealing or assisting to steal two horses, are the ones who got away. Everett Goodnight, also charged with the horse stealing, is still in jail and says he knew nothing of the escape of the others.

Hiram York, whose home was near Bryant in Douglas County, and who has been working in Jasper County for three weeks, was instantly killed by a street car at Cartersville, Mo., last Saturday. The car ran over him and cut his body into several pieces. His remains were brought to Douglas County and laid to rest in the Prairie Hollow cemetery, Tuesday. His wife is a daughter of Jason Rowe who lives on Bryant Creek east of Bryant post office. The wife and five children are left to mourn the sad loss.---Ava Herald

While being rushed to the Frisco Employees' hospital in Springfield to be treated for injuries received in the yards at Willow Springs, J. E. Beck, a Frisco brakeman, died on a train between Cedar Gap and Mansfield. The body was taken from the train at Mansfield and later placed on a south-bound train and taken to his former home at Thayer. Beck had a run between Thayer and Willow Springs. He was standing on top of a car Wednesday when another car was bumped into it. He lost his balance and fell between the cars. His body was crushed. The injured man was taken in charge by Dr. H. J. Rowe, company physician at Willow Springs, who immediately started to Springfield with him. The injuries proved fatal, however, and death overtook the young man before the train had proceeded half way to this city. Beck was 21 years old and was not married. He had been working as a brakeman on six months. He has one brother, Albert Beck, who lives at Thayer. His mother lives at Hardy, Ark.---Springfield Leader

Frank Ross and Barney Hight, Mansfield boys, were arrested last week and confessed to robbing the Frisco depot of small change and stealing whiskey, soda water and other
They were sentenced to 60 days in jail, but paroled on good behavior. Several other boys were implicated by their story.

An increase in the salary of rural mail carriers from a maximum of $1,000 per year was announced in an order sent out by the post office department, last week.

An exchange tells of an old gentleman who was trying to cross a street and stopped short to allow a big touring car to pass. Just before it reached him, a motorcycle dashed around the car, and striking the old gentleman, knocked him over. As he arose and brushed off the dust, he was heard to remark, "Now, who'd a thought that durned thing had a colt?"

Born, September 14, to Mr. and Mrs. Dave Rhamy, a little baby girl.

Mrs. Roy Singmaster, who is here on her wedding tour, received the sad news of the death of her mother, which occurred last week, about one week after Mrs. Ringmaster's marriage.

Miss Elf Stephen's and Arthur Smith were married September 14 at Mountain Grove, Rev. Langley officiating.

Friends of the family will regret to learn of the death of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Swartwout's little three year old son, Arthur Paul, which occurred Wednesday afternoon, from the effects of cholera infantum, followed by brain trouble. Funeral services will be held at the family residence, north of the city, at 2 o'clock Friday afternoon, and the burial will take place in the new cemetery.

Mrs. W. M. Coffman died at her home on the South side at 8 o'clock on Wednesday morning of last week, at the age of 73 years. Burial took place on the following day at Denlow cemetery, Rev. Richard Anderson of Little Creek conducting the funeral services. The deceased's maiden name was Rebecca Hopper and she was born July 26, 1839. On March 1, 1859, she married W. M. Coffman, to which union were born six sons and six daughters, the husband and all of the children but one son being left to mourn her loss. She had been a member of the Baptist church for many years.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Fuerst on the 8th.

James Rumfelt of the St. George vicinity died last week after an illness of eight months.

One item which we missed last week was the accidental drowning of the two year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Jackson, two miles northwest of Norwood. Left alone in the kitchen to play while her mother busied herself about the house, the little one leaned over a jar of water, fell in and was drowned.

A recent issue of Pine Bluff, Ark., paper says: "Carl Black and Miss Ethel Latham were quietly married Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Woods, No.
303 East Eighth Avenue. Rev. W. C. Davidson of the First Methodist church performed the ceremony in the presence of a few friends. Both of the contracting parties are from Springfield, Mo. Mr. Black is employed by Stuckie, Weed & Co., plumbers. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Latham of this city and has a large circle of friends in Mountain Grove to wish her happiness.

Joseph Westbrook and Miss Inez Westbrook, both of the Mansfield community, were married on the 7th. They will reside on a farm near Mansfield.

Albert Crippen, arrested Friday night at Oronogo, Mo., by Special Agents W. M. Griffin and T. J. Sullivan of the Frisco on a charge of stealing a hydraulic jack and some journal brasses, was yesterday morning taken to Mansfield by Frisco Special Officer Tony Oliver to stand trial. Crippen was captured after a chase of two months. He signed a confession of his guilt, which is now in the hands of the Frisco officers and which will be presented at his trial at Hartville, the county seat of Wright county.---Springfield Leader

Mr. William Frank King of the Mountain Grove vicinity and Miss Minnie Drummond of Denlow were married by 'Squire M. E. Needham at his home in this city at 3 o'clock last Sunday afternoon.

A child of Marion Williams, east of Hartville, died on Monday of last week. A little son of Thomas Wynne, north of Hartville, died on the same day.

The Evening Telegraph of Colorado Springs, Col., dated September 3, has an extended report of the marriage of Miss Wanda Laurine Marble to Mr. Frank Conrad Plemes. Mrs. Singmaster of the Mountain Grove, Mo. community is the bride's grandmother and was present at her marriage.

A former Springfield resident, Edward McNamara, died at his home in Norwood September 8, aged 85 years and eight months old. Mr. McNamara was a war veteran, having enlisted in the Sixty-seventh Indiana regiment in 1861. He served during the entire war. He was a member of the McCrosky Post G.A.R., No. 210. Mr. McNamara left his widow, four sons and four daughters. One of his daughters is Mrs. William Alexander of Springfield.---Springfield Leader

**September 26, 1912:**

Rev. J. J. Watts, an aged minister of Phelps County, died on the 4th.

A post office named Ellis has been established in Webster County near Duncan.

'Squire Snyder, formerly a citizen of Ava, died suddenly at his home in eastern Douglas County last week.

Charles Hanna, who robbed the bank at Tyler, Mo., was sentenced to six years in the penitentiary last week in Dunklin County.
Miss Palestine McClelland of Mountain View was adjudged insane last week and taken to the Nevada hospital for treatment.

The Shannon County Democrat says that Sheriff Summer took Messrs. Bedford, Boackman and Kile to the state penitentiary last week.

Two boys who applied at the Springfield police station for lodging had 26 knives in their pockets. They confessed to having robbed a store at Leslie, Ark.

Bishop Watkins of Eminence, aged 29 years, died in Joplin last week while surgeons were preparing to remove one of his eyes. His heart was too weak to stand the chloroform.

Getting married at home seems to be too tame for West Plains young folks. Another couple---Allen VanWormer and Vivian Bohrer---slipped away and got married last week and told their people about it later.

Everett Goodnight, a youth arrested in Springfield with Pete Marsh on a charge of stealing a team of horses in Douglas county, was sentenced to two years in the state penitentiary at Ava Tuesday. Marsh, who was charged with the same offense, and Jack Hall, who was also arrested in Springfield by Detectives Sampey and Lamb on a charge of forgery alleged to have been committed over a year ago, escaped from the county jail at Ava ten days ago and are still at large.

Walter Newton, living on Pea Ridge, in the southwestern part of the county, was mysteriously shot on Sunday morning of last week, the bullet entering the side of the abdomen and ranging downward. The young man, who is 23 years old and unmarried, is reticent about the shooting except to say that it happened while he was lying down at a spring to get a drink. He and a cousin were fined at the recent term of circuit court for trouble with a girl, and some believe that this may have some connection with the shooting, while others think that the wound was self-inflicted, either intentionally or accidentally. Dr. Hanson is attending him, and at last accounts he was said to be getting along very well.

After Barry county officers had scoured the entire surrounding country and even gone into Oklahoma in search of Dave Tillman, wanted for the murder of his wife last Thursday, the dead body of Tillman was found within 200 yards of where he had attacked and slain the woman. Tillman evidently had murdered Mrs. Tillman from whom he had been separated for three years, and then gone into a pasture nearby, cutting his throat with the razor which was used to mutilate the body of the woman. The dead man was discovered by his two sons, Charley and Jack. The scene of the double tragedy is near the Arkansas line.

The funeral of little Arthur Paul Swartout was conducted at the family residence north of this city by Rev. J. C. Saylor last Friday afternoon.
Mrs. John Claxton died at her home south of Hartville on the 13th, leaving a husband and nine children, besides several brothers and sisters.

A six-month old child of Mrs. C. I. Sterner of Macomb died on the 12th, of cholera infantum.

October 3, 1912:

A seven year old son of W. T. Reese of Marshfield died of diphtheria on the 20th.

Bryon M. Allen, a Civil War veteran of Willow Springs, died September 18. He was born in New York in 1841.

Tom Bond was arrested and put in the stone house of Ozark County last week for giving worthless checks in buying cattle.

Mrs. Margaret Skelly, born in Sligo County, Ireland, died near Licking on the 18th, at the ripe old age of 96 years. Her husband died a year ago.

It is reported that a two year old child of F. M. Harris, living on Aldrich Valley, was burned to death a few days ago by falling into a large kettle of hot jelly.—Van Buren Local

Because she refused to return to him, William Ladenberg, a Webb City miner, last week shot and killed Mrs. Ollie Triplett, his former wife, and their 6 year old daughter and then fired a bullet into his own breast. The woman and girl lived but a few minutes.

People around Cabool feel that the county court is spending too much money on the vicinity of Houston, and recently held an indignation meeting at which a protest against the building of two new bridges across Piney near the county seat was signed by 187 citizens.

Struck by the engine of Frisco passenger train No. 103, running at full speed, and hurled 30 feet from a bridge into a gully one mile south of Ash Grove, M. E. Greenup, 77 years old, a resident of Ash Grove, was instantly killed Monday morning. Greenup was crossing the bridge to reach the farm of his brother-in-law, J. M. Fish, where he expected to assist with the farm work. A dense fog prevented both Greenup and the trainmen from realizing the man's danger.

Falling into a barrel of water at the side of a porch on which he was playing, the eighteen months old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Prock of Dodge City, Texas, was drowned Saturday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Ridens of Hartville. The child's cries were heard by his parents, who rushed to the scene of the accident and quickly rescued this drowning babe. It had already gone under several times, however, and when taken from the water was past resuscitation. Physicians were summoned,
but arrived too late to be of assistance. Mr. and Mrs. Prock were visiting at the Ridens home, Mrs. Ridens being a sister of the child’s mother.

Recorder of Deeds Robert F. Adams has issued the following marriage licenses during the past week: James Carder and Manona Yandle, both of Rayborn; George W. Brewster of Hartville and Cora A. Hunnicutt, of Mansfield, La.; Chester A. Young of Hartville and Bessie Bowzer of Grove Springs; Charles H. Wade and Ethel McBride, both of Competition; Chester G. Newton of Canadian, Texas and Miss Lola I. Pool of Hartville; William G. Crain and Bessie Odell, both of Grove Springs.

Shelby Jarrett died of consumption on Monday of last week at the home of his grandfather, three miles east of Hartville.

A. P. Whelchel of Hartville has contracted for a two-story brick building 30 x 95 feet for his furniture store, and the Republican says that he will probably build two or three more brick buildings in the spring.

Frank A. Gleason and wife, of West Cheshire, Conn., are here visiting his brother, E. C. Gleason. It has been 29 years since these two brothers had seen each other. Frank at 71 years is the youngest of four living brothers. The oldest brother, aged 88 years still lives near the old home in Vermont.

Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Burford of Stroud, Okla., were called here this week by the last illness of the latter’s mother, Mrs. Scott. Mrs. A. L. Scott, who had been practically an invalid for many years, died at her home in this city last Sunday. Her funeral was conducted at the family residence Monday afternoon by Dr. Enland and burial took place in the new cemetery. She was a member of the Church of Christ. Her maiden name was Orlena Bartlett and she was born in 1845. She is survived by her husband and four children: Mrs. P. M. Burford of Okla.; L. B. and H. A. Scott of this city; W. C. Scott of near town.

When Sheriff I. H. Collier of Newton County discovered three men drinking liquor on a train between Joplin and Neosho last night he immediately placed them under arrest and their trials were held aboard the moving train. Prosecuting Attorney Saxton and Justice of the Peace Watson also were passengers on the train, and the sheriff, accompanied by the two officials, took the prisoners to the rear coach, where court was held. The trial attracted much attention from passengers on the train. Sheriff Collier testified and the prosecuting attorney conducted a vigorous prosecution. The justice assessed a fine of $5 and costs against each of the men. Upon payment of the fines all were released. They had been arrested, tried and convicted without leaving the train.

October 10, 1912:

Mrs. Martha A. Hailey, aged 80 years, died near Seymour on the 26th.
Louis Wyrsch of Springfield died last week of lockjaw, contracted by running a sliver of steel under the skin of his right hand.

While searching for cattle that were loose on the A. B. Kerr range in Barry County, last week, a horse ridden by Marion Henson plunged over an embankment and fell into Flat creek, carrying the rider with him. Henson was killed, his body being found a few hours later when relatives became uneasy because of his long absence from the house.

In 1907 a part of the Bramhall family met at the old home in Grove Spring, Wright County, Missouri, in a family reunion. They had planned to meet there again in 1912, and did so on September 21 at the residence one of the brothers has recently built on the old homestead. Coming from Washington and Texas the nine remaining children of Jacob Bramhall, seven brothers and two sisters, met at the place mentioned, where a great feast had been prepared for all by H. D. Bramhall, a brother. The children, the eldest 65 years, again sat around the table as of old, and Rev. J. A. Bramhall, of near Winona, returned thanks to God for his mercies toward them. C. M. Bramhall, the youngest, of Dayton, Wash., acted as toastmaster. After they and some forty relatives had partaken of the repast, a short history of the family name, dating back to the year 1086, was given by Rev. Bramhall. Then all again enjoyed a bountiful supper at the residence of J. M. Bramhall. On Sunday the 22nd, Rev. Bramhall delivered an effective sermon at Grove Spring Baptist church to a large congregation of friends and relatives who came for many, many miles with well-filled baskets and a hearty welcome for their old time friends. After spending a few weeks with relatives and friends they will return to their respective homes and all will have traveled a distance equal to 33,000 miles at a cost of over $1000. We wish them a pleasant visit.---One Who Was Present

Getting a tip from Sheriff Hufft and another one from Mrs. Hufft of Laclede county, that two prisoners who broke jail Monday in Lebanon were walking toward Springfield, Police Detective Al Sampey and Patrolman Wilkerson caught Guy Barnhart, white, and Herbert Nash, black, just before noon Tuesday. The arrests were made two miles east of Eastern Junction and the fugitives are not behind the bars of the city holdover. It is not known how Sheriff Hufft got the tail nor from where he sent the message to the local police. Mrs. Hufft advised the officers that the fugitives were coming toward Springfield. Securing an automobile the officers approached the railroad 2 miles east of the junction and it chanced that they came upon them at the crossing. Both gave up without trouble and afterwards confessed to breaking jail at Lebanon.--Springfield Leader

Harry Taylor, a youth of 22 years, escaped from the Marshfield jail on Wednesday morning of last week by digging a hole in the floor of his cell. He was charged with having robbed the Frisco depot there a few weeks ago.

Andrew J. Lightner died Tuesday, October 1, 1912, at the home of his son. D. F. Lightner, from the effects of a stroke of paralysis. Funeral services were held the following day and the burial was at the Dunkard Cemetery northeast of the city. Mr. Lightner was born June 24, 1832 in Marshall County, Va., and was a soldier in the Civil
War from February 1863 to August 1865, being mustered out at Wheeling, W. Va. He was a member of the Methodist church for over forty years. Besides the son with whom he was making his home, he is survived by a son, J. N. of Ceres, Calif., and two daughters Ms. Mary Wyatt of Vic, Okla. and Mrs. Lucretia Carson of Chicago.

Lewis Carver and Andy Scott, recently adjudged insane by the county court, have been taken to the Nevada asylum by Sheriff Wood and Deputy Sanders.

J. H. Ward and Miss Lily Allen were married on Sunday afternoon, September 29, 'Squire M. E. Needham tying the knot at the home of the bride's cousin Andrew Allen, in this city. The young people will make Mountain Grove their home.

A daughter was born last week to Mr. and Mrs. James G. Stroufe, near Mountain Grove.

A five year old son of Frank Casperson, on the south side, died last Friday.

Orlena Bartlet was born July 26, 1845 in Calborn county, Tenn. Died in Mountain Grove, Mo., Sept. 29, 1912, aged 67 years, 2 months and 3 days. Was married to A. C. Scott, September 24, 1865. Was baptized into the Church of Christ July 12, 1870. She leaves a husband, one daughter, three sons and six grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted from the residence at 2 p.m. September 30. Interment in the new cemetery.

The Wright County Republican gives the following marriage licenses issued at Hartville last week: James H. Ward and Lydia Allen, both of Mountain Grove; Walter N. Johnson and Emma B. Rainey, both of Norwood; Charles J. Wyrick and Anna Vanlandingham, both of Norwood.

Miss Florence M. Key and Mr. Harry H. Hubbard were married Wednesday evening at the home of the parents of the bride, Rev. H. M. Mitchell of West Plains officiating. The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Key. The groom is a young man of sterling business qualities and is a registered pharmacist, engaged in the drug business at Cabool.

October 17, 1912:

Frank Spence was arrested at Burnham last week on a charge of wife abandonment.

William Isaacs, a Frisco brakeman, aged 30 years, fell from a buggy while intoxicated one night last week and was dragged to death.

Floyd Young of Springfield, aged 29, committed suicide last week by shooting himself in the forehead. Financial worry is stated as the cause.
Theodore H. L. Ahrens, who had been conducting a novelty store at Lebanon for several months, committed suicide on the 4th by shooting himself through the head with a revolver. No reason is given for the act.

A very sad accident happened at Rome last Saturday, by which one of the Mackey boys killed his half-sister who was ten years old. They were out near the house after a squirrel when the boy accidentally discharged his gun and shot his sister. She only lived about 30 minutes.---Ava Enterprise

On last Friday morning while A. D. Harrison was waiting on the three prisoners in the county jail, two of them, young men serving out light sentences, made a break for liberty. They had a lead of about 100 yards on Harrison at the start so he turned loose his artillery on them, but on discovering he was fleeter than his bullets, he decided he could run them down. After a lively race of a few minutes they were overtaken in the hollow in the west part of town and marched back to jail. All A. D. lacks of being a flying machine is a pair of wings.---Gainsville Times

John C. Teeter, the nineteen year old boy who stole money from a number of letters that passed through the post office at Bolivar while he was a clerk therein, plead guilty in the United States court at Springfield Tuesday and was sentence to sixty days imprisonment in the Polk county jail.

Carl Lindholm, who has been in Kansas for some time, returned home last Monday, October 7th. He arrived just in time to assist in caring for his only daughter, who died the following day after a short illness of throat trouble. Little Ruth Marie was 3 years and 6 months old.

Fay E., wife of A. A. Fuerst, died at her home in this city, at 1 o’clock last Sunday afternoon, after an illness of several weeks, of typhoid fever and nephritis. Funeral services were conducted at the Baptist church Wednesday afternoon, by Rev. I. P. Langley, and the interment was at the new cemetery. Mrs. Fuerst was a daughter of William W. and Julia M. Leighton, and was born at Beatrice, Gage county, Nebraska, October 6, 1873. She was a member of the Baptist church here, acting as organist and being an ardent worker in all church matters. She is survived by her father, husband, an infant daughter and four stepchildren.

D. J. Wyrick, who was recently married in Springfield to Miss Tanie Hutsell of this city, is beginning housekeeping right. He called Friday and ordered the Journal sent to him at his farm near Dawson.

Died, October 8, Edith Opal Barnes, baby daughter of Mr. Beattie Barnes, aged 13 months, after an illness of only 24 hours. Rev. Lawless of Houston conducted the funeral services, and four little boys from Dunsmore school carried the little form to its last resting place beside the mother who was buried last March.

October 24, 1912:
At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. Reecer, occurred the marriage of their daughter, Miss Nora, to Mr. Harrison Smalley of Dawson. Only the immediate members of both families and a few friends were present. Rev. J. Long of Dawson spoke the words which united the couple in the holy bonds of matrimony. Mr. and Mrs. Smalley will live in one of the houses on the Dr. Tally farm near Morning Sun.

John Stovall, a Marshfield citizen aged 74 years, died last week as the results of injuries sustained by a dog running against him. He fell and his head struck the concrete pavement, causing paralysis.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lige Jones, southeast of Hartville, on the 12th.

Carl Sisk, telegraph operator at Mansfield, and Miss Pearl K. Brown of Miller, Mo., were married in Hartville on the 11th.

Twin daughters were born to Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Fisher, of the Little Creek country, last Monday.

Recent Marriage Licenses from Hartville Republican: William Vaughan and Dice Branstrutter, both of Manes; Wesley Rower, of Mingsville and Arizona Shropshire, of Manes; Elijah H. Johnson of Morgan, and Cinda Williamson of Smittle; Pete Ussery and Rosazatta Sparks, both of Norwood; Harrison Smalley and Nora Reeser, both of Mountain Grove; William Matney and Martha Matney, both of Cedar Gap; Hurbert F. Smith and Grace Pearl Ross, both of Seymour; Carl W. Sisk, of Ash Grove, and Pearl K. Brown, of Miller; Ira Clark and Bertha Delcoure, both of St. George.

There were no happier boys in Texas county than Willard and Leigh Casebeer when the news reached them that their popcorn had won the blue ribbon at the stock show. They are the twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Eber Casebeer, about nine years of age, both of them crippled, Leigh so badly he cannot walk. They are the owners of a small farm wagon and are going to buy them a goat to drive to it, with their premium money.

October 31, 1912:

Mrs. John P. Smith of Texas county was sent to the state insane asylum last week.

W. A. Williams, Dallas county superintendent of schools, died recently of typhoid fever.

The Marshfield canning factory had to import thirteen women and girls from Niangua last week.

Frisco fireman M. A. Smith was killed at Springfield last Friday morning by the blowing out of an engine’s arch flue.

John H. Bass, aged 31, has been sent from near Duncan, Webster county, to the Nevada insane asylum. His brother died in the asylum a year or two ago.
A. B. See, aged 48, died in a Springfield hospital last week, a day after being operated on. He was a resident of the Panther Valley neighborhood, in Webster county.

For four months Dr. J. S. Cottrell, a prominent osteopath of Willow Springs, kept secret the fact of his marriage at Memphis, Tenn., last June to Miss Emma Reynolds. The wedding took place without the knowledge of any relatives or friends of the contracting parties. Immediately after the wedding Dr. Cottrell and his bride returned to Willow Springs, he going to his home and she went to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds in Willow Springs.

Thomas Anderson, a well-known Webster county citizen, died in a Springfield hospital last week, a few days after he had submitted to an operation. He was buried at Conway by the Masons.

Helmuth Falk, a 19 year old youth who had been travelling with a minstrel show, stole Dr. S. W. Tickle's horse and buggy in Springfield last week and was arrested at Marshfield the same evening.

Willis Goddard, who gives his age at 112 years and 3 months, was in town Wednesday walking the streets quite spryly. He claims to have lived in Texas county 70 years of the 112.---Cabool Enterprise

Oscar Perkins, a young man living near Van Buren, was killed while on a fishing trip last week by the accidental discharge of a rifle which was lying in the bottom of the skiff. It was fired by the stumbling of his companion.

Ben Henderson and William Yeubanks, living in the Booher neighborhood, became engaged in trouble Thursday night which resulted in Henderson being shot. It seems as though Yeubanks bought a cornfield at the Doty sale and Henderson's cattle had been getting into it. Thursday night Yeubanks started possum hunting with a gun and dog. Going by the cornfield he found a cow in the corn and drove it to Henderson's house. The men became involved in a quarrel with the result that Henderson was shot, the load from a shotgun entering the left breast. He is in serious condition and may die. Yeubanks came to town Friday and gave himself up to the officers.---Hartville Republican.

Harry Hensley, a former resident of Wright county, was married recently to Miss Ada Albright, near Sharon, Kansas.

Asa Coats, aged about 30 years, died of consumption yesterday morning at the home of his father, John Coats, in Old Town.

The Wright County Republican reports these marriage licenses: Aaron P. Welchel and Mary Nickel, both of Hartville; Noah T. Jones of Rembert and Zula Chapman of Mansfield; Earnie F. Gorman of Hartville and Lenora Tate of Boyer; Newt Ward and Mary Gass.
Sarah Belle Polk was born near Conway, Laclede county, Mo., March 27, 1893. Died in Mountain Grove, October 30, 1912. Sadie, as she was familiarly called, was the youngest daughter of Mr. Ed Polk and Mrs. Rachel Polk, and is survived by her father, sister, a half-sister and a half-brother. The body will be taken to Conway this evening for burial.

Josephine Wilkerson died on the evening of the 16th. She was the only child of C. E. and Nora E. Wilkerson, and was but six years old.

Married in Kansas, Wednesday, October 23 at 2 o'clock, Mrs. Ella Lawson and Mr. Sam Sehre. The bride is a daughter of Mrs. C. J. Galbraith. The groom is a prominent policeman of Kansas City.

Guy C. Pope of Hartville was killed on Monday of last week while hauling freight from Mansfield. Coming down a steep decline near the Gasconade bridge he fell from the wagon while attempting to put on the brake, and the wheels passed over his body, crushing his chest so that he lived but a few moments. He was in his 33rd year and is survived by a widow and two small children, his father and two brothers, all of whom live in Hartville.

The Marshfield Chronicle says that Louis Carver, an insane man from Wright county, who was taken to the insane asylum at Nevada three of four weeks since, escaped from that institution soon after being received there and his whereabouts are at present unknown.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Newsberry of Macomb died on the 14th, at the age of ten months.

James Bay, 3 1/2 miles northeast of Dunn, had bills printed for a sale October 31, after which he intended to spend the winter with his wife, at Williamsburg, Kansas. Last Thursday morning however, he received a message announcing her sudden death, and left for Kansas on the evening train. Her burial, he thought, would be at Burlington, Kansas where her parents are buried. Another date will probably be set for the sale.

A Cedar Gap correspondent says: "While waiting here Saturday for the train that would take her to visit her son Horace, a locomotive engineer who lives in Thayer, Mrs. Nancy Miller received the news that he had accidentally fallen from the window of his cab that morning near Marked Tree and was killed. She left on the next train for Thayer. The dead man's brother Dave and sister, Mrs. K. S. Dowden, and her husband left the next day for Thayer.

R. A. Winscott has received from his old home, El Dorado Springs, Mo., and extra of the Sun of that city which gives a report of the destruction by fire of the new Cruce block, the pride of the city. Richard Cruce, one of the owners, was a cripple, unable to get out of his room, and was burned to death in spite of heroic efforts to rescue him. The fire
occurred at 4 o'clock last Friday morning and put a dozen firms out of business. The property loss is estimated at between $50,000 and $60,000.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Lindholm, Thursday, October 24, a fine boy.

Information charging him with murder in the first degree has been filed against Ed. R. Dickens, the blacksmith at Hollister, Taney county, who stabbed to death John A. Dorste, a rival blacksmith, because he had reduced prices a few weeks since. The case will be called for trial in the Taney county circuit court the latter part of this month.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Peachee, October 21, a little girl. Mother and baby doing nicely.

At Houston last week, Ben Johnson assaulted Prof. List because the latter had whipped his brother in school.

On account of the failure of the health of Mrs. Ames, it has become imperative that she give up the care of the homeless children, and to allow her a chance to do so, it will probably be necessary that the Emmanuel Children's Home be closed, the work abandoned, the debts paid and the property disposed of; but before doing so we wish to council with those of the Mountain Grove businessmen and other interest in the continuance of the home or the equitable closing of the same. We will therefore invite them to meet with us at the home Monday afternoon, November 4, at 2 o'clock to examine our accounts and discuss plans.---Dr. A. C. Ames

November 7, 1912:

Death from an unusual cause occurred near Fair Grove last Thursday; the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Underwood was strangled by getting its head caught in the torn portion of a quilt which had been hung on a line, but had fallen to the ground. The child was eighteen months old. The little one had been playing in the yard while its mother was cleaning house, and nothing was known of the accident until the mother, thinking it time to take the child into the house, picked it up and discovered that it was dead. A part of one end of the quilt, which was torn apart, had become twisted about the baby's neck and choked it to death.

At a meeting of the board of directors of Emmanuel Children's Home, a mile and a half north of this city, held Monday afternoon, it was decided on account of the bad health of Mrs. Ames, the superintendent, to close the home and sell the personal property. There are now but six children there and arrangements have been made for their disposition. Four will be taken in charge by their father, one will be taken by Mrs. Moore, and a little girl who was left on the steps of the home when an infant will be cared for by Dr. and Mrs. Ames. The home has at times had as many as 40 children in its care and has been a worthy and useful institution. The number has been reduced lately on account of Mrs. Ames' poor health. The managers of Mercy hospital, Kansas City, will send a representative here to look at the buildings and grounds, with a view of using them as a
hospital for afflicted children. Dr. Ames has established a practice as physician at Red Cloud, Nebraska, and he and his wife will make that place their home.

Marriage Licenses from Hartville Republican: Jasper N. Ward of Odin and Mary E. Gass of Hartville; Zeno Swing and Mary T. Gosvenor, both of Norwood; W. M. Thomas of Henry, Neb. and Myra Morgan of Mansfield; Casper R. Oliver of Fuson and Oma Broyles of Hartville; G. D. Mosley and Dulcie Moore, both of Manes.

A little child belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Dean, living two miles southeast of Dawson, was badly burned last week while left alone in the house. The child is not expected to recover.

Mr. and Mrs. George Tate have a baby girl at their house.

Mr. LaVern H. Webster and Miss Iona E. Ackerman were married at 10:30 a.m. yesterday at the home of the bride's mother, north of the city. 'Squire M. E. Needham tied the knot.

A son was born recently to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Palmer of Fuson; and a son to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Finley, south of Hartville.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hickey's three year old son, Ezra Lemuel, died at their home last Saturday. The interment was at Greenwood cemetery.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arden Pierson on the 29th.

Among divorce suits filed recently at Hartville are: Lulu Lolis vs. Thomas Lolis; William M. Matlock vs. Mary J. Matlock; R. M. Garner vs. Oma Garner.

Mrs. Jennie Trapp died at her home in Houston last week.

Uncle Silas Gilmore died rather unexpectedly at his home on Indian Creek on Monday night of last week. He was one of Texas county's pioneers, having been a resident of 73 years.

Marriage Licenses in Douglas county: Mathas Morrison of Squires to Myrtle Miller of Foil; E. D. Mason of Cheney to Awanda Stephens of Vera Cruz; J. N. Green to Minnie E. Baker, both of Depew; J. W. Bunch of Rogersville to Elizabeth Hargris of Fordland; Mrs. Wakefield of Pocahontas, Ark. to Gusta Bradshaw of Ava.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Mitchell who reside near Dillon Station had the misfortune Tuesday morning to have their two and a half year old son killed by No. 10 passenger train east bound. The little fellow had wandered away from home onto the tracks and before the engineer could stop, his train struck the child.---Rrolla New Era
Walter Tate, of Pierce City, was killed at 11 o'clock Monday night by a Frisco train in some unknown manner, one mile west of Monett. The body was found early Tuesday morning by a farmer. Both legs were cut off and the head nearly severed from the body. He was a young man, unmarried, and it is not known whether he fell from the train or was walking on the track.

**November 14, 1912:**

A gunshot wound in the stomach caused the death of Mack Hill, on North Fork, about fifteen miles southeast of Mountain Grove, last Monday afternoon at four o'clock. Mr. Hill, J. A. Musgrove and one or two others were hunting, and it is said that the accident was caused by the former's gun slipping as he arose from a ledge of rock upon which he had been sitting. One barrel was discharged, the load entering the man's abdomen, and he lived but two or three minutes. Mr. Hill was a married man with six children. He was about 45 years old and is said to have been a good citizen.

Three shots from a shotgun were fired into the house of D. E. Smith, a farmer living 12 miles northeast of Seymour, Friday night. Fortunately, members of the Smith's family were not in the part of the house where the charges struck and none of them was injured. Police Detective Al Sampey went to Seymour with bloodhounds Saturday night, arriving at the Smith farm Sunday morning. A trail was picked up where the shotgun shells had been dropped by the man who fired them. Dogs followed it for quite a distance and were taken off the trail when Smith was satisfied as to the identity of the man who did the shooting. It was not decided Sunday what steps would be taken in the case. According to reports, Smith had been threatened by a neighbor farmer, to whose home the dogs followed a trail. The work of the hounds proved to be rather exceptional, in view of the fact that they picked up a trail that was over thirty hours "cold."---Springfield Leader

The little child of Mr. Dean, who was badly burned a short time ago, is thought to be getting better at present.

Sam Hilsabeck returned home from Ash Grove last Friday, where he was summoned by the illness and death of his little granddaughter, Essie Williams.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Tripp of Mansfield last week.

Herbert L. Hunt, a young man who came here from Chillicothe about a year ago, dropped dead in the street in Kansas City last Monday. He and his wife and their three year old son had located on a farm just southwest of Mountain Grove in the hope that the climate would be of benefit to Mr. Hunt, who had tuberculosis. They had decided to return to their former home and were packing their goods, when the dust became so bad that Mrs. Hunt insisted on her husband leaving at once. He was in Kansas City waiting for her when the end came. Mrs. Hunt and her little son left for Kansas City on the early Tuesday morning train.
Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Grover West, Tuesday, November 5, a baby boy.

Another wedding in our midst removes one of young ladies to a Western home. Wednesday, November 6, at 10:30 o'clock Miss Iona Ackerman and Mr. Luvern Webster were married at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. A. G. Ackerman, by 'Squire Needham of Mountain Grove. The bride is a splendid young lady, respected by all who know her. The groom came from Kansas about a year ago and has made many friends while here. Mr. and Mrs. Webster expect to reside in Kansas.

Marriage Licenses from Hartville Republican: Emmett A. Brady and Alice G. Absher, both of Mountain Grove; Lavern H. Webster and Ionia E. Ackerman, both of Mountain Grove; Frank H. Finch and Shirley Webbar, both of Mountain Grove; John H. Huckaby and Lena McBride, both of Origania; Jesse Jordan of Lamb and Ada Bohanan of Pease

Recent Douglas county marriages: Daniel Jannings to Miss Ruth Allen; Jay N. Greene of South Dakota to Miss Minnie Besker

J. D. Brooks and Pete Braswell entered into combat at Alton on the 2nd, which resulted in Brooks stabbing Braswell five times with a knife, inflicting a wound in the stomach, one just over his heart, one in his right breast, one on his neck and one on the right side of his head. Politics caused the trouble.

Mark C. Douglas, shipping clerk for the Springfield Grocer Company, was shot and instantly killed less than thirty minutes after he and J. Grove Corzine, head bookkeeper for the local company, had started hunting on the Fred Wall farm, north of Henderson, in Greene county, Tuesday morning. Douglass was climbing over a fence just in front of his companion when Corzine's gun was accidentally discharged. The shot struck Douglass in the back of the head, tearing a terrible gash in the scalp and causing instant death. Corzine is unable to account for the unexpected discharge of the weapon.

A very bad cutting affray took place at the Smalley school house last Saturday night during a box supper and entertainment. Linzy Bunyard cut Emmet Yoeman with a knife and Emmet came near bleeding to death. The report is that Linzy with two or three others went to the supper tanked up on whiskey. Yoeman received bad cuts on the nose, face, neck and hands, but will recover.---Ava Enterprise

Sherman Mankin, manager of the Pero Lumber Co. at Ava, accidentally shot and killed himself last Thursday. He was seated in a buggy and while reaching for an apple which a companion had tossed him, his gun was discharged, the contents striking him under the chin. The accident happened while Mr. Mankin, W. F. Reynolds and a Mrs. Chambers were on their way to Vera Cruz to measure some lumber.

Houston came near having her electric lights put out again last week. On Monday the flue at the Lone Star Mill, which furnishes the power, burned out, and a high wind scattered sparks over the roof, firing it in several places. Albert Raper, a young man,
mounted to the high roof and having no water, tore the blazing shingles off and soon conquered the blaze. The citizens of Houston gave him a gold watch for his bravery.

**November 21, 1912:**

Mrs. Jesse Foster of Seymour died suddenly on Wednesday of last week.

John H. Brown, a well-known farmer west of Ava, died on the 7th, at the age of 54 years.

Mrs. Martha A. Johnson of Springfield has sued the street car company of that city for $35,000 for the death of her husband and injuries to herself when a car collided with a wagon in which they were riding.

Arthur Hase, a 14 year old Rolla boy, was killed last week by the accidental discharge of his gun while hunting.

Albert Morris, aged 63 years, who conducted a small mill at Urbana, Dallas county, was caught in some of the machinery that was making two hundred revolutions a minute, not long since, and so badly injured that he died a short time after the accident.

Several prisoners made a dash for liberty from the Springfield jail last Friday, but were rounded up by the officials before they got far away.

J. W. May, a piano tuner, who has been making his home in Bolivar for the past several years, died very suddenly at the Bolivar Hotel about the noon hour. Mr. May was at lunch when he was seen to gasp and fall over, and expired in a few minutes.

In a wreck of the Frisco passenger train No. 9, known as the "Meteor", Engineer William H. Mankins, who has been making his home at 781 College street, was scalded to death and Fireman Marvin Darrough of 552 Pine street was seriously injured Tuesday morning of last week when the engine jumped the track near Neosho.

On October 11, near Neosho, a man went into some timber for a load of wood and was attacked and shot to death. Bloodhounds were soon placed on the trail and a man was arrested, he confessing and implicating a second. On the following Wednesday, they entered a plea of guilty in circuit court to the murder and one was given a life sentence while the other was given thirty years.

David E. Bailey was shot and killed late on the 7th by Herman Lessing, an aged German farmer living five miles north of Lebanon, the tragedy taking place at the Lessing home. Bailey went to the Lessing home and was trying to induce a 15 years old daughter of Lessing to leave her parents' home and go with him. He tried to force his way into the house, and Lessing's action in killing him was pronounced justifiable by the coroner's jury.
Another accidental shooting occurred near Hutton Valley when a boy by the name of Caton, aged 11, was killed by the accidental discharge of a shotgun. He and his brothers were out in the woods hunting and the elder brother had to go to the house and tied the gun to a brush pile so the younger boy could not use it. The younger boy grabbed the muzzle of the gun to pull it off the brush pile, when it discharged, the entire load striking the lower part of the abdomen. He lived about two hours.

Tuesday someone informed Sheriff Cantrell that Bill Kivett, who was being tried for carrying concealed weapons, had a pistol on his person in the court room. At the time the Sheriff received the information, Kivett, who was under bond, was not in the court room. Shortly after, however, he was met and searched by the sheriff and a gun of something like a .44 caliber was taken from him. Prosecuting Attorney Scott immediately filed information and he was re-arrested on two counts and gave bond in the sum of $1,000.---Houston Republican

Although still protesting his innocence of the murder of his wife, A. J. Bass has been sent to the penitentiary to begin his sentence of 99 years. He with his wife and two children lived in a house a quarter of a mile from Fair Grove, at the time the tragedy occurred. On the morning of February 1, 1911, the residents of that neighborhood saw flames consuming the house. Hurrying to the scene, they found only the ruins of the structure and were astounded to learn from Bass that his wife had burned to death in the fire. When her body was recovered a charge of shot was found lodged near her heart.

Joseph and Thomas Haggard and C. G. Murphy got judgment in Springfield last Saturday against R. P. Dickerson for $5,000 and $612.50 interest, the sum first mentioned being the amount of a reward offered by Dickerson for the capture of Walter Dipley. The case grew out of the killing of Stanley Ketchel, the prize fighter, who was a guest of R. P. Dickerson at the ranch of the latter in Webster county, and was shot by Dipley about 7 o'clock on the morning of October 15, 1910. The murderer lived on one of the Dickerson farms, and claimed that Ketchel had insulted his wife, and for that reason called him to task. He is now serving a life sentence in the penitentiary.

Mr. Knouse and Mrs. Hunter, both of Dawson, were married last Sunday. The boys gave them two introductions to the old-fashioned way of serenading.

Millard and Leigh Casebeer are the owners of a goat, but he isn't broken to drive yet.

Claude Murr and Miss Eunice Rodgers were married Sunday morning by Will Robertson, J. P.

Mr. David W. Gughman and Grace Roberts, both of Mountain Grove, were married at the Overton hotel Saturday night by 'Squire M. E. Needham.

Another child of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hickey, near town, died last Saturday. This family has been sorely afflicted, and has the sympathy of our people.
J. A. Wayland, owner of Appeal to Reason, a Socialist paper at Girard, Kansas, shot and killed himself November 10, at his home in that city. It was said by Fred Warren, editor of the Appeal, that Wayland had been despondent several days and had been worrying over the possible action of a federal grand jury to be held at Ft. Scot next week, before which it was expected charges would be placed against Wayland and Warren of sending objectionable matter through the mails.

Marriage Licenses from Hartville Republican: Alver L. Ward and Amanda Austin, both of St. George; Roy Kilmer and Alice Shaver, both of Loring; Midian Knouse and Laura S. Hunter, both of Dawson; William E. Long and Harriet C. Vincent, both of Norwood; J. M. Livingston, of Moscow, Idaho and Lillie Royston of Mansfield.

At Mansfield last Friday, in 'Squire Nichols' court, the charge against H. E. Bartlett was dismissed, the evidence being insufficient to maintain it, and the girl in the case having signed a statement exonerating the defendant. He was represented by Farnsworth & Lamar.

Invitations have been issued to the marriage of Miss Doris Knoerle and Mrs. Clyde Hill, which will take place at All Saints Episcopal church in this city November 27, at 8:30 o'clock.---West Plains Journal

November 28, 1912:

At Springfield last Saturday night Calvin Higgs, Negro head porter at the Colonial hotel, was shot and killed in a hold-up participated in by Harry Dishman, Loyd Bristoe and Louis Johnson, 16 year old youths who were out in a buggy, drunk, and bent on "cutting a notch on their guns." The murder was a wanton one as the Negro, a respectable and peaceable citizen, was given no chance to defend himself. All three of the boys are now in jail awaiting trial. They have confessed to a number of robberies and other crimes and Dishman is said by his companions to have done the shooting Saturday night. Johnson is the youth who held up Mr. Lesh at the Farmers Store in this city last spring. A charge of murder has been made against Dishman, and Johnson and Bristoe are being held as alleged accessories.

A most deliberately planned and carefully executed suicide was that last Friday night of Miss Myrtle Pearson, 23 years old and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Pearson, three miles northeast of this city. The young lady had been in poor health for more than a year past, during which time she had undergone an operation for appendicitis, and brooding over this is thought to have prompted the act. Friday night while two of her sisters were in town and other members of the family asleep, she carefully dressed herself in white, lay down on a bed and drank the fatal dose, leaving the bottle and glass on a stand table beside her. In one hand she held a note requesting that she be buried as she was, without embalming or inquest. The appearance of her body indicated that she had scarcely moved after drinking the poison, and there were but one or two slight stains on her lips. The acid had been bought some months ago to make a turkey dip, and disappeared after it had been used once, hence it is thought that for
some time she had been contemplating self-destruction. She had been dead probably two or three hours when her sisters found her. A brother was killed about two years ago in a hunting accident, and this is thought to have been one of the causes of her mental depression. She is survived by her parents, four sisters and a brother. Funeral services were conducted at the home Sunday afternoon and burial was at the new cemetery.

A 17 months old child of Dr. Snow of Buckhart died last Thursday and the body was brought through here the following day to be buried at a cemetery between here and Lebanon.

Edith Smith, eleven year old daughter of Henry Smith of Vanzant, died last Friday and was buried in the cemetery there on Saturday.

George Baum, a resident of the South Side, died last Saturday at the age of 79, his death being due to the general infirmities of old age. He is survived by his widow and two sons. Funeral services were held Sunday morning and the burial was in the new cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Evans of Hoisington, Kansas, have a new boy at their house. They were until recently residents of Hartville.

Claude Green and Miss Anna Roberts, both of Cabool, were married at the home of the groom’s aunt, in Wichita, Kansas on Monday night of last week. The Cabool Enterprise says that the wedding could hardly be considered an elopement, but rather a slip-off, as the parents of both the contracting parties seem to be very well satisfied. As the groom has a house and employment in Cabool, it is supposed that they will make their home there on their return from a visit to relatives.

Dr. Benson, aged about 76 years, died at the home of Tom Reeves in Dawson last Saturday, from heart trouble and general debility. After funeral services at the Friendship church Sunday morning, conducted by Elder C. C. Haggard, the body was taken in charge by the Odd Fellows and buried Sunday afternoon in the new cemetery at Mountain Grove. He was an uncle of Mrs. A. E. Russell of this city, but had no other near relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John Chandler, father and mother of Mayor Chandler and Mrs. W. E. Young, were married in St. Louis 56 years ago Tuesday.

December 5, 1912:

Adolph Skliba died near Elk Creek on the 24th.

James W. Wilson, a prominent citizen of Birch Tree, died November 26, aged 67 years.
Felix Cantrell and Wiley Warden, old residents of Webster county, died last week. The latter was nearly 90 years old.

Otto A. Johnson, Texas county clerk, was married last week to Miss Stella Mitchell, primary teacher in the Houston schools.

Fred Brower of Walnut Grove appeared before the Greene county grand jury last Saturday a little late and somewhat "stewed," and was put in jail to sober up.

C. N. Van Hosen, for ten years registrar of the United States land office at Springfield, died suddenly in that city last Sunday afternoon while delivering an address at the Elks' annual memorial service.

Walter Choate, a civil engineer at Springfield, after eluding the officers for three or four weeks, was arrested at Crane, Stone county, last week on the charge of bigamy, it being claimed that he has three living wives, none of whom had been divorced. He will be prosecuted on two charges of bigamy, one for wife desertion and one for child abandonment.

At the home of the bride's parents, on November 28, at 7 o'clock p.m., Mr. Ralph Inman and Miss Sarah Tankersly were united in marriage, Elder E. W. Yocum pronouncing the short but very impressive service in the presence of about forty invited guests. The young couple will be at home on their farm six miles northwest of Mountain Grove.

Mr. Lyle Elbert Douglass and Miss Merle Elizabeth Leach were married at 4 o'clock last Sunday afternoon, the ceremony being pronounced by Rev. I. P. Langley at his home and witnessed by only the relatives of the contracting parties. Mr. Douglass and bride left on the evening train for a visit to Springfield and on their return will make their home for the present with the groom's parents.

Mr. Arthur I. Barker of Vanzant and Miss Della Bell Sanders of Jackson county were married in this city at 7 o'clock last Saturday evening. ‘Squire M. E. Needham performed the ceremony in his home.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Stover of this city on the 2nd. The young lady has been named Bettie Louise.

Marriage Licenses from Hartville Republican: Norris Kirkendoll and Almeda Candle, both of Norwood; Francis Chancey of Manes and Emma Brickey of Rayborn; S. N. Prock and Rhoda Wilhite, both of Manes; Ira Buck and Clemmine Climer, both of Odin; Ralph Inman and Sarah Tankersley, both of Mountain Grove; Eli Butts and Nancy C. Branson, both of Embree.

Ezra Lemuel Hickey was born at Mountain Grove, Mo., November 6, 1910; died November 9, 1912. Orla Wallace Hickey was born at Mountain Grove, January 3, 1908; died November 17, 1912. These dear little children died of diphtheria at the home of
their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hickey, one mile southwest of town. The remains were laid to rest in the Greenwood cemetery, seven miles east of Mountain Grove. Little Ezra was taken ill on Wednesday night and after three days of suffering, the little innocent one was taken from the home. Next day, Orla was taken ill with the dreaded disease, and though he fought bravely for a week, on Saturday night gave up and said he wanted to go to Ezra.

The Astoria correspondent of the Hartville Republican says: "Blanche, the two year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Shaw, was burned so badly last Thursday that she died Friday morning. A wash kettle partly filled with water was in the horse lot and Blanche followed her sister, who is only a few years older, to the kettle and it is supposed while the children were playing in the water, the child caught from the fire under the kettle. The little one started to run and before her mother and friends who were there could catch her and extinguish the flames, she was fatally burned."

Lyle Ellis got to the depot the other day just in time to stop a man who was boarding the train with a rope around the neck of the former's pedigreed Scotch Collie. The man said that his son had given some boy a pocket knife for the dog.

The little town of Dawson was sadly shocked by the sudden and unexpected death of Dr. D. L. Benson, which occurred about noon last Saturday in Mr. Smalley's store. The Doctor had just returned from a drive and took his team to the shop to get it shod. He then went to Mr. Smalley's and ordered his dinner, and while sitting down to wait for his meal to be prepared, he fell from his seat a lifeless corpse. The funeral service was held at Friendship church at twelve o'clock Sunday, conducted by C. C. Haggard, after which the remains were taken to Mountain Grove for burial.

Narve Allen was in the Norwood neighborhood, Friday, assessing.

Mr. Hunter, a well-known farmer living northwest of Dawson, died at his home last Wednesday. Mr. Hunter was a good citizen and well respected by all who knew him. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. S. Griffith, after which the remains were laid to rest in the Friendship cemetery Thursday afternoon.

**December 12, 1912:**

Nathan J. Weaver, age 77, and Mrs. Nancy Walls, 58, were joined in wedlock on the 4th, near Licking.

Will Parmenter, south of Houston, had both hands badly crushed in a portable saw mill last week and will probably be permanently crippled.

Mrs. Osie Allen of Koshkonong, who recently secured a verdict for $500 against the Frisco for alleged injuries received when she was thrown against a seat by the jolting of a car, is accused by the company of shamming, and a new trial has been ordered. She asks for $10,200.
Minnie Dutton, 16 years old, of Sedalia, died recently from drinking a cup full of concentrated lye. Disappointment in love is believed to have been the reason. Minnie is the third of the Dutton girls to commit suicide. An older sister took her life in St. Louis several years ago. In 1903 Daisy Dutton, 17 years old, killed herself for Emil Meyer, a street car motorman, because he did not return her love. The father, F. C. Dutton, killed Meyer after his daughter's death, for which crime he is now serving a sentence of 28 years in the penitentiary.

At Greenfield last week, as Wilbur Slinker was starting to the penitentiary to serve a sentence of two years for stealing a typewriter, Miss Ruth Wilks of that city boarded the train with two companions and insisted that she wanted to marry the prisoner. In a quandary, the deputy sheriff consulted the circuit judge at Lamar and the latter very properly refused his consent. He expressed the opinion that it would be better to wait until the expiration of the prisoner's term, as one or both of them might think differently of the proposition by then.

Marriage Licenses from Hartville Republican: Ernest Coday and Verba A. Brasher, both of Mansfield; Pleasant J. Grimes of Grimes, and Eliza McRoberts of Hepner; Ray Sowersby and Gertrude McAllister, both of Macomb; Emery P. Deaton and Lily B. Nicholson, both of Mountain Grove; Lyle E. Douglass and Merle A. Leach, both of Mountain Grove; Otto Breedlove of Manes, and Ola Montgomery of Astoria; George O. Heath of West Plains, and Rhoda Ryan of Norwood.

An infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Hickey, southwest of town, died Monday night from the effects of bronchitis. This family has been sorely afflicted recently, this being the third child they have lost within a few weeks.

Mr. Wilder, near Mansfield, raised a ten-pound radish this year.

Mrs. Albion Perkins died of peritonitis at her home in eastern Mountain Grove last Sunday night, at the age of about seventy years. She is survived by her aged husband, two sons and two daughters. Owing to the illness of Mr. Perkins, no funeral services were held at the house, but Elder Bundy conducted a brief service at the grave. The burial took place at the old cemetery Tuesday afternoon.

Sherman Scrivener, a resident of Wyoming for 27 years, is visiting Wright county relatives in the Grove Springs neighborhood.

Watson Cantrell of the Duncan neighborhood hardly knows whether he is a citizen of Webster or Wright county, as his house is on the line, partly in each county.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Stevens on Wednesday, December 4.

Virginia, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Austin, who live on J. A. Wheeler's farm south of town, died last Thursday night at the age of four months. The funeral took place on Friday and interment was made in the new cemetery.
Gladys Myrtle, seven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Bays, died at their home in Old Town last Saturday. The family recently came here from Shannon county, and the body of the little girl was taken to Eminence for burial.

Tillie, infant daughter of Mrs. Walter Davis, died December 4, 1912, aged 11 months and 20 days. She had been a sufferer nearly all her life. A short service was conducted at the grave by Elder E. W. Yocum.

Mr. William H. Ousley and Miss Berthena Mitchell were married by 'Squire M. E. Needham at his home in this city Wednesday night at 7 o'clock. The young folks are residents of Ann and it was their intention to be married Tuesday evening in time to take the evening train here for Springfield. They were delayed a day in getting their license, however, and got here too late yesterday to take the train they intended.

The Children's Home---A Statement from Mrs. Ames to the Public: On the 19th of October I was taken very ill and as I did not get any better, but rather grew worse, it was thought best to place the children all in homes, and the personal property and pay the debts and abandon the work for homeless children. Accordingly on the 4th day of November the board met and took formal action to that effect. The following is quoted from the secretary's book: "Owing to the failure of Mrs. Ames' health it was voted to close the home, sell off the personal property, pay the debts and abandon the work for homeless children, the vote being unanimous." As you know, there was a sale at the Home on the 19th of November and from the proceeds of this sale all the debts in Mountain Grove were paid so far as I know. Now in order to set some minds at rest, I shall have to go into personal matters and say several things which I generally keep to myself. I will go back eight years to begin. At that time and for two years and a half I received as remuneration, $7.50 per month. (This was by my own choice.) Then it was voted to double the amount, so for the next two and a half years I received $15.00 per month, then for one year it was raised to $20.00 and the last two years it has been $35.00. My wants are not great, so I have never drawn only what I really needed for myself and adopted children, as the money was needed to carry on the work of the Home. The proceeds from the sale of personal property was sufficient to pay almost everything but what is due myself and helpers. There is over $500 due me and nearly $100 divide among five others. It has been talked among us and directors while I was sick that we turn the property over to a certain hospital and let them assume the indebtedness. As I recovered my health and my mind again became clear and active, I said to my husband "that it would never do to dispose of this property in any way without the full knowledge and consent of the Emmanuel Children's Home Association, as they represent the people who have furnished the means with which to establish and carry on the work of the Home." Accordingly I objected to the going any further until I could write to them and get an expression of their wishes as to what shall be the future for the Home. I have tried to lay the matter plainly and truthfully before each one of them and asked for a plain expression of their wishes in regard to it, and I expect to stay here until I know. Closing the Home up as we have and having taken the stand I have against selling the property without first getting an expression from the association leaves me with nothing to depend on, no money and several children still depending on me, but I
could not betray, what seemed to me, a sacred trust in order to get what was due me. I
was willing that the personal property should be sold to pay our creditors, as they had
many of them waited long and patiently for their pay. Had I been well it could have
been managed without this sale of everything, but as it was there seemed no other
way. Right here I wish to thank the businessmen of Mountain Grove for the confidence
they have shown in our work and for their never-failing kindness and courtesy to me in
all the business dealings I have had with them. I appreciate this more than words can
express. I also wish to publicly thank my neighbors and friends for their kindness to me
during my illness. There will always be a very warm place in my heart for them. Yours
in the interest of humanity, Mrs. Jessie Ames

The public school building at Thayer was totally destroyed by fire on Saturday after
Thanksgiving. The origin of the fire is a complete mystery, as there had been no fires in
the building since Wednesday. The building, a large brick structure, was a roaring
furnace inside when the fire was discovered and only the piano in the high school room
and a few desks were saved. The building was insured.

December 19, 1912:

Mrs. Mollie Johnson, (nee McDaniel), 19 years old, was found dead a quarter of a mile
from her mother's residence near Ado, Laclede county, Thursday evening by her
thirteen year old brother. She probably had been dead since November 22nd. She
went to Webb City some time ago and there married Mr. Johnson who was a miner.
Later she came home to visit her mother and departed November 18th for Webb City.
That was the last seen of her by her relatives until the finding of the body. November
20th she left a grip at one of the stores in Lebanon and said she might not call for it for a
week or more. Two days later she was seen walking towards her mother's residence.
When found, there were two bottles by her side, one of which had contained carbolic
acid, but was empty. There were two letters on her person, one addressed to her
mother and the other to her sister, telling of her intention to end her life and asking their
forgiveness. She requested that her body be left where it was found. A coroner's
inquest returned a verdict of suicide.

A little more than three years ago, Jack Holmes, son of Ernest Holmes, a prosperous
farmer near Ava, asked his father for permission to marry Miss Laura Matthews,
dughter of another farmer. Young Holmes was 20 years old and his sweetheart only
15. Both parents refused the permission. "Earn a living and show yourself capable of
supporting a wife and you may marry," the boy was told. The day for Thanksgiving
[1912] Holmes, a street car conductor in East St. Louis, took a vacation and went home
to Ava where he was married to Miss Matthews. He has convinced Miss Mathews'
parents and his own that he had "made good." When he first left home he went to
Kansas City, where he became a street car conductor. Less than a year he went to
East St. Louis and got a position as conductor. He has worked a few months more than
two years and has accumulated more than $2,000.
Last Sunday while George Seest and his brother were burning down a large sycamore tree on their farm near the Gasconade river in Miller township, George had the misfortune to lose his life by being struck on the head when the tree fell. From reports the burning process was too slow so the young men used an ax, and the tree fell before they thought it would. We are also informed that the brother was injured but not seriously. The boys were the sons of C. C. Seest and wife. George was about seventeen years old.---Rolla New Era

Christopher Columbus Perry, aged 86 years, and for more than sixty years a resident of Howell county, fell dead in the street in front of the home of his son, John Perry, in West Plains, Wednesday morning of last week.

Sheriff Wood and Circuit Clerk Pryor last week took Elmer Ballard to the state penitentiary. He was given a ten year sentence at circuit court.

Horace Kearney, a Kansas City aviator, and Chester Lawrence, a Los Angeles newspaper man, started from the latter city last Saturday for a flight to San Francisco in a hydroplane. The wreck of the machine was found Tuesday afternoon on the rocks near Santa Monica, hence it is thought that both men have been killed. J. C. Robertson and sisters, of this city, believe that Mr. Lawrence is a cousin of theirs by marriage, as his name, residence and occupation tally with those of a gentleman who married their cousin.

Felix C. Cantrell died recently at his home near Duncan, aged 73 years. He was one of the early settlers of Webster county and an honored citizen.

Herschel Dillion, a ten year old Springfield boy, has been sentenced to serve eight years in the state reform school at Boonville. He is said to have set fire to several outhouses in the past few weeks.

Marriage Licenses from Hartville Republican: Elmer Jenkins of Phelps county and Vera Morgan of Mansfield; Jesse McGuire of Mingsville and Jane Savage of Competition; Arthur L. Thomas and Alice Walker, both of Rayborn; R. M. Garner and Nora Smith, both of Grove Springs

December 26, 1912:

Judge E. H. Farnsworth and J. A. Wheeler were at Union, Franklin county, several days last week, as character witnesses in a murder trial. Floyd Taylor, a resident of Mountain Grove four or five years ago, at which time his brother conducted a hotel here, was on trial with Jake Huffman for the murder of an unknown man whose body was found in a ditch under a pile of telephone poles at Pacific on the 9th of August, 1910. Arrests were not made until last fall, and were caused by admissions which Taylor had made to his sister and to detectives. Taylor, Huffman and the murdered man, whose clothing bore the initials "J.S.S.," were seen together at the St. Louis union station the day before the
murder and again at Pacific. Robbery was the motive. The prisoners were found guilty and sentenced to the penitentiary for life.

Marriage Licenses from Hartville Republican: Floyd E. Emmerson and Lola Rumfelt, both of Manes; Willie Allen and Mellie Shropshire, both of Norwood; Glen McGowen of Ben Davis and Etta Lathrom of Hartville; George O. Heath of West Plains and Rhoda Ryan of Norwood

New girls are reported at the homes of William A. Wade, T. C. McClanahan and Tom Bohannon

James T. Chilton, druggist at Summersville for 27 years, died December 15 and was given Masonic burial.

The little daughter, eight months of age, of Mr. and Mrs. Tolbert Matlock, living seven miles south of Hartville, died of whooping cough Saturday morning.

Mrs. Elizabeth Freeman, Seymour, aged about 74 years, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. W. Banks, in this city, at 7:30 Wednesday evening after a brief illness of pneumonia. She is survived by her husband and several children. The body, accompanied by relatives and friends was taken to Seymour Wednesday evening for burial.

William C. Jadwin, a resident of Texas county since 1852, died at Houston on the 15th. He was an Odd Fellow and a Freemason and had served his county as school commissioner and collector.

Among the new suits for circuit court noted in the Hartville Republican is one of Harry McCraw, who asks divorce from his wife, charging abuse and abandonment. Another is that filed by J. E. Stokes, who sues Henry M. Mace for $10,000, alleging that the latter alienated the affections of Stokes' wife. The case are set for the April term.

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