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MRS. ALBERT PATTEE WAS A BLUEBEARD

A Letter From One of Her Husbands So Alleges and He Asks About Her Marriage In This County.

Readers of the Republican will remember of the rather romantic marriage almost two years ago of Albert E. Pattee, of near Newland, to Mrs. Sadie Belle Monroe, which took place at the court house one stormy afternoon after the prospective bride and groom had missed connections after her arrival here, and she had passed him en route to town as she was being taken to his home by a liveryman. They will also remember that Albert decided after a few months of more or less harmonious married life that Sadie was not just the sort of a female that he cared to tie to for the rest of his life, and along in December of the same year he was granted a divorce. In the mean time Sadie and her little son had taken their departure, they having mutually agreed that marriage was a failure, as applied to them.

Pattee was soon married again, this time to a Virginia lady with whom he still lives. Recent developments tend to show that Albert was not to blame, but that he was mistaken when he undertook in an article sent to the Republican, just after his marriage, to prove that Sadie was a pearl

of uncommon brilliancy.

The matter was again revived this week when County Clerk Warner received a letter from a man named M. R. Potter, residing at Irwin, Iowa, who claims to be one of the woman's several husbands. He seeks information about the marriage of Sadie to Pattee, and says she has married several men, and has gone by several names. According to his letter she is now held at Irwin, Iowa, on a charge of bigamy, having a husband in that place. He says she has gone by the name of Miss Belle Pattee, Miss Sadie Shannon, Mrs. Sadie Stoker, Mrs. Sadie Monroe, Mrs. Sadie Potter, and now by the name of her latest victim in Iowa.

Sadie seemed like a very meek little woman, but according to Pattee and his father she was a veritable wild cat when she broke loose, which they said was at very frequent intervals. No other crime than that of polygamous marriage has been charged against Sadie and it is supposed that she is just slipping around the country trying a husband here and there until she finds one that suits her, when it is expected that she will settle down and live happily ever afterward.

Football Boys Given Banquet.

Eighteen football players, the principals and substitutes of the high school team, Principal Bradshaw, Prof Ross Dean, Coach Harry Parker and Referee J. C. Parrett, were banqueted at the home of Dr. and Mrs. E. C. English, Thursday night.

Mrs. English was assisted in the preparation and entertainment of the gridiron gladiators by Mrs. George F. Meyers and Mrs. John Duvall, each of the ladies having a son among the battle scarred heroes of the high school. The home was very charmingly decorated with the colors so dear to the heart of a Rensselaer athlete, red and black, and hanging over the table where the company feasted was the football that the boys had so valiantly scraped for during the fall, and which they had kept from defeat in all but one contest.

At each plate was a leather favor, cut into football shape, and bearing the words "Football 1908" and the name of the player for whom the favor was made. The lettering was burned in the leather, and at the end of the miniature football was a dainty black and red ribbon bow.

After the players had filled up on turkey, etcetera, some impromptu speeches were made, Messrs. Bradshaw, Parrett, Dean and Parker and Capt. Kirk responding. Dr. English, who is also president of the school board, made a few remarks, and the one that most pleased the boys was that the football season was too short.

Leonard Elder was chosen captain for the 1909 team.

Modern Woodmen Hold Election.

The Modern Woodmen held their annual election Wednesday night. N. Littlefield was again elected Vulnerable Consul; Judson Maines was re-elected Banker; Chas. Simpson was elected Worthy Adviser and Fred Arnott was elected Clerk, succeeding Joe Jeffries. The Woodmen are thriving and have some twenty candidates for adoption on the way. They are moving from the Starr building to quarters in the Odd Fellows' building, which will be heated and in other respects more modern.

The Woodmen is unquestionably one of the best fraternal insurance orders there is and many men are protecting their families by carrying insurance in it that would be unable to carry as much straight life insurance.

One lot men's 50 and 75 cent turtle neck sweaters, sale price 35 cents. One lot men's fancy stripe wool turtle neck sweaters, \$1.00 and \$1.50, choice now at 75 cents.

CHICAGO BARGAIN STORE.

Expose of New Swindle Scheme.

It is reported that a sort of "J. Rufus Wallingford" who likes to make his money easy, has been operating in this part of the state with a scheme new to Indiana. It takes four people, a ministerial-appearing man, a blushing young girl, a young man, likewise blushing, or at least stammering, and a farmer. The farmer must have money or the game will not work.

The ministerial-appearing man arrives at the home of the farmer just about the time darkness arrives. He has been doing some work among the rural people, he says, and he is very tired. He would be glad to pay for night's lodging, but usually the farmer and his wife take the minister in, give him something good to eat and provide a bed free of charge.

During the evening the young man and young woman come to the house and they blush, hesitate and stammer before stating their business and finally the young man asks if it is true that a minister is staying all night at the house. The farmer replies in the affirmative. Then the story comes out. The young people are eloping and they want to get married right there and then. When the "minister" hears the request of the young people he objects.

By that time the farmer and every member of the family have taken such an interest in the matter that they urge the minister to go ahead with the ceremony. He finally decides to do so, and the words are said. Then the supposed bridegroom produces a marriage license and asks the farmer to sign it as a witness that the ceremony was properly performed. The farmer eagerly grants the request and the certificate is made out by the minister. Then the young people drive away and the next morning the "minister" leaves.

A few days later the farmer gets a notice from his bank that a promissory note for \$500 has been left there. He is asked to please call and pay the amount due on it. The farmer hurries into town and finds that the supposed marriage license certificate he signed was a note instead.

Buy Bread at Rosenbaum's

We have secured the service of an experienced baker from Chicago, and having the fine equipment of the Little Gem bakery we are turning out as fine bread as was ever baked in Rensselaer. The patronage of the public is solicited.

Mrs. A. ROSENBAUM, Prop.

Ladies' cloaks and suits at reduced prices to close.

CHICAGO BARGAIN STORE.

Will Sell Best Racing Stock.

A. L. Padgett, proprietor of the Rensselaer Stock Farm, and his assistant, June Henkle, and John Duvall, will attend the big horse sale at Lafayette Wednesday, Dec. 9th, at which time five of the stock farm horses and two of the Duvall horses will be auctioned off.

The horses that the stock farm will part with are Bourbon Jay, with a record of 2:14 1/4; Turk McGloria 2:16 1/4; Joe Prospect, with a trial record of 2:16 1/4, and also Esther, an Axell colt, and Carmine Penn. Duvall Bros. will sell Raymore, record 2:12 1/4 and Carpet Rags, a promising colt. It is probable that there will be considerable rivalry in the bidding for this fine string of racers.

Dredge is Not Working Now.

Henry Shortz returned Thursday evening from a visit with his family at Charlotte, Mich. The big dredge, which is now down by the "Uncle" Stott Grant farm, has not been working for the past week, and may possibly not work any more this winter, although they may decide to dam the river below and continue digging until they get all of the rock out that has been blasted.

They will determine in a day or two whether they will continue the work on the latter plan or go into dock for the winter.

Bloomington Buys Water Supply.

Bloomington, Ind., Dec. 8.—During the present water famine in this city Bloomington merchants are importing distilled water, which finds a ready sale for drinking purposes at 20 cents a gallon.

Alpha Hall, the dormitory of Indiana University, has contracted for its water supply, which is to come from wells near the Home artificial ice plant in the south part of the city. The university is paying \$50 a day for its water supply. The college receives water in Standard Oil tanks from Gosport, and is also getting it from the Hotel Spring north of Bloomington.

Purdue Steer Sells for M421.35.

Purdue University had the grand sweepstakes prize winning steer at the Chicago stock show and it was auctioned off Thursday and brought the good price of \$421.35, which is 26 2/3 cents a pound. The judge was William Sinclair, of Scotland, and in awarding the prize to Fyvie Knight, the Purdue steer, he said: "I consider the black bullock an ideal one for butchering purposes. It seems there could be none better. However, Roan Jim, the Canadian bullock, which received the reserve championship ribbon, is a great one, too."

Funk Bros., of Bloomington, Ill., had the champion car load of steers. They were 15 in number and were sold at auction, bringing \$11 a hundred or \$2,319.90 for the load.

Wife Deserter Gets Deserts.

Kokomo, Ind., Dec. 2.—Thomas Carroll, a furniture merchant, of Troy, O., has been sentenced to the Howard County jail for six months and a fine of \$500 and costs was assessed against him for wife desertion. The sentence is the heaviest the court could impose. At the trial the testimony showed that Carroll had left his wife and three small children, a comfortable home and a prosperous business to come to this city for a woman, of Troy, with whom he had become infatuated. The woman deserted a husband and two children to come here to meet Carroll.

Lowell Poultry Show Prospectus.

The Lowell Poultry Show will take place in that town Jan. 4 to 8, 1909. A prospectus of the show has been sent out showing the prizes in the different events. Combined with the poultry show is a corn show, bread contest, butter and canned fruit exhibit. Prof. G. I. Christie, of Purdue, will be the corn judge and B. H. McCracken, a poultryman of 20 years experience, will be the poultry judge. The prizes are largely donated, although there are a number of cash prizes. The prospect is good for a fine exhibit and it is probable that several Jasper county people will attend the show and also be represented in the poultry pens.

Merry widow elbow length golf gloves, marked 75 cents, special sale price only 50 cents per pair.

CHICAGO BARGAIN STORE.

You can save money by buying your groceries at Murray's.

Yum!

The maple syrup
And the buckwheat cake,
The bread like mother
Used to make,
The chicken like
My mother fried,
That used to line
My small inside;
The pumpkin pie,
The doughnuts brown,
The candy dad
Brought out from town,
Don't very much
Appeal to me.
But buttermilk
Of those days! Gee!
I feel I wouldn't
Give a darn
If I could stand
Beside the churn
And drink again
The way I did
When I was just
A little kid.
If buttermilk
Intoxicated
I'd always be
Inebriated.

—Exchange.

Rev. Brady Resigns.

Rev. J. L. Brady preached his farewell sermon at the Christian church Sunday evening, terminating a pastorate of seven years, lacking a month. Rev. Brady was extremely popular in Kentland, not only among his own church followers but the people in general. He was looked up to as a sincere, honest Christian gentleman, and his open cordiality won him a host of friends. His work in the Christian church was effectual. Under his pastorate the membership was largely increased and the handsome new church building was erected. No successor has been chosen but the pulpit, we are informed, will be supplied by special call until such time as the congregation is ready to engage a permanent pastor.

—Kentland Enterprise.

Death of Floyd Erwin.

Mrs. Henry Wood, of Rensselaer, received a telegram Saturday apprising her of the death on Friday night of her nephew, Floyd Erwin, at Lenore, Okla. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Erwin, former residents of this county, and he was a student in the high school here in 1902. He was about 24 years of age at the time of death and had always been frail and he was compelled to quit school here because of his health.

The family moved from here to Coats, Kans., where they resided until in October of this year, when the removal to Lenore, Okla., was made in hope of saving his life. Last spring he had measles and his already frail constitution became weakened still more and he grew steadily worse until the end. Consumption was the malady that destroyed his life. He was a nephew of James Erwin of DeMotte, and was also related to the Welsh families and others in this county.

Five Near Death in Jail.

Valparaiso Vidette.

Five prisoners arrested for larceny nearly lost their lives early yesterday morning in the jail at Hobart. Before he locked them up for the night Marshal Rose built a fire in the stove, and as the chimney was stopped up, the cells were filled with smoke. The fire kept burning, however, when the marshal left, and the smoke almost suffocated the helpless prisoners, who tried to rouse the neighborhood with their screams.

A belated pedestrian passing the jail early in the morning saw smoke issuing from the windows and gave the alarm. Deputy Sheriff James Gill was summoned and found the five men more dead than alive. Two were unconscious but will recover.

Congress Again in Session.

The national congress convened at Washington this Monday morning in a telegram to the Indianapolis Star Louis Ludlow, the Washington correspondent says: "This congress is apt to usher in an era of progressiveness in legislation such as the country has not known for a generation or longer. The reactionaries of congress have been dethroned and the progressives are about to step into the saddle. Unless all signs fail the legislation of the session about to begin will be molded by the progressives and not by the reactionaries."

Mr. Ludlow gives credit to President-elect Taft for breaking the backbone of reaction in congress, and anticipates some wholesome legislation at the regular session and at the special session which is to follow the inauguration of the new president on the 4th of next March.

COMMERCIAL CLUB

CONSIDERS THINGS

Will Send Two Men to Chicago to Investigate Factory Proposition and Plans For Lot Sale.

which is the only dues provided by the by-laws.

About 35 had become members up to Friday night and Secretary E. L. Hollingsworth has asked J. H. S. Ellis and A. J. Harmon to make a systematic canvas for new members, and it is expected that many citizens will subscribe for stock, and also that many progressive farmers will also become members.

The meeting Friday night was very encouraging to the officers and members and it is certain that the benefit to the town will receive from an active organization of the kind will warrant its revival and the aid of all good citizens.

The permanent committee of the Club are:

Finance—George E. Murray, J. N. Leatherman, Dr. A. R. Kresler.

City Interests—C. G. Spitzer, Moses Leopold, Delos Thompson.

Assemblages—J. H. S. Ellis, Geo. H. Healey, Fred A. Phillips.

Factory Plans and Options—J. H. Chapman, C. G. Spitzer, J. J. Hunt.

A letter was read at the meeting from the President of the Atchica Commercial Club highly commending the Chicago Industrial Co., with whom the Club here contracted for the lot sale.

It may be said that the Commercial Club is now an active, wideawake organization that is systematically starting out to accomplish things for Rensselaer, and much good is sure to result if the present interest is maintained and the impetus acquired that should be easily developed among other citizens.

Another meeting will probably be called shortly after the return of the committee from Chicago.

In the mean time let every citizen join the Commercial Club.

American Express Co. Economizing.

Abel Grant recently tendered his resignation to the American Express Co., as carrier between the express office and the depot, as the money paid was not enough for the work required. Heretofore he has been compelled to make all passenger trains from the morning milk train at 7:31 to the northbound evening train, due here at 6:32 and which is very often late, making it eight o'clock or later before his day's work was done. He first asked for more salary, but they refused, and when they found themselves apt to be without a carrier they decided to make the job easier by cutting off three of the trains. This was done by leaving out the 9:55 morning train, the south bound milk train at 5:40 and the north bound evening train, due at 6:32. This materially lessens the express carrying work, but will probably greatly inconvenience the public.

We do not know how well this office pays as compared to others, but we feel that it is sufficient to justify Rensselaer in receiving the very best service.

Billy Got His Spondulix.

It pays to advertise. The Republican makes converts every week.

Marshal Billy Parks Friday recovered his pocketbook, which he lost Wednesday. It contained \$8. Firmor Rutherford's little son found it, and Billy made the little fellow happy by giving him \$2.

Grover Mackey recovered a glove by advertising in the Republican and a young lady also recovered a glove in the same manner.

Miss Flora Harris also recovered a string of gold beads a few hours after she had lost them by an advertisement in the Republican.

The classified columns of the Republican carry two and three times the number of advertisements carried in the papers of Delphi and Monticello.

One lot men's and boys' overcoats carried over, one-third off while they last.

CHICAGO BARGAIN STORE.

You can get nice buckwheat cakes and maple syrup anytime at McKay's.

Engraved Cards Nice Present.

A new set of engraved calling card samples has been received by the Republican, showing all the prevailing letterings and card sizes on one glass covered sheet. These cards vary in price, running as high as \$5 per hundred, and containing all the engraved fads of the season.

Engraved cards make a splendid present and nothing nicer can be given at the Christmas season. Ordinarily an order can be filled within a week, but to avoid disappointment the Christmas orders should be placed as soon as possible. The best stationery and engraving house in Chicago gives the most exacting attention to Republican orders, and the name plate is sent with each order.

Victim of Very Peculiar Accident.