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## COURT HOUSE NEWS

### Items of Interest to Jackson County

#### NEW CASES

E. E. Morrison vs Sophie Melanvie Herbert, et al. Suit to quiet title. Complaint filed. Summons.

Edna May Edsall vs Everett Ellis Edsall. Suit for divorce. Complaint filed.

George William Coaling, et al vs Fred L. Heath, et al. Suit to determine claims to real property. Complaint filed.

In the matter of the assignment of Henry Humphrey and W. H. Humphrey for the benefit of their creditors. Deed of assignment filed. Bond of assignee. Inventory and appraisal filed.

Mary A. Stone vs Henry Humphrey et al. Suit to foreclose mortgage. Complaint filed.

H. M. McFarland vs W. H. Humphrey et al. Suit to foreclose a mortgage. Complaint filed.

#### COUNTY COURT

In the matter of the estate of David Finnamore, deceased. Order that administrator be not required to sell real property at this time.

In the matter of the estate and guardianship of Garland Lloyd Walker, et al. Order appointing guardian.

In the matter of the estate of Joseph Krewson, deceased. Annual report of administrator filed.

In the matter of the estate of John Bergman, deceased. Order on final hearing.

In the matter of the estate of Fenton M. Bagley. Order fixing time and place for hearing on final account.

In the matter of the estate of William E. Elliot, deceased. Order authorizing executor to execute mortgage.

In the matter of the guardianship of Nancy Clearwater, an incompetent. Order discharging guardian and his sureties.

In the matter of the estate and guardianship of James Hards, an incompetent. Inventory and appraisal filed. Report of guardian and petition for discharge.

## Weather Report.

Following is the report of U. S. Volunteer Cooperative Observer, E. Britt, Jacksonville, for month of December, Latitude 42 deg. 18. min. north; longitude 123 deg. 5 min. west.

Date	Maximum	Minimum	Precipitation
1	47	32	
2	43	33	.15
3	45	28	
4	43	33	.14
5	40	30	
6	42	31	.04
7	45	32	
8	49	37	
9	48	34	
10	47	37	
11	41	26	
12	32	22	
13	28	25	
14	27	22	
15	27	18	
16	31	16	
17	42	21	
18	41	21	
19	34	21	.20
20	31	17	
21	32	15	
22	35	18	
23	37	17	
24	38	23	
25	39	25	
26	39	32	.30
27	40	34	
28	39	31	
29	41	33	
30	34	28	
31	37	28	

Temperature—mean max. 38.74; mean min. 26.45; mean 32.59. Max. 49 on 8. Minimum, 15, on 21st. Greatest daily range, 21. Total precipitation .83 inches. Greatest in 24 hours, .30 in. on 27. Number of days with .01 inch or more precipitation, 5, clear, 11; partly cloudy, 3; cloudy, 16. Total fall of snow, 1 1/2 inches.

E. BRITT,  
Cooperative Observer.

## At The Churches:

Sunday School every Sunday at 10 o'clock W. G. Caudill Supr. Public worship at 11 a. m. each Sunday and fourth Sunday of the month and at 7:30 every Sunday evenings. Class meeting every first and third Sunday at 11 a. m. H. C. Gallup leader. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30. The public is invited to attend these services. A. Coslet Pastor

## An Incident of the Chicago Fire

By JOHN TURNLEE

Kimball Burroughs came of age in the autumn of 1871. His birthday occurred on the 8th of October, and he celebrated the event by giving a dinner. I was present and have occasion to remember the date perfectly. The 8th of October that year fell on Sunday. How I happen to remember this will appear as I proceed with my story. Two other events in Burroughs' life were celebrated at that dinner. It was a farewell to his bachelor friends, for he was to be married the next evening, and he came into possession of \$500,000 invested in negotiable securities.

The autumn of 1871 was a very dry season. Chicago, the city in which we were living, had experienced a series of fires. While we were dining fire engines went clanging by incessantly. Lifting a curtain of a west window, I saw a great yellow glare. In less than an hour every one of us had left the dinner table and come out to witness the beginning of the great Chicago fire.

Burroughs' wedding did not take place the next day, for his home, the home of his fiancée and the church he was to have been married in were all either in flames or in ruins. What troubled Burroughs most was a fear that his securities might have been destroyed. They were in the keeping of his guardian, and his guardian was among those who were missing after the fire had satisfied his hunger.

A soon as the ruins had cooled Burroughs began a search for his fortune. It was not found at the safety deposit company where his lawyer, Samuel Coolidge, had kept valuables. The office safe had tumbled from the fourth story of the building, and everything in it had been burned to powder. These two incidents taken together convinced Burroughs that he had lost his fortune, for the securities were not of the registered kind, but in the nature of a banknote. At any rate he could do so only after a long process.

As soon as Burroughs was convinced of this he went to his fiancée and offered to release her. She wept and mourned and vowed that she could never love any one else, but did not give any definite answer to his offer. By when a month had passed and her lover was hard pressed for money to meet his immediate expenses she turned him down. We who had attended our friend's bachelor dinner felt that he had made a narrow escape. Miss Ethirling, the lady in question, had in her own right something like \$20,000. This gave her an income of but \$1,000 a year, and she needed much more than that to enable her to keep up her position in society.

One day about three months after the fire I met Burroughs on the street. He approached me with a radiant countenance.

"You've found your fortune," I said. "Guess again."

"I've got a new sweetheart."

"You don't mean it?"

"He briefly told me how a girl who had loved him long had been grieved at his engagement with Miss Ethirling and had consented to take him with his poverty. I congratulated him heartily, and we parted each about his own affairs. Burroughs now has a Miss Edsall as poor as a church mouse, and I feared that since Kimball had been brought up to expect a fortune they would have a hard life.

We were all very busy after the Chicago fire, and I saw nothing of Burroughs for some time. On returning from a business trip I found on my desk an invitation from him for an other bachelor dinner previous to his marriage with Miss Edsall, to be given at the most expensive hotel in the city. I was too busy during the day to learn anything further about his affairs, and went to the dinner with no knowledge of them except what I have stated. The guests were all seated at the table when I entered, and Burroughs stood at one end.

He beckoned me to a vacant seat beside him, but since he was standing with a glass of wine in his hand, as if about to give a toast, I remained standing and a waiter filled my glass. It was evident from Burroughs' manner and that of his guests that something important was to be announced.

"My friends," he said, "perhaps some of you have not heard of my good fortune so I will inform you. Recently the debris left by the fire has been cleared away for a building to be erected on La Salle street. Under the ruins was found a safe, the contents of which were in perfect condition. On account of papers turned out to be my securities."

"The remains of a man were discovered also and identified as those of my guardian Sammie Coolidge. He had doubtless removed the contents of his friend's box from the safety deposit vaults and carried them out into the street. Driven by the fire into another building he had found an opportunity to put them into a safe but perished by flames, was unable to escape."

"I propose the memory of standing and in silence."

It is quite likely that there were many other cases of devotion to duty during that panic-stricken time, and the heroism of which were buried under the ruins, not to be examined.

Burroughs and his wife, their children and their grand-children are living a happy and united family. Miss Ethirling died a disappointed old maid.

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No Explanations Needed.

The lady jury was no longer than the importance of the case would warrant.

The judge grew impatient.

"What's the trouble in there?" he said to the bailiff.

"I'll see," replied the bailiff.

"Hold on," cried the judge. "Tell me if there's any knotty points about the case that bother them they should appeal to me."

"Yes, your honor."

The bailiff goes to the door of the jury room and returns.

"Well?"

"They ain't got to the case yet, your honor. They're still discussin' the plaintiff's clothes."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The High Seas.

The "high seas" is a term signifying the entire marine expanse, so far as it is not the exclusive property of any particular country. The rule of international law is that every country bordering on the sea has the exclusive sovereignty over such sea to the extent of three miles from its shore, but all beyond and which is not within three miles of some other country is open or common to all countries.

His First Case.

The young attorney had hung out his shingle but a week before, and when a friend met him in the corridor of the courthouse the friend exclaimed: "Ah! hal! Have you landed a client already?"

"Yes," replied the young attorney. "My tailor is suing me."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Sharpening a Worn File.

"When a file gets dull," said the master mechanic, "you can restore its effectiveness by pouring a little nitric acid over it. This roughens the raised parts and deepens the sunk parts so that it will again file your nails or cut a bar of iron."

Paradoxical Energy.

"People who speak English do funny things, don't they?"

"How so?"

"Why they put stops on organs to make them go."—Baltimore American.

Before and After.

"A woman is as old as she looks," quoth the wise one.

"Before or after she is dressed to go out?" queried the simple mind.—Philadelphia Record.

Long Felt Want.

Woman have you no relatives? Tramp: Plenty! What I lack is "yes" relatives when I need a loan.—New York Globe.

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