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A Twelve-Month's Tale.

The record of 1884 in Cooper County

Births, Marriages, and Deaths, and General Local Happenings. JANUARY

- 1 Miss Jane Howard died, aged ninety years.
- 2 marriage of J. R. Quarles and Miss Mamie Bunce; Samuel Reynolds' house on farm of John J. Gibson burned; work on creamery commenced; week of prayer observed in Protestant churches.
- 5 Thermometer stood at 32 degrees below zero coldest of year; A three-year-old son of Sallie Fry, colored, froze to death at Chouteau Springs.
- 4 Complimentary pop-corn banquet $(\ensuremath{?})$ tendered to W. M. Williams.
- 9 Married, Silas L. Rankin and Miss Allie Humphreyville; relief committees doing good work among the poor; David C. Byler died in Cass county, aged seventy-one years; Charles DeWitt robbed store in Franklin, and is captured in Sedalia.
- 12 Charles Weber badly burned by blasting accident.
- 11 Nat. R. Harris died at Pilot Grove.
- 13 N. M. Crooms commits suicide near town -- cause, insanity; \$3000 in city bonds retired; Simeon T. Davis died at Pilot Grove. 15 Emil Palliou robbed at depot by unknown tramp; festival for poor, by ladies of Boonville; net receipts, \$112.50; Pilot Grove MIRROR declares for T. P. Bashaw for Governor; the Boonville TOPIC announced for Marmaduke; Morgan Cammack arrested for forgery.
- 17 Captain J. H. Orr died; McDearmon and Finney form a copartnership as contractors;
- 25 "Doc" Arnold suicides at Pisgah
- 29 Leap year ball on 29th.

FEBRUARY

- 1 Professor T. A. Johnston announces intention of erecting a \$50,000 college in Boonville, and buys ground; Lester Wright and Miss Mollie Williams, Thomas D. Turner and Miss Blanche Reid, F. McCune and Mrs. Mary Wood were married; the hull of the wrecked "Bright Light" raised by Captain H. McPherson;
- 8 Mrs. Nancy J. Cooper died; Newt. Monday attempts life of Jim Quinn.
- 12 August Hadelich died, aged fifteen years; Knights of Pythias gave entertainment at Hall; Patrick Sullivan and Miss Barbara Hall married; Mrs. Francis M. Davis died; Boovnille Creamery Company incorporated.
- 14 Robert Bone and Miss Sadie Russell married; German M. E. church dedicated;
- 19 Major Wm. Lusk died;
- $25\,$ Mrs. T. W. Cartledge died; circuit court in session, large number of cases disposed of.
- 26 Stephen Weber died
- 25 Married Thomas Drinkwater and Miss Lutie Harrison, W. E. Richey and Miss Helen Carpenter, Charles D. Rowles and Miss

Fannie Harris.

28 - Married, Miss Ida Koontz and Isaac Hupp, Riley Holman and Miss Ruth Staples.

MARCH

- 5 Married, Charles B. Gaunt and Miss Josie Eckhard.
- 2 Frame house in rear of City Hotel destroyed by fire.
- 4 Married, J. O. Reeson and Mrs. Nancy Robbins.
- 6 Jerry Edwards, of Pisgah, died from effects of wound inflicted by Benjamin Palmer.
- 16 Married, Michael Cohn and Miss Carrie Waterman.
- 18 Clear Creek township voted seventy-five to five in favor of compromising bonded debt.
- 23 Cooper County Bible Society holds its annual meeting; Thomas McLeod and John Morrissey, tramps, attempt to rob Ellis' store at Pilot Grove, and are captured; Henry Saunders gives himself up to the officers.
- 27 Rock-road meeting at Tipton, with Cooper represented.
- 25 E. B. Mellor, of Lamine, died.
- 26 Married, Albert Matthews and Miss Mattie Hulett.
- 29 Republican city convention held, and full ticket nominated.

APRIL

- 8 Boonville city election held and full republican ticket chosen, with exception of W. H. Harrison, democrat, for street commissioner.
- 4 J. E. Baker died near Otterville.
- 5 Horse-show held in Boonville.
- 9 Robert Gault died, aged seventy-one.
- 20 Married, Frank Wilkins, of Boonville, and Miss Iola Workman, of Kansas.
- 17 William Dengolesky and Miss Sophia Meisel were married.
- 18 John W. Wilson commits suicide at Moberly; county court lets the contracts for working roads.
- 23 The Bunceton deport burns.
- 24 Married, Elmer L. Koontz and Miss Josie Smith.
- 22 Dr. Sonneschein, of St. Louis, lectures to crowded house.
- 24 Wm. Rayl died aged eighty-eight years. Pilot Grove bank organized.

MAY

- 2 Frank James brought to Boonville to answer charge of Otterville robbery. Released on writ of habeas corpus to appear in July, bond, \$6,000; married J. C. Spahr and Miss Mollie Lingo; C. A. Arlington arrested at Pilot Grove, for passing counterfeit money; died, Mrs. Chas. F. Weyrich; Horace Leonard's leg broken; 4 Mrs. P. H. McNulty died.
- 3 W. C. T. U. organized in Boonville; Cicero Berson arrested charged with grand larceny -- wanted in Kansas.
- 13 W. C. Bronaugh and Miss Eva Blankenbaker married.
- 10 A. R. Hutchison died, aged twenty.
- 17 Democratic primary election held, 2092 votes cast.
- 20 May party, Miss Mamie Spahr crowned queen; Boonville Publishing Company incorporated. Married, Phil Back and Miss Lou

Meisenheizer.

- 22 Democratic congressional committee meet in Boonville; Daniel Devine died at Clifton, aged one hundred and three years; annual examinations and closing exercises of the various schools take place.
- 25 John Thro's safe robbed.

JUNE

- 3 Died, Bettie V. Kratz; Augustus Keucklehan commits suicide; F. Piper has leg broken by rock falling on him.
- 9 Democratic conventions at Boonville to elect delegates to state and congressional conventions.
- 12 The Kemper School form an alumni association.
- 9 Married, Mr. Wm. Campbell and Miss Ella Greenlease; Otterville post-office robbed of \$75.
- 8 Sam Bruce, colored, drowned in Petite Saline creek.
- 17 Dr. John Fetzer died; married, Louis Dibrell and Miss Ida Nelson.
- 15 C. B. Combs killed by the cars at Lamar.
- 18 Died, Mrs. Baz. Wells; city ordinance passed, making assessment on \$100, 50c for general purposes, 20c for interest, and 25c for hydrant rental.
- 18 James Baker died; J. D. Coates killed in Arkansas.
- 28 Jos. Stephens, Sr., died, aged eighty-three; Mrs. Christine James died.
- 25 Married, Frank Swap and Miss Jennie McKenzie.

JULY

- 1 John Zshirpo killed near Billingsville by a runaway team; Dan Briggs arrested in Lamine township charged with murder; Bell & Bro. enlarge their apple factory; the Boonville REPUBLICAN makes its first appearance.
- 6 Charles Allen's residence destroyed.
- 7 The steamer "H. C. Coleman" blown up by boiler explosion, and Taylor Smart (colored) drowned.
- 9 Richard D. Holman died, aged eighty-eight years.
- ? Burglars rob the houses of G. G. Weare and Wm. Mittelbach; W. D. Mahan's new book published: "Life of F. T. Kemper" placed on sale.
- 12 Dan G. Davis died.
- 14 Pat Sullivan's house struck by lightning, no one hurt.
- 12 Benjamin Palmer arrested in Arkansas for killing Jerry Edwards.
- 14 Boonville democrats ratify.
- 18 J. J. Wilkins ordained as pastor of the Episcopal church.
- 14 Mrs. W. H. Trigg died, at the age of sixty-seven years; Dr.
- F. Swap elected president of Missouri Dental Association.
- 16 Charles Drake died at Minnetonka, Minnesota; Cleveland and Hendricks clubs formed.
- 24 John T. Heard nominated for congress.
- 25 Sam Hickam shoots Harrison Davenport, in Saline township.
- 30 J. C. Gross died, aged fifty-three years.
- 28 Normal Institute commenced a three weeks' session.
- 30 Mrs. Margaret Ellis died at Pilot Grove.

AUGUST

- 2 Died, John L. Windsor, aged twenty-one years.
- 4 Mr. R. Meirhoffer and Miss Emma Smith married.
- ? Dr. H. C. Gibson's leg broken.
- 9 Steamer "Martha Stephens" sinks, and Henry Hoefer, the bartender, and three roustabouts are drowned.
- 10 Rev. O. W. Gauss tenders resignation as pastor of the Presbyterian church; Henry Saunders pardoned.
- 18 Rev. G. W. Horn died; circuit court in session; the Frank James' case continued.
- 22 S. W. Crossley died at Bell Air, aged forty-two years.
- 21 Married J. F. Krebs and Mrs. L. Osgood; E. A. Cochrane appointed school commissioner; the firm of Muir, Quarles & Ferrel formed.

SEPTEMBER

- 3 E. S. Mills and Miss Annie Tucker married; Bunceton organized an A. O. U. W. Lodge; republican mass meeting held to elect delegates to different conventions; Miss Laura Withers died.
- 12 S. W. Ravenci retires from ADVERTISER, and takes charge of TOPIC; Speed and Lon Stephens assume control of the ADVERTISER; Benj. Hess drowned in the Lamine river; C. L. S. C. organized in Boonville.
- 9 Grand democratic rally at Boonville.
- 15 The "Rob Roy" sinks and 1,200 sacks of wheat are lost; Mrs. Schiller dies suddenly.
- 18 Geo. G. Weare, Jr., died at St. Louis.
- 20 Republican rally at Boonville; Republican county convention "indorsed" a county ticket; Theo. Christine, of Otterville, injured by a fall from a train.

OCTOBER

- 1 Marriage of Miss Maggie Cooper and Mr. Reuben Bryant, and of Miss Ellie Adams and Dr. Sam'l Johnson; Boonville Literary Club organized; Water Street bridge broken down by heavy rains; Elopement of B. W. Plant and Miss Mamie Kline and Paul Minor and Miss Alice Kline.
- 12 Mrs. Charles Williams died.
- 11 Missouri Pacific depot entered and robbed.
- 27 Opening of new Thespain Opera house by Sol Smith Russell; N. M. B. club organized.
- 21 Marriage of S. S. Harnaca and Miss Ella Summers.
- 31 F. M. Caldwell, L. H. Stahl and Phil W. Stahl take charge of the ADVERTISER as publishers and proprietors; Speed and Lon Stephens retiring.
- 29 Marriage of Herman P. Weyland and Miss A. M. Wilson, of Tipton; Mrs. Rosina Labbo died, aged seventy-five years.
- 27 Republican rally at Pilot Grove; Died at Clark's Fork, Christopher Kosted.

NOVEMBER

5 - The ADVERTISER presents, in its extra, the first news of Cleveland's election; Marriage of H. H. Leonard and Miss Claude

Chappell; John Darmstadt died.

- 4 Death of Mrs. Nancy Green
- 6 Death of Mrs. M. E. Stephens; Rev. Dr. Gauss preaches his farewell sermon.
- 11 N. A. Gilbreath celebrates his fiftieth anniversary; Democratic ratification meetings over the county; Circuit court in session;
- 16 Death of Mrs. Jessie Main.
- 19 Marriage of W. H. Allison Jr. and Miss Amelia Hosp; Max Heller and Miss Leonora Beck married at Pleasant Green.
- 14 Miss Minnie L. Russell gave entertainment at Thespian Opera House.
- 22 John Keithley kills Ike Martin, col'd; Keithley bound over in \$8,000 bond.
- 27 Death of Mrs. Ann M. Windsor.
- 15 John Sharp died near Billingsville.

DECEMBER

Cooper County.

- 3 Marriage of Mr. Clark Bowmer and Miss Birdie Edwards; Mr. Holla Hopkins and Miss Lydia Farris.
- 1 Mr. Ed. Stewart has hand sawed off; Will Back brought home from Illinois with a broken leg; Marriage of Mr. Wm. E. McMahan and Miss Vena Russell; W. R. Baker sells his store to Kosted & Allison; Wm. Maher disposes of one-half interest in Globe Shoe Store to Chas. L. Glasscock.
- 3 M. M. Singleton, formerly of Boonville, died in Louisiana.
- 7 Henry, son of Jas. Gault, died, aged four years;
- 9 Marriage of Miss Fannie Plant and Mr. B. B. Ray.
- 10 Marriage of R. H. Goodman and Miss Elenora Sombart; Henry Kline and Miss Josephine Mitchell; Irvin Powell commits suicide; Henry Saunders attempts to take his own life but fails.
- 16 Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Sloan celebrate their golden wedding; Burglars rob Hays, Winterbower & Co., at Overton; Henry Bills, colored, of Pilot Grove, lodged in jail for assault; Mrs. Gustavus Reiche seriously injured by a fall; Rev. W. D. Morton called as Pastor of Boonville Presbyterian Church; Account of C.
- B. Rush's elopement published in The ADVERTISER of the 9th. 22 Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Speed celebrate their 14th wedding anniversary; Lodge of K. and L. of H. organized in Boovnille; 26 ADVERTISER publishes eight page review of Resources of