

Bypaths of Kansas History

A LEAVENWORTH NEWSPAPER "MOURNS" THE RETIREMENT OF A PUBLIC OFFICIAL

From *The Daily Times*, Leavenworth, August 11, 1858.

STROBEL.—It is with an emotion no words can picture, no language paint; with unutterable sorrow, and unquenchable agony, (boohl boohl), that we feel called upon to mention the withdrawal of the immortal Strobel from the classic shades of the Council room. Strobel asked the Council to excuse him from meeting with them during the remainder of the session. The Council eagerly accepted the proposition, to their shame be it said. Like Washington or Cincinnatus, Strobel retires to the walks of private life, an object of universal love and reverence. We understand the venerable gentleman is engaged in writing his own autobiography, which will be accompanied with a volume of his speeches and various philosophical treatises. It will be a glorious legacy to bequeath to posterity.

FASTIDIOUS REPORTING

A lynching in Caldwell on August 19, 1874, was described in part by the Arkansas City *Traveler* [reprinted in the *Wellington Press*, September 3] as follows:

. . . Some time during that night he [the prisoner] succeeded in making an exit, assisted by outsiders, and in the morning was found idling his time away under the shade of a cottonwood tree, on Spring creek, east of town, making one more added to the train of Judge Lynch's victims. . . .

SPRINGTIME IN ABILENE

From *The Dickinson County Chronicle*, Abilene, April 21, 1876.

Wednesday was a terrible windy day. Several 4 x 6 structures were tipped over.

"BOY-MEETS-GIRL" DIFFICULTIES IN MEDICINE LODGE

From the *Caldwell Journal*, January 17, 1884.

Barber county girls place their affections rather high, considering the price of board, fuel, etc., in that wooden country. One of the lasses has engaged her lawyer to bring a suit for \$400 for four breaches of promises. He promised to marry her four times, and failed to fill the contract. We do not believe the jury will give her such an enormous sum, considering the short millet and sorghum crop of the past year. We call upon the Lodge papers to create a public sentiment against such extravagance.