

## VERCKLER ABSTRACTS

1894

- Mrs. Margaret (Auntie) Phillips died at the home of her niece, Mrs. G.W.C. Rohrer, Feb. 19, 1894. One of the 1<sup>st</sup> members of the Pres. Church, came to Abilene Oct. 2, 1868. Gave the first tea party in Abilene. She was always honored at all early settlers gatherings which were held on her birthday, Jan. 17.
- Women in Enterprise form their own election party, defeated by only 120 votes.
- John Taylor and daughter Pearl, left for the “Grand Tour” of Europe.
- John Johntz, Assignee, to Anna B. Eisenhower, lots 1 to 16, Block 8, J.M. Fisher’s Addition to Abilene, \$200 [\$5000 today] (June 14, 1894)

1896

- Ladies formed a bicycle club, called it the Jolly Pathfinder’s, colors are cream. Men’s colors are royal purple. Men’s club is the LAW league of [A]merican wheelmen.

1900

- Miss Bertha Leshar takes Miss Thayer’s room at Garfield due to illness.
- Mrs. Louise Gore died Jan. 19, 1900 (wife of Col. J.W. Gore, ran Drover’s Cottage in early days).
- Miss Carrie Mattison 17, died Feb. 17, killed in a runaway cart and horse.
- Women’s Clubs decide to start efforts for a library.

1902

- Robert Kenney charged with bastardy, Oct. 4, in Concordia.
- Oct. 23, 1902—Small building in Longford owned by R. Riseman was turned over and completely wrecked by a group of men. It was a joint. A Mrs. Welsh was tarred and feathered. Both were given 24 hours to get out of town.

1904

- Mrs. Alice Biery Kenney wants divorce from Robert Kenney.
- Robert Kenney shot wife and then himself on March 16. The strange will left \$1.00 to the baby. Father of wife will attempt to break the will—hearing to be held April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

1902

- Ball park to be constructed on old Fair Grounds, south of town.
- Daughter born to Dr. Bergstresser.
- Library Assoc. has secured room over McInerney's.

1905

- Woman's suffrage [sic] defeated in Kansas Senate.

1906

- Mrs. Faron awarded \$18,000 [\$428,571.42 today] worth of property.

1908

- Sept. 3—Ladies hair shampooed at Haptonstall's Barber Shop, have a special room.
- Dec. 10 paper—Princess "Dixie" Wellman (trainer) bit by leopard in Parker show at Hippodrome in Kansas City. St. Bernard dog saved her.

1910

State Federation of Women's clubs met in Abilene. Passed resolution that President should have a woman in his cabinet.