

The Scout.
Gopher, Kansas
December 31, 1886

It Is to be Winona.

A short time ago a petition was circulated in town and among the patrons of the postoffice asking the postoffice department to change the name of the office at this place from Gopher to Winona. The petition was sent to Senator Plumb with the request that he would lay the matter before the first assistant postmaster general at Washington. The result is shown by the following communications received December 27:

UNITED STATES SENATE,
WASHINGTON, D.C.

R.P. McKnight, Esq.,
Gopher, Kansas,

Dear Sir:---I have the honor to enclose a letter from the 1st assistant postmaster general, showing that the request of your people is granted, changing name of your postoffice.

Respectfully yours,
P. B. Plumb

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT,
OFFICE 1st ASST. P. M. GENERAL.
Washington, D.C., Dec. 23, 1886.

Dear Sir:---In reply to the letter of Mr. R. P. McKnight, referred to this office by you, permit me to state that I have ordered a change of the name of the postoffice at Gopher, St. John county, Kansas, to Winona, and the retention of William H. Edmondson as postmaster thereof.

I have the honor to be,
Very Respectfully,
A. E. STEVENSON,
First Asst. P. M. General.
Hon. P. B. Plumb, U. S. Senate

The next thing in order is to ask the Union Pacific railway officials to change the name of the station, which we understand they have been ready to do at any time that the name of the postoffice was changed.

Kuka Cullings.

As our part of the country has not been heard from, I take it upon my self to inform the readers of THE SCOUT of our neighborhood and neighbors.

Kuka postoffice is situated on what is known as "Buckeye Ridge," in Thomas county, commanding a fine view of the surrounding towns and country; the few towns plainly visible are: Winona, Monument, Eustis, Sherman Center and Leonard.

What They Say About Us.

Vol. 1, No. 1 of the WINONA SCOUT, published by Frank Mathews, formerly of this office, has been received. It is neat and well patronized. Success, Frank.---*WaKeeney Tribune.*

We acknowledge the receipt of No. 1, Vol. 1 of THE SCOUT, published at Winona, with Frank J. Mathews at the head. It is a good paper and Frank is a good fellow with a tenacity for Democracy. Success to THE SCOUT.---*Oakley Opinion.*

The initial number of the WINONA SCOUT, published at Winona, St. John county, by Frank Mathews, formerly of this place, has been received. It is perhaps needless to say

that it is Democratic.---*Graham County Democrat.*

We have received No. 2 of THE SCOUT, a well-patronized, six column folio, published at Winona, St. John county, by Frank Mathews. We believe that Mr. M. will give the people of that section a good paper, and hope to see him prosper.---*Gove County Gazette.*

The new depot is completed, the painter gang having finished their work to-day. A telegraph instrument is to be put in at once.

Dr. Moulton reports a daughter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lowe, who arrived Tuesday night.

John Thrasher, who is at work at Kit Carson, Colo., sent two antelope carcasses home Thursday morning by express to his family.

T. J. Halstead reports that he has in his possession a butcher knife that the owner can have by claiming property and paying for this notice. He found it near his pig pen one morning not long ago.

The Wallace County Register is one year old, and is enjoying a good business. We believe that pioneer editors have done and are doing much for this Western country, and as one of this class, Mr. Wilson has our congratulations.

E. A. Miller is erecting an addition to the drug store.

N. M. Smithie and wife, of Sherman county, were in town Christmas and attended the dance.

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