



MR. CORNELIUS ROACH is in the lead in the race for Governor. This is not strange, for he is deservedly popular as a faithful and efficient servant of the State.

THEY are going to hold a lot of meetings—the army, navy and munitions people—and whoop'er up for Preparedness. But let not our Congressmen be misled thereby.

"AN American View," by Prof. Fox, of Potosi, printed on the first page of this paper, will be read with pleasure and interest by all who believe in "government of the people, by the people, for the people."

THE Veteran Lieutenant-General Nelson A. Miles, former head of the American army, is not losing sleep because of the military and naval "unpreparedness" of the United States.

A FEW days ago a young Democratic friend from Texas came in to give me greeting. After the usual talk upon things of personal interest, we went into politics.

REFERRING to a recent tragedy in New York, wherein a bomb-thrower himself was killed by the missile he had hurled to kill other men, and whose sole identity was in a metallic plate on which was engraved "No. 61"—evidently the man's number on some pay-roll—Rev. Thos. B. Gregory preached a strenuous sermon in last Sunday's Republic.

HE was not a man, not a human being, but only a number on a payroll, a very small and unimportant part of the great industrial machine.

There has been no feeling of the sacredness of human life. The inestimable worth of the individual man or woman, the sanctity of the rights that belong to every human being, is a thought that has but too seldom stirred our minds and hearts.

greatest abundance of ecclesiastical red tape and sacerdotal ginecrackery, which we call Christianity, but of the real thing itself, the spirit of the Great Teacher, we have but precious little.

Political Notes. Elihu Root has erupted again. This time he says that Wilson's foreign policy has been weak, and not backed up by force.

From the State records at Jefferson City it appears that nearly all the Republican counties of Missouri are receiving more money from the State treasury than they are paying into it.

The Globe-Democrat complains that Wilson has changed his mind. It doesn't say that he is wrong. On the contrary, it admits that he is right.

Mayor Henry Keil of St. Louis says he will wait until next April before announcing his intentions as to his proposed candidacy for the Republican nomination for Governor.

The St. Louis Taxpayers Association, an organization composed of 15,000 business men of that city, on January 30, issued a statement from which the following sentence is quoted: "The property owners and business people of this city are not only taxed out of reason, higher than in almost any city in the Union, but they are terrorized out of existence."

"Squire Jas. P. Ward of Irondale was in Potosi Tuesday and informed us that that part of the country is undoubtedly on the verge of a great mining boom. Recent diamond drill work near Irondale has disclosed both rich and extensive deposits of disseminated lead, he said.

King School Commencement Day. We had the pleasure of attending commencement exercises at King School.

CLASS OFFICERS: Oresta Hickman, President; Miss Nellie Stevenson, Vice President; Frank Morris, Secretary.

PROGRAMME. Baccalaureate Address, Rev. B. T. Flanery, D. D.

Dr. Hickman presented the diplomas to the four young ladies and the two young gentlemen in his forceful touching manner which was evidenced by the use of many kerchiefs in both audience and class.

O'Bannonville News. By way of introduction, will say that the above named place is the place where the O'Bannon Lumber Company have located their mill, which is 5 miles south-west of Bixby.

Messrs. Sam O'Bannon and Ernest Jones, of Edgemont, Arkansas, came here last Friday to work. Messrs. Victor and Claud Canada, of Fruit City, were here last Thursday.

Mr. Leonard Stafford is building a new house on his farm near Boss. The deputy sheriff of Reynolds county was here on official business last week.

Obituary. The Death Angel sent by the Divine Father to call from this old world of trials and tribulations to the rest beyond, those who have run their race and trusting in his mercies approached their last enemy, has lately visited a lovely home and taken from it the bright jewel which made that home lovely.

Teachers' Examination. The next regular examination will be held in the public school building, Ironton, Friday and Saturday, March 3d and 4th, 1916.

DR. F. W. TRAUERNICHT DENTIST. IRONTON, MISSOURI. Office in the Academy of Music Building, Main Street.

DR. J. L. HICKMAN State Deputy Veterinarian. Calls Attended All Hours. Interstate Inspections Made. BRUNOT, MO.

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Spring Goods Arriving!

We have already received a number of Shipments of New Spring Goods which were contracted for months ago, before prices were advanced and the Dye situation became so acute. This enables us to take care of our Customers' needs, giving them the Season's POPULAR CLOTHS AND SHADES without any Advance in Price.

Spring Dress Goods.

The New Stock now on sale embraces embraces Many Beautiful Novelties in Silk Stripe Waistings, Fancy Madras Cloths, Crepes, Splash Tissues, Splush Chiffons and Organdies. The Ladies are invited to call and inspect them.

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An Elegant New Stock, Purchased direct from a Large Importing Concern in New York City. 5c to 25c per Yard. FINE DRESS FLOUNCINGS at 35c, 50c and 60c per Yard.

MEN'S AND BOYS' CAPS

The New Spring Stock is now on display. Many Swell Styles in the lot. Priced at 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Ladies' Automobile Caps and Bonnets.

WALL-PAPER.

Large Stock of New Spring Patterns, at 10c to 25c per Double Roll. We also carry Fine Sample Books from Two Large Wholesale Houses and make Special Orders.

Sherwin-Williams Paints.

Brighten up your Homes and Furniture with Sherwin-Williams Paints and Varnishes. No higher in price than others, but Better.

Farm and Garden Seeds

of All Kinds, Now in Stock. Northern Seed Oats, Red or Black Mixed, at 65c a Bushel.

Spring Fertilizers

Now in Stock!

Try Swift's DIAMOND K. SPECIAL GRAIN GROWER, or Complete Blend for General Purposes, and watch your Profits Grow.

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Pure Kettle Rendered Leaf Lard at 12½c a Pound in 50-Pound Cans. Special Prices on Flour in 300 lb. Lots and over. Bring us your Produce. We buy Everthing that has a Marketable Value.

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