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THINGS HAVE CHANGED.

But Some People Are Slow to Learn the True Conditions Touching This Section.

Many persons now living in this county can well recall the time when it was common to hear persons who did not then live in this county remark: "Yes, the mountain is a fine place to live and is a good range for cattle in the summer time, but you can't raise anything there." Many persons in this county used to think there was much truth in that statement taken as a whole but that time is changed and you cannot find a person now in this county who will accept the last part of that statement at all. But the truth is the statement "that you can't raise anything there" never was true and is not true today. Many people living in the adjoining valley country have not yet learned that this is not only a good range country, but that our people are growing good crops.

To illustrate the enthusiasm of our people and the lack of information on the part of some of our valley neighbors we will relate, as nearly as we can, a conversation that passed between a Cumberland county citizen and a man from Dayton, Rhea county.

When returning from the Dixie Highway meeting at Chattanooga early in April an intelligent old gentleman got on the train at Dayton and very soon became engaged in a conversation with Henry Peters from Clarkrange, who was a delegate from Fentress county. The old gentleman asked, "What county are you from?" Mr. Peters replied: "From Fentress county, the poorest county in the state." A Cumberland county delegate was standing near. He slapped Mr. Peters on the shoulder and said: "Do not say that, you are making a big mistake when you do for Fentress county joins Cumberland county, the best county in the state."

The old gentleman looked up with an incredulous, good-natured smile. The Cumberland county enthusiast remarked: "You do not believe that, do you? I can prove to you in three minutes that we people in Cumberland county are beating you valley folks farming so bad you don't know where you are."

The old gentleman smiled again. The Cumberland county citizen fired at him after this fashion:

"Did you ever know of any farmer in this valley raising 132 bushels of corn on an acre?" Answer: "No."

"Did you ever know of any farmer in your county raising 189 bushels of potatoes on half an acre?" Answer: "No."

"Did you ever know of any farmer in your county raising 32 bushels of rye on one acre?" Answer: "No."

"Did you ever know of any farmer in your county raising nearly seven ton of rough feed on one acre?" Answer: "No."

"Well, we have done all of that and much more in Cumberland county."

The old gentleman looked puzzled for a moment and then replied, "I never knew much about that country out there."

The reply was: "That is the main trouble with our valley neighbors, they never come out there to see what our farmers are doing. Come out some time and visit our farmers and you will have a much better opinion of our country."

MANY MORE LIKE HIM.

There are many more people in the valley adjoining this mountain section who are just like this old gentleman. Some of our valley farmer friends are getting their eyes open and are leaving their valley farms and moving to the mountain because they see very plainly that they can grow good crops and do better here than they can on their valley farms.

ONLY A FEW CAN GO.

Those who do not have to consider expense are now going to health resorts to get rid of impurities in the system that cause rheumatism, backache, aching joints and painful muscles. If you cannot go, yet feel you need relief from pain and misery, get Foley Kidney Pills. They restore the kidneys to activity and make you feel well and strong. For sale by Reed & Burnett.

J. D. WYATT DEAD.

Passed Away at Grandview Saturday. Was Formerly a Resident of This County.

Grandview, Tenn., May 29, 1915.—A large concourse of relatives and friends from this and adjoining counties attended the funeral services of Jacob D. Wyatt at his residence here at 10 o'clock this morning. The services were conducted by Rve. R. A. Fowls, pastor of the First Congregational church, of this place, of which Mr. Wyatt was a member. The remains were laid to rest in the Presbyterian cemetery in south Grandview. Mr. Wyatt had been a member of the church for about thirty years.

He was born in Cumberland county, Tennessee, December 18th, 1864. He lived in Cumberland and Bledsoe counties until twelve years ago, when he came to Grandview, Rhea county, to put his children in school. Since he has been here he has been a very busy and useful man. He was a carpenter by trade.

He was married to Miss Mattie M. Boynton, of Bledsoe county, Sept. 30, 1886. She, together with their six children survive him. Three of them are married: Walter E., of Sailors Rest, Tenn., Frank E., of Sheffield, Tenn., Herbert S., of Rhea Springs, Tenn. The three youngest, Lester, Merton and Lois, are at home with their mother. He leaves an aged mother, three brothers and one sister in Cumberland county.

He was ever faithful to the duties and requirements of his family, not forgetting those of his neighbors when he could lend a helping hand. As a church member he was consistent in his views, a firm believer in the divinity of Christ, the power of God unto salvation. As a citizen he was highly respected by all who knew him and a strong advocate of temperance.

SEND IN YOUR NAME.

Will Get You A Free Ticket to the Movie for a Whole Year if Your Name is Chosen.

Hand in your names for the Movie before June 16, if you wish to try for that free ticket for a whole year. The committee has been named and consists of the following ladies: Mrs. W. A. Reed, Mrs. C. G. Black, Mrs. H. J. Dunbar. Turn in as many names as you wish, write the name you wish to suggest, and your own name, on anything and hand it in any time before June 16. If it comes later than that it will not be considered.

I have purchased the interest of Mr. Garrison and am conducting the business alone. I have decided to give three shows each week. Monday night I will always have a special feature. Thursday night I will present the "Perils of Pauline," which is a complete story each time, along with a Keystone comedy and others. Saturday night I will have not less than four reels. I am also arranging for more seats and will be able to take care of you at all times.

Andy E. Horn.

A DOCTOR'S PRESCRIPTION FOR COUGH AN EFFECTIVE COUGH TREATMENT.

One-fourth to one teaspoonful of Dr. King's New Discovery, taken as needed, will soothe and check coughs, colds and the more dangerous bronchial and lung ailments. You can't afford to take the risk of serious illness, when so cheap and simple a remedy as Dr. King's New Discovery is obtainable. Go to your Druggist today, get a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery, start the treatment at once. You will be gratified for the relief and cure obtained.

Biglick

Mrs. Willie Houston and children spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Vance Burgess.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hale have been spending a few days with Mrs. M. A. Hall.

Misses Emma and Susie Burgess spent Saturday night with Mrs. Viola Hedgecoth.

Sunday school at Oak Grove is progressing nicely.

Miss Viola Rhea is spending a few days at Crossville.

You and I.

THREE DIXIE HIGHWAY ROUTES THROUGH THIS STATE.

Two That Have Been Designated Are More Than 100 Miles Longer Than the Short Route and Will Never Be Completed.

The strategic position of the Short Route Dixie highway is becoming more apparent each day as the obstacles that beset the other two routes become apparent. At the same time the great advantage that the Short Route has over the other two makes the people daily more determined that the Short Route must and will be built.

In order that the situation may be placed in a clear and understandable light before all who are interested in the construction of this great highway, and especially our own people in Cumberland county, we will explain the situation:

WESTERN ROUTE.

What is known as the western or Nashville route is by far the weakest of the three and there is less enthusiasm and interest manifest in its completion. The following are the reasons:

It is 105 miles longer than the Short Route. Several counties through which it is routed have toll turnpikes. Persons traveling over those roads will be required to pay from twenty-five to fifty cents at an average toll gate and they are located on an average of not over ten to twelve miles apart. That will mean in some instances that a tourist would have to pay a dollar or more to get through a county. Nor is that all: This condition can not be remedied for two years, if at all. Before this condition can be remedied the counties must buy the roads and remove the toll gates. Counties can only purchase the toll roads after an enabling act has been passed by the legislature authorizing such action. The legislature will not convene again for two years, which renders the purchase of these toll roads impossible within the time limit of one year, which was fixed by the highway commission at its last meeting at Chattanooga, for the highway to be completed for traffic.

That very condition kills the western or Nashville route, if nothing more stood in the way. But that is not all. There are three or four counties on the proposed line that have no roads built, have no funds for building in sight and they will have to wait until the legislature convenes again before they can get an enabling act that will permit them to issue bonds for building their section. These counties manifested little or no interest in the road before it was located, which would seem to indicate that they will hardly take the trouble to vote bonds to build their section, even if time would permit, which it will not.

In the face of these conditions it becomes very clear that the Nashville route will never be built.

EASTERN ROUTE.

The eastern or Knoxville route is in only a little better shape. In the first place the Knoxville route is 111 miles longer than the Short Route via Crossville. Nor is that all: The distance from Knoxville to Cumberland Gap has 69 miles of the line with no pikes built. In order to reach Cumberland Gap over a pike from Knoxville tourists going north must come to Kingston, Roane county, a distance of nearly fifty miles, and then go via Harriman, Oliver Springs and other points. That means that the distance is increased some 75 miles at least, which would make the entire distance that the Knoxville line would be longer than the Short Route nearly 200 miles. After going via Kingston the tourist cannot get closer than five miles of Cumberland Gap and that five miles is a very bad road. There are some good roads in Knox county and some of the other counties on the line but there are long gaps where there

are no pikes and the roads are very poor. Some interest is being taken in the Knoxville route, but the chances for it to be completed within the specified one year are so poor as to almost mean sure failure.

SHORT ROUTE.

The Short Route via Crossville and Jamestown is more than one hundred miles shorter than either of the designated routes above named. The five counties in Tennessee have about 120 miles to build to carry the road to the Kentucky line. To build that distance there is \$510,000 available, which certainly is ample.

C. E. James has stated that he would guarantee the building of the bridge over Cumberland river, which removes that obstacle.

Clinton county, Kentucky, which is the county touching the Tennessee state line—county seat Clinton—has called an election to vote bonds for building through that county. Under the laws of that state the call has to be issued forty days before the election is held. The call was issued Tuesday of last week. After passing through Clinton and one other county north and to the county seat of the second county splendid pike roads will be struck over which tourists can reach Louisville, Cincinnati, or any other point. We are not informed as to what action the other two counties in Kentucky have taken, if any, but it is known that they are alive and very active in behalf of the road, which practically insures its construction.

No one doubts for a moment that every county in Tennessee on the Short Route via Crossville will fail to do its part and build the road.

Since the time designated by the commission was one year, we should not delay a moment longer than necessary to start the work in this county and lend all encouragement possible to every county along the line. The Kentucky counties will naturally look to see what action Tennessee will take since we are so close to Chattanooga, one of the important points on the highway.

From talking with many people over this county we have not found a single person who is not favorable to the immediate building of the road through this county, and at the same time, the completion of the Memphis-to-Bristol highway.

ON SERIOUS CHARGE.

Talmage Watson Is Bound to Circuit Court Under \$2,000 Bond.

Talmage Watson, son of J. S. Watson, was tried before Esq. J. T. Ashburn, at Crab Orchard, yesterday on the charges of housebreaking and attempt to commit rape, and bound to court under bond of \$1,000 in each case.

The conditions surrounding the case are the following, so far as the Chronicle has been able to learn.

Friday morning shortly before the east-bound passenger reached Crab Orchard some person entered the bedroom of two daughters of Rev. W. L. Patton and took hold of one of the young ladies and attempted to kiss her.

The lady screamed and Rev. Patton and son rushed to the room to learn the cause. Whoever the person was escaped from the room, but was fired at with a pistol, either by Rev. Patton or his son, as he ran away.

It seems that two or more men had inquired at the Patton residence, twice that night and only a short time before, what time the passenger train was due. They were told the time and on the second inquiry being made Mrs. Patton reminded them that she had answered that same question not long before.

Watson was arrested Saturday and taken to Crab Orchard for trial, which was continued until yesterday. When the case came to trial yesterday Watson presented no evidence in defense of the charge. The evidence was sufficient to satisfy Esq. Ashburn and he bound Watson to court under a bond of \$1,000 in each case; one for housebreaking and one for attempted rape.

WEEKLY WEATHER REPORT.

For the Ohio Valley and Tennessee; Cloudy, rainy weather at the beginning of the period will give way, by Friday, to fair and warmer weather, which will continue until the end of the period.

A STRIKING INCIDENT.

W. L. Martin, of Crab Orchard, Has Convincing Experience.

W. L. Martin, of Crab Orchard, who is well known to many in this county, recently had an experience that made him stronger for good roads than ever before, and he has always been a good roads advocate.

Mr. Martin has a farm of forty acres lying about two miles towards Grassy Cove from Crab Orchard. He recently gave Capt. J. W. Ayres, of Harriman, an option on the farm at \$1,600. Captain Ayres brought a woman there to look at the farm a few days ago.

When she saw the thrifty condition of the farm, the feed on hand and the stock she decided to take the farm and so stated.

When the woman actually said she would take the farm Mr. Martin suddenly found that it was much harder to actually part with the farm than to talk about it and asked to be allowed to call the trade off and keep the farm. Captain Ayres naturally insisted that the trade be carried out. Mr. Martin felt that he must comply with his promise if the purchaser insisted, so he agreed to the sale for \$1,600.

But the funny part remains to be told: On the return trip to Crab Orchard, over a road none too smooth, the woman got so badly jolted up that her back became lame and she decided she would not take the farm after all. As no money had passed that ended the matter. When Mr. Martin learned of the decision arrived at by the woman and the cause he was heartily glad for one time that the road to his home was a rough one. But he got a lesson from that incident that he will never forget. He fully believes that had there been a good road to his home from Crab Orchard the woman would have bought his farm and very likely her action would have induced others to buy in the same neighborhood or at other points over the county.

Mr. Martin is now about as wild-eyed a good roads enthusiast as it is possible for any one to be. That incident has made a strong impression on many others in the Crab Orchard neighborhood.

CONSTIPATION CURED OVER NIGHT.

A small dose of Po-Do-Lax tonight and you enjoy a full, free, easy bowel movement in the morning. No gripping, for Po-Do-Lax is Podophyllin (May Apple) without the gripe. Po-Do-Lax corrects the cause of Constipation by arousing the Liver, increasing the flow of bile. Bile is Nature's antiseptic in the bowels. With proper amount of bile, digestion in bowels is perfect. No gas, no fermentation, no constipation. Don't be sick, nervous, irritable. Get a bottle of Po-Do-Lax from your druggist now and cure your constipation overnight.

Meridian

Mrs. Maggie Brown died Thursday, May 20th, after a few day's illness. She was 75 years old. She had been a church member for several years. She leaves a husband, two children and a host of friends to mourn her loss.

Misses Laura Brown and Lennis Martin were in Crab Orchard Friday shopping.

Mrs. Mary Ray has been on the sick list for the past week, but is some better now.

James Hennessee, of Dorton, was the guest of Miss Daisy Hedgecoth Sunday.

Mrs. Ellie Clifton is visiting here with her sister, Mrs. Cal Cox.

Joe and Richard Hedgecoth went to Lantana Sunday.

W. F. Ray made a business trip to Crab Orchard Saturday.

J. F. Brown spent the week-end with home folks.

W. O. Smith made a business trip to Crossville Saturday.

Miss Mai Brown returned home from Rockwood Saturday morning to spend vacation with home folks.

J. B. Norris, of Elk Valley, passed through here Sunday.

Charlie Clifton, of Westel, was here last week.

Aunt Zilpha Flynn, of Lantana, spent the week-end here.

Vernis.