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The ground hog—Oh, well, you
know all about it.

The few leaks in the Lexington
lid are being soldered up.

Real work is now the order at
Jefferson City.

How would you like to be a
partner of Standard Oil?

The students in Higginsville
are again after a high school
building. They ought to get it.

Some sweet time we may have
an electric line and good railroad
service.

No matter what kind of weather
you like, you had some of it
during the past two weeks.

Our Senator Stone probably
smiles every time he thinks of
what is happening to Senator
Hopkins in Illinois.

We shall have abundant opportunity
to learn about Abraham
Lincoln next week by reading
almost any newspaper.

Kansas City people should
not kick so very much about
their bum Union Depot. They
should take a look at Richmond's.

Mayor Tom Johnson has a
right to feel a little tightness in
his throat. Cleveland has gone
back to the 5 cent street car
fares.

That Inter-urban railroad,
touching Warrensburg, Lexington
and Higginsville is still waving
the C. Q. D. signal.

It begins to look as if the state
would have to go into partnership
with the hen, too, to keep
her in the egg business.

Marconi is a great man. Since
wireless telegraphy saved so
many lives on the ocean its importance
has been strongly
brought to light.

The Carrollton Democrat had
a legal notice the other day
that covered more than eleven
pages. Editor Painter should not
care about losing the lieutenant-
governorship.

Our State Senator, J. P. Chinn,
seems to be doing admirably.
We made no mistake in sending
him to Jefferson City. By the
way his two clerks from this
county are Shel Belt and Ed
Ragland.

Senator Dowell of Lewis
county has introduced a bill for
the purpose of doing away with
the inheritance tax. The only
thing against the bill is the fact
that Col. David Ball said last
summer that he would favor it.

To a layman this proposition
of the Standard Oil attorneys for
their company to go into partnership
with the state seems
hazy. But we guess in case of
partnership the state would own
the front half of the cow.

A shake-up seems to be pending
in the athletic department of
the University of Missouri.
Everybody, it seems, wants
Hetherington put out. Hetherington
has purified the physical
culture department sufficiently.
It would be a good thing now for
him to confine his cleaning activities
to cess pools and cuspidors.

This paper believes that Col.
Face of the Confederate Home
will be exonerated completely
when the charges made by the
Rev. J. N. Crutcher have been
investigated. Possibly there is

some drinking by the old soldiers,
but there is drinking at
every soldier's home in the United
States. Mr. Crutcher seems to
have made his charges merely
for the sake of notoriety.

Representative Willett's speech
has been expunged from the
record, so that officially it never
happened. But it got more publicity
by being expunged than it
would have received if allowed to
go in.

The traveling men want the
legislature to put through a 9-
foot sheet bill like that in Texas.
One traveling man, who called at
this office yesterday bearing a
sheet of foolscap headed "I am
deaf and dumb," stated that he
was not v. tally interested in the
bill, however.

Two new Lafayette county
papers have been started during
the past month. The Waverly
News began its life on January
14 and the Corder Journal on
January 22. There are now in
this county eleven papers—three
in Lexington, three in Higginsville,
two in Odessa, one in Wellington,
one in Waverly and one
in Corder.

AT LAST.

It is refreshing to know that
we have a lieutenant governor,
even if he is a Republican and a
man who knows almost nothing
about parliamentary rules. This
business of holding up legislation
and blowing in thousands of
dollars in determining who was
elected does not appeal strongly
to the taxpayers of the state.

The Democrats on the re-counting
committee acted wisely and
fairly in voting for the seating of
Mr. Gmelich. Some there are
who still believe Mr. Painter
was elected and the vote was so
close that any settlement would
have seemed unfair to many; but
most of the citizens believe that
the Republican was elected, and
are satisfied to see him take his
seat. Mr. Painter himself is
not disgruntled and he deserves
credit for the high stand which
he took throughout the re-count.

After all, the question of the
lieutenant-governorship is of
comparatively minor importance.
The incumbent of that office is
a mere figure head and does little
except draw his salary. It
is better that a Republican
should have that than any other
of the smaller State offices.
Should Governor Hadley's health
fail him there would still be a
Republican Governor. To this
the Republicans are entitled and
the Democrats hardened.

Meanwhile let us hope that the
Senators will grant Mr.
Gmelich's request and be lenient
with him until he learns
how to put a motion before the
house.

BILLS.

As usual there will be a great
number of bills of more or less
importance brought before the
two houses at this meeting of the
Legislature. Some of them will
be good and some of them absurd.
Senator Dowell has started the
ball to rolling on university legislation
and it seems that many
measures affecting the university
will be presented. Mr. Dowell
would charge the students
\$5 each per month for tuition
thereby increasing the revenue
of the institution approximately
\$50,000 per year. There are a
great many arguments which
could be advanced in favor of
this bill and against it; but the
university is a state public institution
and there are attending it
students who could not afford
the \$45 a year which this bill
would compel them to pay, so
that it is hardly probable that
the bill will go through. The
institution is already gaining a
name for snobishness and a
tuition charge would make matters
worse.

Senator Bradley wants to keep
coal companies from employing

PISO'S CURE

more than 10 per cent of their
forces from aliens. Mr. Bradley
posess as a great friend of the
union miners and this bill is in
their interest. Another bill
which is being presented would
fine saloon and restaurant proprietors
who have liquor served
by women. That seems unfair
as long as it can be served to
women.

The 9-foot sheet bill will be
one of many freak measures
which have a lot to commend
them.

These bills will afford opportunity
for much pleasant discussion
and are vastly superior to
those which come around the
first of every month.

Why Business Hails.

The figures of the quarterly
report of the greatest corporation
of the United States, the
Steel Trust, indicate clearly the
hesitancy which pervades the
country at this time. The approaching
re-adjustment or revision of the
tariff is the bogey that has inspired
all industries to mark time before
going full swing.

The tariff agitation is especially
effective as a sedative to those
industries which are dependent
on, or are sensitive to, protective
duties. There is evidence on
every hand of a return to financial
confidence, which, after all, is
the basis of sound commerce.
There has been a substantial revival
in business from the depression
of a year ago, and only a chronic
pessimist would assert that
panic days are not over for
years to come. Merchants' shelves
are denuded, factories are
waiting but the word to do
more than supply the daily
needs, banks are ready to grant
liberal terms, and customers are
in line to purchase; but talk of
tariff changes raises the question
as to where the merchant or the
buyer may be if sales and purchases
are made now. Those who
can are waiting, others are
buying from hand to mouth. A
progressive nation is ready to do
business, but waits to know at
what figures it will be profitable
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