

### EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Kentucky's 8 Republican delegates will be seated with half a vote each.

Carranza should remember what happened to Huerta when he couldn't behave himself.

German airmen dropped bombs on Bar le Duc, France, killing 18 civilians, most of them women and children.

Mrs. Josiah E. Cowles, of Los Angeles, was elected president general of the Federation of Women's Clubs, at New York.

Thirty-two newspaper men attended the meeting of the First District Press association in Paducah. Good start, boys.

Justice Hughes denies that he will withdraw, for the reason that he is not an announced candidate. He will accept if nominated.

Chris Evola, an Italian in Louisville, who kidnaped his sweetheart stopped prosecution by marrying the girl and was let off with a fine of \$50.

Announcements are out for the approaching marriage on June 21st of Miss Ruth Fritz to Mr. Henry Coleman Moore, Jr. It will be at the Methodist church.

The treasury will soon change designs of the dimes, quarters and half dollars. Let's have them a little rougher so they will not slip through the fingers so easily.

Teddy is thinking hard now trying to make up his mind whether he will take it or let Hughes have it. If he thought it was worth while, he'd soon settle it, but there's the rub.

The Republicans and Progressives will both hold conventions in Chicago next week. The Progressives will nominate Roosevelt and the Republicans are expected to do so. Roosevelt and Hughes will operate together in the preliminary steps of organization.

Thursday was just an ordinary busy day in busy Hopkinsville. The Trice lot sale, the Binns picnic, a Lake Tandy picnic, meeting of the tax commission, the High School Class Day, the baseball game and at night the Athenaeum, were some of the happenings of the day, not counting a wedding or two.

Amendments to the naval appropriation bill to provide for a \$11,000,000 government armor plate plant, for \$3,500,000 instead of \$2,000,000 worth of aeroplanes, for 2,730 additional sailors and a bonus system to encourage the speedy construction of warships were adopted by the house sitting as the committee of the whole. Party lines were broken down on every vote. Twenty-three republicans and two progressives joined the democrats in voting for the armor plate proposals. Thirteen democrats lined up with the republicans on the additional aeroplane amendment.

French troops northwest of Verdun in the region of Le Mort Homme have resumed the offensive against the Germans and in a spirited attack have captured a strongly organized position on the slopes southwest of Le Mort Homme. Seven machine guns and 225 prisoners were taken in the attack which was the only infantry fighting on Wednesday reported in the latest French official communication. The town of Avocourt and Hill 304 in this immediate vicinity are under a heavy bombardment, and shells of large caliber are being used. Bombardments also are in progress north of Verdun, from the Meuse river to Fort Vaux and in the Hartmann's Weilerkopf region in the Vosges mountains. On the Asiago-Arsiago sector of the Austro-Italian front the Austrians have taken additional points of vantage from the Italians and put down attempts by King Victor Emmanuel's men to recover lost ground. According to the Austrian communication during the present offensive they have captured 31,082 Italians and 298 cannons.

## TALKS MADE BY CITIZENS

### At a Hearing By the Kentucky Tax Commission.

### MAYOR YOST PRESIDED

### Opening Address Was Made By Geo. E. Gary—Other Speakers.

The Kentucky Tax Commission, composed of Senators Huffaker, Pickett, Glenn and Brock and Representatives Hutcheaft, Gardner and Oliver held a session here Thursday afternoon to confer with business men. The meeting was at the H. B. M. A. and Mayor Frank Yost presided and introduced Geo. E. Gary as the principal speaker.

After expressing his gratification at the presence of the Commission and the plan for forming a tax law, Mr. Gary got down to bases at once and spoke in part as follows:

"Our present tax rate would, if all property was fully reported, suffice for five times the requirements of the state. The tax should be lowered instead of raised, so that when listing his property the taxpayer would not feel that it was practical confiscation.

As the rate now is, it puts a penalty on honesty and a premium on perjury.

Massachusetts taxes savings deposits 25c on the \$100.00. Kentucky \$2.50 on the \$100.00. Their capital is growing by leaps and bounds. Ours is dwindling constantly.

Pennsylvania's revenue from taxation for 1911 was 32 millions, ours only 7 millions.

Bank statements that year showed 130 millions on deposits and only 13 millions were reported by the taxpayers. Kentuckians are not less honest than those of other states. They are up against a foolish law, under which they think they could not thrive upon an honest report of their property. Lower the rate and they will respond. Capital is being driven out of the state. Farmers are the bag holders. Their lands are visible, and are taxed twice. Once on land and again on loans on the land. Get away from the old uniform rate idea. Tax some things high and some low, and in forming a law have always in view the idea of increasing new capital. That's what we need, more money in this state.

At the rate of its being considered beside the mark and beyond the pole of the Commission, he said that our greatest trouble in Kentucky was fundamental. We would never be a wealthy state without more manufactures; and the years of observation and experience as a manufacturer led him inevitably to the conclusion that no factory could flourish in any state where the incoming and outgoing rates were over double what they are in the states just across the Ohio river.

Kentucky, Tennessee, the Virginias and Carolinas, and all the Southern states all groan under this burden of rate discrimination and have done so since the war, notwithstanding the fact that nine-tenths of the navigable streams of the U. S. are South of the Ohio river. The roads will not forward river freight.

With a Southern President, and with Southern men as leaders in the Senate and House, it would seem that some relief in this direction should be counted upon. More factories means more capital and smaller tax rates. Pennsylvania and Massachusetts have low tax rates and unlimited capital. Kentucky with great coal and timber wealth has practically no manufactures. The railroad rates are the underlying, prohibitory feature."

Other speakers were W. T. Tandy, John H. Bell, Frank Rives, M. C. Forbes and J. O. Cook.

Miss Marietta Merritt has returned from Anniston, Ala., where she taught school.

## HOLD CARRANZA NOTE OFFENSIVE

### Washington May Administer Sharp Rebuke for Questioning U. S. Faith.

### GEN. PERSHING TO REMAIN

### Implied Threats in Communication Do Not Cause Ripple Among Officials.

Washington, June 2.—Gen. Carranza's note demanding withdrawal of American troops from Mexico has brought no change in the determination of President Wilson to maintain the present troop disposition until the ability of the de facto government to police its side of the border has been demonstrated. It was stated authoritatively that Gen. Pershing's force would remain where it is until that time arrived.

While official confirmation is withheld it is understood that the tone of the document is regarded as offensive and certain portions of it such as the thinly veiled accusation that the president is playing domestic politics in retaining the troops in Mexico may draw a sharp rebuke.

It is doubtful, according to authorities on the correspondence of the United States, if the government ever has received a communication couched in as offensive terms and containing as many apparent violations of the ordinary uses of diplomatic courtesy as this 12,000 word arraignment of its good faith and honesty of purpose.

President Wilson himself will decide what course shall be pursued.

### MRS. M'CARROLL'S WILL.

The will of the late Mrs. Cornelia McCarroll was probated Thursday. One half of her estate she bequeathed to her daughter, Mrs. P. T. Roberts, of near Gracey, with whom she had resided for several years, and the other half of her property is to be divided between her two grandchildren, Harry L. Byers and Mary C. Byers, of Washington City, this money to be held in trust for them until they are twenty-five years old, the Planters Bank & Trust Company being named as trustee. The Planters Bank & Trust Company is also named as executor of the will. The instrument bears date of Sept. 12, 1912.

### Dudley-Lackey.

The engagement of Miss Camille Lackey, daughter of Dr. G. W. Lackey, of Pembroke, and one of that town's most popular girls, to Mr. Ralph Emerson Dudley, has been announced. The wedding will take place this month.

## LOT SALE PROVED GOOD

### Trice Addition Brings Close To \$16,000 in Aggregate.

### TOTAL OF 41 LOTS SOLD

### Name "Anvirdale" Won The First Prize of \$20 For Name.

The sale of 41 lots in the John B. Trice addition Thursday morning, by the Newbury Realty and Auction Co., was a very satisfactory one all around, the lots bringing nearly \$16,000. The prices ranged from \$215 to \$805, the first lot on Main bringing the highest price.

Among those who bought lots expecting to build homes were W. B. Anderson, Irving Roseborough, B. O. McReynolds, Oscar Bass and M. G. Moore.

W. H. Matthews was the auctioneer and sold the lots in less than two hours. Music was made by the Third Regiment Band and a large crowd was attracted to the scene.

The prizes for names suggested were awarded as follows:

First Prize, \$20—Awarded to Mrs. Durrett Moore, for name "Anvirdale."  
Second Prize, \$5—Awarded to Geo. W. Collins, for name "Trycelyne."  
Third Prize, \$2.50—Awarded to Mrs. J. O. Cushman, for name "Wood Row."

### CAMPS ARE LOCATED

### Third Regiment to Go to Earlington the Middle of July.

Frankfort, Ky., June 2.—Adj. Gen. Ellis has announced that the Third Regiment of the Kentucky National Guard will hold its encampment at Earlington the middle of July. The First Regiment will encamp at Carrollton for a week beginning August 2, and the Second Regiment will encamp at Richmond the middle of August.

### BONDS O. K.

### Delivery to Purchasers Will be Made To-day.

County Clerk Lucian J. Harris has been notified by one of the purchasers of the county road bonds, that the attorneys to whom the bonds were referred have rendered a favorable opinion on their legality and the bonds will be delivered to-day.

## FARMERS ON AN OUTING

### North Christian Sends Jolly Delegation to South Christian.

### DINED AT BINNS' MILL

### Binns Bros., A. M. Henry and R. H. McGaughey the Hosts.

About 75 farmers, 15 or 20 business men and the members of the Kentucky Tax Commission made up the party that spent the day Thursday at Binns' Mill and inspected the fine farms of the Messrs. Binns, Col. A. M. Henry and R. H. McGaughey.

The party left in 18 or 20 automobiles about 10:30 and after a leisurely drive arrived at the Mill before noon. Joe Moseley had taken several of the Tax Commission ahead early and they were found fishing in the river, but with poor success.

At noon all repaired to the lawn of W. C. Binns, where a long table was spread with everything good to eat.

After dinner speeches were made by Dr. W. W. Durham, Chas. M. Meacham, Walter Knight, Dr. S. H. Lovan, R. E. Cooper, Col. A. M. Henry, A. M. Casey and W. C. Binns.

All of the speakers were profuse in their expressions of appreciation of the boundless hospitality extended.

Mr. Binns replying expressed his pleasure at having the visitors as his guests.

The party then left in the autos to inspect the clover fields of Mr. Binns, where they found a magnificent growth of clover, in some places three to four feet high, grown on land that was almost worthless a few years ago.

The next stop was at Col. A. M. Henry's, where the Colonel and his daughter, Miss Julia and son Arthur, Jr., served cold drinks to the visitors in the beautiful lawn. Col. Henry's lemonade, grape juice, punch and other iced concoctions added to his state reputation as a Southern planter of the school of hospitality. His entertainment was a duplicate of that given the Bluegrass visitors last year.

Passing through his farm into that of R. H. McGaughey, the latter's fine herd of Polled Durhams were looked over and his splendid farm lands inspected.

The party after more refreshments returned by the Cox Mill road, viewing one of the finest sections of the county.

The personnel of the party was as follows:

- R. F. Pool, D. E. McCord, J. W. Marquess, Davis Butler, J. A. Brown, R. H. Rives, Raymond Rives, C. S. Coleman, J. W. Hill, Jno. H. White, B. F. Wood, L. M. Hill, A. J. Adams, E. B. Butler, Dr. W. W. Durham, Walton Bowling, J. L. Orton, J. L. Sadler, J. A. Johnson, L. D. Hamby, A. E. Word, Forest Burkholder, Misses Daisy and Ivy Henderson, Mrs. Burkholder, Dulin Crabtree, W. T. Davis, Roy Davis, G. W. Bowles, Jack Taylor, A. M. Casey, J. M. Morris, Lee Witty, E. W. Wortham, W. F. Walker, H. D. Rogers, J. G. Henderson, R. F. Overton, S. T. Ashmore, Clyde Draper, Dr. L. H. Lovan, C. A. Tinsley, Geo. Harris, Jim Lovan, Dr. and Mrs. M. E. Croft, Mrs. S. H. Williams, Mrs. Nuckols, Russell Croft, Walter Bowles, Mrs. Bowles, M. V. Dulin, Mr. Tweedle, Henry Eblin, Tom Binns, Chas. M. Meacham, U. G. Cornelius, John Murphy, J. E. Moseley, Hite Huffaker, Geo. Pickett, R. A. Cook, R. H. McGaughey, J. R. Marquess, Garner Wortham, M. H. Carroll, E. G. Robertson, W. A. Walker, A. E. Mullins, Walter Knight, Jewell Smith, Low Johnson, Azro Mullins, Esq. S. Reese, E. P. Harned, I. N.

## GERMANS SHIFT VERDUN ATTACK

### Drive Northwest of Town on Front of Two Miles Makes Small Gain.

### ITALIANS HOLDING FIRM

### Turks Are Making a Better Showing Against the Russians.

London, June 2.—The Germans have switched their offensive from the region of Le Mort Homme northwest of Verdun to the sector between the Thiamont farm and Vaux northeast of the fortress and have succeeded here in entering French first line trenches between Fort Douaumont and the Vaux pond.

The activity of the artillery on the remainder of the front in France also has lessened in violence. In the Vosges mountains near Altkirch the Germans report the occupation of French positions 350 meters long and about 350 meters deep and the capture of prisoners and booty.

The Italians, according to Rome, continue to hold back attacks by the Austrians at various points along the Tyrol front.

The Turks, taking the offensive at three points in Asia Minor against the Russians have temporarily at least brought the Russian advance toward Mesopotamia to a standstill.

That the Serbs recently reported as having landed at Saloniki now are on the entente allied front on the Greek-Serbia border is indicated by the latest German official communication. The communication says a weak attack made by the entente all the southern end of Lake Doiran was repulsed, and that northeast of the lake, Serbians, wearing British uniforms, were taken prisoners.

## LOUIS BRANDEIS IS CONFIRMED

### Wilson Wins Long and Bitter Fight for His Appointment to Supreme Bench.

### FINAL VOTE IS 47 TO 22

### Brandeis Will Be First Jew to Occupy Seat on Supreme Court Bench.

Washington, June 2.—The nomination of Louis D. Brandeis, of Boston, to the supreme court to succeed the late Joseph Rucker Lamar was confirmed by the senate Thursday by a vote of 47 to 22. The vote, taken without debate, ended one of the bitterest contests ever waged against a presidential nominee. Mr. Brandeis will be the first Jew to occupy a seat on the supreme court bench.

Only one democrat, Senator Newslands, voted against confirmation. Three republicans, Senators LaFollette, Norris and Poindexter voted with the Democratic majority and Senators Gronna and Clapp would have done so but were paired with Senators Borah and Kenyon.

Harned, M. M. Lacy, J. R. Reese, S. R. Glenn, Clarence Walker, H. M. Brock, A. J. Oliver, Reuben Hutcheaft, T. T. Gardner, R. E. Cooper, Sam Davis, Geo. Underwood, Jim Underwood, Charlie Wright, Lyman Underwood, W. L. Buie, J. D. Smith, Geo. C. Long, A. M. Henry, D. T. Cranor, L. R. Davis, J. W. Brown, A. H. Meisner.

Miss Mabel Trahern has returned from a visit to relatives in Henderson.

## THOSE THAT HAVE-GET BY A-T-WESTON



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