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## KNOCKERS ETERNAL.

It is surprising what a capacity some people have for knocking. They seem to possess an inherent mania for that kind of work. There are men in West Liberty who sit around on the street corners and persistently hammer every person who is making, or ever has made, a conscientious effort to build up the town and county. Every movement that has been put on foot; every movement that has been proposed within the last ten years, the object of which was for the betterment of our people, has met with their relentless opposition—their continuous disapproval. They ply their calling as faithfully as though they were getting pay for their services, and sometimes we are tempted to believe that they are.

The COURIER, in connection with certain citizens of the town and county, has been making a determined fight to get the titles to a greater part of Morgan county cleared of the claims of the Sewell heirs and the titles claimed under the Amyx surveys. Development was at a standstill because of these shadows over our titles. Properties had depreciated in value from 50 to 80 per cent. The homes of two thirds of our people were in jeopardy. The fight the COURIER made was gratuitous, and there were others who took an active part who were fighting in the same spirit. To what extent we have succeeded is not yet definitely known. Certain it is that we have already accomplished a great deal of good. We have been promised certain concessions and public confidence is in a degree restored.

But the results are not satisfactory to some of our public-spirited(?) citizens. They seem to be possessed of the idea that the world ought to be done up in a package and handed over to them. They publicly accuse the ones who have been the most active in behalf of the people of being traitors to their cause. They malign and misrepresent the men who have, unselfishly and without reward, done more for them than they were able to do for themselves. They give them no credit for what they have accomplished and try to create the impression that their further efforts are not in good faith.

If the knockers could be singled out and let them and their interests go to the devil it would be well. But unfortunately this cannot be done. Undeserving as they are they must share the good results that come to the deserving.

## LEGISLATIVE TANGLE UNRAVELED.

Word reached this place a few days ago that J. B. Hollon, who was a candidate for the nomination for Representative from this district before the August primary, had been awarded the certificate of nomination. The official returns from both counties (Morgan and Wolfe) gave D. B. Tyra a safe majority and no such thing as a contest had ever been heard of. A suspicion was at once aroused in the minds of right thinking democrats of this county that there had been some dirty work done, but all were at a loss to know how and where. Upon getting the news Mr. Tyra went immediately to Frankfort and started an investigation. It there developed that a clerical error in copying the record was responsible for it all. Mr. Hollon had gotten 168 votes in Morgan county but in compiling the returns the commissioners had made a mistake in copying and made it read 368 instead.

This fact must have been known to Mr. Hollon. At least he must have known that he received only 168 votes in this county; but notwithstanding this he seemed willing and anxious to accept the certificate of nomination. So anxious, in fact, that he employed counsel several weeks ago, presumably as soon as he learned of the error in the vote as certified to the Secretary of State. His action, while fruitless, has been the cause of Mr. Tyra, the regular nominee, spending a lot of time and money in getting the matter straightened out. He has worked a hardship on an innocent man and gained nothing but contumely for himself.

No man is so ignorant that you can't learn something from him.

Any girl can earn a good salary by marrying a poor man. True, she may not get it, but she'll earn it all right if she's industrious.

What about that story that the Kaiser owns \$25,000,000 worth of stock in the Krupp gun works? Sounds like too good an excuse for him to be true.

The relegation of Theodore Roosevelt to obscurity continues to be discussed without inviting the co-operation on his part which seems essential to the enterprise.

It is said to have been a great year for babies, the birth rate being unusually large. They will be needed to fill the gaps made in the ranks of the human race by war.

Being neutral is worse than

having a cramp in the stomach with no Jamaica ginger in the house and the drug store four miles away down a lonesome road.

## Arnett-Lyons.

Mr. James Corbett Lyons and Miss Dora Arnett were married in the parlor of the Cole hotel Tuesday evening, County Judge S. S. Dennis, performing the ceremony.

The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Noah Lyons, of Frenchburg, is a prominent traveling salesman, energetic, industrious and a very promising business young man.

The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Arnett, of Neola, and is a young lady of splendid attainments, prominently related and very popular.

They were accompanied to this city by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Arnett,

## Local and Personal.

Robt. Reese, of Lenox, was here last week on business.

Oliver Haney, of Stacy Fork, was here on business Tuesday.

Roy Arnett, of Neola, was here the first of the week on business.

F. H. Hackney, of Fannin, was in town on business Tuesday.

Farish Hamilton, of Silver Hill, was in town on business this week.

W. M. Williams, of Dingus, transacted business in town Wednesday.

Charley Turner is building a nice residence on the Dave Lewis lot on Main street.

Dr. and Mrs. S. R. Collier are visiting and transacting business in Ashland this week.

Miss Aura Mosaleete Caskey, of Lick Fork, visited relatives in town the last of the week.

Henry Clay Cox has returned from Louisville where he was ticket agent at the State fair.

Mrs. Prudie Fultz, and little daughter, of Middletown, O., visited her uncle H. T. Dyer and family recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Patrick and children, of Garrettsville, visited Mrs. Patrick's father, Judge A. W. Smith, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Derias Atkinson, of Salyersville, visited their daughter, Mrs. W. M. Gardner, last week and this.

Rev. L. A. Fryman, and family, who have been visiting friends and relatives in Nicholas county, have returned home.

Miss Francis Lykins, music teacher of West Liberty High School, spent the week end at her home at Cannel City.

Drew Evans, of Loveland, was in town on business Saturday. Mr. Evans ordered the Courier sent to his address for one year.

We have a lot of scrap paper which could be used by the school children, which they can have free of charge if they will call at this office.

Mrs. Sanford Day, of Winchester, and Mrs. Edgar Nickell, of Davenport, Okla., visited their daughter and sister respectively, Mrs. A. P. Gullett, last week.

The ladies of the Christian church are quilting in the basement of the church this week. Dinner will be served to all who come to assist them Thursday.

Mrs. H. M. Cox returned yesterday from Louisville where she attended the State fair. She also visited in Grayson and Huntington, W. Va., while away.

Misses Ina Cottle and Aura Maxey, who have been visiting at Whitesburg, came home last week and Ina is now occupying her high stool in the Courier office.

Smith Elam, of War Creek, jumped from a wagon in front of D. R. Keeton's store and sprained his ankle Saturday afternoon. The injury, though painful, is not thought to be serious.

Dr. H. V. Nickell attended the annual convention of the Kentucky Medical Association at Louisville last week. He was accompanied by Mrs. Nickell and his father-in-law, Mr. John D. Henry.

The young folk of the local W. C. T. U. will go on a nut hunt Saturday. They will be chartered by Mrs. Mattie Womack and are requested to meet at her home at 8:30 a. m. They will take their dinners with them and spend the day in the woods.

brother and sister-in-law, respectively of the bride.

The happy couple have the good wishes of a host of friends, and the Courier is glad to join them in extending felicitations.

Neuralgia causes great suffering. Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills give great relief.

## CORRESPONDENCE

### MALONE.

Wardie Frisby, while working at Caney in the chemical factory, was burned by an explosion from some interior part but not serious.

Mrs. Lee Peyton and daughter Ethel, of Elder, visited relatives at Malone the past few days.

D. N. Haney is busy bailing hay for the farmers now.

Uncle Dan Williams attended the burial of his brother, James Williams, at Frenchburg last Saturday.

Clarence Haney has traded his property in Malone to M. F. Stacy for about twenty acres of land near Malone.

Ollie the sixteen year old son of W. T. Easterling, of Florress, accompanied by his father boarded the train at Wells Monday for Lexington where he will undergo an operation for appendicitis.

The Index store thinks by now it pays to advertise business through the Courier.

What has become of all the old writers who used to send up news from all parts of the country? Wish they would get back on their old job. Has cowboy from Omer left the ranch and gone across the waters? We haven't heard much from him since the war in Europe began.

### SQUARE DEAL.

### GRASSY CREEK.

Farmers are getting busy cutting corn and sowing wheat.

Loafers are busy following their old occupation at the same old price.

Last Saturday was the regular meeting time at Grassy Lick, at which time and place the ordination of brother Proctor Elam took place. Brother Elam is a promising young minister, and bids fair to make a useful man. Quite a crowd attended the ordination, among whom were Elder J. C. Barker and wife, of Wolfe county, also, J. A. Wells, Kelly Wells, and Albert Wells and wife, of Stacy Fork.

Elder W. L. Gevedon recently returned from Ronceverte, W. Va., where he attended the Baptist valley association.

Mrs. Barbara Amyx is very low at this time with lung trouble. She is not expected to live.

Mr. T. H. Caskey made a round trip with his auto, Friday, from Caney to Hazel Green and horses not being used to such a critter, just turned out and readily gave the road to the noisy thing. This and the \$110 and \$140 buggies that are being scattered in the county will call for something that we haven't got: that is good roads.

Mitchell Carter has been employed to teach a vacated school on White's branch near Ebon.

Every inch of the country is being convassed in pursuit of red calves. And people are not so choicely in the color. If they can't get red ones they will take any color they can get. This Democratic administration has so frustrated the price of cattle that a poor man can scarcely own a calf unless he owns a cow. Ordinary calves in this section are current at \$25.00.

### FAIR PLAY.

### RELIEF.

L. D. Maggard's stove business is progressing nicely.

Eld. H. F. Hamilton, of Red Bush, is very ill at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Fraley, of Ashland, have been visiting their son, Cam., at this place.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Foster Smith is very ill with diphtheria.

May, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Fyffe, has been very low with diphtheria.

Miss Vessa Weaver, of Red Bush, was visiting Miss Beulah Maggard Saturday and Sunday. Miss Beulah accompanied her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Estill Hill were

the guest's of Mrs. L. D. Maggard Sunday.

B. B. Fannin passed through our country enroute to Redwine on business a few days ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Golden Coldiron were visiting his father-in-law Mr. Dorton, Saturday and Sunday.

Misses Bess and Beulah Maggard, Charley Coldiron and Don Maggard attended the box supper at Red Bush Saturday night and reported a grand time.

Harve Gray, a traveling salesman, is calling on Mr. Coldiron, of this place.

L. D. Maggard has just returned from Fleming county, where he has been looking after his farm, where he means to make his home in the spring, which we all regret, for he is one of Morgan county's prominent business men and a good citizen.

Cam Fraley has been very ill but is improving nicely.

James Louise and Wilma, the children of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Maggard are very ill with whooping cough.

Sam Hill dismissed his school for three weeks on account of whooping cough which is raging here.

Don't forget the teachers Association Oct. 1. Everybody is expecting a grand time and dinner on the ground. Everybody invited.

### BRIGHT EYES.

### What Brand.

A snake story, which seems incredible, but he says is vouched for by reliable persons, was told us on Wednesday morning by E. L. Bingham. As the story goes, the farmers in the Cabbage neighborhood, have for some time been losing young pigs and lambs, and their disappearance have been credited to a big rattlesnake, which had his home on the Bush mountain. Last week a little son of a Mr. Wilder, accompanied by his dog, went out on the mountain. The dog, which was some distance ahead of the boy, was heard to give a yelp, and a few moments later came running back to his young master, dropping dead at his feet. The boy went on to see if he could discover the cause of his dog's death and found a huge snake. He went back to the house and told his father of his discovery. Mr. Wilder shouldered his gun and soon found his snakeship, which he put to death. The snake, which was a rattler, measured 12 feet in length, weighed over 100 pounds, and had 45 rattles and a button.—Pineville Sun.

### Terrific Explosion.

A 250-barrel tank car of gasoline exploded at Ardmore, Oklahoma, Monday, killing fifty persons, injuring two hundred others and doing \$500,000 damage.

The explosion is supposed to have been caused by a spark caused by a blow from the hammer of a workman who was repairing a leak in the tank. The burning gasoline was thrown in all directions, starting many fires which were responsible for a great part of the property loss. Thirty-eight cars in the Santa Fe railroad yards were destroyed. All the buildings in the vicinity of the explosion were wrecked, and the force of the shock was felt for twelve blocks.

The city was cut off from telegraph and telephone communication with the outside world for five hours and martial law was declared.

### Taken To Hospital.

Miss Bernice Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Davis, of near town, was taken to a hospital at Winchester one day last week for an examination for some trouble in the head. The latest report from her was to the effect that she would probably have to be taken to Lexington or Louisville for an operation.

### Real Greatness.

Christ has given us a measure of greatness which eliminates conflicts. When His disciples disputed among themselves as to which should be the greatest in the kingdom of heaven, He rebuked them and said: "Let him who would be chiefest among you be the servant of all." Service is the measure of greatness; it always has been true, it is true today, and it will always be true, that he is greatest who does the most of good. And yet, what a revolution it will work in this old world when this standard becomes the standard of every life. Nearly all of our controversies and combats arise from the fact that we are trying to get something from each other. Our enmities and animosities arise from our efforts to get as much as possible out of the world—there will be peace when our endeavor is to put as much as possible into the world. Society will have taken an immeasurable step toward peace when it estimates a citizen by his output rather than by his income and gives the crown of its approval to the one who makes the largest contribution to the welfare of all.—Extract from W. J. Bryan's lecture, "The Prince of Peace."

### The Farm Dairy.

The condition of the majority of Kentucky farms as regards fertility and the physical nature of the soil, leaves much to be desired. It goes almost without saying, that certain changes in management should be made on a vast number of Kentucky farms. There is no one thing that will solve the whole problem but the best farmers are quick to take advantage of every opportunity to restore and maintain fertility.

It is not possible for the majority of Kentucky farmers to go into the dairy business as such, but it would probably be well for many individuals to consider very carefully the advantages of producing more dairy products, whether they undertake the operation of a regular dairy or not. It would be an excellent idea for many farmers to add from one to a dozen or more cows to their present herds with a view to shipping cream daily or every other day and feeding the skim milk to pigs and calves.

It has been repeatedly shown in actual farm practice that dairying is a type of farming that improves land very rapidly.

It is of doubtful expediency to enter into any kind of specialized farming under average conditions. It naturally follows that the dairy should ordinarily be one of several departments of the farm. The products sold from the dairy remove an extremely small amount of fertility and the profits from the sales can be made to compare very favorably with those of other farm products and in addition the skim milk is kept at home as a valuable feed for pigs, calves and poultry.

The system suggested is especially attractive when a sufficient number of persons in the same vicinity are shipping cream, to warrant some person in collecting daily and hauling to the nearest shipping point. The driver can afford to do this collecting at a minimum delivery cost to the producers. Most of the larger cities of the State offer attractive cream or milk markets to those living within a radius of fifty to one hundred miles. The College of Agriculture can give assistance to those seeking a market for such products.

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### Our Misnamed Ruins.

Many visitors to the prehistoric Cliff Dwellings of the Mesa Verde National Park in southwestern Colorado are astonished to find that what is commonly described as a dwelling is not properly a

dwelling at all but a village or city. The celebrated Cliff Palace is not a palace. Neither is Spruce Tree House a house, nor Balcony House a house. Each of these is a complete town which once, in the dim ages before the earliest Indian tradition, was an organized community, often of considerable size.

The arrangement of houses in a cliff dwelling of the size of Cliff Palace, for example, is characteristic and intimately associated with the distribution of the social divisions of the inhabitants. The population was composed of a number of units, possibly clans, each of which had its own social organization more or less distinct from others, a condition that appears in the arrangement of rooms. The rooms occupied by a clan were not necessarily connected, although generally neighboring rooms were distinguished from one another by their uses.

### Fine Roads Attract Trade.

It would seem that in this late day and age advocating good roads as good for mankind generally and business particularly would be unnecessary.

Good roads mean good business. Have you ever noticed that in towns immediately after a street has been paved or resurfaced, pedestrians and vehicles begin to multiply on those roads?

It does not take long before everybody, it seems, knows of the newly paved streets and many go out of the way to travel them. Last summer the pavement on a street near my home was torn up for repatching. The contractors were so long in even attempting to get started on the work that merchants along the street started suit against the city for business they knew they had lost because the street was impassable.

If good streets—and street is only another name for road—mean so much to the city business man, it is to be supposed they are just as valuable an asset to the business man or the farmer located on the highways of the country. Good roads, in the first place are a benefit to every individual in this big land of ours. If all roads are good, the people residing in their immediate locality find it easier to get from place to place. The person making a long cross-country tour finds the journey the joy he counted on and not a trial, as it certainly is where traveling is bad. In the second place good roads increase the value of property—so real estate is benefited.

And so I could go on down the list—the hotel man, the butcher, the baker, all are benefited either directly or indirectly, by good roads; that permit of foot or vehicular traffic during all seasons of the year.

### Formal And Informal.

Mrs. R. B. Cole surprised her daughter Miss Irene on her 14th birthday Wednesday evening by inviting 16 of her friends to a picnic dinner. Soon after the guests arrived, they were each given a box, filled with good things to eat, and in true picnic style, they took their packages to the lawn to open and enjoy their contents. Afterwards they played games, and took kodak pictures. The honoree received many gifts from the guests present. Those whom Mrs. Cole invited to help Miss Irene celebrate were Misses Dorothy Beattie, Catharine and Florence French, Rose Kaisah, Eleanor Klein, Eleanor Lamer-ton, Muriel Gupp, Katharine Sexsmith, Louise Hoyt, Alice King, Alice McDonald, Helen Champlin, Joy Pinkerton, Vivien Hansen, Minnie Bellis and Margaret Gensman.—Enid daily Eagle.

What, by the way, does German science do with the whiskers shaved off Russian prisoners.—Toledo Blade.