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From County Attorney.

I am informed that false statements and unreasonable arguments are being made to gain votes against me for the office of County Attorney, some of which are:

1st. Because I am attorney for the L. & E. railroad and connected with the Clay City National Bank.

2nd. That I have aided and advised the Fiscal Court to extravagance and allowed myself claims to which I was not entitled.

As to the first, I have been with the L. & E. for fourteen years and connected with the bank ten years.

I do not select my clients, but as it my business to practice law, I serve those who seek my service first, and neither of these institutions have any connection with or voice in county affairs and are not even assessed by a county officer, but are both assessed by the State Board of Valuation at Frankfort by reports of certain statements made by their presidents to the State Auditor under the law found in sections 4096 to 4104 of Kentucky Statutes and on page 145-6 of last acts of the Legislature, and the

auditor reports their valuation to County Clerk, and he reports it to the sheriff for collection of taxes. The L. & E. has paid its property tax since 1892 at about \$1,200 00 per year, but had not paid any franchise tax until I was elected County Attorney, and the first year I served I collected from it \$1,146 62 property tax and \$1,341 46 back tax on its franchise as shown by auditor's reports in Clerk's office and paid same to sheriff, making total of \$2,488 08 as shown in his settlement on page 187 of Sheriff settlement book No. 1 County Clerk's office. And collected from the bank the same year \$500 00 in back taxes and paid same into the Fiscal Court as shown by orders on its records. It was not the County Attorney's duty to collect tax, and he had no power to do so except when ordered by the court, which the court did. For this service the court allowed me \$15 00. Thus it will be seen that I collected in back taxes the first year I was in office \$1,841 46 from the very institution from which complaint is made, only \$158 54 short of my salary for the four years for which I was elected. I have seen

to it that the L. & E. paid all its taxes, not only to the county, but to each school district through which it ran.

The Fiscal Court at one time appointed its members into committees to more thoroughly investigate claims presented and appointed me one committee. At the close of that term it allowed me \$3 00 per day for six days, the same as it allowed its members. It also allowed me \$4 00 for my services as chairman of board of health for small-pox epidemic at Clay City and \$20 00 for same service on Harwick's Creek, and allowed me \$4 00 for report of bridge committee. These are the only allowances made to me except my salary which was fixed long before I was elected, and except some small allowance for bills that I paid for material and repairs on court house and jail and was allowed exactly what I paid out and paid by sheriff when he saw fit.

Here is a small lesson in economy, the chairman of board of health for three cases small-pox at Stanton in 1899 and the costs to the county were \$1,072 00 or \$357 1/2 each, he was allowed \$42 00 for his service. I was chairman of the board in six cases at Clay City 1902 and the cost to the county was \$800 00 or \$133 1/3 each, and I was allowed \$4 00 for my service.

The law requires the proceedings of the Fiscal Court to be published each year in a newspaper published in the county. This has been done each year, and the order book is a public record and open at all times for inspection by all persons. Look for yourselves and be convinced that your Fiscal Court has acted honestly, and see that the County Attorney as well has at all times been present, opposing wrongful claims and urging economy, advising the county officers and always at his post. I have at all times opposed the allowance of stationery to officers, but the court has continued to make these allowances following a precedent in the county for years before I was elected. The court may have erred in some allowances, but I know they were honest. The court and the County Attorney need more interest taken by the tax payers in their courts, and more assistance from them in the way of advice as to the claims presented, whether they are just or not.

I accepted this office three years ago at the request of my party, notwithstanding the disadvantage to my business and practice then, and now feel that I am entitled to the nomination again as an appreciation of the sacrifice then made and the faithful service I have rendered.

Very respectfully,
JOHN D. ATKINSON.

Dr. I. A. Shirley, of Winchester, and Dr. J. E. Lemming, of Stanton, were here yesterday and went over to Irvine in the interest of the meeting of the Kentucky Valley Medical Association at Estill Springs Oct. 6 and 7.

Natural Gas for Mt. Sterling.

Carrol Chenault, a leading business man, has been granted a franchise by the City Council for furnishing natural gas in this city. There are twenty wells within fifteen miles of Mt. Sterling, all producing gas, and the quantity is said to be inexhaustible. It is said the Standard Oil Company will attempt to pipe gas to this city. Mr. Chenault, however, has about closed a deal with an independent company. If the gas holds out it means several factories for this city.

Democratic Committee Meets.

The Powell County Democratic Committee met at Stanton last Saturday and assessed the entrance fee for candidates making the race for county offices in the primary of Oct. 8. The primary will cost \$105, making the cost to each office \$15. This assessment will be equally divided by the candidates for each office.

Magistrates and constables are assessed \$5 each.

Officers Primary Election.

The following officers have been appointed to serve at the coming primary election, Oct. 8, 1904:

NO. 1 VIRGEN.

D. C. Morehead, Judge
Thos. Wood, "
W. E. Heflin, Clerk
C. C. Curtis, Sheriff

NO. 2 STANTON.

Jeptha Boone, Judge
Jeff Martin, "
R. Jackson, Clerk
Jas. Williams, Sheriff

NORTH FORK.

Jas. D. Harris, Judge
Robt. Martin, "
Breck Congleton, Clerk
L. G. Wills, Sheriff.

SOUTH FORK.

M. Faulkner, Sr., Judge
W. M. Morton, "
D. C. Martin, Clerk
Wm. Lowry, Sheriff.

CLAY CITY.

W. T. Adams, Judge
W. T. Webb, "
Henry Waldron, Clerk
Frank Hutchinson, Sheriff.

HARDWICK'S CREEK.

Charley Welch, Judge
Robert Henry, "
Sam Wells, Clerk
Asa Todd, Sheriff.

SLADE.

Geo. Faulkner, Judge
Mort Faulkner, "
Denis Spencer, Clerk
Sam F. McNabb, Sheriff.

Joe Mountz has entered the Ky. W. school at Winchester. We wish Mr. Mountz unbounded success in his collegiate course.

Pastor J. O. Crawford will preach at Jackson's Chapel Sunday instead of the 4th Sunday and will be at Shiloh the 4th Sunday instead of the 3rd.

Lexington's business men about 200 strong scooped down on us yesterday while on an excursion tour up the L. & E. road. They were accompanied by a splendid band and formed parade along the principal streets. They advertised Lexington quite judiciously in various ways, and were our welcome guests. We regret they could stay with us no longer.

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