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More Tax The Object

The two proposed constitutional amendments, if adopted, (and they will be) means but one thing, more tax, more money. The advocates of these amendments tell us wonderful stories about nine members of a commission being appointed by the Governor, who are to serve without pay and so on. This is argument only. The proposition only provides for the Legislature to do so and so. It means more offices, more pay, more tax.

The second amendment provides that 10 per cent. of the money collected to pay teachers may be used for other purposes. What other purposes? Can teachers' salaries be cut that much? No. What then? More tax, of course, which means more graft. The Times opposes every form of increased ad valorem tax for any purpose whatsoever until it is demonstrated that what tax we are paying is put to better advantage than what it now is.

Gasoline and Oil Upward

The wholesale price of gasoline and coal oil advanced two cents per gallon Wednesday. This, of course, will be passed to the consumer inevitably. This is nothing more than may be expected. The railroad strike is talked, and it looks like trucks will have to transport the freight. This calls for gasoline and oil. This is probably why the immediate advance. Yet crude oil has advanced some too.

Powell's Production

During the month of August Powell county produced 23,767 barrels of oil worth \$26,738.05. In the same month Lee county produced 370,582 barrels, worth \$424,444.28. Estill county produced 82,786 barrels, worth \$92,701.70. Wolfe 9,666 barrels, worth \$11,753.64. Menefee 3,460, worth \$3,806.22. The oil produced in Lee county was more than the five next largest producing counties in the state.

Road Work Resumed

Work on the Irvine road, both in this county and Estill, has been resumed with former determination after two weeks cessation. Work was temporarily suspended to allow farm hands an opportunity to cut their corn and make up their molasses. The weather will soon be bad, naturally. It thus behooves persons in charge to speed up the work while it yet is so it can go forward.

After Insurance Business

S. B. Tracy, of Winchester, together with Grandon Howell, local insurance man, have been very active in prosecuting their line of business in and about Clay City this week.

Corn Sale

G. W. Conlee sold to P. D. Todd fifteen barrels of corn in the field at three dollars per barrel.

The Railroad Strike

We are to have a strike, we are told, on all the railroads beginning October 30th, caused by a lowering of wages 20 per cent. The railroad men say they will tamely submit to the reduction if the companies will lower the freight. The rates are now extortion and it is just that the employes should share this extortion. The trouble lies with the greedy railroad hands second, and first with the authorities that allowed these companies to raise the rates without providing an automatic method of reducing them when times justify it. The authorities that have the privilege of granting increased rates, have also the privilege of reducing them. Now that this is not being done in a crisis it looks like somebody must be acquiring quite a lot of money.

Wedding of Interest

Miss Alice Creed, of Stanton, and Mr. Karl McKnight, of Oneida, Tenn., were quietly married at the home of the bride near Stanton. The Rev. R. A. McConagha officiated. The bride is one of Stanton's most attractive young ladies, while the groom is a promising young business man engaged in the oil work, and a world war veteran. Immediately after the ceremony they left on the honeymoon.

Get Your Trucks Ready

Railroad employes are to strike to prevent a proposed reduction in wages if enforced by the railroad companies. The companies are firm. If the railroad companies were not getting the highest freight and passenger rates ever known, and this too in the face of a reduction of every commodity, the employes would probably be more considerate. Both the wages and freight rates should be reduced at once.

M. R. Lyle Gets Light Plant

M. R. Lyle, one of Stanton's leading merchants, has this week had installed one of Willys Light plants. The plant was purchased of the Clay City Light & Electric Company and they did the work for him. This makes three of these splendid plants sold and installed in this county since spring and all are doing excellent service for their owners.

Death of Green Martin

Mr. Green B. Martin died Saturday, October 15th, at his home at Jeffersonville, Montgomery county. Burial in the Ficklin graveyard. Mr. Martin moved to Montgomery from this county years ago. He was 75 years old and a splendid citizen. Mrs. Asa Todd, this county, is a sister to the deceased.

Gathering Corn

Farmers are fast gathering their river bottom corn. They well remember two years ago, when one tide after another visited us, beginning the first of November.

"The Soldier Bonus"

If you were a soldier in the "World War" you should be interested in the passage of the "Soldier Bonus" bill. Twenty-five sister states have given their men a "bonus."

A permanent organization of former service men has been formed in every county to fight for a State Bonus.

This organization will mail to each candidate for the next Legislature a copy of their resolutions and a request that they state their attitude on this question and whether or not they will support a measure for the payment of adjusted compensation.

This organization individually and as a body pledge themselves not to support any candidate for the Legislature or any other public office who do not favor the passing of the aforesaid measure. This question will certainly figure in the coming election, taking into consideration the number of soldiers there are, and the influence it will bear upon their families and friends. It is a question worthy of consideration and one on which the candidates (especially the candidates for Representative) will be asked to express their attitude. We are anxious to know, Mr. candidate, how you stand. Are you for the passage of this bill, or opposed to its passage. Ex-Soldier.

Sells Cattle at Loss

J. B. Eaton sold eleven steers Monday to S. D. Goff. They averaged a little more than eleven hundred pounds and brought Mr. Eaton 4 1/2 cents per pound. Mr. Eaton bought these cattle two years ago and paid \$50 per head for them. The price they brought did not quite pay first cost, which leaves him nothing for grass, feed and trouble in keeping them for two years.

Child Undergoes Operation

Mumford, the bright little son, of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mountz was taken yesterday to the Gibson Infirmary at Richmond where he had adenoids taken out. Reports from there today state Mumford is getting along real well.

Mrs. Martin Quite Sick

Mrs. Wm. C. Martin was taken very sick Tuesday and for a time was in a very bad condition. Dr. Martin at the time was in Louisville. He was called home by wire. Mrs. Martin is improving now and her friends trust she will soon be well again.

Ships Hay Here

T. J. Wright was here the latter part of last week from Bourbon county with a car load of hay raised on his farm. The hay was taken for storage on Hardwick's Creek.

Mothers' Club will meet at the school house Friday, October 18, at 3 o'clock. Subject: "The teacher and the child." All cordially invited. Mothers' Club.

STANTON.

E. H. Fuller, Lexington, was here Friday on business.

Miss Julia Evans was in Lexington Monday shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. James Profit were in Winchester Thursday.

Mrs. Cad Derickson, Clay City, was the guest of Mrs. Henry Tipton Friday.

Miss Alice Chiles has returned from Illinois, where she was called by the death of a relative.

Miss Margaret Dee Mansfield is visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. D. Maris, at Covington this week.

A. C. Rose and his father, of Winchester, were here Friday on business.

Miss Maude Bowen spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. James Foster, at Furnace.

Mrs. Bettie Hardwick returned to her home at Winchester Sunday after a visit with Mrs. Lucy Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Crow, Spout Spring, were guests Sunday of their son, Lennie Crow, and family.

Mrs. Louisa Faulkner returned to her home at Winchester Friday after a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Henry Tipton.

Mrs. Ben Sewell and two children, Jackson, are here this week the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hardwick.

Charley Bowling, of Breathitt county, son of Ewen Bowling, who formerly owned property at Clay City, was here Tuesday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Welch, Mrs. Lena Drake, Misses Gladys Welch and Mary Drake were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Brownloe Thompson Sunday.

Mrs. Clemmie Landers and daughter, Miss Pearl Landers, Ashville, N. C., are here the guests of Mrs. Landers' father, Mr. Jno. W. Williams.

The body of Henry Harrison, who died at Kansas City, Mo., was brought here last Thursday. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. R. A. McConagha and burial in the family lot in the Stanton cemetery.

Smashes Ford

Leiford Hall, of Hardin county, arrived here late Sunday evening to visit his brother, Coleman Hall. Coming over the railroad overpass, his lights going out he ran his new Ford against a post, smashing the front axle and other wise damaging the machine.

A new high record in gasoline consumption was established in August when 503,000,000 gallons were used, according to an announcement today by the Bureau of Mines.

Mrs. Millie Mountz accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mountz in machine to Richmond where her little grand-son was operated on, and will visit relatives in the county while over there.

Personal Paragraphs

Frank B. Russell was here from Louisville Tuesday.

Judge and Mrs. L. F. Mann were in Lexington Friday.

Edwin Rose was below Winchester Monday looking after his farming interests there.

Miss Bettie Shimpfessel, of Vaughn's Mill, is visiting relatives in the city this week.

Frank Wright, of Bourbon county, spent Sunday with his young friends in Clay City.

Fred Tipton, of Ford, was here Monday and Tuesday visiting his brother-in-law, Walter Potts.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Knight, of Hazard, spent the week-end with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Knight.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Conlee and little daughter spent from Friday till Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Conlee at Richmond.

Henry Hammons left Tuesday for Paintsville where he has a position in the oil field, after several days visit with home folk.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Christopher and Sam Carr motored to Irvine Monday to visit John Hall, an uncle of Mr. Carr and Mrs. Christopher.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Smith took an outing Saturday by going on horseback to Pilot Knob, where they met about twenty of their young friends from Mt. Sterling. Mrs. Smith, before her marriage last spring, was a member of this bunch. They report a real nice time.

SPOUT SPRING

Rankin Barnett attended court at Mt. Sterling Monday.

Bill Edge has moved to Marion McKinney's place for the winter.

A. C. Barnes sold his splendid place here this week to Mrs. Nannie Strange for \$1,800.00.

Oscar Barnett was here Sunday from Wade's Mill. His sisters, Misses Emma and Druzie, returned home with him to live there.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Wiseman and children, of near Winchester, spent Sunday with Mrs. Wiseman's brother, Lloyd Todd, and Mrs. Todd.

Dr. Cameron, Presiding Elder, conducted Quarterly meeting at Jackson's Chapel Saturday and Sunday. Rev. Louis Fryman assisted Pastor Nelson in a series of meetings at the church last week.

L. G. Christopher, of Miami, Texas, was here Sunday and attended services at the Chapel. Mr. Christopher formerly resided in this community and his many friends here were very glad to see him again.

Letting go the unworthy things that meet us, pretense, worry, self seeking, and taking loyal hold of time, work present happiness, love let us so live as to be an inspiration, strength and blessing to those whose lives are touched by ours.

Mothers' Club.