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ANTI SINGLE-TAX LEAGUE FORMED

Enthusiastic Meeting at Linneus Monday—What Is Being Done

There was a large attendance at the meeting held in Linneus Monday to organize in opposition to the proposed single tax amendment to the state constitution, known as Amendment No. 6, to be voted on November 5.

D. B. Ormiston called the meeting to order and stated its purpose. Alex. Brinkley was temporary chairman and spoke briefly, after which the permanent organization was effected by the election of the following officers: C. E. Kelley, president; D. B. Ormiston, secretary, and Geo. W. Martin, treasurer. On taking the chair Mr. Kelley told of the work already accomplished in the eastern part of the county, and of what was done at the Jefferson City meeting, where he secured the names of all second district voters who signed the petitions for the amendment. Only 13 of these are residents of Jefferson township, and probably most of them signed without understanding the real purpose of the amendment.

Hon. A. W. Mullins and Senator E. B. Fields had been invited to talk on the evils of the single tax, and they declared this to be the most pernicious measure ever submitted to the people of Missouri and urged every voter to aid in its defeat.

Major Mullins and Col. Martin were requested to draft a heading for the enrollment of members of an anti-single-tax league, which was unanimously adopted, as follows:

"We, the undersigned citizens and voters of Linn county, hereby organize ourselves into an anti-single-tax league and pledge ourselves collectively and individually to do all in our power to defeat the Single Tax proposition to be voted on at the next general election to be held November 5, 1912."

Arrangements were made for the enrollment of members and the collection of funds to carry on the work. At the close of the meeting the enrollment was about 150 and over \$60 had been contributed. A county committee was selected to assist the executive committee—the chairman, secretary and treasurer—in carrying out the work. The precinct committeemen are:

Baker—Lorenzo Baker, W. F. Ray.
Benton, N.—E. B. Fields.
Benton, S.—Alex T. Kirk.
Bucklin—Ed. L. Anderson.
Brookfield—C. W. Green.
Clay—W. P. Brinkley, M. B. Harter.
Enterprise—C. I. Grice, P. P. Melton.
Grantsville—A. M. Harper.
Jackson—W. E. Gooch, H. A. Tomlin.
Jefferson—E. E. Kennedy, G. W. Anderson.
Locust Creek—H. J. Wigginton.
Marcelline—T. M. Ludden, Mike Coffman.
N. Salem—G. W. Spencer, R. J. McCollum.
Parson Creek—E. B. Smiley, W. C. Robbins.
Yellow Creek—Ott Goulson, W. E. Cannon.

The precinct chairmen of each political party were added to the organization. In a few days the secretary will supply the committeemen with headings for the enrollment of members and every voter is urged to join and contribute, if possible, to the campaign fund. Report all public gatherings within your precinct to the executive committee as far in advance as you can, and if possible they will send a speaker to discuss the single tax amendment.

Notice

As school books are sold on a very small margin, and on 30 days credit, those who have purchased books are requested to call and settle for them before Oct. 1.

J. H. Brown.

Local and Personal

Gasoline 15c at Patrick's.
Buy shorts at Laclede Mill.
Peaches, cantaloupes, coconuts at Patrick's.

Prof. F. E. Washburn was over from Brookfield Sunday.

Leonard Jones is visiting relatives and friends in Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Berry Hanna were over from Brookfield Saturday.

Born, to Prof. and Mrs. E. O. Watkins, Wednesday, Sept. 25, a son.

Mrs. Byrne of Memphis is the guest of her son, N. Byrne, and wife.

The W. F. M. S. will meet with Mrs. C. C. Bigger Wednesday, Oct. 2.

Miss Alice Hawes returned home Wednesday from a visit with relatives at Columbia.

Now is the time to buy oil and gasoline stoves at cost while they last. J. B. Patrick.

Mrs. Lee Forrest of Brookfield was the guest of Mrs. B. F. Thompson Saturday.

Moberly Bros. want to buy your grain, hay and field seeds. See them before you sell.

Our new heating stoves are on the floor. They are beauties. See them at J. B. Patrick's.

Dr. J. H. Kittredge, dentist, will be at the Anderson house the 25th and 26th of each month.

Rev. W. F. Rice of Purdin preached at the Baptist church Sunday afternoon and evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lomax went to St. Joseph Wednesday afternoon to buy goods for their big dry goods store.

Dr. J. H. Kittredge, the Chilli cothe dentist, will be at the Anderson house the 25th and 26th of each month.

Those knowing themselves indebted to me will please call and settle at once. Books are at my residence. F. W. Groes.

A. J. Harter, rural letter carrier on route one, has been taking a vacation this week and Ralph Eichman is serving the route in his stead.

Those who have left shoes for repairs at J. W. Anderson's shop will please call and get them at once or they will be sold for costs according to law.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Briggs of Arenzville, Ill., formerly of Laclede, Thursday, Sept. 19, a fine boy of the usual weight. The little one has been christened Harold Everett.

J. B. Carothers and family have moved to the Baker residence on South State street, and Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Jones are moving into the Carothers property which they recently purchased.

Mrs. Ben Porter and children left Saturday for their new home at Spickards. Mr. Porter shipped the household goods the first of the week and will rejoin the family as soon as he can close up his business here.

C. C. Bigger and H. J. Benjamin are attending the meeting of the Masonic grand lodge at St. Louis this week. Mr. Bigger is past grand master of the order and Mr. Benjamin is a delegate from the local lodge.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Eichman, Mr. and Mrs. Willie Mathes and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Eichman were members of a surprise gathering at the home of Mrs. Mollie Ward east of Sumner last Sunday, the occasion being the birthday of Mrs. Ward and Mr. Eichman.

TOWN AND COUNTRY IN BRIEF

Neighborhood News of the Past, Present and Near Future

Coal oil 10c at Patrick's.

The first frost of the season arrived Thursday morning. While it was heavy, it was a white frost and probably did little or no damage.

The Royal Neighbors will meet with Mrs. B. F. Thompson Saturday, Sept. 28, at the usual hour. All members are urged to be present, as business of especial importance must be transacted.

A beautifully illustrated and thoroughly practical bulletin on the selection and care of seed corn may be had free by addressing T. C. Wilson, secretary of the Missouri state board of agriculture, Columbia, Mo. In the fall is the time to select seed corn.

A number of Royal Neighbors very pleasantly surprised Miss Catherine Cooke at the home of her sister, Mrs. B. F. Thompson, Thursday night and spent a very pleasant evening. Miss Cooke left that night for Chicago, where she will attend school.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Barber and little daughter and Mrs. Barber's son, Edmund Edwards, came up from San Benito, Texas, last week in their auto and spent a few days with relatives and friends here and at Linneus, returning home on the train Wednesday.

The first annual Tina fair will be held Wednesday and Thursday of next week, Oct. 2 and 3. Liberal premiums are offered in all departments. Big crowds are expected both days and everybody is invited. The officers are P. B. Parsley, president; U. S. Rexroat, secretary, and Frank Nichols, treasurer.

An adjourned meeting of the Modern Woodman camp will be held at Savage & Rankin's office Friday night, Sept. 27, when the building committee will be ready to furnish information in regard to rebuilding the opera house. Every member should be sufficiently interested in the matter to attend this meeting.

E. E. and M. P. Benson have bought from Mrs. A. C. True the two lots at the northeast corner of the park and will probably erect a bank building on that corner in the near future. H. C. Lomax has bought H. Markham's interest in the three lots north of the post office building and with Dr. Standly will probably erect three store buildings. It is to be hoped that all these buildings will go up soon, and part or all of them may be built this fall.

John Lewis Agin, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Agin of Linneus, died at the family home at eight o'clock Monday evening, of cerebro-spinal meningitis, after an illness of little more than a day, aged one year, nine months and fifteen days. He seemed to feel fine until about five o'clock Sunday afternoon, when he was taken violently ill, and suffered intensely most of the time until his death. He was a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. John Sweem of Laclede and the little body was brought here for burial Tuesday afternoon. A brief funeral service was conducted at the grave by Rev. T. J. Eneyart, pastor of M. E. church. The bereaved relatives have the sympathy of all.

Army Deserter Escaped

Frank Watson, a deserter from the United States army, was arrested in Laclede Sunday by City Marshal S. F. Thompson. Benton Thompson started with the prisoner to Fort Leavenworth on No. 43 Sunday afternoon. At Kansas City he took Watson to a restaurant near the union depot for supper. Yielding to the pleading of the prisoner, Thompson took off the handcuffs while he was eating, and when Thompson turned his head for an instant Watson ran and, being familiar with the railroad yards, succeeded in escaping. Watson enlisted in the army last spring, but, finding some work connected with the service, deserted June 27, and has since been a fugitive.

High School Notes

The Zeto society will render their second program Friday night, Sept. 27. All cordially invited to attend. Admission 10 cents.

The students are enjoying the examinations this week.

Mr. Owen, a member of the Friendless Society, gave the high school a very interesting talk on the present condition of the state prison and the aim of the society. Several of the high school students spent Tuesday evening with Miss Edith Hamilton, who left Wednesday to spend the winter in California.

The high school is planning several interesting features, such as a county fair and a chautauqua.

While playing at school Wednesday morning, Virginia Dye had the misfortune to fall and break her collar bone.

See the rugs at the Model. Special prices this week. J. B. Patrick.

Trenton-Garrett

At the office of the probate judge in Linneus Wednesday, Sept. 25, Mrs. Lola Trenton of Laclede and Mr. James Wilson Garrett of near Brookfield were married by Judge A. L. Pratt. They were attended by the groom's sister, Mrs. Chas. Foster, of Sumner. The bride is a popular young woman, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Barbee, and the groom is a young farmer living 2½ miles south of Brookfield, where they will make their home after a week or two. The Blade joins their many friends in congratulations and best wishes.

Public Sale

T. M. Hogan has decided to quit farming and will sell his live stock, including horses, cattle and pure-bred Duroc-Jersey hogs, farming implements, etc., at public auction at the Mahurin Fruit farm two miles south and one mile west of Laclede, on Tuesday, Oct. 1. Sale begins at 10 a. m., and lunch will be served by the ladies of the Christian church. Nine months credit will be given on sums over \$10 on approved note; 4 per cent discount for cash. Col. D. G. Shiffett is the auctioneer.

Attention

The annual meeting of the Farmers' Mutual Insurance Co. of Linn county, Mo., will be held in Marcelline at Eagles' hall on Saturday, October 5, 1912, at 10 o'clock a. m.

By order of the Board of Directors. W. B. FLOWERS, Sec.

For Sale

Mrs. O. E. Calloud's residence in the southeast part of town is for sale. See L. W. Libby for particulars.

SHORT PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Brief Mention of Those Who Come and Go During the Week

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Barbee are visiting relatives in Oklahoma.

Maurice Walters went to Illinois Sunday to visit relatives and to look for a location.

Mrs. W. R. Barton of Brookfield spent Monday with relatives and friends in Laclede.

Miss Ethel Sweem of Linneus spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Sweem.

Mrs. Evalyn Armbruster and children returned to their home at Aurora, Ill., Saturday night.

Mrs. J. B. Patrick is attending the state convention of the W. C. T. U. at St. Louis this week.

Charley Evans of Columbus, Kan., visited his aunt, Mrs. S. M. Brown, the first of the week.

Mrs. C. C. Bigger is attending the meeting of the grand chapter of the Eastern Star at St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Allen and baby spent a few days the first of the week with relatives at Rothville.

Miss Nora Bosworth of Shelby is visiting her grandfather, J. C. Cornett, and other relatives this week.

Mrs. Rose Plunkett and Mrs. Anna Barnes of Newark are guests of Mrs. S. W. Tapscott and family.

Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Benson and little son spent Sunday with Capt. and Mrs. A. L. Loomis in Parson Creek township.

Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Weaver left Tuesday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Mouser and family at Oklahoma, Okla.

Miss Florence Ormsby came over from Brookfield Tuesday for a visit with her uncle, A. J. Caywood, and family.

Rev. Wm. Sissons is attending the McGhee presbytery of the Presbyterian church at Lock Springs this week.

Mrs. Louese Lippitt and little son of Meadville spent the first of the week with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Burke.

Mrs. J. H. Duckworth of route three returned home Wednesday from a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Willard, and family at Cincinnati, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Elliott went to Lock Springs Tuesday to attend the semi-annual session of McGhee presbytery of the Presbyterian church.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Boomer, after an extended visit with relatives here and elsewhere in the county, left Wednesday morning for their home near Elk City, Okla.

C. E. Dickson and John Loomis of Meadville, on their way to attend the Masonic grand lodge at St. Louis, were guests of M. P. Benson between trains Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Hamilton and daughters, Misses Mabel and Edith, left Wednesday for California, where they will spend the winter for the benefit of Mrs. Hamilton's health.

Geo. E. Haight came down from Des Moines, Iowa, where he has a good position with a telephone company, Sunday to spend a couple of weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Haight, and his many old friends.