

TOWN AND COUNTRY

About Local People and Events and Other Matters of Interest

Some Early June seed oats for sale by J. L. Mouser.

Good six room house for sale or rent. Mrs. E. B. Skulley.

Eggs from purebred Plymouth Rocks, \$1.00 per setting. Mrs. Harry Landree, phone 91.

Girl wanted to set type at this office. Permanent position and pay while learning. Apply at once.

Barred Plymouth Rock eggs for hatching 75¢ per 15; \$5 per 100. Mrs. Frank Welsh, phone 714, Laclède.

Three Poland China gilts to farrow this month for sale by D. G. Dent, route three, Laclède, phone 633.

Vernis Martin bed with heavy steel springs, Axminster rug 9x12 and an oak side board for sale by J. W. Moberly.

Preaching morning and evening at the Christian church next Sunday by Rev. Seigle. All friends of the church cordially invited.

Wanted. A home on a farm. Work night and day; winter and summer; first class reference. See Walter S. Dickey's ad on page three.

Pure barred Rock eggs for hatching from good winter layers, \$1.00 per 15; \$6.00 per hundred. Mrs. A. M. Walker, Laclède, phone 704.

The Laclède Co-operative Company have in stock a 11-foot farm seeder and invite farmers in need of this kind of a machine to call and see it.

John Kelley, a former mechanic at the Power Garage, was in Laclède Tuesday. He is moving from Linneus to Meadville where he will engage in automobile work.

Miss Laura Love has resigned her clerkship with The Home Store to accept a position in Cramer's dry good store at Brookfield. She enters upon her new duties Monday.

C. F. Sayles, tax collector for this township, made his final settlement with the county court last week. Mr. Sayles made a good record, getting 98.4 per cent of all taxes due.

Not being able to rent a house here on account of the scarcity, Mr. and Mrs. Noah R. Wilson have moved to Brookfield to the regret of their many friends here. They reside at 409 North Peck.

George Matthews has moved from near Sumner to an 80 acre farm he has rented southwest of Meadville. Mr. Matthews was in Laclède on business Friday and called and had the address of his Blade changed.

Evangelist J. A. W. Brown, who recently returned after an absence of more than a year conducting meetings in Oklahoma and Texas, held a meeting at Hale last week and is this week holding a meeting in the northeast part of this county.

Among those from neighboring towns attending the recital were noticed Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Mendenhall, Rev. and Mrs. E. L. Robison and daughter, Miss Mildred, and Mr. and Mrs. George Carpenter of Brookfield; Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Ormiston and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Neal of Linneus.

John T. Cushing of Laclède has this week been called upon to mourn the loss of his dearest

and best friend, his mother, Mrs. Amanda Cushing, who died at her home in Brookfield Saturday. The funeral was held Monday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Stuver in Brookfield and the remains buried in Rose Hill cemetery.

Guy Stark is getting to be one of the big farmers of this vicinity. He not only owns the Stark homestead a mile east of town which he took possession of last week but also owns the Berry 40 just south of his home place and the Joe Marx 61 acres to the east, making him 200 acres.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Libby, former residents of Laclède who have resided at Cheyenne, Okla., for the past quarter century, sent in their annual dues to The Blade this week. As it was here they speak of February and the first part of March being unusually cold with but little done towards spring farming. The family's many friends here will be glad to know that while they suffered from the flu all are enjoying their usual health again.

Wins Limerick Prize

The airplanes will carry our mail in future instead of the rail: And first of month bills Will swoot o'er the hills Once Huns. but now duns mark their trail.

The above lines won a hundred dollar prize for Mrs. Victor W. Lomax in the limerick contest being conducted by the Daily Times of Washington, D. C. In announcing the award the Times printed a picture of Mrs. Lomax and said:

Mrs. Elizabeth Lomax, 1820 K street, is the winner of Limerick No. 25.

Mrs. Lomax is employed in the Bureau of Vocational Education, and her husband, Victor W. Lomax, is in the income tax unit of the treasury department. Both are from Missouri, the husband from Laclède, where members of his family were among those to welcome home General Pershing on his recent triumphal entry to his native town.

Now they will have the privilege of welcoming a Times Limerick winner. The date of Elizabeth Lomax day in Laclède has not yet been set.

This contest was one of the most popular in the series. Everybody seemed to have an idea of the disquite that would come when the postman commenced showering his deadly first-of-the-month missives from the sky.

Missouri's Crop Outlook

The joint monthly report of the State Board of Agriculture and the government concerning crop prospects and other matters pertaining to the Missouri farms and farmers, issued yesterday, indicates that the agricultural outlook in the state is not altogether good.

The wheat acreage has been cut down 1,720,000 acres over 1919. This is attributed to lack of help on the farms. It is indicated that the acreage of corn will be increased this year 15 per cent, which would add 863,000 acres.

Growing wheat needs moisture. At present the wheat grades 68 per cent, against 93 per cent at a corresponding period last year. Great advances in the price of farming lands is noted, and a disposition on the part of farmers to raise less horses and more mules because of exceedingly high prices paid for the long-eared animals.

The fruit outlook is stated to be good.

Obituary

Lucy Margarette Bennett was born near Sumner, Mo., August 11, 1901, departed this life March 4, 1920, at the home of her parents in Laclède, age 18 years, 4 months and 23 days. She was the daughter of Mr. Oliver and Mrs. Maude Bennett. Besides her father, mother and brother John, she leaves her Grandmother Wamhoff, and Grandfather Bennett and a number of other relatives and friends to mourn their loss. Lucy was a faithful and obedient daughter, quiet and homeloving in disposition.

She was a sweet christian character, having given her heart to Christ she united with the Laclède Baptist church, July 20, 1919. Here she served willingly and well until she was taken ill and in relief from the ravages of pneumonia her Lord called her home.

The funeral was conducted by her pastor in the home Saturday, March 6, at 1:30 p. m. and her body laid to rest in the Laclède cemetery, by Director Chapman.

Members of her Sunday school class acted as pall-bearers and flower girls.

The many friends of the family join sympathetically with them in their sorrow and especially the mother who on account of sickness is confined to her bed.

Here and There

Captain F. M. Lewis, a native of Ohio but residing in Chariton county since 1869, died at his home in Sumner February 27, at the age of 82 years. The remains were buried at Brunswick.

On account of the high price of material and labor the Masonic Association at Marceline has called off its decision to build a temple for which plans and blue prints had already been made.

James F. Kelly, one of Linn county's oldest and most widely known pioneers, died at his home in Linneus on Thursday night of last week. He had reached the ripe age of 82 years, 75 of which were spent in this county.

Notice of Annual School Election

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of the school district of Laclède in Linn county, Missouri, that the Annual School Election will be held at the M. W. A. hall in said district on

Tuesday, April 2, 1920.

The polls will be opened at (7) seven o'clock a. m. and closed at (6) six o'clock p. m. and the following will be submitted to the qualified voters for their determination at said election, to-wit:

The election of four members of the board of directors—two for a term of three years and one to fill an unexpired term of two years, and one to fill an unexpired term of one year.

A proposition for a levy of a tax of one hundred cents on each \$100.00 of the assessed valuation of the district for the purpose of maintaining the schools of the district during the ensuing year.

Also a proposition for a levy of a tax of 25 cents on each \$100.00 of the assessed valuation of the district for the purpose of maintenance of grounds and buildings, and purchase of library equipment.

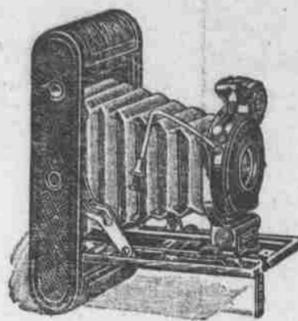
A proposition for a term of nine months school.

A proposition for free text books for the grades.

Done by order of the Board this 3rd day of March, 1920.

Lee Hamilton, President.
L. F. Moore, Secretary.

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U. S. INCOME TAX EXEMPTS NOBODY

Every Person Who Had Income in 1919 Must Determine Own Liability.

MARCH 15 LAST FILING DATE.

Surest Way is to Follow Form 1040A. Free Advice in Doubtful Cases. Severe Penalties in Law.

Nobody is exempt from Income Tax. An obligation is laid directly on the shoulders of each citizen and resident to consider his own case and to get his return in on time if one is due. With each return showing a tax due a payment must accompany the return in the full amount of the tax or at least one-quarter of the tax. All returns for 1919 must be filed on or before March 15.

Must Show True Figures. In figuring up his earnings for income tax purposes a person must take into consideration all items of taxable income, and each item itself must be accurate in amount. Guesses and estimates must be avoided, for the return is made under oath.

Everybody who had an income during 1919 must now determine whether his or her net income was sufficient in amount to require an Income Tax return. The best way to find out is to get a Form 1040A and follow the instructions printed on it. That form will serve as a reminder of every item of income; and if a return is due, it tells how to prepare and file it.

One of the important points to keep in mind is that a person's net income is found by a computation prescribed in the law, and that each item of income from every source must be considered, unless specifically exempted.

Another thing to remember is that the personal exemption allowed taxpayers by law has no relation whatever to the requirement to file returns. This exemption is not to be considered until a person has figured out his net income and determined whether it was

sufficient to require him to file a return. Then, if a return must be filed, he should read carefully the instructions for claiming exemption, and complete his return.

If in doubt on any point as to income or deductions, a person may secure free advice and aid from the nearest Internal Revenue office. Many banks and trust companies are also furnishing similar service during banking hours.

Heavy Penalties in Law. For failing to make a return on time the penalty is a fine of not more than \$1,000 and an addition of 25 per cent to the tax, if any. For making a false or fraudulent return the penalty is a fine of not more than \$10,000 or imprisonment not exceeding one year, or both; and, in addition, 50 per cent of the tax. There are other penalties for failing to pay tax when due and for understatement of the tax through negligence.

Many Sources of Income. Aside from what one may earn by his services, there are many other sources of income. If he sold any property during 1919 he must figure out the gain realized. If he rented buildings, land, apartments or rooms such rents must be considered taxable, and he may claim deductions for necessary expenses incidental to rents.

Bank interest is a common source of income and is taxable whether withdrawn or not. Any amount of interest credited to a depositor is income to the depositor.

Interest on mortgages and notes is taxable; also bond interest received from corporations.

A taxpayer who cashed his insurance during 1919 must report as income any excess received over the total of premiums paid.

Members of partnerships or personal service corporations or beneficiaries of an estate or trust must report their shares of income distributable to them whether or not actually withdrawn.

Dividends of domestic corporations must be reported. Many other forms of income are taxable, unless specifically exempted.

NO GIFT.

"Does your cook give you any impertinence?"
"No. She charges me ten dollars a week for it."