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THE SOUTHEAST.

Eredericktown News: Mrs. James Price, living six miles west of this city, shot her daughter on last Wednesday night. We have been unable to learn the full particulars. The weapon was a 44 calibre. We were told that the girl and her brother had been throwing beans at Mrs. Price and she ran them up stairs with the gun; they ran down stairs and the girl went out side and put her face against the window pane, and Mrs. Price put the pistol against the glass and fired, shooting the girl through the forehead. She was not dead at 8 o'clock Thursday morning, but there was little chance for her to live. Mrs. Price was away from home at the time. Mrs. Price asserts she did not know the gun was loaded.

I don't understand how so many unvarnished lies get into the newspapers. In the accounts that appear in the newspapers of the Liddell trial all of them contain this falsehood: "Under oath Liddell testified that he had assisted Duval and Mrs. Hinkle in attempts to run away together." Mr. Liddell did not testify at all. The case was dismissed after the state had presented its case and before the defense had placed a witness on the stand. The Cape Republican goes further than any other paper and says "Mr. Mozley obtained admissions from the old man which are of great value to him." Where did you get it Mr. Republican? Your entire report of the matter is a fabrication.

In the city of Cape Girardeau the women have organized to improve conditions. In that town they elect Democratic administrations, Republican administrations, Independent administrations—and always it is the same—capitalism, the brewery and the saloons. In a speech last week Mayor Patton said that "the investigation now going on developed that officers of the city were from \$4,000 to \$6,000 short," and that "until the people rise and take an interest in municipal matters there is no hope of getting better things." Well, if the people have to get busy, then what is the use of being unembarrassed with the party.

Morehouse Hustler: Little River has been on another of its famous hot and not frequent rumpages. Water began pouring over the levee north of town Tuesday and on Wednesday the Little River got up Wednesday they came near cutting up in water. It struck the vicinity of the Hustler's about a few hours later, and since then we have been following the style of many other Morehouse citizens and wearing boots.

A bill has been introduced into Congress providing for the restoration of the motto, "In God We Trust," to the gold coins. I beg leave to suggest an amendment consisting of only one additional word, let the legend read, "In This God We Trust." It will, in many cases, substitute absolute truth for uncertain profession, and also proclaim a truth unquestioned and world wide.

While delirious from fever Mrs. James Matterson, of Bell City, related a story to the effect that her husband was a bigamist—having another wife in Indiana from which he had not been divorced. Matterson was arrested and taken to Bloomfield jail, where he committed suicide by hanging himself in his cell.

Investigation into the affairs of the city of Cape Girardeau has caused the suspension of City Treasurer J. Schulte, who is charged with being \$3,000 short and City Clerk George E. Chippell, charged in seven counts of negligence, etc.

Engraving high waters are reported all over Southeast Missouri and trains on all lines are delayed. Owing to the high water our train has had to go around by Bloomfield. Mails have been very irregular.

The Democratic organs taunt the Republican organs by pointing to the present panic, and the Republican organs get even by pointing to the panic of 1903 under Democratic rule. Sound argument?

Mrs. Henry Calver died of hydrophobia near Delta last week. While feeding a cat several months ago the animal became furious and bit her. She died in great agony.

The farmers of the northern part of Cape county have organized a telephone company and elected officers. The farmers can do things when they try.

While standing near a stove the clothes of Miss Bird Baker, of near Essex, caught fire and she was so severely burned that death resulted soon after.

The Morehouse Hustler appeared last week much improved in size and appearance.

ATTENTION SOCIALISTS.
All locals are requested to meet and select three delegates to attend a county meeting at Morley, Saturday March 14, at 1 o'clock, for the purpose of establishing a county organization. J. H. Branham.

H. L. SEUFERT & CO.,
Commission Merchants,
Will pay you highest market price for stock pigs, poultry, eggs, hides, etc.
201 North North Street, St. Louis, Mo.

MAD WOLF AT CHAFFEE.

A wolf, supposed to be mad, bit several people in and around Chaffee Monday. Reports differ, but it seems that the wolf attacked Dick Stokes, a car inspector, and bit him in the face. He called for help and Humpy Lewis, a boy wiper at the round-house, came to his assistance and was bitten. Stokes is in St. Louis Frisco hospital receiving injections of the Pasteur serum for the prevention of hydrophobia.

As for the wolf operations around Chaffee the Oran correspondent sends this story: "A wolf appeared Sunday evening at Tom Moran's, biting several of his hogs. Tom says he mistook it for his neighbor's Newfoundland dog and drove it away. The next morning it rushed into a Gypsy camp, got into a fight with the dogs and bit four men—two of them being badly bitten. From there the wolf went southwest, passing Cassie Hunt and Joe Logrand—both of whom gave the wolf the right-of-way. When it neared the residence of Tom Blocker, Tom was prepared for his wolfship and shot him dead."

The St. Louis papers report that John Heeb, president of the county farmer's union, was bitten but the Kicker has no confirmation of this story.

FROM ORAN.

Uncle John Friend says, "I wish I could express my views on paper as I would like on man's inhumanity to man as I see practiced almost daily. In my olden times when our neighbors were sick, in distress or in need of assistance in any way, we gave such assistance as was in our power and considered it our duty to do so. A kind of reciprocity existed in every neighborhood. But a change has come over the country and over the people and things are not what they once were. That brotherly love is not shown between neighbors as formerly. There is a class here, and I regret to say it, who are willing to have favors showered upon them, but who would feel offended if you should ask them to bestow a like favor upon you."

F. S. Bice shipped three car loads of stock to St. Louis last week and will ship more this week. The farmers here are, year after year, turning their attention more to raising of stock—to diversified farming—and find this to be much more profitable. The practice of hoarding of devoting their whole time and energies to the raising of only the staple crops (corn and wheat) has not, in all seasons, proven a material success and moreover has a tendency to impoverish the soil.

Clayton said it just "out of sight" \$1000 dollars and fifty cents per hundred pounds offered and but life is to be had at that. Several parties are ordering direct from St. Louis. It used to be held that clay was the best and cheapest fertilizer that the farmer could use, but of late the theory is advanced that it is of an uncertain growth and is not as profitable as in former years.

The entertainment at the opera house Friday evening under the auspices of the ladies of the Baptist church was a success. The recitations were good, and those to whom parts had been assigned went through without a break. Receipts \$52.

The statement by Supt. Smith that he would hold a teachers' institute or training school here this summer meets with the approval of the people here. This is the most accessible point.

Mrs. Bert Ringo had the misfortune to get her wrist cut Sunday. In opening a glass jar of fruit, the top of the jar broke, the glass cutting her wrist severely.

N. B. Cavanah, of Diehlstadt was here Saturday. He visited the school and was pleased with the appearance of things there.

O. A. Pelzer, of Cape Girardeau, was here Wednesday. The report is that Mr. Pelzer may go into the newspaper business here.

Mrs. Mabel Myers, who is attending the Elmwood Seminary at Farmington, came home Friday, returning Tuesday.

W. A. Bridges, the poultry dealer, departed last week for Montrose, Ill., where he will make his home.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Genoway, of Fredericksburg, were visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. McLean.

Rev. S. R. Bowman says his family is in Cape county visiting relatives and he is batching.

Mrs. May C. Moore and daughter, Miss Kathleen, are visiting relatives here this week.

Prof. Aulsbury went up to Cape Girardeau Saturday returning Sunday.

Clarence Johnson and Sheriff Gieber were here Saturday.

A pie supper at Dr. Bryte's Saturday night. All are invited.

John W. Schulte will organize a brass band here.

FROM SAVANNAH.

There will be Sunday school at Savannah every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock and prayer meeting every Sunday night. Everybody invited.

Some of the young folks attended the entertainment at Oak Grove Saturday night.
Bill Casco became suddenly ill with pneumonia Sunday.
Our Farmers union is 65 strong.

FROM MORLEY.

Two of a party of seven men who were injured in a fight with a wolf at a butcher shop at Chaffee, were here Monday to have L. C. Beggs apply a madstone to the wounds. The other five went to St. Louis for treatment.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Lon Oment, which was born and died last Thursday, was buried in the Carpenter cemetery.

Constable Larry Brown and J. R. Johnson arrested some parties charged with disturbing the peace here Saturday night.

Little Stella Bray visited her aunt, Mrs. Mary Hinkle, at Benton Sunday.

Dr. W. D. Tomlinson returned from a business trip to St. Louis Saturday.

Rev. Randol will preach at Ward school house Sunday.

Geo. Life, of Cary, moved to town Monday.

Wm. Watson is building a new barn.

Mrs. John Dillon is very sick.

FROM VANDUSER.

The Socialists had quite an interesting meeting here Saturday night. They are gaining fast in this community. The articles by Mr. Branham and Mrs. King were both highly appreciated, by Kicker readers here.

The Baptists held prayer meeting on Tuesday night and the Methodists on Wednesday night of each week. Let every professed Christian strive to make these meetings profitable.

George Layton was called to the bedside of his mother who is quite sick at the home of his brother, Tony, at Morley.

There will be an entertainment at the school house Saturday night, the 29th. Admission, 10 and 15c.

Times are very dull in our community, and farmers are looking blue because of so much water.

The railroad repair work has given employment to about all the idle men of our town.

Grandma Baker has been confined to her bed several weeks with something like dyspepsia.

Tom Gibbs is quite sick with malarial fever and bronchial trouble.

Grandpa Mayes is making his home with his son, Henry, at this place.

D. A. Potter and family spent Sunday with relatives on Caney Creek.

Amy Beare and Charley Martin attended a party at Oran Monday night.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Jones, a fine baby girl on the 21st. Mr. and Mrs. Dan Winters are the proud parents of twin girls.

Saturday and Sunday is Rev. Ricketts' regular appointment.

Rev. Harris preached Sunday night at the Methodist church.

Mrs. Ella Joyce and Robt. Spann were at Benton Tuesday.

Sol Parks is in Illinois looking for a location.

FROM MULLIN'S ISLAND.

R. J. Dabbs, of Naylor, has bought out Chas. Daugherty and will move back here.

Mrs. N. Dabbs visited relatives at Sikeston the first of the week.

Charles and Edith Geer visited Miss Iona Hollick Sunday.

John Evans visited his sister at Dudley last week.

Mrs. Bulah Anderson is visiting at Charleston.

FROM MT. ZION.

Wm. Zimmerman and wife visited Mrs. Anna Underwood last week.

E. C. Williams and wife spent Sunday at the home of his mother.

Miss Ethel Williams visited Anna Boyce at Morley, Sunday.

Alphonso Williams and wife were at Morley Sunday.

Miss Dora Levan visited Ethel Williams last week.

L. O. Williams and wife were at Morley Sunday.

FROM WARD'S SWITCH.

Mrs. Mary Marrs and children, of Oran, are visiting her sister, Mrs. Will Dickerson.

Misses Cella Hopper and Laura Smith visited at Mr. Diamond's Monday.

Mrs. Lulu McLain is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Abbott.

Miss Laura Smith, of Morley, is visiting Miss Cella Hopper.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirby visited at Wm. Dickerson's Sunday.

Miss Dora Dickerson visited at Mr. Finley's Sunday.

Miss Rilla Irwin visited at Mr. Diamond's Sunday.

John York was at Blodgett Monday.

Mary Lancaster is sick.

John Foster is sick.

FROM BUGG RIDGE.

Irvin Gibbs was on the Ridge Sunday.

Charles and Edith Geer attended Sunday school at Ward school house Sunday.

Mrs. Callie Geer is visiting sick folks at Sikeston.

Alex Silmon and wife were on the Island Sunday.

AROUND BENTON.

J. H. Branham writes that he organized three Socialist locals last week—at Owensby, Hickory Grove and Oak Grove. Next Thursday night, March 8, he will organize at Cross Plains and invites all to be present.

L. P. Woodward, of the Farmers Mercantile Co., Vanduser, was here Wednesday arranging to let the people know that his firm will begin a cut-price sale Monday. See their announcement on this page.

George Scherer was here Wednesday to have some bills printed for his horse and jack. The Kicker is turning out quite a batch of this class of work just now.

Andy Robert, who took his wife to St. Anthony's hospital, St. Louis, recently, says that Mrs. Robert is improved and expects her home in a week or two.

Sheriff Gober left for Oklahoma Thursday after the Negro, Young, who killed Conductor Wolfe at Chaffee last year. Young is in custody.

Local talent gave an entertainment at the court house Friday evening that was well attended. A dance followed the entertainment.

J. T. Marrs, of Blodgett, J. W. Sullenger, of Morley, and Judge Albrecht and Henry Eifer, of Rock Church, were here Wednesday.

James Stone, of Columbus Ky., spent several days of this week with his brother, Thomas, returning Wednesday.

James F. Allen was here Wednesday to arrange for placing an iron fence around the family graveyard.

R. K. Griggs of Morley, was here Wednesday. He is engaged in the "boss" and jack business.

Uncle Tom Hawkins brought the editor some nice honey Wednesday Thanks.

FROM NEW HAMBURG.

Joe Chattenbach, who attended school here six years ago, and who went into the U. S. Navy, is here on a visit. Monday he called at the school and at the request of Prof. Schulte, gave the pupils a brief talk on the life of soldiers and sailors in the service.

Since this is Leap Year the young ladies about here are anxious to know the whereabouts of Jess Logel. Will the Kelso correspondent please locate him?

Frank Taylor and Miss Clementine Hahn attended church at Oran Sunday and spent the evening with Miss Annie Miller.

Miss Grace Britt returned from Kentucky Sunday accompanied by her cousin, Harry Schronce, who will farm with Mrs. Emelia Britt.

It is reported here that Barney Hearing was seen at Kelso Sunday automobiling his girl around.

Adam Burger has traded his farm east of town to J. H. Boardman for land in the Ozarks.

Wm. Bandenistel, of Perry county, is here visiting his brother, Barney.

Louis Pfefferkorn will move to Oran soon. We regret to lose him.

George Leible and Jim Hand, of Kelso, were here Sunday.

FROM KELSO.

Our community was shocked by the announcement that Joe Leist had committed suicide Friday evening at his home near Edna, by shooting himself through the brain with a 44-caliber pistol. Mr. Leist was regarded a good citizen and last fall married Mrs. Lena Ledure, of Macedonia. He is a brother to Lawrence Leist and to Mrs. Joe Hess and has two grown sons—Frank and Joe. What caused him to commit the rash act is not known, but it is reported that he was worrying over money due him on notes that he could not collect and feared he would lose.

There was quite a bit of excitement in town Friday night when Willie Willmann and Henry Hohmann had a difficulty in which Willmann hit Hohmann on the head with a hatchet.

Frank Compas and John Reinagle made a business trip to Chaffee last Thursday.

Leo Westrich was in town last week. Leo, this is leap year, give the girls a chance.

The youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Compas was very sick Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Compas visited at the home of Chas. Dunger Sunday.

Mrs. Joe Hahn and children visited Mrs. John Messmer last week.

Chas. Diebold and family, of Hamburg visited here Sunday.

Business Locals.

FOR SALE.—Lots 7, 8 and 9 in block 1, McGraw's addition to Oran. Wm. Weidfeld or Dennis Graesser, New Hamburg, Mo. 17.

I have 200 bushels of first-class blue pens for sale at \$200 per bushel. T. J. Ditterline, Commerce, Mo. 17.

FOR RENT.—60 acres of corn land. G. A. Campbell, Commerce, Mo. 17-4.

I have a limited number of S. C. Brown Leghorn cockerels for sale, full stock. W. V. MILLER. 12-17

Farmer!—Call at the union warehouse No. 1, at Oran, where you can get the best flour, bran, shipstuffs, etc., and also the best price for your grain. Mike Holinger, manager. (14-1.)

SPRING is APPROACHING!

And we never allow the grass to grow under our feet. Owing to the very mild winter we are caught with a large stock of goods that we must unload at once at a sacrifice in order to

Make Room for Our Spring Goods!

The goods we offer are all fresh—the bulk having been brought on since November—and you will make no mistake by investigating. This Slaughter Sale will be for Cash only and begins

Monday, March 2

And continues for two weeks, ending Saturday evening, March 14. We handle everything the trade demands. Among the many things on which we can save you money investigate our

SHOES AND CLOTHING!

These are going to sell, and sell cheap. We call the especial attention of the ladies to our

Dress Goods Department!

We cannot say all we wish to say here. We appreciate the liberal patronage you have given us and hope to see you during this sale. We assure you courteous attention. Between the hours of 7 a. m. and 6 p. m. the cashier will announce every 20th sale, to which the purchaser will be entitled free if not over \$1.00. If the 20th purchase is over \$1, then the purchaser will be required to pay only the excess of \$1.

Farmers Mercantile Co., Vanduser.

FROM OWENSBY DISTRICT.

J. H. Branham, of Vanduser, organized a Socialist local at Owensby Friday night with twenty-two charter members. T. N. Pate is president and Brady Wright is recording secretary and Hiram King financial secretary. The local meets again Saturday night, when an increased membership is expected. It is worthy of note that all over the county the farmers who are taking to Socialism are those who read a great deal and think for themselves.

Owensby is one of the largest rural school districts in the county in both enumeration and attendance and is the poorest equipped in apparatus and furniture.

L. Rice and family, of Commerce, were guests of Adolph Rahm Sunday.

Mesdames Anderson and Rice visited at Blodgett Sunday.

T. B. Worroll and wife were at Charleston Saturday.

Miss Rosie Bles was at Benton Sunday.

FROM CROSS PLAINS.

The new house on the Edwards place is nearing completion. It will be occupied by Spencer Phillips.

Jim Smith and wife and Miss Pearl Myers, of Blodgett, visited Roy Kneezel and family Sunday.

Wade Anderson, of Commerce, was down to see Josh French Monday.

Mr. Foster, of Miner Switch, visited Spencer Phillips last week.

Bob Thurman has gone to Grand Tower, Ill., for a short stay.

Josh French and family visited Spencer Abbott Sunday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Venable, a fine boy.

Geo. Vinyard visited at Blodgett Sunday.

FROM REDMAN SWITCH.

George Barnes, residing near Oran, was here Friday wearing a smile that wouldn't come off. The cause of the smile was a fine new girl at his house.

Cross Plains local Farmers union had a call meeting Saturday night and initiated two members.

Tom Ditterline delivered a load of hay to J. P. Ranney in Richwoods Monday.

Grandma Dillon, who has been quite sick with "grippe," is improving.

Ranney Beardslee, of near Commerce, was here Monday after hay.

FROM PORTER'S SWITCH.

Mrs. Mary Anderson and son, Charles, of Cairo, Ill., visited the family of John Huffstutler last week. Charles returned home Sunday, but his mother stayed for a longer visit.

There were 39 baptized on the 16th the result of Rev. Daugherty's meeting at Savannah. Such a meeting has been needed for a long time.

Miss Earl Puckett took dinner with Miss Lee Huffstutler and her sister, Tilla, took dinner with Miss Lear Humphrey Sunday.

The entertainment at White Oak Saturday night was well attended.

PEONAGE VERDICT UPHELD.

The Supreme court of the United States has sustained the verdict of the lower courts in the peonage case of Smith Bros., of Sikeston, and their employes, and their only hope now to escape imprisonment and the fines is interference by the president.

FROM COMMERCE.

After spending several weeks in Sikeston Miss Virgie Anderson returned home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Anderson, of Edna, are visiting the family of Dr. Blackledge.

Laure Marshall and sister, of Charleston, are here visiting relatives.

Miss Ivah Chewning spent several days here with Miss Nettie Marshall.

Navigation has opened up. Stacker Lee passed up Wednesday.

Miss Emma Matthews is in St. Louis. W. E. Ward is also there.

Miss Ella Poll died Thursday, after a long illness.

FROM CROOKED CREEK.

Misses Ethel and May Rochell and Miss May Hawkins were guests of Misses Grace and Linnie Garvey at Macedonia Sunday.

Miss Lizzie Williams, of Commerce is quite sick at the home of Mr. Kerley.

Mrs. Chas. Reynolds, who has been quite sick, is able to be out again.

Mrs. S. Totty visited Mrs. Renfro Clymer a few days last week.

A. J. Penn and Chas. Reynolds were at Ilmo Saturday.

Phil. Gibbs and wife, of Fayette, Ill., visited here Sunday.

O. S. Laakey, of Chaffee, was here Sunday.

FROM MACEDONIA.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ambros Bles, last Thursday, a fine baby girl. A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Will Belk on the same day.

At 2:30 p. m. Sunday there will be English service at Jackson Hill school house by Rev. A. Fuehler.

Grace Garvey and Mary Sanders visited the Ellis school Monday.

Tom Hawkins and wife visited at Fornell Sunday.

FROM DIEHLSTADT.

Miss Dora Berns, who is attending school at Eredericktown, visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Cavanah, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Brown, of Prices Landing, spent Sunday at the home of Clarence Williams.

Misses Clara Watkins and Eunice Hindman visited Mrs. Kill Dew Sunday.

Mesdames Lulu Berns and Emma Williams visited Mrs. Joe Watkins Monday.

Will Kirkpatrick and Levi Welch had business at Benton Monday.

Rev. Falon will hold services at the Methodist church Sunday.

Wash Williams had business at Charleston Monday.

Mrs. Joe Kirkpatrick, of Sikeston, is visiting here.

Miss Mae Cox is sick.

TO BLODGETT SOCIALISTS.

You are requested to attend a call meeting at the school house Saturday March 7, at 2 p. m. for the purpose of selecting three delegates to the county meeting at Morley March 14. John T. Marrs, sec.