

**ANNOUNCEMENT.**  
I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Superintendent of Public Schools of Scott county, at the annual school election, Tuesday, April 6, 1909.  
Respectfully, CHARLES HARRIS.

**FARMERS' MEETING.**  
The county union of the farmers met here Tuesday and Wednesday with a good attendance. Owing to sickness in the family President Heeb was not here, and Vice-President J. W. Adams presided. The other officers were: Geo. A. Vinyard, secretary; Arthur Withrow, conductor; Thos. Snowden, door-keeper; E. E. Brown, chaplain. The locals represented and delegates were:

Ellis—Fritz Miller.  
Hickory Grove.—J. E. Morrow, John Beckman, C. P. Underwood, Pleasant Valley.—E. A. Dodson, J. A. Withrow.  
New Harmony.—E. F. Love, Fred Prawl, W. H. Tanner.  
Lemmons.—Joe Mackley, Clarence Pool.  
Oak Grove.—J. T. Huey, John Collins.  
Diehlstadt.—J. W. Martin, Wm. Miedel, J. R. Kirkpatrick.  
Dumfries.—D. K. Page, W. D. Davis.  
Arling Pool.—A. P. Cook, H. G. At.  
Casper Creek.—Romanus Halber, Joe Mier.  
Edna.—Vesper Miller, Louis Ziegler.  
Owensby.—T. S. Pate, Beedy Wyatt.  
Wylie.—W. V. Miller, T. A. Wylie.  
New Hamburg.—John Schlitz, Peter Gosche, John J. Klipfel.  
Schererville.—Wm. Weldfield, Joseph Grueck.  
Oran.—Mike Bollinger, Ed. Miller.  
Macedonia.—C. H. Rastberry, R. W. Taylor.  
Lusk.—Ben Marshall, B. W. Swank.  
Cross Plains.—Adam Schaefer, W. A. Harrison, Warren Henry.  
Tuesday evening County Lecturer Evans delivered a public address on unionism, after which School Commissioner Smith entertained the farmers with his stereopticon school scenes—all of which the farmers seemed to enjoy.

Wednesday the various committees reported. The most important resolution adopted urged each local union to report to the next meeting the amount of stock its members would take in a co-operative stock company to be established for the purpose of furnishing to the farmers machinery and other supplies—each local to guarantee the amount subscribed by it. That begins to look like business.

Another resolution requested Senator Oliver and Representative Wade to urge the passage of a law permitting the union to condemn land for purpose of establishing upon warehouses as is done in Wisconsin. Also that railroads be compelled to build spurs or sidetracks to such warehouses. For two years the farmers of the lower end of the county have tried to get a warehouse site in the town, but failed. At points where ground could be secured the railroads refused to build switches for them—hence the merchants have them hemmed in at every turn.

Casper Miller, of Edna, and E. F. Love and W. H. Tanner, of New Harmony, are the new executive committee.

The next meeting will be held at Cross Plains the second Tuesday in April.

**HEAD US, SOMEBODY!**

Oh, I reckon there is no use getting skeered about what our leading citizens are going to do to the Kicker. The total number of subscriptions received during February, 1908, were 108. Already 63 have been landed for February 1909—leaving only 45 more to be secured to equal last year. And we have the greater part of the month to work in.

Now if you fellows out at the forks of the road don't get in another 63 before the end of this month, I'll think you haven't done your best. The arrivals since last issue are:

Blodgett.—Ed. Brummitt, A. J. Williams, W. A. Marrs, J. P. Cox, A. G. Wood, Thos. Rodgers.  
Benton.—A. H. Adams, G. W. Venable, Wiley Hamlin, G. Polard, Morley.—R. L. Harrison, H. B. Ferguson, N. Daboz, J. E. Smith, Sikeston.—S. M. Wallace, E. F. Love, W. H. Tanner, S. M. Pratt, Commerce.—P. E. Daugherty, Wm. Canham, J. A. Daugherty, Wm. Hamburg.—Louis Goetz, Joe Klipfel, Barney Heuring, Vanduser.—Levi Smith, Henry Absher, John Goldsmith, Foruvelt.—Dan Elbert, Adolph Krueger.

Oran.—J. A. Miller, Aug. Gosche, Frank Felden, Rockview; Miss Ida Wilhelm, Charleston; Romanus Halter, Bleda; Leo Glasstetter, DeRay; F. W. Brennecke, Mountain Grove; John Jauch, Marianna, Ark.; Frank Kuhn, Texarkana, Ark.; Mrs. Vera Key, Troy, Tenn.

**FROM OWENSBY.**  
Charley Baty and Miss Clara Richardson were married at the home of Jim Baty last week.

Miss Annie Pate is visiting her sister, Mrs. Albert Vandike, at Malden.  
Fred Abbott visited relatives in Edna Saturday and Sunday.  
Mrs. Belle Owens is visiting at Diehlstadt.

**FROM MORLEY.**

Joe Sanders and Bob Griggs went to South last week to see Jos. Griggs, an uncle, who had not been heard of for twenty-five years. But he had gone to Arkansas and they failed to see him.

The last cold weather had a bad effect on Sandywoods wheat. It seems that much of the wheat is badly frozen.

Plummer Abbott has sold out to Chas. Lancaster, of Vanduser who will move here this week.

J. T. Spicer's brother-in-law, of Paragould, Ark., is visiting Mr. Spicer and family.

Alpha Emerson, of Bugg Ridge, visited his brothers, Frank and Preston, Tuesday.

Mrs. Elsie Norman and Miss Adelle Fowler, of Bell City, visited at Morley this week.

C. P. Howle, daughter and niece returned to their home in Barlow, Ky. Saturday.

Mrs. Abbe Evans is up again after a two weeks' illness.

John Dillon went to the hospital at St. Louis this week.

Dr. T. E. Tomlinson is having his fruit trees pruned.

Doak Smith, of Malden, has moved to Morley.

Mrs. Cale Porter is visiting relatives in Illinois.

Clarence Abernathy is moving to Bugg Ridge.

**FROM SALCEDO.**  
Everybody had a good time at the box supper. It was given by Miss Lillie Newton for the benefit of the school.

Hess Bateman has been dragging the roads. It seems to make quite an improvement.

T. F. Baker is weighing corn for the Scott County Milling Co.

W. H. Houston shelled corn Thursday.

Tom Fisher has moved here from Morehouse.

**FROM ROOTWAD.**  
Our farmer's union men Monday night and elected the following officers: Jeff. Love, president; Wm. Lindley, vice-president; T. B. Cochran, conductor; J. O. Trout, chaplain.

Charley Simpson and Thomas Cain have staked out a claim on James Baker's clearing and gone to hard work.

Miss Ollie Henning, of Memphis, visited Miss Della Trent last week—returning Sunday.

Owing to the illness of our teacher we have had no school during the past week.

Albert Wylie and Wm. Lindley are building a telephone line from Sikeston to their homes.

**FROM BLODGETT.**  
Mrs. John Peal and grandson, Paul Clark, departed Tuesday last week for Florida on an extended visit to her daughter, Mrs. T. Adams.

Misses Laura and Margie Cooper, of Sikeston, were the guests of Mrs. John Beardlee Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Griffin, of Morehouse, visited Rev. and Mrs. Dennis Sunday.

Robert Powell, of Illinois, visited his brother, M. Powell, Monday of last week.

Catender Lambert, of Cape Girardeau was here Friday.

Mrs. Isidiah Miller and son, of Benton, were here Saturday.

Gideon Grigsby, of Sikeston, was in our town Friday.

**FROM ORAN.**

Saturday was a busy day in Oran. There were three arrests. Two plead guilty and received light fines. The other stood trial, was found guilty and fined \$25 and costs—amounting to \$25—making a total of \$50. In default of payment he is boarding it out at the calaboose.

The body of Ed. Engle, who died at the hospital at St. Louis, was buried here Saturday. The remains were brought down by the K. of P. Friday. The burial ceremony was conducted by the M. W. of A. The funeral was largely attended. Rev. Boutwell preached the funeral sermon.

The little child of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Query, who was badly burned some time ago, is some better.

**FROM ROCKVIEW.**  
They say that times are better and that things will open up in the spring. But it don't pan out that way in our town. Last month the number of men on the road was cut down and this month they have laid off some more men. There are men here every day looking for work. But there is none to secure. Will somebody please explain?

Tommy Carroll, of Blodgett, is visiting pa and ma and his brother, Ed, who was shot in the arm recently. Ed is getting along nicely.

G. A. Bennett has rented the Murray farm which has been occupied by Frank Feiden and will try his luck at farming.

John Amrhein and Al. Pobst and Misses Mary Heisserer and Josephine Steimle, of Oran, attended the birthday party of Al. Goetz and Frank Steimle last week.

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The trustees of the home insurance were here Saturday collecting assessments.

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**FROM NEW HAMBURG.**

At a progressive euchre party at this place Sunday evening the following were prize winners: Mrs. P. Schoen won an album; Arnold Dirnberger, an inkstand; Johnnie Dirnberger, a plate, cup and saucer; Miss Augusta Schulte, a necktie; Miss Amanda Schwartz, a thimble; Ed. Schwartz, a doll, and Dr. Schingler, a headless doll. There were several others whose names we did not get.

The Sunday "night riders" are now pretty well organized with Sol. Hahn and Victor Bollinger as organizers. Ed. Hahn and Harry Cannon as guides and Henry Laub as spy. The next raid they are going to make will be about the 15th of this month and it would be advisable for everybody to load the gun and turn the watchdog loose on that night.

The Kicker correspondent at this place received a letter from Frank Kuhn, of Texarkana, Ark., with a dollar bill in it which said: "Please renew my subscription to the Kicker for me at once so it will continue coming as I can't well do without it." There are many others like Mr. Kuhn.

The school directors—John Hamm, Andy Schoen and Mike Dirnberger—accompanied by Father Moenig—visited our school Tuesday of last week. Supervisor Smith and Ernest Grant were here Thursday—taking the picture of the school children.

Chas. Welter and wife, of Anceil, came over to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Essner to see Mrs. Welter's brother, John, who came home from Dallas, Tex. on a visit recently and then took down sick while here.

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**FROM EDNA.**

The W. C. T. U. organized here with the following officers: Mrs. J. A. Finch, president; Mrs. Tom Stevens, vice-president; Mrs. Morton, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Brissenden, secretary; Mrs. Dr. Tate, treasurer. Now if the W. C. T. U. would go after the liquor traffic in the right way—take the profit out of it—then they could accomplish something effective.

Town Clerk Wm. Wall, who has been sick, is out again.

I wish to correct a mistake that some of my friends (?) seem to be laboring under. There are a number of citizens of Edna and vicinity who have been told that, along with others, I had written the trainmaster of the Cotton Belt asking him to stop the men and boys from carrying coal from the railroad yards. Now, what interest I would have in keeping the poor or, in fact, anyone, from getting a little coal to keep from freezing, I can't understand, as I am not, in any way, connected with anyone selling coal. There is no one with the ordinary amount of common sense that pays any attention to the report, but Edna has a number of citizens who are in the habit of being led by others or, in fact, incapable of acting for themselves. They believe what they are told. For the benefit of those who want to believe such rot, I refer them to the trainmaster, Mr. F. S. Stinson, who knows why these orders were issued and will tell them. J. W. Jacon.

**MARRIAGE LICENSE.**  
The following marriage license have been granted since last report: George W. Venable, Benton, Mrs. Nellie V. Keys, Benton, Chas. Thos. Baty, Benton, Miss Clara B. Richardson, Benton, Hazel Tula, Reevesville, Ill, Miss Clennie Foster, Reevesville, Ill.

Frank M. Ducker, Sikeston, Miss Agnes Randol, Sikeston, Lindsay Bishop, Matthews, Desdie Maloy, Matthews.

**SCHOOL LIBRARY WORK.**  
Three years ago not over 6 schools of the county outside of the towns had school libraries. We have been urging the teachers, pupils and patrons to make efforts to put a library in each school. The books are for the children and belong to them. In many cases the common school education is all that the child will get, yet if he has learnt how to read and use the good books found in the school library he can educate himself more in after life by reading newspapers, magazines and books. Encourage the child to form the habit of reading good books. Small library certificates are now given the pupils for reading the library book and returning a written report on it. After the child has received five of these certificates they are returned to this office and a library diploma is sent to the pupil. Below will be found a list of schools that have done something in this work this year. These teachers, pupils and patrons deserve much credit for it. We have almost 3 months yet to do something in. Total amount raised and spent last year—\$675. The amount raised this year up to date is as follows:

Owensby school has raised \$12 by a box supper; Greer school has raised \$25 by an ice-cream supper; Scherer school has raised \$3 by an entertainment; New Hamburg school has raised \$15 through the school board; Bleda school has raised \$36.50 by box supper; Pleasant Valley school has raised \$36 by box supper; Lemmons school has raised \$42 by a pie supper; Ellis school has raised \$28 by entertainments; Lusk school has raised \$21 by a box supper; Pleasant Hill school has raised \$17 through the school board and by a box supper; Campbell school has raised \$17 by a box supper; Rockview school has raised \$5 by a box supper; Mifflid school has raised \$36 by a pie supper; Vanduser school has raised \$51 by box supper; Marshall school has raised \$15 by an entertainment; Macedonia school has raised \$20 by a box supper; Hunter (near Sikeston) school has raised \$38 by janitor work and a box supper; Claypool school has raised \$7 through the school board; Ward school has raised \$8 by a box supper; Dunaver school has raised \$24 by a box supper; Tauer school has raised \$15 by an entertainment; Canham school has raised \$5 through the school board; Big Island school has raised \$10 through the school board; Edna school has raised \$8 by an entertainment; Bugg school has raised \$22 through the school board and by a box supper; White Oak school has raised \$17 by a box supper; Bryan's school has raised \$12 by a box supper; Blodgett school has raised \$12 by a box supper; Chaney school has raised \$12 by a box supper; Hunter (near Morley) school has raised \$17 by a box supper; Diebold school has raised \$3.50 by a pie supper; Sand Prairie school has raised \$6 by a medal contest; Chaffee school has raised \$47 by collection; Illinois school has raised \$48 by a lunch stand on election day; Graysboro school has raised \$3 by janitor work. Total spent for books for the pupils \$691.50.

Last week a county supervision bill for the whole state was introduced in the legislature. It is backed by the State Teachers' As-

**See the Entertainment**  
**Of the Lyceum Course:**  
**Miss Emily Waterman's**  
**Concert Company,**  
At the Court House,  
**Thursday Evening, Feb. 11**

**AUCTION!**  
**Southeast Missouri Breeding Co.'s**  
**Dispension Sale.**  
We will sell, at our barns, at  
**SIKESTON, SCOTT COUNTY, MO.,**  
100 miles south of St. Louis, on the Frisco and the Cairo and Poplar Bluff branch of the Iron-Mountain Railroads.  
**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1909.**  
We are going out of business and will positively sell, without reserve, every animal in our barns to the highest bidder, consisting of high-class  
**Black Jacks, Saddle Stallions,**  
**German Coach Stallions.**  
There will also be a lot of other stock consigned. Among the consignees will be Messrs. Ebert & McMullin who will offer a lot of fashionably-bred trotting horses, mares and stallions, all registered and standard-bred. There will be also a lot of high-class brood mares; safe in foal to registered jacks, saddle stallions, coach stallions and trotting stallions; also a lot of young mules and work mules. Every animal will be sold. Nothing reserved. Sale starts at 2 p. m. rain or shine. Plenty of shelter for everybody. Come and see them step. Catalog in preparation. Write to J. W. Myers, Secretary, or A. A. Ebert, Auctioneer, Sikeston, Mo.

**A Newspaper**  
May be of benefit to the people of a community, and it may be  
**AN INJURY**  
Depending entirely upon the point of view. Some newspapers regard a few selfish and useless citizens as  
**"THE PEOPLE,"**  
But the Kicker is not of THAT CLASS. It regards the useful citizens—the workers—as the people and believes that when the producers are  
**PROSPEROUS AND HAPPY**  
All is well and the goose hangs high. If this be your idea, patronize  
**The Kicker.**

**BUSINESS LOCALS.**  
Strayed.—A red muley steer marked with crop and split in left and underslope in right ear. Also red and white spotted heifer with same marks. Both three years old this next spring. Reward, John W. Heeb, Chaffee, Mo. (13-3t.)  
Improved farms for sale near Oran, Chaffee, New Hamburg and Benton. Prices from \$14 to \$40 per acre. Also unimproved land near Oran. Also good residential property in Oran at different prices. Also a store building and dwellings at Vanduser. D. H. Harper, Oran.  
Farm for Sale.—150 acres known as the Phillip Georger place, Schererville district. 90 acres in cultivation. Good house, good barn and plenty of good water. A bargain. 8-6t  
John Enderlee, Rfd. 2, Commerce, Mo.  
For Sale.—200 bales first-class timothy hay. Louis Goetz, New Hamburg, Mo. (14-2t.)  
For Sale.—A plug team of mules for sale on easy terms. Wm. Black, Morley, Mo. (10-7t.)  
For Sale.—A good-as-new No. 8 cook stove. Cost \$12. Ask \$7.50 Kicker, Benton.

**EGGS FOR HATCHING.**  
Standard-bred white Plymouth Rock and buff Leghorns, Grand fowls. None better. Great layers and show-birds. If interested, write to G. W. EVANS, 13-1t Charleston, Mo.  
**JESSE HESS,**  
LAWYER.  
Farm Loans and Insurance.  
COLLECTIONS AND ADJUSTMENTS.  
Office in Bank Building.  
ORAN, MO.  
**NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.**  
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of Martin C. Scherer, deceased, will make final settlement of the accounts with said estate on such administrator of the next court of the Probate Court of Scott county, Mo., to be holden at Benton, in said county, on the fourth Monday in February, 1909.  
H. J. Morgan, Administrator.