

SCOTT COUNTY KICKER. Subscription, per year, \$1.00. Six months, 60c. 3 months, 35c.

A STRONG APPEAL. L. C. Pope, Socialist candidate for Supreme Judge in 1908, wrote an interesting letter for the Kicker. Among other things he points out what all well informed persons know, that the Democratic party died with slavery and that the Republican party is the representative of the Big Rich. Concluding, Mr. Pope makes this stirring appeal to the masses:

"The Democratic party is in the past. Its hopes and aspirations have to do with the past. Let the dead past be; you can't go back, progress means forward. "The Republican party stands for the enslavement of the people and for the aggrandizement of the rich. And now, my dear readers, what is your position; what can you hope to gain by lining up with the dead past, or to link your destiny with a party which will ultimately lead this Republic to its utter destruction. As all Republics have come in the past? Comrades arouse yourselves, don't be deceived, don't be misled any longer. Take up the cause of Socialism, the hope of the world. Study its principles, learn its philosophy and go out among your neighbors and your friends, and persuade them to read and study, for the only hope, to my mind, in this world is Socialism. If you could, by some power, destroy all of the books that have been published on Socialism, if you could stop the publication of all of the newspapers that advocate Socialism, if you could blot out of the minds of men and women the idea of Socialism, there would not be one ray of hope left for the human family. There would be utter chaos for the human race. But the sun of Socialism is rising. It has begun to spread its rays of light all over the civilized world. It has the most militant press that the world has ever seen. It has grown faster than any other cause the history of the world records. It is not only a national question, but it is a world-wide problem. Its beacon light gives courage to the downtrodden and the oppressed. Its motto is, 'Working men unite. You have nothing to lose but your chains, and the world to gain.' "The Socialist party represents Socialism. It represents you; it represents the working class. It represents the defrauded and oppressed of all nations. It works for the emancipation of the human race. It looks forward to the day when there will be no classes, when it can be truly said, 'Whatever ye would that man should do unto you, do you even unto them.' It means the coming of what thousands, yea millions of people have prayed for; it means the coming of a better day; it means the brotherhood of man."

COMING ALL RIGHT While the Sharp Shooter is Democratic all right enough it stands for honest men for office, no difference what their present condition nor previous political party servitude.—Missouri Sharp Shooter. The Sharp Shooter is coming around all right. It is now where the Kicker was five years ago. And, like the Kicker, the Sharp Shooter will discover that it is an up-hill business to elect an honest man to office, and that when the unusual does happen the "honest man" soon forgets to whom he owes his job and trots with the gang. It is the surest and easiest way to hold on to the job. Sooner or later the Sharp Shooter will become convinced that no man can serve the people well who owes allegiance to the parties financed by the privileged few. And not until public officials are made directly responsible to the people will this be changed.

TO THE FARMERS. Our next quarterly meeting will be held at New Hamburg, Tuesday and Wednesday, April 12-13, at which time the most important business that has ever come before any of our meetings will come up. Among other things, delegates are to be elected to attend the national convention of all organized labor led by the E. E. & C. U. of A. A call comes from national headquarters requesting that every county and state be represented. This is calculated to be the biggest labor convention ever held. Elect delegates to the New Hamburg meeting and awake to your duty as producers. We cannot afford to slumber longer. Meet, pay your dues for the first and second quarters of this year and you will be in good standing, according to the ruling of your state president. I hope to meet delegates from every local. J. W. Adams, County president.

WHY SOME ARE CRUEL. Today I am a driver of a coal wagon and I hear that you, my pretty one, cried because you saw me lashing the horses in the street. And why did I lash them? Was it because I hated them, or because I had to deliver so many tons regardless of the deep snow and slush and the poor conditions of the team? Tomorrow I will not lash them again; I will lose my job.

SOCIALIST LOCALS. Local Edna meets the first Wednesday and third Saturday of each month in Red Men's hall, North Illinois. L. R. Parker, Sec. Local Commerce meets every Saturday afternoon at City Hall, Commerce. H. G. Anderson, Sec. Other secretaries should send in their time of meeting. See to it that the Kicker is in every workers home.

HERE AND YONDER. Concerning J. W. Adams' letter in last week's Kicker, in which he shows that his wages are \$3 and his living expenses the same per week, George Kenner of Anceff, wants to know what would happen if the family needed clothing medicine or books for the children since these were not included in his expense account. No doubt they would have to live on short rations for a time. W. R. Gibson, J. A. Finch and Dr. Cannon, of Edna, were here Wednesday on school matters. Edna needs more school room and the effort will be made to get the equalization board to raise the assessments of Edna property so as to raise the necessary money. M. E. Carty, of near McMullin, and Burkelow Williams, of Morley, were here Tuesday. Mr. Carty and family will move to New Mexico next week and want the Kicker to follow them. W. W. Mitchell bought the Carty farm at \$55 per acre and moved there last week.

Miss Mabel Palmer, of Commerce, and M. V. Hartwick, of Cairo, were married at Mound City, Ill., Monday, and will make their home at Cairo. Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Palmer also live in Cairo. Charles Burger, of Bleda, was here Wednesday to advertise his farm for sale. He says he wants to move into Kelso township where all of his relatives are. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bertrand, and daughter, Miss Bertina, of near Benton, visited the family of Louis Pfefferkorn at Oran Monday and Tuesday. They visited Mrs. Mitchell and Albert Bollinger and Frank Diebold, and the Misses Edith and Emelia Bollinger and Bertha Bertrand, of near Benton, attended the ball at Kelso Monday night.

Leo Brueker, of near Oran, bought the John Brattel farm adjoining Kelso, advertised in the Kicker—72 acres at \$60 per acre. Mr. Blattel will have a sale on April 23rd and will move to Kelso. Mr. and Mrs. Emil Bollinger, of near Morley, visited his parents Mr. and Mrs. John Bollinger, Monday. At Edna the Socialist elected two of the five trustees and the entire three of the school board. J. Banks of Oran was here Wednesday to investigate the title to some lots he has bought over there. E. F. Love and Fred Paul, of Rootwad were here Wednesday concerning school matters.

Mrs. Bell Fornes, of St. Louis, visited her sister, Mrs. W. A. Miller. Henry Gossier is back from Illinois and is again at the mill. Harry Gelsman, of Illinois, was in Benton Wednesday. Levi Brock is again papa. **FROM NEW HAMBURG** Last Sunday was Uncle Jacob Diebold's 76th birthday. In the evening he was surprised by a crowd of about 25 neighbors, his children and grand-children. His children, Solomon and Miss Clementine, and Mrs. Joe Hahn brought him an easy chair. Given Jake is the oldest Diebold now living. He was married 51 years ago, and for the past fifty years has lived on his 80 acre farm in the Schererville neighborhood. Joe Compas and family, of Kelso, and Joe Compas and family, of this place, visited the family of John Bollinger near Benton Sunday.

It was a big boy that visited Mr. and Mrs. Louis Goetz a few days ago and he a big girl as reported in the Kicker last week. The grand parents are awfully proud. Chas. Diebold planted corn Saturday. He wants an early crop and enough for those who will not raise any. Mike Gauss and family, and Martin Glattefer and family visited the family of Frank Dinberger Sunday. Antone Hess of Kelso and Miss Mary Fetz of this parish, were married Tuesday by Rev. Moenic. Mrs. John Stike has a quilt in her patent quilt frame. Several ladies inspected it last week. Mr. and Mrs. Adam Essner, of near Benton, visited the family of George Heuring Sunday. Jacob Jehlin, of Oran, was in the neighborhood last week looking over his farm. Chas. Strack, of near Crowder, visited August Glaus last week. Louis Hahn has a top buggy and a girl, but no horse. Dick Welter and Otto Blattel were here Sunday. Phil Heuring left Tuesday for Hot Springs, Ark. The brick work on Stike's building is finished. Anton Burger, of Oran, was here Sunday. Ike Link visited home Sunday. Subscribe for the only Kicker.

CALLOWAY-DENMARK is a beautiful bay, 16 hands high, black main and tail, and not a white hair on him.—**ROYAL DUKE** was bred at Bowling Green, Ky., and was sired by Don Whitaker's Celebrated Jack. His dam was a 14 1/2-hand Jennett sired by Knuckle's imported \$4,000 Jack. Both will stand during the season of 1910 at Benton. Terms—To insure living colt, Calloway-Denmark, \$15; Royal Duke, \$10. S. J. WADE, Owner. ALBERT ADAMS, Keeper

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FROM EDNA. At Edna there was a clear out fight, Tuesday, between the Socialist and Demo-Rep. Capitalist allies. The result was—Socialist Ticket—J. R. Shults, 70; R. E. Sibbey, 73; Wm. Walls, 69; W. A. Merrill, 68; C. J. Rush, 64. Demo-Rep. Ticket—Dave Gramling, 88; E. H. Moore, 81; Jake Wendel, 77; J. C. Drury, 74; R. E. Smith, 78. Hence the Socialists got two of the five aldermen. In other words Socialists are about as thick here as the entire capitalist combination. At Illinois the Socialist were not allowed to vote their ticket. It is said the mayor claimed they were not legal, but the tickets in his drawer would not let them be used. But this is a "free country" all right.

HER CAREER. "As I understand it, they have lost their money, but all of the daughters are able to earn their own living save one who is most idle and incompetent. What will become of her?" "She'll have to get married."—The Housekeeper.

FROM MACEONIA. The neighbors had a great time at the home of August Eifert Sunday. Mr. Eifert is a great hand to entertain the young folks, and all had a good time. Present were Mr. and Mrs. August Sprenger, Mr. and Mrs. August Weber and son, Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Bies, Mrs. Schvitz, Mary Sanders, Grace, Linnie, Lillie and Charley Garvey, Hannah, Rosa, Maggie and Otto Bies, Caroline, Nora, Otto and Theodore Schvitz, Geo. Arnold, Johnnie Hess, Rick Robertson, Jess Chamberlain and Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Burger and children. After dinner Geo. Arnold took a picture of the group. Mr. and Mrs. George Miller, Mr. and Mrs. U. A. Edmunds, Mr. and Mrs. Rich Sanders, Champ McIlvane and Jess Miller were the guests of E. M. Sanders Sunday. All enjoyed themselves at the surprise party at Mr. Robertson Saturday night. There will be preaching at 11 a. m. Sunday by Rev. Denton. Everybody come.

Mrs. Bell Hegarty of Commerce was here Sunday. Miss Caroline Schvitz is at Edna for a week. Fred and Bernard Scherer, of Schererville, were here Saturday. Mrs. Fritz Bratzel is no better. Subscribe for the only Kicker—the paper that tells it straight.

FROM ELLIS Mr. and Mrs. Peter Goshe, of New Hamburg, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Essner, Sunday. Tom Rapp and Dan Adams went fishing Sunday and caught some fine fish. Mr. Joel Hopper took his best girl to church Saturday night at Cross Plains. Mrs. A. H. Adams was called to the bedside of her aunt who is dangerously ill. Everybody enjoyed the party given by the Misses Robinsons Saturday night. M. V. Rapp will soon have his farm cleared ready for farming. Phils Weber is making his regular visits to Mr. Vetter. Mr. Diderline has twenty five acres of corn planted. Albert Adams moved to the sand last week.

FROM CLAYPOOL. Quite a number of farmers met at the schoolhouse Friday to reorganize their union. The speaker failed to show up. Mrs. John Tippy was called to the sick bed of a sister at Columbus, Ky., Saturday. Miss Lois Jenkins, who is attending school at Sikeston, visited at home Sunday. Ann Rachael Shrum, of Cary, spent Sunday with the family of Tom Keece. Miss Julie Huey, of Porter's Switch is visiting Miss Maude Shelby. Boyd Winerly, of Sikeston, visited his mother Sunday. There will be preaching at Sikeston Hill next Sunday. Mr. Ginger has sold out and will move to Sikeston. Subscribe for the Kicker.

FROM RANDALS. Otto Westrich and Adolph Mens spent Easter at home returned last week, bringing two teams, and will soon be ready to go to farming. The dance at Emil Bollinger's Thursday night was so crowded that some of the boys and girls did not get to dance. Ben Wymyer who has been with Will Feiden returned to Rockview Saturday. Emma Bollinger who has been visiting home returned to Chaffee Sunday. Leo Schlitt and John Hamm of New Hamburg were here last week. Jesse Becklund and Albert Halter were at the Backside Sunday. There was a dance and pie supper at Perkins Saturday night. Chris. Himselpauck and Joe Pobot had good luck fishing. Will Mier was at White Water Station Saturday. John Schlegel, of Kelso, was here last week. Frank Maschino of Perkins was here Saturday. The wheat looks better than it did last year. Will Thomas is busy breaking new ground. Theodore Diebold was here Sunday.

FROM SALCEDO. The Salcedo boys played Sikeston's crack team Sunday. The score was 5 to 8 favoring Sikeston. Salcedo will show them a hot time later. Tom Baker purchased a new buggy. I think he aims to buggy ride the girls. Salcedo is going to play Minner Switch boys Sunday. Look in the Kicker for the results. Joe West has moved across the river to see after Bob Thomas' stock. Herbie Baker has purchased a horse and buggy. Look out girls. The farmers are at work clearing up and preparing for crops. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Carr are the proud parents of a new boy. J. W. Baker is hauling lumber to enlarge his ware-house. Dan McBride is ready for gardening. S. Baker is a very promising catcher. Does Thompson lost a fine \$200 mule. Wheat is looking well.

A. Q. Miller. ATTORNEY-AT-LAW —and— Notary Public. Office in Kicker Building, Benton. See your neighbor. If he is not a reader of the Kicker, see that he becomes one. Agitate!

FROM MORLEY. Mrs. Mandy Boggs, who was sick for quite a while, died Saturday and was buried in the Morley cemetery. Mrs. Josephine Heinrich, a trained nurse of St. Louis, is caring for Mrs. S. S. Grant. Jess Adams is with his mother at Blodgett, who is dangerously ill with pneumonia. Mrs. Rivina Bynum and daughter have moved back from Morley. J. E. Humphry of Charleston was a visitor here Sunday. Watson Swain was an Oran visitor Wednesday. Govan Bryant is very low with pneumonia.

FROM MULLINS ISLAND. After a three weeks stay with her daughter in the Hooe district Mrs. R. N. Fields is home again, and Mr. and Mrs. R. N. Thorp, of Bugg Ridge, were her guests Sunday. Ralph Wilson and Miss Marthy Thompson and Harry Thorp and Miss Iona Hollick of Bugg Ridge, were among us Sunday. Mrs. Wm. Dickerson and daughter visited on Bugg Ridge Sunday, and Wm. Dickerson visited his daughter at Portageville last week. Miss Maud Layton of Bugg Ridge is spending the week on the island. Mae McMullin, who has been sick with measles, is able to be up.

FROM VANDUSER. We have a new physician, from St. Louis, in our town. He occupies one of J. W. Arbough's houses on Main street. Mr. York, of Arkansas, is moving here. Welcome to all good people. Mr. Price, of Griffin, Indiana, is here working on the elevator. Miss Ethel Smith is progressing nicely with her school. Mrs. W. L. Hobson went to Sikeston Tuesday to visit her husband. Dr. Miller, the dentist of Oran, was here the 5 and 6 to do work. Mrs. Bennett, the pastor's wife of Crowder, visited here Saturday and Sunday. Mr. Tom Fisher is quite sick at C. E. Harris, home. G. Schurenburg visited his sons at Kewanee Monday. Jno. Morrison was elected director to succeed J. J. Utage. Miss Margaret Thorpe, of Charleston, visited the family of Mr. Garret a few days ago. Mose Cookey is moving from Crowder to our town. Welcome. Mrs. Wise and Mrs. Montgomery were shopping at Charleston Tuesday.

The town election resulted in a tie. **FROM HOE DISTRICT** Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Oliver, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Thomason and Mr. and Mrs. L. K. McClanahan spent Saturday on Little River fishing. Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Wright of Oran were down on the creek fish ing Saturday. A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Carter last week. James Fisher and family visited at Vanduser Sunday. Sunday School every Sunday, everybody invited.

FROM CROWDER. J. W. Bryant of Morley was here Saturday, and Miss Claude Hulen visited relatives at Morley this week. Mrs. Lulu Smith will move into the hotel this week. There are several new cases of measles here. M. A. Cookey has moved to Vanduser.

FROM HARBISON. Mr. and Mrs. Jim Morris of Green Briar visited her father Sunday. John Arnold and Wm. McCullie of Bell City were here Wednesday. Wm. Sheets was at Matthews last week, and John Hunter, of Morley, was here Monday. J. H. Batson and family were visitors here Sunday. Miss Ila Darby of Marshall district visited her father last week. L. E. Richard of Crowder has moved here and Alex. Abney has moved to Bell City. The sawmill is about ready for work.

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FROM SIKESTON. A short time ago I was talking to a friend of mine and I asked him if he thought this is a free country. "Most assuredly," he said. "Why don't you own an automobile," I asked. "I don't want one," he said, "I need everything else worse." The reason why my friend does not own an automobile and other things he needs is because in free America he is no more than a slave. He has a master the same as the black slave before the war. Before the war the nigger master took all the poor nigger produced except a bare living for the negro. Now my friend's master takes all he produces except a bare living. He is a wage slave driven to his task, not by a horse whip, but by the whip of necessity. I said, "My friend if you got all you produce you could own an automobile and have all you need as a great many other luxuries. The trouble is our masters own the machinery with which we work and take four fifths of all we produce. No man nor set of men can keep us from taking the machinery of production and distribution and operating it in our interest." "Oh, you old Socialist," he said, "there's no use to talk to you." You see my friend is a good Democrat and expects great things from that dead party. The Democrats have always been in power in the South and read C. S. Sparks' article in the Kicker of March 28th and see what are the conditions there. He lives in Louisiana and tells of the awful conditions in that Democratic state. Again some of my friends are Republicans and expect great things from Teddy 'the terrible' and little William. The Globe Democrat advises the strikers of Philadelphia to stay out of politics. Of course our masters want us to stay out of politics. They are willing to fix the platform and tell us how to vote if we will just do their work. We need not think just work and they will do our thinking. In free America today the poor houses, houses of charity, and asylums are full to overflowing with poor broken down laborers. The home of the average worker is a cheap, germ-breeding shack for which he pays a big rent to some landlord. The enemies of Socialism say it will ruin the home. It can't for this system has already ruined the homes of the laborers. No Mr. Worker, Socialism will not ruin your home but by giving you all you produce, it will enable you to own a home and not rent a thing called a home for want of a better name. J. W. Adams.

FROM BUCKEYE Miss Grace McDaniell, who has been staying with Mrs. Wm. Watkins, returned home Tuesday. Mrs. Watkins is very sick and was visited by Mrs. Ed Ward, of Sikeston. Mrs. Chas. Leutley, of Big Opening, visited Mrs. Wm. Holden Sunday. Mrs. Ethel Vanover visited Mrs. Daniel McBride in West Swamp Sunday. Mrs. John Whiteside, of Sikeston was a Buckeye visitor Thursday of last week. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Holden were in Sikeston Saturday. Frank Severs was at Charleston Saturday.

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HECTOR, NO. 1639. Is a black jack with white points, six years old, 15 1/2 hands high, standard measure, and was sired by Warren, Jr. His dam was Big May. The German Coach Horse. **WINGALE, No. 2651.** Is a dark bay stallion, 16 1/2 hands high, eight years old and weighs 1,450 pounds. Sired by Asco, No. 1857; he by Coco, No. 1274; he by Enno, No. 1735, etc. Dam, Wartburg, No. 10,099, she by Warin, No. 1163, by Emigrant, No. 925, etc. Hector and Wingale will stand during the season of 1910 at my barn, one mile west of Commerce, known as the Gaiter place. **TRIPS**—Either animal, to insure being sold, \$12.50. Money due as soon as the fact is ascertained or mare traded, sold or removed from the county. Care will be taken to prevent accident, but will not be responsible should any occur. **BLODGETT COACH HORSE CO.** 171t S. W. DAVIS, Keeper.

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