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AMONG THE SUBS.

Well, at least one hustler showed up with good results this week. Pearl Daugherty, of Ancell, sent in nine. It all depends on the effort. Charley Oliver, of Hooe got in With one on Wednesday.

Fornfelt.—Fritz Blattel, Fredoline Scherer, Wm. Wellman, David Elfert, Emil Rubel, R. Brissenden.

Illmo.—Wm. Menneke, Henry Elfert, Frank Graser.

Commerce.—Frank Arnold, Joe Blattel, Mrs. Nancy GGreer.

Benton.—Lee Morrow, N. J. Goddard.

Ancell.—Henry Peetz, Geo. Kemper.

Oran.—Clarence Sanders.

James Sellers, Leo H. Compas.

Bleda.—Anton Gosche, John Hahn.

Kelso.—Adam I. Schaefer.

Chaffee.—Henry Elchinger.

Blodgett.—R. D. Puckett.

Morley.—J. J. Strong.

St. Louis.—Jeff Tiedel, C. P. Bondurant.

Sikeston.—S.-W. Tel. Co.

Mrs. C. Beklund, Randles; Boas Frisco, Cape; H. R. Williams, Campbell; M. W. Huechan, Keytesville.

NO KICKER NEXT WEEK

As is the custom, there will be no Kicker during the holidays. The next issue will appear the first week in January. Correspondents will please keep the pin mind and skip next week but get in with a good batch of news the week after. Let's make the Kicker a "humdinger" for 1916.

HERE AND YONDER

I don't like to knock the city of the better class, but it is a fellow to deal with the crafty and avoid being an easy victim of flattery. We are appetites and not honest with themselves, and our friendships are based upon a lie—as for instance the present uproar for preparedness. Nearly all great wars are based upon a lie—for the reasons are never permitted to know the underlying causes. Usually these wars are covered in the name of God and humanity, which, in fact, the motive is the almighty dollar, the highwayman who takes the purse.

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Some time last week the grand jury indicted and the petit jurymen have been held for the circuit court, making a total of 70. Last week offers and acceptation were sent from Cape Girardeau to the officers of Dunklin and New Madrid counties in anticipation of a "battle." As it appears to me at this distance there is a "reign of terror" in these lower counties, with the determination to break up whatever organization these tenants may have had. It would be a good place for the Industrial Relations Commission to visit.

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In the night rider article on the first page I refer to Oscar Hall thus: "Last spring Oscar was a rebel and was arrested for doing just such work as the New Madrid county tenants are doing." Not wishing to be misunderstood, I will say that this is not intended to mean that Oscar was a night-rider, but that, like the tenant farmer, he was arrested for trying to better labor conditions at Marquand by violence. The principal in both cases is the same. But Oscar's bread and meat comes from another source.

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The children of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Chewning of Sandywoods have sent in letters to Santa Claus, as the paper is crowded, for space I can only tell Santa what each wants. Dorothy wants a doll watch, doll buggy, toy safe, set of dishes and oranges and candy. Ida wants a doll and chain, watch, candy nuts and apples. Jim wants to get in training for trouble and wants a pistol, horse, dog, rubber ball, top, fire crackers, all kinds of fruit and candy. Woodrow Wilson wants a war whistle, wagon and rubber ball.

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John Hess, who lives about five miles east of town, came in Thursday saying "Jim quit." Inquiry revealed that he had been paying his taxes and that his property had been assessed in the wrong school district. He said he would now have to lose the time to come here and have the county court to correct the error. But such errors are not uncommon. When the citizen makes a mistake he must pay for it. When an officer makes a mistake the citizen also pays for it.

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Many people were here Tuesday paying taxes—so many that some went home to return and try again, after standing in line at the hall of the court house. It was a great head that designed the court house. The collector's office, that should be of the largest, is one of the smallest rooms in the building, while the county clerk's office, the circuit clerk's office, and the probate office, and several other offices are twice as large as there is any need of.

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After an illness of seven days Joseph H. Moore died at his home at Commerce Tuesday, of pneumonia, in his 80th year. Two sons, Jos. L. and B. C. Moore of Commerce, and two daughters, Mrs. Chas. Anderson of Commerce, and Mrs. Dr. Davis of Cairo, survive him.

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Mrs. Nancy Greer of the Macedonia neighborhood was here Wednesday. She says that it is the general belief among neighbors that the death of Fred Ledure was caused by the explosion of a box of shells.

A "surprise party," consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Earlie Slinkard, of Chaffee, and his sister, Miss Hattie, of near Bleda, and John Poston, of Oran, entered the Kicker office during the rain Thursday, Mr. Poston and Miss Hattie had just been pronounced "one" by Rev. McCorkle. Miss Hattie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Slinkard of near Chaffee and Mr. Poston is engaged in drainage work.

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Well, the president has gone and got married. It took an awful lot of newspaper slush to tell about it, and after the new wife is safely installed in the White House we may expect a rest on that subject. Don't know what will be the next newspaper "sensation," but if they run short they can always fall back on Harry Thaw.

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Prof. J. M. Crow and Ed. Chewning of Owensby district were in Benton Saturday. Prof. Crow reports that the directors of his school gave him a voluntary increase in salary of ten dollars per month. Prof. Crow has taught at various times in this county for 25 years and is regarded as a splendid teacher.

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Adam I. Schaefer of Kelso was here Tuesday paying taxes. He has bought 40 acres of the Will Jones farm near Rockview at $35 per acre and Louis Schaefer bought 60 acres of Houck land near Lost Hill.

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Mrs. B. D. Puckett and son, Marshall, of Lemons district were Kicker visitors Monday. Mrs. Puckett reports her husband in better health this winter than usual, but says Uncle Tom Cason is very sick with dropsy.

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M. L. Williams, formerly of Blodgett, but now of Campbell, was here Monday. He and his brother, A. B., are in the real estate business there. Hub reported his father, Andrew J., as being in fairly good health.

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The 1916 Kicker calenders are now ready. When you come to Benton drop in and get one. Or, if your neighbor is coming have him bring you one. They are not for sale nor to be sent by mail.

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Newell Goddard of near Cross Plains was here Friday and when asked how Uncle Billy Jehlen was holding up he said he was getting along fine. Mr. Jehlen is near 80 years of age and active.

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Henry Peetz and Wm. Balls of Kelso township, and John B. Gosche of New Hamburg and Tony Gosche and John F. Schitter of near Bleda were Kicker callers Tuesday.

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Somebody is going to get us. Hear the jingoes? However, if anybody gets us it wont be a foreign foe, but the ammunition trust.

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Leo H. Compas and Benedict Scherer of Oran Rural Route and L. D. Randol of Sikeston were Kicker callers Wednesday.

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Wm. Menneke of Illmo and the ever jovial Henry Elchinger of New Hamburg parish dropped in to see the Kicker Tuesday.

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Clarence Sanders of Oran and Frank Graser of Illmo were here Thursday and spent quite a while with the Kicker.

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Claude Finley of Oran was here Wednesday and reported his aunt, Mrs. Mollie Friend, very low with pneumonia.

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Henry Elfert of Illmo and John Scherpel of Ancell, and Tony Williams of Oran were here Monday.

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Mrs. Harry Cannon left for Pt. Pleasant Wednesday to spend the holidays with her parents.

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Joe Hahn of Bleda was a Kicker caller Saturday.

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Charley Oliver of Hooe was here Wednesday.

FROM CARY.

Marion Green of the Land Company's store has been superceded by Mr. Roberts of P. F. Marshall's at Blodgett. We are sorry to see Mr. Green as he is well liked, but we wish Mr. Roberts success.

Grandpa A. J. Arnold came across the North Cut Monday and reports the North Cut a vast lake of water since the four days rain.

P. L. Zimmerman and John Vaughn of the North Cut were at Blodgett Monday consulting Santa Claus.

Ollie Humphrey of the North Cut spent Saturday night and Sunday with Tom Gibbons and family.

Mrs. Geo. Humphrey and family of the North Cut spent the week end with Rev. Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Roggers Sundayed with Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Sneed of Lemons.

Ora and Flora Greenlee, who have been sick for several days, are on the mend.

Green and Miss Pauline Sneed are visiting their aunt and uncle in Kentucky.

Ed. Chapel and family of Lemons Sundayed with Rev. Harris and family.

Mrs. Henry Stovall, who has been sick, was seen at the store Saturday.

The prayer meeting at Teddy Rogers Sunday night was well attend.

Silas Irvin and Clyde Lynn were here Saturday and Sunday.

Lee Cunningham and John Hensley killed hogs Saturday.

John Reece and son, Everett, were in Illmo Monday.

Claude Lynn and Russell Pierce are on the North Cut.

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FROM NEW HAMBURG

John Hahn died at his home on Tuesday of last week of consumption. He leaves a wife and five children, aged mother, 3 sisters, and 4 brothers. He was buried in our cemetery on Thursday morning. Deceased was a member of the Woodman lodge also of the Red Men.

It is reported here that Joe Dumey, who stays out about Kelso, while driving along the road in company with a half dozen men who had a keg of beer and a barrel of salt on their wagon, Joe fell out of the wagon and broke his collar bone and shoulder blade.

Mrs. Phillip Westrich and son, Simon, Phillip Hahn and daughter, Miss Bertha, Alois Kern, John Graser, Edw. Schwartz, Mrs. Henry Welter and son Joe, and Mr. and Mrs. Alphons Schwartz were Chaffee shoppers Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Halter were at Chaffee Saturday, and Mr. and Mrs. Matt Dumey spent the same day there with her daughters, Mesdames Lawrence and Matt Hahn.

Matt Dumey moved his family up from the swamps last week, and are now residents of the future great, New Hamburg.

Mrs. Matilda Schoen moved into her house last week, which she recently bought from Adam Motsch.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Swofford are rejoicing over their first son and have named him Phil Solomon.

Theodore Goetz spent last week with his sister, Mrs. Willie Lieble, and family at Luxemburg.

Leo Grojean and family came over from Blomeyer to attend the funeral of John Hahn.

Jos. Schmitt came back from the north last week, and all the girls are happy.

Lawrence Hahn of Portageville was here to attend his brother, John's funeral.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Diebold is sick with scarlatina.

Mrs. Rudolph Schmitt is very sick at the home of her son, Frank.

Miss Ida Hahn is staying with her sister, Mrs. Alphons Schwartz.

Joe Diebold of Benton moved on the John Kern place Tuesday.

Louis Unnerstall of Sals Creek attended church here Sunday.

FROM ORAN

A group of men were reading what a Sikeston paper had to say about Phil Hafner and the night-riders. After finishing one said, "Bet Phil answers him all right." Another said, "Everytime any thing goes wrong they jump on Phil." Another said, "they have to have fellows like Rucker and Blanton to do their dirty work."

The approaching holidays are bringing many strangers to town and some of them give the officers trouble.

Phil Simpkins was stricken with paralysis last week and is at home slowly recovering.

L. P. Driskell has been appointed postmaster vice Frank Milller.

Grandma Henry is sick.

The W. O. W. lodge of Oran is gaining in membership and will give a ball December 31.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Swofford Wednesday of last week.

Joe Dohoghn of Granby, Mo., is here on his annual visit.

BOUNDARIES NEEDED.

"Ma! Ma!" bawled Freddie as the usual morning wash was going on. "Do my ears belong to my face or my neck?"

Ma temporized. "Why, what is the matter?" She asked.

"I want it decided now. Every time you tell Mary to wash my face or my neck she washes my ears too."—Ladies Home Journal

FROM COMMERCE.

Fred Ledure of the Pleasant Hill neighborhood, accidently shot himself Monday forenoon and died soon after. Reports as to how it happened are conflicting, but it seems that Fred and his brother August and others were preparing for a hunt, and Fred was sent to Commerce after shells. Returning to the home of Otto Vetter, from whence the hunting party was to start, the fatal accident occurred. One story has it that a box of shells exploded. Another, and the most reasonable one, is that Fred was pulling his gun from the rear of the buggy when the hammer caught and discharged the gun. The contents entered his side and he died a few hours later. The remains were buried at the Kelso Catholic cemetery. Deceased was 21 years old and unmarried.

Mesdames Gladys Windmueller, Homer Clark, and Hettie Clark and Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Reynolds, and the Misses Ruth Reynolds, Lela Groves and Grace Blackledge were at the Cape last week.

Willie Davis Heuchan entertained some of her little friends last week, it being her 9th birthday. Candy, cake and grape juice were served and games played.

Vesta Petre returned home from Anderson, Ind. Her sister Grace and brother had also been there for a week.

Dr. Grinstead of Cairo was here a short while last week on his return from visiting a patient at Sikeston.

The dynamite factory across the river blew up again Tuesday. Fortunately no one was hurt.

Mrs. M. P. Post has returned from a four months visit with her parents in California.

Dr. and Mrs. Davis of Cairo are at the bedside of her father, Jos. H. Moore, who is very sick.

Mesdames Stroud, L. A. Reynolds and Ed. Hutson were at Cairo Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Anderson have moved into their new home.

One of the twins of Mr. and Mrs. George Allen, colored, died Sunday.

There will be a Christmas tree at the town hall Friday evening.

Dr. Blackledge visited his brother at Farmington last week.

FROM CHAFFEE.

Mr. and Mrs. John Poston, the newly weds, spent a few days of last week with her brother, Earlie Slinkard, and family.

Presley and Roy Howell were the guests of their sister, Mrs. P. Hancock, Saturday and Sunday.

Mesdames Chas. Slinkard and P. Hancock went out to Wm. Howell's Monday to a hog killing.

The Pentecostal church had a baptising at the mill pond. 15 were baptised.

Miss Grace Johnson went to Cape Girardeau Saturday returning Sunday.

Mrs. E. Camel and brother, Harvy Schultz went to Cape Monday.

Alfred Pobst of near Bleda moved his family to Chaffee Saturday.

Ernest Prindle of Colorado was in Chaffee several days last week.

Marvin Yeakey, who is teaching at Randles is home for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Rendlemen left for a visit in Illinois Monday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. Staley the 19th a girl.

Chas. Slinkard went to Dutchtown Monday.

SUPERSENSITIVE.

"I am a servant of the people," said the man who is more politic than patriotic.

"I don't like to hear you call yourself a servant," commented Farmer Corntossel. "As I think of the taxes I pay toward your salary, it makes me feel as if I were up against the tipping evil."—Washington Star.

FROM ILLMO.

Louis Albrech tand August Eifert have returned from a visit to Jackson, Miss. and vicinity to look over farm land. They are pleased with the country and land and have contracted for 1,000 acres—Mr. Albrecht 560 acres and Mr. Eifert 440 at $35 per acre. Mr. Albrecht intends leaving this week with his teams and part of his machinery and says he will ploy with power machinery and farm on a large scale. Mr. Eifert intends leaving in a month or so. Charleston real estate men are booming this land and another party of farmers will leave here about January for Mississippi to inspect the land.

Mesdames O. O. Talor and Robt. Hilleman were Cape visitors Wednesday.

The Illmo Bank will give a ball in Lightner's Hall on Dec. 27.

Lewis Koechig of Dutchtown was here Monday.

Ed. Hobbs butchered 7 big hogs Tuesday.

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SHE'LL ATTEND TO PA.

It sometimes crops out that all women are not weak. A Mt. Carmel paper prints a note written to the school miss which reads:

"Dear Miss—You wrote to me about whippin' Tommy. I hereby give you permission to beat him up any time it is necessary to learn his lesson. He is just like his father—have to learn him with a club. Pound nolege into him. I want him to get it, and don't pay no attention what his father says. I'll handle him."

The mother might have added that father votes the same ticket as grand-pa did.

FROM MORLEY.

Death has claimed quite a number in and around Morley during the past week. Ed Deshner died of lockjaw Wednesday of last week, caused from having stuck a rusty nail in his foot about two weeks ago. Mrs. Kelly, who lived in the country and had mothered so many orphan children, was called to her reward Thursday. Mrs. Ragland, who lived near town died Saturday, and Mr. Dillenger, a good man who lived alone at the edge of town, was found dead on his bed Friday morning. It seems that Mr. Dillenger had prepared his meal before lying down, and it was not known whether death was the result of natural causes, or foul play. The latter theory is prevailent among some, as he was robbed of about thirty dollars a short while ago.

John H. Hyde of Oran and Miss Lillian Leslie Keys were married by Rev. Baugh at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Curd. Owing to the ill health of Mrs. Curd the event was a very quiet one—only the immediate relatives being present. After the ceremony and congratulations the newly weds left for Parma to visit the parents of the groom, and from there will go to their country home near Perkins.

Leslie Butler, of Memphis, Tenn., died of pneumonia Friday, and the remains were brought home and buried in Benton cemetery. Deceased was a brother to Mrs. Atherton of Morley.

Mesdames Lucille Harris and Opal Leslie attended the reception and installations of the O. E. S. at Cape Friday and report a splendid time.

Dr. W. E. Haroldson is putting a new glass front in his building occupied by Dr. Tate and Wallace Howell.

Mrs. May Grant visited her mother, Mrs. Underwood, who is quite sick, Saturday.

Mrs. Wm. Curnell and children have gone to spent the holidays with her mother.

L. C. Leslie was a Cape visitor Saturday.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

For Sale.—40 acres of land, 15 acres deadened. Lumber on the land for a house. Price $1,600. Mrs. C. Beklund, Randles, Mo. 48-3t.

For Sale.—A Holstein bull calf. Joe Pfefferkorn, Oran Mo.

For Sale.—A 3-year-old past mare filley, broke to drive or ride, a year-old mare filley, a two-year old mare mule, a couple of brood sows, eight young ewes, and a 2-seated surry. Will trade for young calves or good note.
W. V. MILLER, Chaffee, Mo.

Wanted.—Woman or girl for all around house work. Mrs. Albert Losse, Commercial Hotel, Fornfelt, Mo.

Taken Up.—A Poland-China male hog, unmarked, about two 2 years old and weights about 250 pounds. W. L. Wood, Benton Mo. Rfd. 45—3t

STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Workers Printing Company will be held on Monday, January 3, 1916, at the Kicker office in Benton, for the purpose of electing 5 directors for a period of one year, and to transact such business as may properly come before such meeting.

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