

SCOTT COUNTY KICKER,
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AMONG THE SUBS.
Still they come—the citizens
who want the only paper that
tells what other papers must
suppress.

Oran.—Anton Gosche, August
Gosche.
Illmo.—Andrew Uelman, Martin
Koch, Mrs. Mary Gosche, Charles
Heuring, John Roth.
Chaffee.—Aug. Sander, Vince
Lauk.
New Hamburg.—Louis Bucher,
John Stike.
Commerce.—Frank Arnold, Robt.
Geogger, A. L. Mills, John Vetter,
Chas. Heuchan, H. L. Goddard, W.
L. Simmon, H. W. Sanders, Jake
Wilkinson, Jacob Diebold,
Vanduser, LeRoy Hoop,
Benton.—Robert Wade,
McMullin, W. J. Kindred,
Blodgett, R. D. Pickett,
Morley.—Dick Williams, F. A.
Griszus.
John Gosche, Farmington; Al-
bert Keller, Corpus Christi, Texas;
Bry. H. F. Grappe, Elk Creek, Neb.

SAME OLD REMEDY.
According to press reports, Gov-
ernor Gardner now admits that
the state is nearly two million
dollars short. This was charged
by the Republican press during
the campaign, but the press and
politicians of both parties be-
lieve that nobody but
himself believes either.
The remedy suggested is not
new. The way to meet the de-
ficit is to collect more taxes.
That is simple. To ask a sum
of the taxes in which railroad
rates are being on been salaries
is no suggestion.
The tax is a very simple and a
very easy one to collect. Every
year assessments are in-
creased just a little more. But
this does not keep pace with the
increasing horde of patriots look-
ing for soft jobs at big pay.

Hence the newly elected gov-
ernor has figured out many new
ways by which he expects to
gather in some four million dol-
lars additional money for state
purposes.
To the unthinking, the gov-
ernor's plan sounds well. With the
exception of a universal poll tax,
his scheme appears to tax busi-
ness. Now, if business did not
have such an easy way of passing
the tax on to the consumer, we
might all shout for it.
No matter where, nor on what,
the tax is placed, labor will pay
it. There is no other creator of
wealth.

CIRCUIT COURT DOINGS.
After nearly three weeks of un-
eventful grind, the circuit court
closed up shop Wednesday. There
wasn't much to this court, and
the "picking" was rather slim—
considering the horde of lawyers
that sometimes appeared.

The criminal docket brought al-
most nothing to the pockets of
the lawyers, for the accused had
nothing, and it is said you can't
get blood out of a turnip.
However, a grand jury was in
session that adjourned Monday.
The purpose of this grand jury
probably was to start something
and produce a little business for
the next time.

What the grand jury did is not
known outside the inner circle.
But it is believed that merchants
were indicted for doing business
on Sunday. Of course, railway
business and Sunday mail work
are excepted, and several indicted
merchants are in the county
and several houses on the north
end of the county.

Several are also believed to be
in line for a "touch." Merchants
and saloon keepers make mighty
good picking. They have money.
And that is what our machinery
of justice is for—to get the money.
There were but four jury trials
during this term. The last one
began Monday—Marion West vs.
W. P. Messer & Co. for damages.
West was an employee of the For-
nefelt box factory and was injured
while at work. The trial lasted
from Monday until Wednesday.
After the jury had been selected,
to try this case the remaining
petit jurors were discharged Mon-
day. As the Kicker goes to pres-
ent the West-Messer case is still on
and court will adjourn as soon as
it is disposed of.

THE END NOT YET.
Washington, Dec. 12.—Socialist
Representative Meyer London pre-
dicted that the house will refuse
to follow President Wilson in his
proposal of compulsory delay of
strikes, whether on the railroad
or anywhere else.
The president is merely trying
to hood the issue," said London.
"He can not succeed. Congress
knows, and the president knows,
that his proposal is simply one to
compel the workers to abandon
the right to strike.
Now, the whole labor move-
ment of the country will declare
its opposition to such a proposi-
tion. The members of the house
will not face that opposition.
The scheme will never go
through."

Asked whether he would pro-
pose any alternative plan of set-
tlement, the Socialist member
said that the only real settlement
of the railroad problem must
come through public ownership
and democratic control of the op-
eration of the roads.
"This action by the president,"
London commented, "shows how
utterly incapable the two old
parties are of even attacking the
big industrial problems of our
time in a sensible way. Much
less are they capable of going for-
ward to a real solution."

"He demanded the eight-hour
day for train operatives, and now
he seeks to ignore the demands
from all other employees in the
railroad's race for the eight-ho-
ur day."
Organized labor, and indeed
the whole working class, will be
soiled in opposition to the
scheme to take away the liberty
to go on strike, no matter what
the pretext for the compulsion
proposed. This attack on their
rights will be of permanent edu-
cational value to the workers of
this country.

HERE AND YONDER.
For the winter and coming
year the Kicker has arranged for
a weekly letter from Prof. Scott
Nearing of the University of To-
ledo, Ohio. Prof. Nearing will be
remembered as a teacher of politi-
cal economy in the University
of Pennsylvania who refused to
teach the young false economics.
Therefore the money-bags will
run that institution of false edu-
cation asked for his resignation.
Toledo is one of the most advan-
ced cities of the nation and was
said to see Prof. Nearing. To-
ledo is the city made famous by
"golden rule Jones" and its rapid
 strides toward municipal owner-
ship. Prof. Nearing's letters will
deal with what is going on NOW,
and you will find them very in-
teresting.

That was a shame—the way
the county court interfered with
the court games at the court
house by ordering the electricity
for the lights cut off at 7:30 p. m.
Where are our gentlemen of law
to go to spend the evening? It
is the duty of the court to be
open at night. It is the duty of
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the court to be open at night.

If the poor can live on investi-
gations, perhaps they will be able
to stem the high cost of living.
The national government has or-
dered investigations for New York,
Chicago and Detroit. Whenever
our smart men are driven in a
corner they order an investiga-
tion, and the kept press feeds the
people on puffery until something
else breaks loose that gives an
excuse for investigation.

Uncle Jacob Diebold and daugh-
ter, Miss Clementine, passed thru
here Saturday on their way to
Sol Diebold's. Miss Clementine
stopped in long enough to leave a
fine lot of fresh sausage with the
Kicker folks, and Monday Sol Die-
bold brought in spare ribs and
back-bones. So who cares any-
thing about the high cost of liv-
ing—so long as this lasts?

Joe Buhls of near Illmo was here
Wednesday and reported that the
common railroad laborers are or-
ganizing. That is the proper
thing to do. Only by united ac-
tion can the workers ever hope to
accomplish anything.

Robt. Geogger of the Scherer-
ville neighborhood spent a while
with the Kicker Saturday. He is
one farmer who keeps pretty well
posted and says he leads every-
thing he can get hold of.

Andrew Uelman of near Illmo
was here last week. He was re-
cently under near Illmo. His
work is to get a good job. He
is a good worker. He is a good
worker. He is a good worker.

August and Tony Gosche of
Oran and Romanus Halter of
Buda were here the other day.
They said they had some money
and thought Benton a good place
to get rid of it.

J. F. Schitter, Aug. Schlegel and
several others from the Bieda
neighborhood, and Joe Pfeiffer-
korn of near Oran, were here Mon-
day to appear before the grand
jury.

Mrs. Sarah Sanders and son,
Yancy, of Macedonie, and Martin
Koch and Frank Raines of near
Kelso were Kicker visitors Tues-
day.

Mrs. Dick Williams and three
children of Morley were down Sat-
urday to visit relatives, Sunday
her husband came also.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Pickett and
son Jake of Lemons district, and
F. A. Griggs of Morley were Kic-
ker callers Saturday.

George Arnold of Ellis district
was here Friday and went to the
sand country looking for pea hay.

W. J. Kindred of McMullin was
here to watch the grinding out of
"justice" Monday.

John Schneider and John T.
Marrs of Blodgett were here
Thursday.

Louis Bucher of New Hamburg
dropped in to see the Kicker Wed-
nesday.
John T. Boss, wife and daughter
of Illmo were here Monday.
Chas. Heuring and August Roth
of Illmo were here Wednesday.
Jake Wilkerson of Ellis district
was here Monday.

FROM NEW HAMBURG.
Alex Secher of Oran and Miss
Bertha Heuring of this place vis-
ited her sister, Miss Caroline at
Kelso Saturday. Miss Caroline
nearly shot across the bridge.

Encore Goetz, who is work-
ing for John Gangay, of near Pen-
ton spent Sunday with his friends
Leo and Emanuel Schitter of this
parish.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Bisher and
Mr. and Mrs. John Bisher have
returned from a two weeks visit
with Mrs. Bisher's sister at St.
Louis.

Bill Goetz is making regular
trips in the Sal's Creek neighbor-
hood. What's the attraction
Billy?

Mrs. Peter Kilhoffer and son
Theo, and daughter, Mrs. Mat-
tinely of Chaffee were Kicker
visitors Tuesday.

Frank Messner butchered his
big hog last Thursday. Ask
Frank how many gallons of lard
he got.

Mrs. Andy Gerst, who has been
sick for the past six months, was
able to come to town Friday.

John Diebold spent Monday
night in Sandwood, with one of
his school mates, Cody Walker.
Albert Schwartz and sister, Mrs.
Louis Gosche, were at Cape on
Wednesday of last week.

Fred Unterstall of Sals Creek
and Leo Legrand of Benton were
in our town Sunday.

Philip Bisher, who is taking
bar at Chaffee, visited home folks
over Sunday.

Vince Lauk and Leo Blattel of
near Chaffee were in Benton
Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Leber of
Kelso were Kicker shoppers Sat-
urday.

Frank Grasser, who was down
from Lupton, is recovering.
Mrs. A. Schwartz is down with
pleurisy.

FROM KELSEO.
Miss Caroline Heuring was un-
der the gun Saturday morning at
the home of her brother-in-law,
Leo Brucker, who lives on the
John Blattel farm at the edge of
Kelso. Chicken thieves have been
very active in this locality and
had entered Mr. Brucker's hen
house on several occasions in
spite of the locked door. So Mr.
Brucker decided to try the very
dangerous method of a trap gun
which almost always gets the
wrong party. The gun was so
arranged that when the door op-
ened a string would pull the trig-
ger. He cautioned his wife and
her sister, Miss Heuring, of the
danger. All went to bed for the
night. Next morning Miss Heuring,
who is about 18 years old, got
up early and, as usual, started
to feed the chickens. She for-
got all about the trap, and when
she unlocked the door, the gun
fired—the shot striking her in the
left side and she fell to the ground.
Medical aid was at once summoned
and her condition was considered
serious. It seems that the shot
struck the partly-open door
and glanced toward her, thus
breaking the force of the charge.
At last accounts she was doing
very well.

FROM ANCELL.
Andy Heisserer loaded a car of
fine white oak logs on the Houck
road last week for Joe Schmitt.
Joe is a real timber baron. He
buys the timber, does the cutting
himself, and hires the logs hauled
and loaded.

Mrs. Joe Compass and Mrs. Joe
Diebold of Kelso were here Sat-
urday visiting Mrs. Leo Diebold. In
the evening Uncle John L. Diebold
came out and took them home in
his car.

Joe Dennis of Fornfelt was here
Sunday and spent a while with
P. H. Langworthy. Joe says Wilson
prosperity is no good for the work-
ing people.

Conductor Charley Hall of the
C. & N. came walking into An-
cell Sunday evening. He left his
train off the track a half mile
above town.

R. B. Daugherty and Robt. Ras-
berry of Commerce township were
here last week exchanging wheat
for flour with George Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. Abner Greer drove
to the Cape Sunday to visit the
family of Conductor Hall.

Lynn Daugherty, who has spent
the summer in the northwest will
be home for the holidays.

FROM ORAN.
In a quarrel between Bert Moore
and Ben Hershowitz, the latter
was stabbed in the breast and
was at first thought to be dan-
gerously hurt. But Ben is up and
about again.

Adam Halter has sold his resi-
dence to Wilson Bryeans and will
move to the Cape where he thinks
work in his line is more plentiful.
The Catholic Charity Club will
have a parcels post and supper
for the benefit of the new church
Saturday afternoon.

Mike Heeb of Kelso was in Oran
Monday.
Stick to the unmuzzled Kicker

FROM BELKVILLE.
Mr. and Mrs. Alex Belk, Mr. and
Mrs. Herman Belk, Ed. Schwartz,
and Mrs. John Schaefer were at
Chaffee Saturday, and Mr. and
Mrs. Henry Westrich and Mr. and
Mrs. Frank Schmitt were at Kelso
Friday.

Jake Seyer, Leo Dumey and
Tom Rasberry have butchered,
and the odor of fresh, worst and
spare ribs is in the air.

One of the first things that
Philip Urdahn did after he re-
turned from North Dakota was to
visit his best girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Seyer and
children visited their daughter,
Mrs. Joe Hemmlebach, Sunday.

Miss Estie Rasberry visited the
Misses Janie, Myrtle and Ethel
Belk Sunday.
Stick to the unmuzzled Kicker.

Notice to Tax-Payers!
When you come to Benton to
pay taxes, remember FROBASE'S
RESTAURANT is now east of
Court House Square, where he will
be pleased to serve you with hot
or cold lunches.—Adv.

FROM MORLEY.
Mrs. Jane Odell, of Abbia, Iowa,
is here visiting her mother, Mrs.
Wm. Ballentine, and sister, Mrs. J.
E. Congleton. She will visit her
sisters, Mrs. R. W. Finley, of Char-
fee, and Mrs. Roy Moore of Cape.
Rev. Foreman, lectured on tem-
perance at the Baptist church
Sunday night. He said church
suffrage would banish the liquor
traffics from our country.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Black, of
Metropolis, Ill., are here for a few
days visit with relatives and
friends.

W. F. Curnel has ordered several
hundred dollars worth of Christ-
mas goods.

Miss Eva Bryeans of Charleston
visited home folks here Sunday.

Our town has had the City hall
and calaboose re-painted.

Braxton Nations butchered nine
fine hogs Tuesday.

Morley school now has a piano.

FROM ELLIS.
Collen Spradlin and George Mil-
ler saved wheat for John Gibson
Saturday. It is said that they
did fairly good work, as they
had to exercise some to keep
warm.

The Wade brothers visited their
home at Morehouse Saturday re-
turning Sunday.

Dukes Miller has quit the broom-
making business and gone to
hauling wood.

Mrs. A. C. Miller and daughter,
Miss Ara, attended church in the
Sand Sunday.

Jess Spradlin and family were
at Fornfelt Saturday.

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at Fornfelt Saturday.

Andy Akelman visited A. C. Mil-
ler Sunday.

If you want the truth, you must
read the unmuzzled Kicker.

FROM FORNFELT.
There are only three ways of
stealing wealth: First, to cre-
ate it with your own labor; sec-
ond, to have it given to you; and
third, to steal it. Those who cre-
ate it with their own labor rest
their case here; the multi-million-
aire can now take the stand and
explain how he got his'n.

Twenty eight coaches passed
through here for the Mexican bor-
der to be used in bringing back
the soldiers. This would indicate
that the government at Washing-
ton does not credit the newspa-
per reports of Villa outrages near
the border.

O. E. Coesch went to Cape Friday
for the purpose of getting our
high school basketball team in
the Southeast Missouri League,
and succeeded.

Mr. Allen is having some con-
crete work done in front of his
place on Main street.

Pence rumors caused wheat to
drop 11 cents on the Chicago
market Tuesday.

Wilford Fields has gone to Ill-
nois to work in a cement plant.
Read the unmuzzled Kicker.

HIS METHOD.
"Cassey," said Pat "how do you
tell the age of a fowl?"
"Of can always tell by the
teeth," said Cassey.

"By the teeth?" exclaimed Pat.
"But a fowl has no teeth."
"No," admitted Cassey "but it
have."

HELPING A LADY.
"Jack, I wish you would come
and see me occasionally."
"Why, Venness, I thought you
were engaged to Alge Wombach."
"No, but I think I could be if
I could get up a little brisk com-
pensation.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

BUSINESS LOCALS.
FROBASE will have on sale for
Xmas a big line of candy, ban-
anas, oranges, apples, figs, dates
and nuts.—Adv.
For Rent.—Forty acres of good
land with buildings. All in wheat
\$600 pays for one year's rent
and the wheat. Two and a half
miles north of minner. Henry G.
Meyers, Sikeston, Mo. R. 1-18 A
For Sale.—Two fresh milk cows
Joe Pfeifferkorn, Oran, Mo.

Lost.—A six-month old half
hound dog, black with a little
brown mixed. Liberal reward.
Joe Pfeifferkorn, Oran, Mo.

STRAYED.—From the John Le-
dure place, Pleasant Hill, about a
month ago, three Poland China
hogs, two barrows and one sow,
about a year old, weight from
125 to 160. Underbit in right
ear and bob-tailed. A red sow, un-
marked, about two years old and
weighs about 200 pounds. Lib-
eral reward for information. Vin-
cent Duval, Commerce, Mo. R1
41-24

Found.—In the road near An-
cell a bicycle. Owner can have same
by proving property and paying
for this advertisement. Henry
Peez, Ancell, Mo. 41-31

For Sale.—A good farm of one
hundred acres, 2 1/2 miles South-
east of Illmo. About 75 acres in
cultivation, the rest timber land.
Good buildings and plenty of good
water. David Sander, Illmo, Mo.
R1. 41-35

For Sale.—Four room dwelling
and seven lots in Illmo. Good
water and out-buildings. Apply
to Mrs. C. E. Rasberry, Perkins,
Mo. 41-41

For sale.—Two new rag carpets
of 31 yards each. Mrs. W. C. Rad-
cliffe, Oran, Mo.

The Kicker 1917 calendars are
now ready. When you come to
Benton, call and get one.

**Satisfy!—that's a new thing
for a cigarette to do**

It's nothing for a cigarette to just taste good—lots of
cigarettes may do that. But Chesterfields do more—they
satisfy! Just like a thick, juicy steak satisfies when
you're hungry.

Yet, with all that, Chesterfields are MILD!

No other cigarette can give you this new enjoyment
(satisfy, yet mild), for the good reason that no cigarette
maker can copy the Chesterfield blend—an entirely new
combination of tobaccos and the most important develop-
ment in cigarette blending in 20 years.

Liggett & Myers Tobacco Co.
"Give me a package of those cigarettes that SATISFY!"



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20 for 10¢
They SATISFY!
and yet they're MILD

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