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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue and authority of Transcript Execution issued from the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Bates County, Mo., returnable at the May term, 1916, of said Court, and to me directed, in favor of Beech Rosier and against R. J. Groves I have levied upon and seized all the right, title, interest and claim of the said R. J. Groves of, in and to the following described Real Estate, to-wit:

East half of the west half the west half of the east half and the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter and the northeast quarter of the southwest quarter and the northwest quarter of the southeast quarter and thirty-five acres off the north part of the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter, all in section (12), township (43) range (33), Bates County Missouri.

All lying and being in the said county and State of Missouri, and I will on Monday the 22nd day of May A. D. 1916, between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and five o'clock in the afternoon of that day, at the East Court House, in the City of Butler, County of Bates aforesaid, sell the same, or as much thereof as may be required, at Public Vendue, to the highest bidder for cash in hand, in conformity with execution and return of said execution and return.

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TIME TABLE

Butler Station
CORRECTED MARCH 26, 1916

NORTH
No. 208 Kansas City Fast..... 8:25 a. m.
No. 208 K. C. & St. Louis Fast..... 10:15 a. m.
No. 210 K. C. & St. Louis Fast..... 8:30 p. m.

SOUTH
No. 201 Joplin Passenger..... 3:30 a. m.
No. 207 Joplin Passenger..... 1:15 p. m.
No. 205 Nevada Passenger..... 8:00 p. m.

INTERSTATE (Arrive)
No. 632 Butler Passenger..... 10:35 a. m.
No. 634 Local Freight..... 4:15 p. m.

WEST (Leave)
No. 632 Madison Local..... 7:35 a. m.
No. 634 Madison Passenger..... 1:30 p. m.
All freight for forwarding must be at depot not later than 10:30 a. m. or will be held for following day's forwarding. Freight for interstate Division must be delivered before 5 o'clock p. m. No freight billed for this train in morning.
Madison and local freights carry passengers.

L. E. TWYMAN, Agent.

5 Missouri Roads Protest.

Jefferson City, Mo., April 28.—Five railway systems of Missouri today protested to the state board of equalization against increases in their tax assessments.

The roads that protested, the valuations fixed on their Missouri property and the Missouri mileage follow:

Missouri Pacific, \$12,355,000; 1,500 miles.
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, \$12,000,000; 1,195 miles.
Missouri, Kansas & Texas, \$8,000,000; 800 miles.
St. Louis & San Francisco, \$31,000,000; 675 miles.

DUBLIN QUIET NOW

Revolutionists in Irish Capital Have Surrendered, Says London Report.

TAKE PRISONERS TO ENGLAND

Half of Those Captured in Recent Fighting Already Removed—Outside Counties Normal.

London, May 2.—"All the rebels in Dublin have surrendered and the city is reported quite safe," an official statement issued tonight says. It continues: "The rebels in the country districts are surrendering to the mobile columns."

"There were 1,000 prisoners in Dublin yesterday, of whom 489 were sent to England last night. "It is reported from Queenstown that hopes were entertained that arms would be handed in today in the city of Cork."

"During the night of April 30-May 1 the rebels in Ennisceorthy made an offer to surrender their leaders and their arms on condition that rank and file be allowed to return to their homes. They were informed that the only terms that could be entertained were unconditional surrender. "These terms were accepted by them at 6 o'clock this morning. It was reported later that other rebels were surrendering today on these terms."

"A column composed of soldiers and royal Irish constabulary captured seven prisoners in the neighborhood of Ferns (County Wexford) today. "Wicklow, Arklow, Dunlavin, Bagenalstown and New Ross and the counties of Cork, Clare, Limerick and Kerry are generally quiet. The whole of Ulster is quiet."

Irish Revolt Ends.
Kingstown, Ireland, May 1.—The main body of the Sinn Fein rebels in Dublin surrender today. The plot to set up a new republic has failed and a proclamation was issued by "Provisional President" Pearce, advising the surrender of all the rebels. The proclamation follows:

"In order to prevent the further slaughter of unarmed people, and in the hope of saving the lives of our followers, who are surrounded and hopelessly outnumbered, the members of the provisional government at headquarters have agreed to unconditional surrender and the commanders of all the units of the republican forces will order their followers to lay down their arms."

Woman Leader is Taken.

In some parts of Dublin, however, fighting continued through the day. It was especially severe at Ball's bridge, immediately outside of the city.

The rebels in the College of Surgeons surrendered this morning. One of the prisoners taken there was the Countess Merkevitz. It is reported also that the Four Courts district has been recaptured.

London, May 1.—An official announcement issued today concerning the situation in Ireland says: "Seven hundred and seven prisoners have been taken."

"The rebels are surrendering freely. The backbone of the rebellion has been broken."

Messengers Sent with Order.
"Last night messengers were sent out from the rebel leaders in Dublin to the rebel bodies in Galway, Clare, Wexford, Louth and Dublin counties, ordering them to surrender, and priests and the Royal Irish Constabulary are doing their utmost to disseminate this information."

"As regards the situation in Dublin, rebels from the areas of Sackville Street, the postoffice and the Four Courts are surrendering freely. More incendiary fires took place in Sackville Street last night, but the brigade is now able to resume work."

PITTSBURGH CAR MEN OUT

Officials of Company and Union Fail to Agree on Wages After a Conference.

Pittsburgh, Pa., May 1.—A strike of street car men, which will tie up all lines in the city and suburbs, was ordered at midnight last night by T. J. Ward, president of the local union. This action was announced shortly after negotiations between employees and officials of the Pittsburgh Railway Company had been broken off after a day of conferences, during which Mayor Joseph G. Armstrong attempted to bring both factions together. The strike affects 1,300 conductors and motormen and about 800 other employees. The men ask a maximum wage of 86 cents an hour, an increase of 6 cents. President J. I. Callery is willing to grant them 52 cents.

Nebraska Woman Hanged Herself.
Beatrice, Neb., May 1.—Vivie Higgins, 30 years old, hanged herself today in a barn at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. C. Richardson, with whom she was living. She had been separated from her husband three years.

French Journalist Poisoned.
Paris, April 28.—The American newspaper, the American, has reported that a French journalist, who was in the city of Joplin, Mo., was poisoned today.

MRS. SAMUEL J. NICHOLS



Mrs. Samuel J. Nichols, wife of Congressman Nichols of South Carolina, is one of the leaders of congressional society. She has both beauty and charm.

FRENCH LINES HOLD GERMANS

Failure of Infantry Attack on Dead Man's Hill Followed by Heavy Bombardment.

London, May 2.—The repulse by the French of powerful German attacks around Dead Man's Hill and counter attacks to the north of Cumieres, has again been followed by a heavy German bombardment of these sectors and a continuation of the shelling of Cote du Poivre and Douaumont, northeast of the fortress. No fresh infantry attacks have been launched by the Germans.

In sapping operations in the Argonne forest, the French were enabled by the explosion of a mine to take a portion of the crater.

Nothing of importance has occurred along the northern section of the battle front in Russia, according to Berlin, but in the south the Austro-Hungarians have been forced to withdraw before a counter attack by the Russians from trenches north of Mlynov, which they had previously captured.

Paris reports that on the Greek frontier there have been frequent, but unimportant skirmishes between Entente Allied and German-Bulgarian forces whose lines are less than two-thirds of a mile from each other at certain points.

London, May 1.—Major General Charles Townshend, commander of the British besieged at Kut-el Amara, Mesopotamia, by Turkish forces since last December, has surrendered.

This official announcement was made: "After a resistance protracted for 143 days and conducted with a gallantry and fortitude that will be forever memorable, General Townshend has been compelled by the final exhaustion of his supplies to surrender."

"Before doing so he destroyed his guns and munitions. "The force under him consists of 2,970 British troops of all ranks and services, and some 6,000 Indian troops and their followers."

Elkus to Morgenthau's Job.
Washington, April 28.—President Wilson has decided to nominate Abram I. Elkus to succeed Henry Morgenthau as ambassador to Turkey, it was authoritatively learned today.

British Submarine Sunk.
London, April 28.—It was announced officially here today that the British submarine E-22 was sunk, as reported in a wireless dispatch from Berlin.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

—Twenty distinct earth shocks occurred at San Jose, Costa Rica, recently, while the people of the capital were in the midst of the First of May Festival. A number of buildings, including churches and schools, were demolished. The people fled to the streets and squares, fearing the city was about to be destroyed.

—The Rev. Benjamin Fay Mills, evangelist and lecturer of national reputation, is dead at a hospital in Grand Rapids, Mich., after a brief illness. He was 55 years old.

—The monthly survey of business conditions throughout the country reported to the federal reserve board by agents in each reserve district and just made public shows that prosperity continued to increase during April in virtually every section of the United States.

—General newspapers attribute the loss of Kut-el Amara, says a telegram from Berlin, to the preparations made by the late Field Marshal Baron von Falkenhayn, who died at the Turkish headquarters on April 19.

FOR CODE REVISION

State Bar Association Committee Would Speed Up Work of the Courts.

NEW LAWS ARE BEING DRAFTED

Legislature Will Be Urged to Make the Required Changes at its Next Session.

The special committee of the Missouri Bar Association on legislation and remedial procedure met in the senate chamber at Jefferson City recently, taking up matters of great importance to the legal profession.

The principal discussion centered about the question of uniformity of legislation, it being found that only in the case of negotiable instruments is there found extensive uniformity throughout the United States.

Consideration of revision of the law affecting disbarment of attorneys for malpractice brought out a suggestion, favorably considered, that a committee removed from all local influences akin to the examining board of attorneys, or such as that regulating the practice of medicine, might be advisable.

Shortening the time of estates in probate matters and the making of reports of sales of real estate in minors' estates, were discussed and will be recommended.

Delegating to the supreme court the power to make rules of procedure was considered. The question of constitutionality of delegation of this power is being examined by the committee.

It was the general opinion that revision must be made to bring greater expedition in trials and speedier disposal of cases. There was discussion as to the advisability of every judge reporting at the end of every year, every case he had had under advisement and the time of disposition. Under this plan there would be secured the date of submission and the date the opinion was rendered and printed in the report.

Subcommittees, to be appointed by Chairman Harris, will meet at the Hotel Baltimore in Kansas City the last week in June, presenting bills that will by that time be drafted for consideration by the next session of the legislature.

Cocklebur Leaves Kill Hogs.

Dr. Ralph Graham, inspector in charge of the United States hog cholera station at Sedalia, has found that in a number of cases where hogs had died suddenly death was the result of cocklebur poison. Dr. Graham says the first two oblong leaves of the cocklebur are poisonous at this time of the year, when vegetation is young and tender, and that hogs will eat a sufficient quantity of these leaves to cause death. Usually death occurs from this poisoning in a very short time. The hogs generally die squealing.

Saline County Capitalist Dead.

Chastain G. Page, banker and capitalist, is dead at Marshall. He was born in Madison county, Virginia, in 1835, but had lived in Marshall almost continuously since 1856. He was chairman of the board of directors of the Wood & Huston Bank, a founder of the Rea & Page Milling Company and an extensive Saline county landholder.

Killed in Neosho Yards.

J. P. Fuly of St. Paul, Minn., was killed and Asbury Phillips and Jack E. Phillips of Shady Point, Ok., were injured by a switch engine at Neosho the other day.

A \$25,000 Fire Near Moberly.

Fire recently destroyed A. L. Bennett's drug store, G. A. Baker's grocery and J. L. Polson's mill at Cairo seven miles north of Moberly. The loss is estimated at \$25,000.

St. Joseph Traction Head Dead.

O. L. Bocock, who had been superintendent of the St. Joseph Street Railway lines twelve years, is dead in a sanitarium there. He was 36 years old.

School Dug Dandelions.

As a part of the program of "clean-up week" which was observed in Trenton April 17-22, the students of the high school joined in a "dandelion day." The entire student body was dismissed early and set to work digging the pests from the campus.

Plans Community House.

Carrollton is considering the erection of a community house this year. Architects' plans are being made for it. The building would house a gymnasium, reading rooms and farm bureau, and would have a convention hall seating 2,000.

Goos Back to M. U. as Professor.

Announcement was made recently that Prof. Charles W. Leaphart of the University of Montana has been appointed acting professor of law in the Missouri university for the session of 1916-17. Professor Leaphart is a graduate of the Missouri university.

Joplin Ex-Postmaster Dies.

Daniel E. Warrick, former postmaster of Joplin, is dead in Battle Creek, Mich., according to telegrams received at Joplin. He was the father of Percy Warrick, the composer.

STATE MOTHERS IN SESSION

Mrs. W. H. Jobs of Kansas City Elected President at Meeting in Columbia.

Mrs. Walter H. Jobs of Kansas City was unanimously elected president of the Missouri Mothers' Congress at Columbus recently. Mrs. Jobs has been second vice-president of the organization for the last two years and president of the Kansas City Council of Mothers' Clubs for the last year.

The election of the other officers was the occasion of much spirited rivalry between factions, in which St. Louis and Kansas City women were the leaders. Other officers elected were:

First vice-president, Mrs. Norman Windsor, St. Louis; second vice-president, Mrs. S. W. Arnold, Kirksville; third vice-president Mrs. A. L. Yingling, Independence; fourth vice-president, Mrs. L. D. Rosenbauger, Springfield; fifth vice-president, Mrs. M. J. Hale, Monett; corresponding secretary, Mrs. George Siemens, Kansas City; recording secretary, Mrs. B. C. Hunt, Columbia; treasurer, Mrs. E. A. McKay, Springfield; auditor, Mrs. Bertha Bles, Weston; historian, Mrs. John S. Farrington, Springfield.

Mrs. J. B. McBride of Springfield, out-going president, was elected honorary president. St. Louis is considered as the most likely place for next year's meeting.

The congress decided that "better mothers and better babies" was far more important than the question of woman's suffrage. Adopting the former as their slogan, they side-tracked their suffrage question when it was introduced in the form of a resolution indorsing it.

STATE OWES M. U. \$86,000

President A. Ross Hill Believes Missouri Treasury is Bankrupt—Salaries Long Past Due.

Dr. A. Ross Hill, president of the Missouri state university, told a reporter at St. Louis that the state treasury is bankrupt and the officials at Jefferson City were trying to conceal the fact.

"We are now about three months in arrears at the state university in the payment of salaries of the faculty," said President Hill. "In all, we are about \$86,000 behind in the payment of expenses from the general revenue fund. R. B. Price of Columbia, treasurer of the university, has been paying our salary vouchers for the state and advancing the money on his own account."

"We might as well admit the fact. The state is bankrupt and the officials at Jefferson City are trying to conceal it, despite the statement of one of the candidates for governor at Columbia that the state has sufficient money to meet its necessary expenses."

"Governor Major, some time ago, asked us to curtail our expenditures within a minimum fixed by him and we have done so, but despite this, we have not been able to get money for the university when due from the state. The vouchers are not turned down by the state, but are just held up, that's all. We are going along the best we can under the circumstances, hoping for the best, but we do not know what the biennial period is going to show in the way of state finances."

President Hill said the present arrangements for paying the expenses of the university may not continue, and the federal government may cut off the funds appropriated for the college of agriculture because the state has not paid its part.

Miller County Voted Road Bonds.

Miller county recently voted \$30,000 in bonds in aid of the cross state highway. Practically every voter in Lincoln and Greene townships turned out to vote and the good roads proposal carried by a good margin.

Couple Wed 60 Years.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Davis, two of the oldest residents of Grundy county, celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of their wedding at their home in Brimson recently. About one hundred and fifty neighbors gathered at their home for dinner.

Calls Missouri Charter Meeting.

The chamber of commerce has been advised by Walter Williams, dean of the Missouri School of Journalism, that he has called a meeting of the committees and persons interested in the movement for a new constitution for Missouri, to be held in Sedalia Saturday, May 13.

Bolt of Calico From Sky.

In the recent storm at Hume hallstones featuring six inches in circumference were picked up and a bolt of calico fell in James Harris' chicken lot in the north part of the city. It was quite a lucky call for Mrs. Harris when the price of calico is considered. It is supposed that the calico was taken up in the clouds in the path of the tornado south of there.

Married a Half Century.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Koehner celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at Tipton. Mr. Koehner is 95 years old and Mrs. Koehner is 93. They have eight children. Mr. Koehner is a veteran of the Civil war.

Falling Derrick Injures Five.

Five men were injured, two probably fatally, when a derrick and its cables fell from the top of a building under construction in St. Louis.