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The Missouri Herald

WANTED—Correspondents. It shall be the purpose of The Missouri Herald to print the news from all parts of the county, and correspondents are wanted from every neighborhood. Good writers are furnished material, postage and copy of paper.

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UNITED FARMERS MEET. MUCH IMPORTANT BUSINESS ATTENDED

Farmers and Business Men Come Together in Common Council. Bonded Cotton Warehouse Discussed. Next Meeting to be Held at Caruthersville.

The largest, most important and best attended County Council of The United Farmers of America was held in Hayti on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of last week that has yet been held in this county, in fact, it was pronounced by the general business agent, M. W. Lamb of Blytheville, Ark., to be one of the most important and far-reaching county councils that has yet been held in any county where the organization is functioning.

The attendance was very complimentary throughout the entire meeting, despite the fact that the meeting was held at very busy season of the year. Upon roll call thirty of the thirty-eight local units of the county reported with a full delegation, which made a total delegation of one hundred and thirty-six, which taxed Hayti's hotel accommodations to their limit.

In spite of the fact that the organization is less than a year old in this county, the county agent's report showed that the organization is more than one thousand strong in this county, paid membership, and ninety per cent of this paid membership are cash members, and the reports from the various local units showed that there was approximately six hundred members in the making, and that by cotton selling time the membership would reach two thousand paid.

Meetings were held both day and night. The principal work on Thursday and Thursday evening was the organization of the various committees and preparation of their reports, upon which the voting body took action Friday.

On Saturday morning the business men of Hayti met with the delegation and the question of gin and bonded warehouse accommodations for the farmers of the northern part of the county was discussed, and the results were very favorable and a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce and the members of the northern portion of the county was arranged for in the near future for the purpose of formulating plans on the organization of a warehouse company.

What we consider the most important move made was that of establishing a cotton sales office in Pemiscot county. A committee was appointed for the purpose of formulating plans of employing an expert cotton salesman who will have charge of the sales office. The location of this office has not yet been determined, but will likely be at the next regular County Council, which is to be held at Caruthersville.

Although the session lasted three days the program was not finished and it was voted to hold a special session at Steele on the first Saturday, which is the 6th of the month.

Perfect harmony prevailed throughout the whole meeting and every delegation returned home feeling much inspired, and determined to go over the top with the work of organizing by the next County Council.

A vote of approval was given the work of both county and general business agents.

RESOLUTION.

We, The United Farmers of America, do hereby extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to the people of Hayti for their deep interest, courtesies and kindness shown us during our three days' session of the County Council held in Hayti.

(Signed:)
G. C. THOMPSON,
T. C. SETTLE,
HENRY A. BOONE.

—Irish Cobblers and Early Ohio garden seed at Buckleys'.

Read the city ordinance that orders you to keep your chickens and geese up.

SCHOOL BOARD RE-ORGANIZES.

Select Teachers for Next Term. Most of the Old Teachers Retained.

The school board met after the election and after due deliberation, chose the same officials for the future that have served in the past. The appointment of teachers was taken up and most all the old teachers retained; in fact, all were retained who applied for renewal of contract.

O. E. Hooker, who has given such thorough satisfaction as superintendent, was retained in the same capacity for another term, his immediate charge being Agriculture, Sociology and Economics. Mrs. H. D. Wells remains principal of the High school and will look after the departments of English and science. K. V. Propst is transferred from the Grammar to the High school and will have charge of Manual Training and Mathematics, two departments in our opinion that go well together, as one has to possess considerable of the latter to enable him to master the former. Miss Kathryn McHaney will have charge of the Latin and History classes.

Teachers nominated and elected for the Grammar school are: Mrs. Emma Rinchard, Mrs. Nettie Reeves, Mrs. O. E. Hooker, Mrs. Lenora Condit, Misses Edith Davis, Algene Ross, and Erma Pickens.

It should be noted that Mrs. Rinchard does not come in as an altogether new teacher, having taught here before and substituting some during the present term.

Miss Davis and Mrs. Reeves are new teachers in Hayti school, but both are products of Hayti and her school system, Mrs. Reeves having been teaching in parts of the county for several years, making a most excellent record at each term taught. While Miss Davis was teacher at Wardell the present term, it being her first year in the school room, and from all reports her record is one that will please any community, and cast a mark of efficiency for her ability as an instructor, and it is but just fitting to call these two products of town in its field of labor.

There are yet two vacancies to be filled, so we are informed.

Thus nears the end of another term which will make a record for harmony and general progressiveness that any community may well point to with pride. And since the old teachers (old does not by any implication mean age) the same prospect limns the future.

LUTESVILLE BANK ROBBED ROBBERS ARE CAUGHT

Marble Hill, Mo.—James Hana-hoe, 42, of St. Louis; Jesse Widman, 21, and Jerry Conley, 47, are held in jail at Marble Hill, charged with blowing the safe of the Bollinger County Bank at Lutesville, Mo., at 2 o'clock last Saturday morning. The men were captured by county officers and a posse near Whitewater after the handcar, on which they were said to be making their escape, broke down. They are reported to have confessed to H. A. Baker, sheriff.

The trio entered the bank and blew the heavy door to the vault, according to the officers, but failed to blow the screw-type door protecting the vault. Five dollars in pennies was taken from the cash drawers and a bass drum was also stolen. One of the trio had a bottle of high explosive in his pocket when arrested, the officers say.

George Meredith of Jonesboro, Ark., an experienced plumber, has recently located in this city and is connected with the Laffer Hardware store. Mr. Meredith is a young man, takes pride in his work and has made a good showing on all the jobs he has finished.

GOOD ROADS PAY DIVIDENDS

A wagon with a load of 3,000 pounds required an average draft of 108 pounds on a gravel road in dry condition, in a recent test at the Missouri College of Agriculture. The same load on a dry clay road required a draft of 321 pounds. This shows the great variation in the work done in hauling and in the size of load a team can handle, says J. C. Wooley, chairman of the agricultural engineering department which conducted this test. The gravel roads prove their value even more completely under spring conditions. This load on the same roads after a heavy rain required a draft of 180 pounds on the gravel, and 372 pounds on clay. This is only one of the many advantages offered by all-the-year roads.

Joe Shelby, after an absence of five years, has returned to Hayti to make his future home, which is running true to the past experiences of all who have thought they could find better places. He has rented the Jack Chism residence.

—Who will bring us a few good cotton rags? Must be clean 5c per pound will be paid.

FOR CIRCUIT COURT CLERK.

Ernest A. Long, Circuit Court Clerk, places his record in the hands of the people for their approval, being a candidate on the Democratic ticket for re-election to that office in the August primary. After more than three years of service, Mr. Long does not have to come before the people promising what he WILL do, but can point with pride to what he HAS done, having only to promise that he will maintain the same high efficiency and, if possible, make improvement.

It is a matter of general knowledge with all who have had business in the circuit clerk's office that Mr. Long has made one of the best officials that office has ever had. Coupled with this he is courteous and obliging to the fullest measure.

Mr. Long is about 30 years old, a son of W. A. Long of Braggadocio. He was born and raised in Pemiscot county and is thoroughly in sympathy with all the best interests of the county. And, having filled the office but one term, his claim for re-election should have the thoughtful consideration of the voters, for it is customary to reward such merit as Mr. Long has shown.

SHIPS THAT PASS IN THE NIGHT

"Ships that pass in the night, and speak each other in passing,
Only a signal shown and a distant voice in the darkness;
So on the ocean of life we pass and speak one another,
Only a look and a voice, then darkness again and a silence."

(I have often said: I would rather have a tiny rosebud pinned upon the lapel of my coat, while my body is still instinct with life, while I can enjoy the rich fragrance of its sweet perfume and revel in its charm and beauty, than have my coffin covered with flowers when my form is cold and still in death and when my spirit has passed beyond the reach of human ken and beyond the call of human voices. And since we must pass on to our distant ports let us, like ships, speak as we pass in the night. It is in this spirit, not the spirit of self-laudation, that the following letter is published.—Editor The Missouri Herald.)

Caruthersville, Mo., April 10th, 1922.

Mr. C. S. York, Editor,
The Missouri Herald,
Hayti, Mo.

Dear Mr. York: For several weeks, upon reading each issue of The Missouri Herald, I have resolved to express my appreciation of your return to journalism. You kept your light under a bushel so long that friends outside of your home town wondered where you had concealed it.

The good people of Hayti must pardon my regret that you have started over where you began instead of where you left off, for it is only human that we envy them the best of the good things they have, no matter how well supplied we may be with things of the same generic character.

Your tribute to the women of Hayti in particular and to woman in general is characteristic of the well bred man of the South, who had no queen but his mother, no princess but his sister and his sweetheart. This homage still distinguishes the Southern gentleman—the same distinction that existed between cavalier and round-head in the settlement of the country.

It will be well if those to whom you give Davy Crockett's advice shall heed it. The motto of John Doe of our town is "git yourn while the gittin' is good." When asked how it was to be made good to the public his reply was "let 'em go down in their jeans and make it good." Whereupon the plaintiff rested.

Your description of the disgraceful occurrence in the circuit court does no discredit to any one concerned in it.

Your correspondent at Owl City should come out of the brush and give us other verses. If he has more even half so good as '1917-1918,' they will make good reading. Your whole paper is good reading. I want it regularly; hence this dollar.

Your friend,
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CITY TAX BOOKS STOLEN CITY CLERK'S DESK OPENED

City Tax Books for Three Years Taken From Clerk's Locked Desk. Loss Will Not be Great.

HULL RAPS G. O. P. "ALIBI" FOR FAILURES.

Democratic Leader Says Party Cannot Be Believed.

Oklahoma City. — The Republican administration "has thus far wholly failed to grasp the fundamentals, both of post-war conditions and remedies," Cordell Hull, chairman of the Democratic national committee declared in Oklahoma City last week, in the first address of a speaking tour which is to take him to the Pacific coast.

"In a desperate effort to appease popular indignation," the Democratic chairman declared, "the same coterie of shifty Republican leaders, who in 1920 were the cunning authors of that long list of solemn party promises of prosperity, efficient government, and speedy tariff, shipping, tax and other legislation, now offer themselves as witnesses to prove an alibi for the Republican panic of 1921-1922, and say that the Democrats left such a mess on their hands that the panic could not be avoided."

"What right have these utterly discredited old guard leaders whose every promise to the business man, the farmer and the laborer in 1920 has been violated, now to offer themselves as voluntary witnesses in an effort again to mislead and fool the people? Tested by every moral standard, they are not entitled to be believed on any political subject."

Mr. Hull contrasted employment, agricultural and business conditions in 1919-1920 with those of 1921-1922 in answer to the "mess" charges.

"In order to be truthful and fair," he added, "it must be admitted that in two important respects the Democrats did leave an awful 'mess' on the hands of the administration, viz: The recalcitrant and incompetent Republican Congress of 1919-1920, which has been even more incompetent under Harding. The Democrats also bequeathed to the Harding regime as a part of this 'mess' the results of more than two years of the meanest, smallest and the most infamous Republican politics ever played by a set of leaders since Aaron Burr plotted and Cataline conspired."

The chairman said that his visit was to bring about a better understanding and cohesion between the national and state organizations and asserted that the Democratic outlook is "splendid," and told the meeting the moral effect of party success or failure in Oklahoma next fall would "be tremendous in its bearing on the national Democratic situation in 1924. This, he explained, is because Oklahoma is considered to be a normally Democratic state."

Mr. Hull declared that Democratic success this year "is in the hands of the Democrats themselves." He said it depended upon two things: "First, on whether Democratic officials and individuals are sufficiently interested in our great party cause to work harmoniously and unselfishly as one person for a real Democratic victory next November; and,

"Second, on whether Democratic men and women will make up their minds as in the old days, to devote substantial time and energy, and some substance to the work of selecting the cleanest and ablest persons as candidates and of aiding in their selection at the polls.

The chairman asserted that a "party that is worth standing for is worth fighting for."

—Churns, crocks, jars and flower pots, at Buckleys'

This office can use a few pounds of clean, cotton rags. Five cents per pound will be paid for same.

—Ribbon of almost any color or width, at Buckleys'.

NOTICE.

If the person, or persons, who took the City tax books and delinquent list from the desk of the City Clerk will return same no questions will be asked and no prosecutions will be had. These books may be left on the Clerk's desk.

These books will do no one any good, as duplicates thereof can be made and the delinquent list ascertained from the collector's stub book. The loss of these books only means extra work for the City Clerk and Collector and expense to the city.

By order of the Board of Aldermen.

City tax books stolen!
Who is the thief?
There are plenty of guesses.
Some of the guesses are doubtless correct.

The "whys and the wherefores" have all been gone over. The process of elimination has run its course. But the only absolute fact known is that the books are gone.

The city council advises the "gentleman" who knows who got the books to return them and "no questions will be asked." A fair offer. If this is ignored there is going to be strenuous and unrelenting effort to locate the guilty party. This sort of meanness will not blow over it will not be forgotten in a day.

But the story of the theft? There is none—not yet. That will probably be told later.

The theft occurred Monday night, as near as can be surmised. The desk of the city clerk in the Keystone building where the books were kept was unlocked and the books carried off. The thief had a key. He knew where the books were kept. But if he knew what he wanted them for he knows more than anybody else knows. They cannot benefit him. He can neither sell them nor eat them, and there is no other way that he can use them.

The discovery of the loss was made Tuesday morning by the city clerk.

The books taken were the tax books for the years 1918-19-20. As the notice from the councilmen states, there is little possibility of loss, but if the "gentleman(?)" who took the books does not return them he will needlessly cause the city considerable expense in re-copying the records of the tax lists. It will also cause the city clerk considerable trouble, as he will have the work to do.

The 1921 tax book was overlooked, as were also duplicate records. Only the small amount of \$140.17, back taxes for the year 1919 will be jeopardized, and with considerable difficulty even that can be traced.

This loss bring out the fact how seriously the city needs a place of safe-keeping of its records and its books. It is a condition that should be remedied before a greater loss is sustained.

The loss of the books is in no way due to the carelessness of the city clerk, for he could do nothing more than keep them locked in the desk provided for that purpose. At the time of the loss, by order of the council, the city clerk was using the books in making up the 1921 tax list but as said, most of the lists were overlooked and there will be but little if any delay in collecting the taxes.

FIREMEN FIXED.

The hats and caps for the firemen have arrived and been delivered, and they are now fixed to protect themselves while engaged in protecting property. This equipment was made possible by the cooperation of the Chamber of Commerce and the Civic League.

RAGS! RAGS! 5c per pound for a few pounds of clean, cotton rags, at this office.