

that the viewers heretofore appointed to establish the precise location of the improvements, to assess benefits and damages to the property and lands situated in said drainage district and to appraise the cash value of the land necessary to be taken for rights of way and other works of said district within or without the limits of said district, filed their report in this office on the 18th day of April, 1922, and you and each of you are hereby notified that you may examine said report and file exceptions to all or any part thereof, as provided by law.

FRANK BAIRD, Clerk of the County Court of Pemiscot County, Mo.

NOTICE

of meeting of the Stockholders of the Hayti Building and Loan Association to increase Capital Stock. To the Stockholders of the Hayti Building and Loan Association: Pursuant to an order of the Board of Directors of the Hayti Building and Loan Association in regular adjourned meeting held in Hayti, Missouri, on Wednesday, April 12th, 1922, a meeting of the stockholders of the Hayti Building and Loan Association is hereby called to be held in the Board Room of said Association, on Wednesday, June 14th, 1922, at eight o'clock p. m., for the purpose of voting upon a proposition of increasing the capital stock of said Association to \$300,000.

Done by Order of the Board of Directors of the Hayti Building and Loan Association at its regular adjourned meeting of April 12th, 1922. J. W. JOHNSON, President of the Hayti Building and Loan Association.

OLD NICK CARTER, TIRED OF LIVING, CROSSES DIVIDE

Frederick Van Rensselaer Dey, Who Wrote Nearly 2000 Nick Carter Stories in 20 Years, Asks Friend to Help Widow.

New York, April 27.—Old Nick Carter "went West" yesterday. He was old and tired. He felt that in his declining years life had not done its best for him and so, just as the city was breaking into its early morning roar, taking its shutters down for another day's accounting the old chap, alone in a little room in a Twenty-seventh street hotel, shot himself and slipped out across the great divide.

He had been thinking of it for some days. Friday, the day before he registered at the Hotel Brozelli, he wrote a letter to an old friend, Maj. Joseph Caccavaio, a consulting engineer.

Saturday night, after getting his room at the Brozelli, he wrote two more letters, one to the firm of Street & Smith, that published his detective stories. The other letter was indited to Third Deputy Police Commissioner Faurot. He addressed Faurot as "Dear Old Joe," and went on to explain that the burdens of life had become too great for his thin old shoulders.

"Please forgive me," he wrote. "Please be good to and help Hattie, my wife. I can't stand the gaff, Joe so I'm going out. Everything's gone to smash and me with it."

In his letter to the Major, he said:

"This will be rather a shock to you, but I'm sending it just the same because I want you for old time's sake to do something for me after I'm gone. For I'm going West by the quick route in a few hours after I post this. Things have gone to smash with me and I'm just tired out, and I want to try the long sleep. It's no sudden decision. I'm doing it because I think it's for the best for all concerned. I can't stand the thought of growing old and becoming a burden."

His name was Frederick Van Rensselaer Dey. He lived with his wife at Nyack, N. Y. He began to write his Nick Carter stories in 1889. He took a contract to turn out one story a week, and kept it up, with the exception of two short intervals, for 20 years. He wrote 1076 Nick Carter stories.

BONDS ARE NOW TAXABLE.

The Missouri Supreme Court in March handed down a decision declaring the law that has been on the statute books for some time providing that municipal, school, drainage and ditch bonds are not assessable, to be unconstitutional, and declaring that all such assets are subject to taxation for all purposes.

This decision of the State Supreme Court will increase the assessed wealth of the county very materially, as there are large amounts of such bonds owned in St. Francois county. It is this manner of "hidden wealth" that has additional weight to the burden of the taxpayers who have been paying taxes on all their possessions.

While that decision of the Supreme Court will doubtless be criticized by those that provision has heretofore been protecting, such decision is eminently fair to all the people, and the higher court will be generally applauded in this matter, even though that tribunal will be vigorously censured by those who have been keeping large wealth under cover by such supposed law.

—For Rent—I have two furnished rooms for rent; also four vacant rooms. Apply to Mrs. Dollie Dorris, Hayti, Mo.

DONATIONS TO WILSON FUND TO BE TAXED

Internal Revenue Bureau So Rules—Gifts to Roosevelt Memorial Not to Be Taxed.

Washington.—What to Democrats seems the most picayunish piece of politics of the time is the action of the Internal Revenue Bureau in dealing with the Woodrow Wilson Foundation. Though subscribers to the McKinley Memorial Association and the Roosevelt Memorial Association have the right to subtract the amount of their contributions in their income tax returns under the provisions that makes contributions to educational organizations deductible, the subscribers to the Woodrow Wilson Foundation have been informed that no such privilege extends to them.

Woodrow Wilson is still the bogey man of the Republican administration. Every time the former president is applauded the administration has a nervous fit. This was manifest when Mr. Wilson indicated a desire to participate in the observances of the unknown soldier's interment, when for days Mr. Wilson was kept waiting for a reply and an assignment in the parade.

The pilgrimage of 6000 women to Mr. Wilson's home has likewise filled the Republican sentinels with gloom and apprehension.

It took a long time for the Internal Revenue Bureau to find a method by which they could make fish of memorials to Republicans who had occupied the White House and flesh of the Democrats, but they did it, after the subordinates had accepted the identity of the cases as a matter of course and had so reported, promising formal corroboration of the verdict.

Before this formal word came, however, the "best minds" got busy and finally decided that, while a body formed to erect and maintain monuments for Col. Roosevelt, with an endowment fund to promote his ideals, was an educational organization, a body formed for the purpose of endowing a fund to make awards to individuals who render conspicuous service to the advancement of Mr. Wilson's ideal of democracy (with a small "d") and human freedom, was not purely educational under the statute.

The incident had its inception early in February when Sen. Carter Glass, in response to an inquiry from an officer of the Wilson Foundation, asked the Internal Revenue Bureau whether or not contributions to that Foundation were deductible from taxable income.

The Bureau answered that "the question was an entirely new one" and promised to reply within a few days. Within a week Senator Glass called up the Bureau and was told that the ruling had been made and a letter had been dispatched telling him that such gifts were deductible. The Assistant Commissioner promised that a copy of the letter would be sent forthwith. Another week went by and Glass got a message from Assistant Commissioner Smith—not the copy that had been promised, but to this effect:

"It does not seem wise for this Bureau to rule upon this matter until it has received a copy of the charter and bylaws, or any affidavit of the officers of the Foundation, relative to the exact purpose for which the Foundation is being established."

The full quota of literature appertaining to the Foundation was sent, but there was no reply from the Bureau until more than a month later. After repeated requests by Glass over the telephone, Commissioner Blair, head of the Bureau, sent a ruling that contributions to the Woodrow Wilson fund were not deductible. In short words this means that contributions to the Foundation must pay the Government for the privilege of subscribing to this fund. The Roosevelt ruling was made on Feb. 10, the McKinley ruling on Feb. 20 and the Wilson ruling on April 7 of this year.

MOTHER O' MINE.

O East or West, It's home that's best— The zaying's surely true; For when my thought would seek their rest They all come home to you.

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