

TANEY COUNTY REPUBLICAN

Keep Your Eye on Taney—She's All Right! Her Skies are Clear and Full of Cheer, and all her Prospects Bright.

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Taney County

TANEY is the fourth county from the west line of the state, in the extreme southern tier, and so bordering on Arkansas and enjoying to its fullness the wonderful climate of the "Sunny Side" of the Ozarks, where the temperature rarely touches zero in winter and the nights in summer are always cool enough to make sleep a delight.

The county contains 600 square miles, 12,000 acres, of which about 67,000 acres are under improvement. The soil varies from the rich alluvial bottom to the strong limestone soils of the plateau, producing successively wheat, corn, cotton, and tobacco. It was awarded the silver medal at the Louisiana Purchase exposition, corn second to none, (a stalk on display in this office measuring seven feet four inches in length), potatoes, cotton, melons, tame grasses, berries, fruits, vegetables, in fact everything except tropical products. Peaches and apples are especially well.

The surface is rugged and picturesque covered with forests and traversed by streams of sparkling clearness, among them the beautiful White river, famed for its scenery and its fishy trout, including the canny black bass and jack salmon, while the wooded expanses abound in small game of various kinds, including fox, raccoon, opossum, squirrel, quail and turkey, affording abundant recreation with rod and gun for the sportsman. The population of the county by the last census was 10,127, sixty two of whom were colored and 4,101 of American birth. There are about 2000 farms for land is plentiful and constantly being sold in Forsyth for \$1 a wagon-load with improvements. Church and school facilities are fair and increasing, many of the schools manufacturing such a spirit of appreciation as to provide libraries for the use of pupils. Improved lands are valued at \$10 to \$20 an acre, while unimproved lands can be had at \$1.25 to \$5. There are also about 2000 acres of government lands, subject to homestead or cash entry. The county is finely watered, the White river alone winding in and out for about a hundred miles within its borders.

There is considerable timber of commercial value, including hickory, white oak, walnut, pine and cedar, and vast mineral wealth, as indicated by the little prospecting that has been done. The minerals include marble, hydraulic lime, manganese, copper, lead and zinc in their multitudinous forms, silver and gold, recent prospecting showing the presence of both in paying quantities, all of which will afford wealth-making opportunities to men of means, judgment and energy.

In no spot on earth, perhaps, can a poor man so easily acquire a home and make a living, and any man who is honest and energetic will be well-to-do, be he rich or poor. The railroad, (White River line of the Missouri Pacific) is stimulating enterprise and enhancing values. River traffic and electric roads are a certainty of the near future, to give new stimulus to every material interest and enhance all realty values. Now is the time to get in right and reap the benefits.

Official Directory.

GOVERNOR - J. W. Folk
Secretary of State - J. E. Swanger
U. S. Senators - Wm. Warner
Member of Congress, 11th Dist. - J. J. Russell
State Senator - Geo. K. Curry
Judge 1st Judicial Circuit - John T. Moore

Representative - D. F. McConkey
County Clerk - J. B. Hines
Recorder of Deeds - W. I. Moore
Circuit Clerk - J. H. Blankenship
Judge of Probate - J. T. Dickenson
Collector of Revenue - H. K. Awarney
Treasurer - Jesse Nance
Commissioner of Schools - D. B. Palmer
Assessor - C. A. James
Sheriff - Robert Adams
Coroner - J. W. Brown
Surveyor - M. E. Bird

COUNTY COURT. Court meets fourth Monday in April and October.

Pres. Judge - J. G. Lewis
Assoc. Judge - W. Dist. C. Stokely
E. M. Frammond
Court meets first Monday in February, May, August and November.

PROBATE COURT. Court meets second Monday in February, May, August and November.

MASONIC. A. F. and A. M. - Forsyth Lodge No. 453, meets on Saturday upon or after the full moon in each month.
C. L. McKnight, W. M.
J. A. Weatherman, Sec.

WOMEN. M. W. A. - Forsyth Camp No. 2050 meets on the first and third Tuesdays in each month.
Jesse Nance, V. C.
C. H. Groom, Clerk.

O. E. S. - Chapter No. 32, meets first and third Thursdays in each month.
Mrs. Sarah Parrish, W. M.
R. C. Ford, W. P. Jesse Nance, Sec.

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I can sell your real estate, at a price justified by its character and location. See me if you wish to buy or sell.

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Let me insure your home or property before it is too late. I can also sell your farm or town property, and have the properties in good shape for turning towns to trade for Taney county lands.
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ESSENTIAL SUPPLIES always on hand at my store, Garrison, Missouri.
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Taney County Bank,
FORSYTH, MO.
CAPITAL STOCK, \$20,000.
SURPLUS AND UND. PROFITS, \$20,000.
Transacts a general banking business.
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JOHNSON FEED BARN
[KNOWN AS OLD PARRISH BARN]
FORSYTH, MISSOURI
20 CENTS A FEED, STRAIGHT
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V. A. Cummings
Has a good line of GENERAL MERCHANDISE at his new store, 1 mile up Bear creek from WALNUT SHADE MISSOURI
Also buys and sells Real Estate

They Like to Hear from Home.
All know how keen is the pleasure of receiving a letter when he is absent from the places and faces which are indelibly imprinted upon his memory. The same is true to a degree in regard to receiving the home paper, as indicated by a few expressions received last week accompanying renewals. Hugh Bradley, a Taney county boy pleasantly located in a good position in Hays, Kansas, says: "Keep the Republican coming this way. I like to hear from Taney county at least once a week." G. B. McPherson, widely remembered by Taney county people as one of the boys, who has for some time been located at Webb City, laconically remarks: "She's always welcome; send her along." Mrs. Susie Brown, formerly of Kirbyville, who owns property in Forsyth but now resides in Marionville with her daughter who is in attendance at the Marionville College institute and we believe, will eventually return to Taney: "Please send the paper another year. It is an old friend that I should hate to part with." It is just such little bits of appreciation expressed in words which help drive the shadows out of the editorial den of the average country printshop. In the cities, where nothing but hard and dry business considerations enter into the making of a paper it is different.

Big Branson-Forsyth Masonic Doings.
Leaving here in the morning (Friday the 15th,) the Moark will take a load of Masons and such others as may wish to make the trip, reaching Branson in time for the regular session of the Branson lodge, which will confer six degrees, the work mitigated by a midnight supper—and the Bransonites know how to prepare a supper.

The boat will return from Branson the following day, (Saturday,) arriving in time for the regular communication of the Forsyth lodge in the evening. Of course the Masons here will not permit their reputation for doing the right thing to suffer.

The fare for the round trip will be but a dollar.

A. L. Weatherman, of the Shade, candidate for assessor, was looking over the prospects in Forsyth this week.

Notice to Our Customers.
We are pleased to announce that Foley's Honey and Tar for coughs, colds and lung troubles is not affected by the National pure food and drug law, as it contains no opiates or other harmful drugs, and we recommend it as a safe remedy for children and adults. For sale by all druggists.

THE "BEA" TREE

Byron Williams.



Stubble and Fatty and Billy and ME, we found a old big hole in a tree! they wuz a lot of small Beas buzzing there! Stubble sed, "this is a BEA tree—take care!" so we lit in the tree thing with a Saw getting the Honey in Nature's first Law! It was a old hard Tree 2 cut down, and wuz us Fellers wuz tucked out then, and at once she cum Krashing in way— that wuz almost mi last Tree cutting day! Stub got his noze badly skinned by a limb. Fat lost his Hat where the tree hit thee brim! "That was a purty the Shave," Billy sed, wiping the blood from thee top of Fat's hed!

Cal McVey and the Bear.
T. C. McVey writes from Matlock, Washington, renewing his subscription to the Republican, and gives us the following little story of his experience with a couple of bears:

On the afternoon of April 20, John Clabby, Mr. Quigley, the foreman of the camp, and myself, started out for a con hunt. We had gone about two miles from camp when the dogs started what we supposed was a cat, so we kept as near us we could. Pretty soon we heard them baying and fighting. We hurried to them, and when we got close we saw they were fighting a cub bear, which they killed pretty soon. I started up to get it when I heard its mother begin to growl, and it was only a few moments until I was face to face with a very mad bear. I thought the best thing I could do would be to take hold of her, so I did it, and she took hold of me. The first pass she made at me she took me on the jaw, which started the blood to running pretty freely. Quigley soon took a hand, and it was not long until we put her out of commission.

We got in home about 5 o'clock with the two bears, and our clothes pretty badly torn and our faces scratched up. My best regards to the editor and all my Taney county friends.

Sam's Trip to Gas City.
Gas is four miles from Iola, and is connected with Lallapo by electric line. All three of the towns are practically one town, and a stranger could not tell where one left off or the other began, so close are they built together. Gas has natural gas for lighting and heat. The supply of natural gas is plentiful and inexhaustible; a five million gas well was brought in three miles out while I was there.

There is a large cement plant that covers fifteen acres, running day and night, while a half mile north, where there is said to be better rock, will soon be built a larger one than the plant now in operation. There is a large brick and tile plant and retort mill running full time, also two large smelters with banked fires getting ready to run. I saw over a million dollars worth of spelter—zinc—piled up in stacks waiting for the price of metal to advance. It will take 250 cars to haul it to market.

Gas was hit hard by the panic, being

IN THE HOME NEST

Cheerful Evening Reveries for Tired Mothers

A model wife is the woman who looks after his household, and makes her hospitality a delight to him, and not a burden; who has learned that a soft answer will turn away wrath; who keeps her sweetest smiles and most loving words for her husband; who is his confidante in sorrow or in joy, and who does not feel the necessity of explaining her private affairs to the neighborhood; who respects the rights of husband and children, and in return has due regard paid to her; who knows that the strongest argument is her womanliness, and so she cultivates it; who is sympathetic in joy or in grief, and finds work for her hands to do; who is not made bitter by trouble, but who strengthens and sweetens under it; who tries to cancel the faults of her husband, rather than blazon them forth to an uninterested public; the woman whose life-book has love written on every page; who makes a home for a man, a home in a house and in a heart, a home that he is sure of, a home that is full of love presided over by one whose price is above rubies. She is the model wife.

A successful man: "A man who has made a happy home for his wife and children. No matter what he has not done in the way of achieving wealth and honor; if he has done that he is a grand success. If he has not done that and it is his own fault, though he be the highest in the land, he is a most pitiable failure. I wonder how many men in a mad pursuit of gold, which characterizes the age, realize that there is no fortune which can be left to their families as great as the memory of a happy home.

WANTED—A BOY.

Wanted—a boy. A brave, courageous, manly, hopeful boy; one who is not afraid of the truth; one who scorns a lie; one who hates deceit; one who loves his mother; one who does not know more than his parents; one who has the courage to say "no," and stick to it; one who is willing to begin at the bottom of the ladder and work upwards; one who thinks it unmanly to smoke; one who thinks an education is worth striving for; one who is willing to obey his superiors; one who knows his home is better than the street; one who doesn't believe the marvelous tales told in the story papers, and will not read the vile stuff; one who won't cheat in a fair game; one who won't be a sneak, and do a mean act when unseen; one who won't spend every penny he earns or gets; one who thinks he should respect himself, and keep himself in decent appearance; one who won't attack an old man because he is feeble and defenseless; one who won't steal; one who won't swear; one who won't listen to or repeat nasty stories; one who won't revile and jeer at drunken persons on the street; one who won't do a dirty act for another boy who is too cowardly to do his own meanness; one who loves to do right because it is right. Wanted—a boy; a whole-souled, earnest, honest, square boy. Where can he be found? Does he live in your neighborhood? Is he a member of your family? Do you know him?

Pointers from Pinetop.

Pinetop postoffice was formerly in District 41, a half mile back in the woods from the main road at the Taney County Lumber Co's sawmill. There was quite a village there, but it is no more. The mill is gone and the people with it. The school in the district is known as Riddgedale. Pinetop postoffice is now in District 42, within twenty rods of the school house, which up to date has never had a name.

About a month ago I sent in a bunch of items which were not printed. I will repeat some of them here.

Some of the former patrons of Pinetop postoffice and the other people in that neighborhood, are trying to get a postoffice at Crest, the flag station at the north end of Tunnel C.

Mrs. Laura (White) Offield died on the morning of March 31, at the residence of Grandma McGill on Bee creek, aged 19 years, 6 months.

Mrs. Nancy E., wife of Major C. F. Bracken, died the morning of April 29, and was buried in the Vane cemetery at Omaha on the 30th.

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like the summer, aglow with promise; and like the autumn, rich with the golden sheaves, where good works and deeds have ripened on the field.

NEATNESS OF DRESS AT HOME.
The importance of neat and tasteful home dressing cannot be over estimated. The matron who appears before the members of the family in a shabby, soiled wrapper and makes the excuse, if indeed she takes the trouble to make one at all, that "it is so much more comfortable," has little idea of the possible consequences of such a course. Could she but realize that her dress is an evil example to her daughters, and productive of consequences that will reach far beyond her own span of life; that her husband and sons cannot fail to draw comparisons between her dress and that of the ladies they meet in other homes, and that these comparisons cannot fail to decrease their respect for her, she might be induced to give more attention to her personal appearance.

Not even the burden of care and constant employment can furnish a sufficient excuse for careless personal habits, for few things are more important to the well-being of a family. There is an old saying to the effect that an untidy mother has disobedient children, and, while neither parents nor children may realize the why or wherefore of it, yet there is always a lack of respect and an indifference to the authority of a mother who takes no pride in her personal appearance.

And it is not the mother alone upon whose shoulders rests the burden of responsibility for home neatness and order in dress; the father has his duties to look after as well, and should never fail to insist upon the younger members of the family presenting themselves with well-kept hands, clean faces, neatly brushed hair, and orderly dress, at least at every meal where the family assembles.

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