

TANEY COUNTY REPUBLICAN

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A Little Different Story.

On the first page of this issue of the Republican will be found a couple of articles taken from the two Ozark papers, the Republican and the Democrat, which we do not think attempt to reflect much credit upon the people of Taney county.

In the article from the Christian County Republican, headed "The Bronson Case", we learn that the criminal case against Senator Bronson was sent to this county for trial because it was easier to interleave with a jury here than it would be in their county, and that in effect, was why the case was sent here.

Now, for one thing, for the benefit of the editor of the Christian County Republican, who should know better, if he does not we want to say that when the defendant in a criminal action takes a change of venue, that is as far as he can go, and it is then up to the prosecution to say where the case shall be sent for trial, that is, of course, where the two parties cannot agree on a place. In this particular case, so we have been informed when the court asked if the two parties could agree on a place to send the case for trial, Senator Bronson's attorneys replied that it did not make any difference to them, and that it was the prosecuting attorney of Christian county who asked that it be sent to Taney county.

Now again, if it was sent here for the purpose of tampering with a jury, which we very much resent, in the name of some of the very best men in this or any other county in the state, who would the tampering really belong to? The parties who sent it here, or the parties who did not know where it was to go? It looks very much to us as though somebody's foot had slipped a little in making a statement of that kind, and we feel reasonably sure that the editor of the Christian County Republican nor any other man who walks on two feet could come down here and make a charge of being tampered with to any gentleman who was a member of that jury. We know good and well that we would not want to be the man who did it.

Of course, the editor of the paper making this accusation does not say who gave him this information, and to be right honest about it we do not think he will say who told him any thing of the kind.

It would be a very hard matter in any county to get twelve better, more representative, or fair minded men on a jury to try any case than the twelve men who sat on that jury, and we believe that we are only doing our duty when we take up the argument for these men, fully two thirds of whom will never have an opportunity to see what the Christian County Republican said of them.

In the Ozark Democrat there was another little article, which did not cast any reflection on the members of the jury, did take a little fling at the town of Forsyth in this way. After giving a list of the folks from that town who had been here attending court said that most of them had returned home, but that the few who remained here were having a hard time holding the town on the map.

That is all right, but we would beg to remind the editor of that paper that this town was on map the a good while before the town of Ozark was, and we believe that a majority of the public spirited citizens of Ozark will tell them that there is no one man in their town who is more responsible for putting Ozark on the map than Senator Bronson.

Personally, we never have believed Senator Bronson guilty of the charges made against him, and since hearing a great part of the evidence in the case tried here last week we feel more certain of it than ever.

Mr. Moreland, line rider for the Ozark Power & Water Co., who lives up about Gravelly Hollow, told us the other day that while we were having our big rain here on Monday morning of this week that his neighborhood was visited by a pretty hard hail storm.

TANEYVILLE

We had quite a rain here Sunday night and Monday.

Everybodys gardens are looking green.

Mrs. Haslip and sister, Mabel Bonebrake, of Kansas are visiting relatives and friends of this place.

Henry Blunk was in town Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Morrow was called to Springfield Tuesday to attend the funeral of their daughter, Mrs. Chandler, who died in Kansas City. They returned home Wednesday night accompanied by their son and daughter.

Taneyville has been well supplied with fish for the last week.

A hack load went to the dam Sunday for an outing and on the way back Miss Eula Jones was thrown out of the hack and one wheel ran over her but she was not injured dangerously.

The show Saturday night was well attended.

Gilman Simmons of Sparta spent a few days visiting in our town this week.

A. W. Morrow has bought the stock of goods formerly owned by M. E. Bird and they are now invoicing.

Tom Frank came in from Riverton Monday of last week.

Mrs. Laura Cunningham left Tuesday morning for Kansas City.

Mrs. Blafeld went to Beaver Tuesday.

BRADLEYVILLE.

Monday we had our last April showers for 1917.

James Blair and R. L. Ridenhour returned Sunday from White River where they had spent a few days fishing.

Miss Maud Golder departed Friday for her home near Kansas City.

Daniel Jackson made a business trip to Chadwick last week.

Everybody is engaged in fishing in the wet weather.

Clayton Williams and family spent Sunday with Mrs. Ridenhour and family.

Uncle Joe McPherson is on the sick list at this writing.

Chelcie McPherson was the guest of Norma Slusher Sunday.

Charlie Lawrence has a very sore hand. It has delayed him from work.

Earnest Nance was the guest of Miss Ona Melton Sunday afternoon.

We had quite a rain storm Monday morning.

Our Sunday School superintendent was absent Sunday.

Ed Golder is working for M. B. Slusher.

OSAKA

(Too late for last week.)

We are having some very nice weather but it looks like rain today.

To-day is the only day the people of this neighborhood will receive their mail at Osaka. It will be a little unhandy but the office is discontinued. Mabel Byrns, Ozie and Oakley Pierce went to Bradleyville Friday and returned Saturday.

Saturday night and Sunday was the regular church time but on account of the minister having the measles several were disappointed. We hope to have church next time.

Dan Canfield, Mabel Byrns and others were the visitors of Miss Ozie Pierce Sunday.

There was a party at W. M. Pierces a few nights ago. Everyone had a fine time.

Some people of near here went to Forsyth Sunday to attend court.

Mrs. Addie Loi of Pryor, Mo. has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Ed Kearney.

There have been some mad dogs but none in this neighborhood yet.

Garden stuff is coming on fast which the women proud.

Awbery Blunk and Elzie Combs of Forsyth were visiting in this neighborhood Saturday night and Sunday.

Doris Cranfield is planting corn for William Cranfield.

A letter was received last week from W. J. Mourey who went to Washington some time ago. We are sorry to hear that he is not satisfied and expect him back in the fall.

Bill Byrns planted corn for Ed Kearney Monday.

The peaches and pears are about all killed in this part but apples are all right so far.

Newton Grady who has been working in Oklahoma for some time has returned to his home near here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kearney went to Bradleyville Saturday.

Eggs are still a good price, 34 cents.

Mrs. Caleb Church will start for Washington in a few days where she will meet her husband who went some time ago. Mrs. J. C. Cranfield was preparing to go with her but will not get to start just now.

War is being talked about considerably in the last few weeks. None have been taken from around here yet.

Andie Clark went to Bradleyville Friday.

Denvil Stanley was the evening visitor of Alta Morgan Sunday.

PROTEM

Dr. Cook, the Lead Hill veterinary surgeon is in town for two days to do all kinds of work.

Berry Jones and wife returned Friday from a few days visit in Harrison.

The egg market still holds pretty good in this burg.

There was an "old fashioned" candy pulling at Jim Becks the other night.

All report an exceptionally good time at the social given Tuesday night by Mrs. Evaline Owen.

The gardens are beginning to look green since the rains.

Wallace Adams left Friday to get a load of goods at Hollister for H. F. Owen.

Ben Clemens, who lives near Peck, Ark., was in town Friday. It's hard for Ben to stay away very long.

A few cases of measles reported near here but none in town yet.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Bald Knobber, Hill Billy Taney County, Bah! Forsyth High School Rah, Rah, Rah!

If you don't know what this means ask somebody.

Rah, Rah, Rah!

Rah, Rah, Rah!

Rah, Rah, Rah!

Jack Johnson!

Jack did it. Jack Johnson did it. Jack Johnson won the declamatory contest at Springfield. He didn't win it all by himself either. He could have done it all by himself though, but he didn't need to. We were all there—Guy and Frank and Jesse and Cecil and Eunice and Theron and Lyman and Mr. and Mrs. Hayes, and "we" won a gold medal. We did it for Forsyth. We beat all of them—Cassville, Golden City, Seymour and Richland. Say, these sound like big names, but I'll tell you Forsyth's got the quality. We had more folks there than any of them. And I'll bet there are still others who wish they'd and helped beat those big schools.

Rah, Rah, Rah!

Rah, Rah, Rah!

Rah, Rah, Rah!

Guy Everett!

Well now what did Guy do? Why Guy just got him a cannon ball and just pushed it around just where he wanted to just to show them there fellers if they needed him in the army why he sure had the dynamite in his arm and he wouldn't need any powder to shoot a cannon ball. Say, Guy's sure got more of that there dynamite up his sleeve than any other feller in Southwest Missouri. There was one other feller that tried to show off a little bit and beat Guy about an inch but everybody knew that Guy had him skinned a mile if he just wanted to set off a little of that there dynamite. Say, have you seen Guy's medal? You want to see it while it still has some distinction, for next year we'll all have so many of them that it won't be much worth while to get a look at one.

The close of school is near. Examinations will be held Monday and Tuesday of next week.

The Baccalaureate sermon will be given by Rev. Fred A. Mills next Sunday at 2:30 o'clock p. m. Admission is free. Come! Stone Chapel is the place.

Next Wednesday night the graduating exercises will be held. Orations and music will be given by the High School graduates. After these numbers the Choral Club will present "The Building of the Ship." Admission is ten cents. After the cantata the Taney County graduates will receive their diplomas from Superintendent Bennett.

Students of the Forsyth High School who expect promotion must come to the end of school and pass the examinations. Pupils who quit before the last day and miss the examinations cannot hope to pass.

Are They Guilty of Bribery?

Following are the names of the men who served on the jury that tried the case against Senator Bronson here last week and we will leave it to any reputable citizen of the county who is acquainted with any or all of them if it looks like a list of men who would be guilty of accepting a bribe in trying a case: Mert Cox, J. L. David, Jim Wheeler, Robert Wade, C. O. Bass, W. J. Brown, E. C. Pope, Joe Welch, Frank Mackey, F. W. Weaver, G. W. Beeler, H. M. Williams.

Marriage Licenses

The following marriage licenses have been issued by Recorder U. G. Johnson.

Notie Johnson and Sarah Tibbets, both of Reedsprings.

J. T. Thompson and Lillian Beaver, both of Branson.

Bethel Eiseman and Laura Chandler, both of Branson.

A letter was received on Wednesday of this week from H. N. Simpson of King City, Mo., renewing his subscription to the old county paper, says that they have been having too much rain in his part of the state and on the date the letter was written, April 30, it had been snowing nearly all morning.

Circuit court adjourned today, Thursday, at noon, and Judge Stewart, Stenographer Sanders and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Moore left about 1 o'clock by auto for Branson to catch the afternoon train for the north. Court will reconvene on May 22.

Pret Hilsabeck left Sunday for Oklahoma where he expects to work in the mines for a time.

Col. D. B. Wood left Monday of this week for a business visit at Battlefield near Springfield.

Attorney T. J. Harper left today at noon for his home at Reedsprings.

Attorney L. F. Beaden left today at noon for his home at Day.

Wm. H. Johnson has been in town all this week attending the sessions of the circuit court.

The Meet at Springfield.

The Southwest Missouri field meet was held at Springfield Mo., Saturday April 28. There was a track team went from here to represent the Forsyth High School. Among them were Jesse Johnson, Frank Owens Jesse Williams, Cecil Parrish, and Guy Everett. Mr. Hayes the captain of the track team, his wife Mrs. Hayes, Miss Eunice and Theron Morrow and Lyman Felkins all went along. The trip was made in automobiles. The boys had not had much training, but all made a good showing in every event that they took part in. Owing to the rains the night before the field was muddy and slippery, and the best of the athletes could not show their best. There was 28 high schools represented at the field meet. Some of the schools that had been attending the meets there for the last few years never made a point. This being the first year for the Forsyth team to enter these meets and with the success they had it gives them more courage for the next one that is to be held there. The Forsyth school made 5 points, second place was won in the shot put by the Forsyth team. In this meet the boys showed that they had the goods if they had only started to train earlier in the season. When school starts next year we want to start our training early as possible, and show the other schools that if we are from the hills we can equal them on the field.

Jesse Johnson who won first place here in the declamatory contest, was sent to represent the school at Springfield where the declamatory contest was held. There were five schools represented in the contest, all of the contestants had spoken but Jesse, he being the last on the program, it came his time to speak he walked to the front and delivered his speech as though he was used to giving them for a living. When he got through we could hardly wait for the judges to tell who had won the first place, when

it was announced that Jesse had won first place we could hardly sit still in our seats we were all so anxious to get to him to give him a good hearty handshake. There is a bright future before Jesse, and he is taking the advantage of this while he is young by going to school and getting an education. I have known Jesse for the last seven or eight years and have played baseball over the country and have gone to school with him, and I can say that I have never met a better Christian young man than he. The country is going to see the need more every year for such young men as he is, it wont be long until our country will rest in the hands of the young men that are growing up today. We all wish him success in whatever station of life he may reach, and whatever goal he may reach in life there will be an influence gone out from him that will be a help to any community.

Mr. Hayes who is the president of our school was raised in the Ozark hills here in Taney county. He came here last fall and took the presidency of the school here. He is a man that has taken an interest in our school and seems just like one of the boys. He has organized track teams basket ball, and shown a great interest in athletics. He has not only been a help to the boys in athletics, but has taken a great interest in their school work, and shown his willingness to help any boy or girl that would call on him at any time. He is efficient in his work and capable of holding a position in any high school in the state, but being a lover of the hills and rocks has chosen the high school here to teach in, and we are glad to have a man like Mr. Hayes with us. Since he has come here our school has been approved as a first class high school, and the grades that are made here will be taken in any high school in the state. He organized the track team here and entered us in the meet at Springfield which has meant a great deal to the boys here, not only to the boys but has meant something to our town and school as well. Mr. Hayes has been a help to the boys and girls in many different ways. Mr. Hayes has been a great help to the community, especially in getting up songs to help the churches out here in their meetings and as a man he is everything that is a good Christian man and has an influence for good. If any young man boy or girl is wanting to go to high school and get an education the Forsyth High school offers opportunities as good as any school in the state, you will find as good teachers here as you will find any place, and I am sure you will find Mr. Hayes ready at all times to give you a boost.

GUY M. EVERETT.

Last vestige of personal liberty will be gone when a man may not be permitted to select his own neckties. Whatever his shortcomings in taste, every man clings to the exercise of that human right.

Women may wear the barrel skirt because it is fashionable; men who wear the barrel coat wear it because they can't wear any other kind.

FOR SALE.

214 acres of good Swan creek bottom, known as the Licklider farm 5 miles north of Forsyth on the old Mail Trace road, 4 room house and good outbuildings, well and cistern, good family orchard and all kinds of berries and small fruit. About 120 acres under fence and in cultivation. Write to B. F. Stout, Forsyth, Mo. 4t pd

NOTICE TO PUBLISHERS OF SCHOOL TEXT BOOKS.

In compliance with the regular statute regulating the sale of text books in Missouri the County Text Book Commission of Taney County, will receive bids for text books to be used in the schools of Taney County, until 4 o'clock on the 29th day of May 1917, at the office of the Superintendent of Schools. The County Text Book Commission reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. Bids will be received for supplying the following books:

Table with 2 columns: Probable Number and Book Title. Includes Civil Government, Dictionaries, Agriculture, Arithmetic, Geography, Spellers, Readers, Grammars, History, Physiology, and Writing.

Members of the County Text Book Commission will grant individuals interested representatives of Publishers of school books until the 29th day of May 1917. After which the Commission will take the matter of adoption and contracts under advisement and will report their award to publishers who have been accepted. Done by order of the Text Book Commission of Taney County, Missouri at Forsyth, this 29th day of April 1917.

JOHN W. BASS, Sec'y. W. H. ADAMS, Sec'y. ROY C. EVANS.

HAPPENINGS of the week IN MISSOURI

That there is no shortage in the funds of the Finley Building and Loan Association of Ozark, Mo., and that instead the association is indebted to the defendant, was the testimony of Solomon E. Bronson, state senator from the Nineteenth district, which is in progress in the circuit court at Forsyth.

Mrs. C. T. Patterson, wife of the superintendent of the Missouri state poultry station of this place, died here this afternoon.

Moila Temple of the Mystic Shrine of St. Joseph has canceled its plans for the annual pilgrimage to the imperial council and instead will devote the \$2,500 which would have been spent in that way to American war relief work.

Twenty-five hundred persons took part in a Kirksville loyalty parade recently, including Company C of the Fourth Regiment, students of the normal school, the school of osteopathy and the public schools.

E. W. Smith, a traveling salesman for the Scotten Dillon Tobacco Company, was dangerously injured at Mountain Grove in a motor car accident, in which four others, R. C. Hardin, Charles Hampton, Max Williams and Dr. Carl Thorne, all of that city, also were injured.

Under the direction of the extension division of the college of agriculture, the farmers mobilized in practically every school district in the state. Every farmer in the state who has a telephone was called from his county seat and urged to attend. Through special arrangements with the Post-office Department circulars telling of the meetings were placed in every rural mail box. The meetings were scheduled to begin at the same hour and a definite plan of organization to increase the food production was followed.

Robert Hauck, harness dealer, was found dead at Pleasant Hill when his room was broken into to put out a fire. He had been burned to death. Indications are that the fire started while he was smoking in bed.

Louis B. Dersch, 31 years old, a painter living at St. Joseph, was drowned while fishing at midnight recently in Garlish lake, two miles south of Amazonia.

Fighting side by side with men combatting a forest fire in Douglas County, Mrs. Tray Doherty of Goodhope, received burns which resulted in her death two days later.

Earl Bodle, 22 years old, received injuries that caused his death when a motor car he was driving skidded and upset near Marysville. Bodle was returning with a party from a funeral when the accident happened.

Mrs. Mary E. Roberts, 84 years old, of Montgomery, recently became the great-great-grandmother of the fifty-fourth of her family.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Deal and their daughter-in-law, Mrs. Leslie Deal, were instantly killed near Marshall, when the motor car in which they were riding was struck by a Missouri Pacific passenger train.

E. G. Bennett, state dairy commissioner, was in Macon recently in the interest of the dairy campaign in Missouri. He says that Missouri will soon take its place as one of the leading dairy states of the Nation.

Meetings of farmers were held in every school district in Greene county recently and delegates selected to attend a mass meeting in Springfield when plans for a maximum production of foodstuffs on farms this year will be discussed.

William Brown, United States marshal at Springfield, recently seized two privately owned wireless plants there and arrested the owners. One was a high power station in the residence district.

Sedalia and Pettis County recently celebrated the one hundred and thirty-second anniversary of the Battle of Lexington with a large attendance. One hundred and fifty gayly decorated motor cars were in line, while hundreds of men marched in the parade, including Grand Army of the Republic veterans, Spanish-American war veterans, the gun corps company, Red Cross chapter, all of the local union organizations, different Protestant and Catholic societies, Boy Scouts and three thousand five hundred school children.

Ben Carter, a resident of Ash Grove, was arrested in Springfield on a charge of making treasonable utterances and abusing President Wilson. He was fined and compelled to take an oath to support the United States in every way throughout the war.

More than \$13,000 was pledged at St. Louis to continue the industrial, preventive and educational work of the Missouri Blind Commission. A legislative appropriation of \$50,000 for the work of this commission recently was vetoed by Governor Gardner.