

**AFTER YOUR WEALTH.**

Some Interesting Facts Concerning the Office of Assessor.

Once a year the tax ghost walks abroad in Missouri. No sooner is the tax levy for one year fixed than work is begun on the new assessment County Assessor Burnett began taking the assessment for 1928 taxes on the 1st of June.

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Very few property owners ever stop to consider how the assessor obtained the assessment. If he assesses their property too high they never fail to appear before the county boards of equalization and appeal and have it lowered, if possible.

The assessor is paid in fees and he is at liberty to employ all the deputies he chooses, but they must be paid out of his fee.

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The county court should insist upon the law being adhered to by the assessor, and his books and compensation refused until he did comply with the law.

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**Treated Shabbily.**

John W. Stokes, whom Governor Stephens failed to make prosecuting attorney of this county, is out in a letter in the Craig Leader, bitterly arraiving the governor and Chief Fuller for their course in the fight for the office, and tells some pretty straight truths in the matter.

The facts are John W. Stokes has always been most shamefully treated by his party. No man in this congressional district, and we make no exceptions, has done harder work, and more continuous work for his party than has Mr. Stokes, and no man has been more loyal and brave for his party than he, and he has deserved better from his party than he has received.

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**Bridges.**

One of the most essential features of good highways is that of bridge construction. At all crossings of streams which might at any time interrupt the passage of vehicles, good, substantial iron bridges should be erected, and especially where the importance of the highway is sufficient to warrant the outlay.

And in all cases where bridges are necessary they should be of the most permanent character possible—steel tubular masonry piers, or upon good steel or concrete foundations.

Good bridges besides, being more economical, appeal strongly to the eye of the traveler, and cause a feeling of pride on the part of every citizen who travels the road. Therefore it should be the object of all county district officials who have charge of bridge building to procure the service of a competent engineer to plan the work.

Besides the saving of money it is a satisfaction and pleasure to see good bridges on all of our important roads, and the recent action of our county court seems to indicate that they are going to have the best for the least possible outlay.

Apples Wanted. Ohio parties have been contracting winter apples at Troy, Kansas, 75 cents per barrel on the tree. New York buyers are inquiring about our crop, what we have to offer, etc.

Missouri's Honored Son. It is only occasionally that a man is placed in a position of honor or trust towering above all around and thus privileged to appear at his best.

Supreme Court Decision. The supreme court last week decided the Cape Girardeau county election contests in favor of the Democratic contestants and affirmed the judgment of the lower court.

Harvesting in full blast here and from all appearances the crops are good. Dr. Davis and wife, accompanied by Mrs. Lizzie Purdum and L. O. Phillips spent the day at Big Lake Monday.

Broken at Last. After nearly a week of intense heat during which there were many fatalities in the vast area affected, suffering humanity has been relieved by cool north winds.

How to Keep Cool. This is the tourist season, when people from the crowded cities and from their country homes seek a change; seek recreation; seek relief from their hot, sweltering surroundings, and it is but natural that they begin to ask where shall we go—how shall we go?

Curzon. Dan Graham, wife and baby are quite sick. Charles Dawson is on the sick list, this week.

On the afternoon of July 6th, quite a number of young people gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Kirk, the occasion being Miss Ella's 15th birthday.

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**LAND OF CONFUCIUS.**

Miss Fanny Meyer Writes About the Land of the Almond-Eyed.

FLORA HOME, CHUNG KING, CHINA, May 20, 1927. My Precious Father: The cablegram which left New York May 11, 3:55 p. m., bearing this message "Meyer, Chung King, Build Huston," reached here May 17, 10:30 a. m.

It was brought to Mr. Myers, of our Mission; he was looking for a telegram from Helen. As soon as possible Helen got into her chair and brought the precious message out to me.

Miss Fannie which followed it, of course opened it. I was out at Mrs. Manley's at the time. Helen was sitting up with Mrs. McCarthy, and as Mr. Myers did not want to disturb them that time of night he waited until morning to give to Helen.

I held it in my hands and looked at it, seemed almost too good to be true, had I been alone I should have cried for joy.

Presently I have the message in my Bible at Phil. 4:19 "My God Shall Supply All Your Need According to His Riches in Glory by Christ Jesus."

China. I hope the day is not far distant when she shall awake to her past life. A home letter came two days after the cablegram. You say you want to send us a box of things so that we may have a big time when we dedicate the school building.

Low Rates and Hot Weather are here. A trip to Colorado doesn't cost much now, and you may be comfortable in a cooler climate.

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ED. L. HART, Secretary.

Maitland, Mo.

**REAL ESTATE MIMOGRAPH**

PUBLISHED WEEKLY BY W. H. RICHARDS, PROPRIETOR, 302 OFFICE AT STAIRS IN THE MOORE BLOCK.

Transfers for the week ending July 3, 1927: Warrant Deeds: Chas. C. Pratt and wife to T. C. Dungan, lots 4 and 5, block 26, Oregon, \$425.

Transfers for the week ending July 10, 1927: Joe A. Dancy and wife to Harlow and Sarah Baker, lot 14, block 1, \$100.

POPULAR LOW-PRICE CALIFORNIA EXCURSIONS. The Santa Fe Route daily excursions to California in four sleeping cars are deservedly popular.

Monarch. Jas. Smith is on the sick list. Mrs. Barnes is reported quite sick.

Trustee's Sale. Whereas James Patterson and Ella M. Patterson, his wife, by their deed of trust, dated the 24th day of February, 1922, and recorded in the recorder's office of Holt County, Missouri, books 7, page 25, conveyed to Albert R. Koecker, as trustee, the following described real estate, situate in the County of Holt and State of Missouri, to-wit:

Order of Publication in Tax Suit. STATE OF MISSOURI, ss. In the Circuit Court of Holt County, in said State, to the August term, 1927.

Excise Officer's Notice. Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of David S. Alkire, deceased, were granted to the undersigned on the 20th day of July, 1927, by the Probate Court of Holt County, Missouri.

To All Persons Concerned. Take notice, that the undersigned administrator of the estate of William H. Alkire, deceased, of Holt County, Missouri, 1927, to be held at the court house in the City of Topeka, in said county, on the 9th day of August, 1927, apply to said court for letters testamentary on the estate of said decedent.

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