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TO IMPRESS THEIR FACES ON TAXPAYERS

And Perpetuate Their Memories Indelibly Upon Those Who Do the Paying

Gov. Hyde and His Subordinate Loyd Spent Over \$44,000 for Earthly Fireworks

That Gov. Hyde and his subordinate, Lieutenant Governor Loyd, have again indelibly "impressed" themselves on the memories of the taxpayers of the state, is fully disclosed, following the report of the three auditors who made an audit and check of the Missouri State Fair board and its activities last year when the state fair cost the taxpayers of the state \$269,361.11 more than it took in, each dollar lost coming out of the tax-ridden people of the state, and a considerable part of which is and should be charged to extravagance and loose management, outside of the fact that Gov. Hyde and Lieutenant Governor Loyd cost the taxpayers thousands of dollars in order that their names and faces might be "glorified" at the expense of those who dug up those aforesaid taxes.

The report as soon as completed was sent to State Auditor George E. Hackmann, who transmitted a copy to Hyde and Loyd but so far no statement has been made by them in explanation—and possibly will not—for what does Hyde and Loyd care for what the taxpayers think? Had they had any consideration, thousands of dollars would have been saved to them.

Cost \$2.62 Per Head

The audit shows that the fair cost the taxpayers \$269,361.11 more than the total receipts which were \$216,248.96. Just to show the difference in operations when Gov. Gardner was in office and when Hyde held the reins, the following comparative table will prove of decided interest:

| | 1921 | 1920 |
|----------------|--------------|-------------|
| Advertising | \$ 24,947.49 | \$ 8,248.53 |
| Postage | 7,115.71 | 2,070.89 |
| Adm. Dept. | 8,268.39 | 3,533.74 |
| Gen. expense | 14,609.60 | 12,234.64 |
| Board meetings | 2,460.37 | 1,146.15 |
| Ground exp. | 27,116.19 | 9,978.77 |
| Office | 3,393.16 | 2,334.10 |
| Printing | 17,076.14 | 8,598.93 |
| Equipment | 20,820.13 | 7,224.84 |
| Concessions | 4,474.14 | 1,563.38 |

Total \$131,897.32 \$67,934.38

Burned Pictures on Taxpayers' Minds

The "fire pictures," one of the largest items of expense which was paid to the North American Fireworks Co.

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CALLED TO REST

Mrs. Minnie J. Durant Crosses Over the River to Rest Eternal.

One of the hardest trials of this life is the final parting with a loved wife and mother—and such a one was that when Lafayette Durant, postmaster at Cosby, and his three children, Willis of Cosby, and Mrs. F. L. Hug and Mrs. Nellie E. Wakefield, daughters, both of this city, were on Saturday obliged to give up the one who held the place of love and honor in their hearts.

Mrs. Minnie J. Durant was sixty-four years of age when she was called upon to leave those she loved. For over two generations she had walked hand-in-hand with the husband whom she had chosen in the days of her youth. She was a gentle Christian woman who believed in her God, her family and the Golden Rule, which she strictly adhered to. The funeral occurred from the church in Cosby where she worshipped, on Monday, and a great throng of those who knew and loved her followed the remains to their final resting place.

SUDDEN DEATH OF MRS. PHILLIP SLATTERY

With not a moment's warning, Mrs. Phillip A. Slattery died of heart trouble at her home, 1105 Henry street, Monday forenoon. She is survived by her husband, Phillip Slattery of the Nave-McCord Grocer Co., a daughter, Miss Anna Slattery, and a son, Phil Slattery, Jr., of this city. William J. Slattery, another son of Denver, and Thomas Slattery, another son of Kansas City, a brother, William Tomboy of Kansas City, and a sister, Mrs. Catherine Hogan of St. Joseph, also survive her.

John J. White of Chicago discussed the tax question before the City Club Thursday night.

GORDON WORKED IT

Put Up a Job on Cowgill and Had the Latter's Cattle Afflicted With the Pip.

The sudden death of Mayor James Cowgill of Kansas City has brought out a great number of new stories about that splendid gentleman. Here is one of the late ones which will appeal strongly to the people here on account of the fact that the man who perpetrated it is a brother of T. P. Gordon, and the man on whom it was played was the father-in-law of Will E. Spratt, both of this city. Here is the story:

"Judge James Cowgill, late mayor of Kansas City, had served his people as state railroad commissioner, state treasurer and chairman of the Democratic state committee. Incidentally, there was in this part of the country no better judge of a steer. So well did he know the festive steer that his knowledge of the subject netted him several hundreds of thousands in cold cash. But long after he had succeeded in the cattle business there were still some things he did not know about steers. While he was state treasurer he returned from his Kansas ranch on one occasion, very proud of two thousand head of fat cattle he had at Garden City. One evening as he sat in front of the Madison hotel, telling about his cattle, a messenger boy handed him a telegram signed by his ranch manager. It read: 'Cattle all down with the pip, come at once.' The judge immediately wired his veterinary surgeon to proceed at once to treat his steers for the pip. The veterinary promptly wired back: 'Your steers may have the chicken cholera or the roup, but there are no other poultry diseases present here.' Judge Cowgill never knew who put up that job on him. He suspected Henry Andrine of Jefferson City and Morton Jordan of St. Louis. But the man who wrote the telegram was State Auditor John P. Gordon."

CLAIMED MANY VICTIMS

Federal Court Did Much to Populate the Jails for the Coming Two Months.

The jails of Buchanan, Andrew and Davess counties are much richer in population since the federal court convened here on Monday and Judge Van Valkenburgh began sending law violators—generally prohibition—to jail for sixty days with an added feature of \$200 fine in almost every instance. The assertion that that eminent jurist is working in the interest of the sheriffs who board their prisoners it is needless to say groundless, but the infractors most assuredly got all that was coming to them.

The bar room of the National Hotel on Third and Francis was sealed by the United States marshal for a year and a big padlock now adorns it, and its owners, William Rositzky, Wallace Hicks, John W. Henry and Earl and Jack Beaver, are enjoined from selling liquor on the premises. Julia Palmer, a negro, who peddled dope and was fined \$100 last term, was up again this time and was sent to the probate court where she was committed to State Hospital No. 2 until cured. Ed and Helen Clark, who were out on bond charged with violation of the narcotic act, were missing and their bonds of \$3,000 signed by F. H. Miller and Leonard Johnson were forfeited. Sixty-seven fines and forty jail sentences were given to liquor violators. There were a large number of naturalization cases. But few civil cases came up, and several were transferred to Kansas City.

JUDGE WILLIAM A. PYLE CALLED

Judge William A. Pyle, one of the best known residents of Andrew county, died Monday at his handsome country home, Stop 26, three miles this side of Savannah, after a brief illness with pneumonia. He is survived by his wife, two sons, D. E. and H. B. Pyle, and one daughter, Mrs. O. C. Auburn, all of Andrew county. Judge Pyle was a splendid citizen and a good neighbor. He was an old soldier, having served in Co. E, Thirty-third Ohio Volunteers, through the war. He was captured at Chickamaqua in the last day fight. The funeral occurred Thursday and was very largely attended.

MORE SUITS AGAINST DR. BEARD

Dr. F. G. Beard, formerly of this city, but now of Oklahoma, was sued Monday by Attorneys L. J. Eastin and John D. McNeely, who ask \$602.70 from him for legal services, and in order that they may get it, they also filed an attachment suit against the doctor's Edmond street property at the same time.

THE PUBLIC NOW SEES THE DIFFICULTIES

WHICH THE MANAGERS OF LARGE SYSTEMS HAVE EXPERIENCED

AND IS NOW DISPOSED TO BE FAIR MINDED

Judge O. M. Spencer, General Counsel for the Great Burlington System, Who Is Now in Pasadena, California, for the Winter, in a Characteristic Interview Gives the Result of His Observations as to Changed Conditions.

Every person in St. Joseph especially, but for that matter all over this territory, delights to read of the actions and sayings of Judge O. M. Spencer, head of the legal department of the great Burlington system, whom all lovingly refer to as "Tom," and who for the best part of his life has been the friend and neighbor of the people of this city and vicinity. Judge Spencer is now in Pasadena for the winter, and in the Evening Post of that city in an issue of this week appears the following characteristic interview on a subject that is of much interest to all people who have to do with or use transportation. The article says:

Will Stop Baiting.

"Perhaps one of the most encouraging trends is the fair-minded attitude of the public and officials toward the railroads of the country. This will undoubtedly put a stop for all time to the popular pastime of railroad baiting which originated in the era of populism, graft and self-seeking political riot, in the opinion of Judge O. M. Spencer, general counsel of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad system, who has just arrived in

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WILL NOMINATE TODAY

Democrats to Meet at the Court House and Put Ticket in the Field.

At 10 o'clock this morning Chairman Ben L. Helsey of the Democratic city central committee will call the delegates elected last Saturday to order in the court house and a full ticket will be nominated, a platform adopted and the arrangements completed for the successful ending of the city spring campaign.

Who will be the nominee is not of course yet known, but it will be a head to the ticket that will meet with the full support of the Democracy of the city.

The three daily Republican papers of the city have been busy since the primary of last Saturday in seeing how much mud they can throw and how many misrepresentations they could make in order to divide the party on the Whitell-Groesser mix-up, but there will be nothing to it when the polls open on election day, where the democratic ticket will triumph.

BEGINNING TO MIX THE MEDICINE

Already the propaganda to be utilized in putting over the bond propositions to be voted on Feb. 11th is being spread and the "mixing of medicine" is going rapidly forward. As at the present time it is no crime to lie, cheat, steal or swindle so long as you achieve your desire, it is a certainty that lying propaganda will be used unsparringly. The first batch was put out Wednesday when it was announced with a flourish of trumpets by those who would profit if bond issues carry, that prospective holders for the bonds were already tumbling over each other, but no one can find out who they are or where they hail from.

REV. ROBERT PORTER HAS RESIGNED

After having served with great success for eight years past as pastor of the First Congregational church, Thirtieth and Jule, and brought the church to a high state of efficiency, Rev. Robert Porter, its pastor, at the Sunday service presented his resignation and asked that it be accepted, effective March 11. At a vestry meeting Thursday night it was accepted. Rev. Porter after a short rest which he is in need of, will go to a larger church. He has three splendid offers. He is a native of Wisconsin, having been born and reared at Burlington in that state.

A horse owned by Mack Van Natta had its leg broken when it ran against G. C. Deane's Ford coupe on Twelfth and Jule Thursday, and was shot.

ARE THEY—ARE THEY NOT?

How About These Figures Furnished for the Information of You, Mr. Taxpayer?

"County Collector Britte today filed his annual statement with the county court for the fiscal year ending March 1. It shows that \$2,458,484.75 were collected in taxes during the year. The 1920 collections amounted to \$1,925,483.14.

"Of the total collections \$355,480.45 goes to the state. Last year the state's portion was \$282,651.97. The St. Joseph school district this year received \$981,789.60 as against \$863,805.90 last year. The rural schools of the county have received from the 1921 taxes \$109,855.97, while the preceding year they received \$95,428.89.

"Over \$240,000 in delinquent taxes were paid during 1921, while in 1920 \$279,000 were paid in delinquent taxes." — News-Press, Monday.

Let's see!

Governor Hyde and his coterie of office holders have told you that YOUR TAXES WERE NO HIGHER LAST YEAR THAN THEY WERE THE YEAR BEFORE when Gov. Gardner and the Democrats governed the state—in fact Gov. Hyde announced in a public speech at St. Louis that "the man who said that there was an increase in taxes was just a plain ordinary liar."

Let's see again.

The News-Press, Hyde's supporter, printed the above in its Monday issue—so it MUST BE SO. It says that Britte collected \$2,458,484.75 for 1921, when Hyde was governor, and \$1,998,483.14 for 1920, when Gardner was governor. Which year did you taxpayers pay the most?

The state's part for last year—1921—was \$355,480.46, when Hyde was governor, as against \$282,651.97 for 1920—when Gardner was governor. Mr. Buchanan county taxpayer, even you who may not have the "figuring ability" of the bookkeeper who handles the accounts for the Barnes National bank, can see which year COST YOU THE MOST.

Let's see once more!

Do you believe when you accept of the News-Press and Collector Britte's figures that YOU ARE A LIAR—even if Gov. Hyde says that you are?

We don't.

CANNOT CHARGE DELAY TO THE DEMOCRATS

WHO ARE READY TO VOTE FOR ADJUSTED COMPENSATION AT ANY TIME

BOTH SENATORS AND TEN CONGRESSMEN FAVOR IT

Two of the Soldiers From This State Who Gave Up Their Lives Overseas so That Democracy Might Live Were Laid to Final Rest in Arlington National Cemetery Last Week and Were Given Distinguished Honors.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—(Capitol News Service).—The incapacity and lack of sincerity displayed by the Republican organization in the senate was revealed in a most forcible manner one day last week by Senator Reed and in a way to make many of the majority members literally squirm in their seats. With a scowl of irony sarcasm and logic the senator from Missouri operated on his opponents in his own inimitable style to the delight of his democratic colleagues and the galleries.

"It so happens that a few votes such as we had the other day," referring to the seating of Senator Newberry, "may do a country a good deal more harm than a thousand speeches." Without calling him by name the Missourian pointedly referred to Senator Townsend as "a gentleman with a soured stomach and disordered liver and that sometimes is impressed on his countenance as well as expressed in his language."

Then, turning to the Republican leaders generally, he charged their lack of decision was responsible for

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A CITY GOLF CLUB COURSE

At the Club Presidents Round Table luncheon Tuesday, the presidents presented a big petition pledging moral and financial support from the club organizations for a municipal golf course, the petitions being presented to Park Commissioners McDonald and Ritchie, who were present, and who pledged consideration of the project.

MADE A GREAT TALK TO THE STUDENTS

SENATOR KENYON ADDRESSES THE PUPILS AT THE STATE UNIVERSITY

PAID A TRIBUTE TO MISSOURI'S SENATOR

The Speaker Pleaded for a Revival of the Good Old Fashioned Americanism and Pointed Out to His Hearers That Honesty of Purpose and Courage Was More to Be Desired Than the Accumulation of Wealth, the Gathering of Great Honor or the Pursuit of Self Aggrandizement.

One of the most interesting events of the school year at the state university was last week, when Senator Kenyon, then United States senator but now a federal judge, addressed the students of that great institution of learning. In his address he discussed the subject of world conditions as an aftermath of the great war, and he pointed out as to domestic affairs that out of the war had come two great demons—greed and hate. He discussed the agricultural situation and especially the agricultural bloc, declaring that the agricultural bloc was formed, not to injure any other lines of industry, but merely that agriculture should have a fair deal in legislation—no more and no less. That we had other blocs in Congress, but that they never excited the hatred and derision that certain elements of the country directed against the agricultural bloc. He declared no radical legislation had been proposed by the bloc, and that the last bill backed by the bloc money—the Co-operative Marketing bill was passed with only

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EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGED

William E. McMahon Is Arrested on a Warrant Asked for by Veterans.

OMAHA, March 8.—William E. McMahon, former commander of the Omaha post, Disabled American Veterans of the World War, was arrested last night on charge of continuous embezzlement and larceny as bailer of funds and property of the post totaling \$3,471.75. Bonds were fixed at \$1,500 by County Attorney A. V. Shovel, which were furnished by McMahon's attorney, C. J. Southard. McMahon refused to discuss the case.

"We disagree with the post as to the amount charged in the warrant, and are willing to concede only the sum of \$1,562 which McMahon earned in his statement to the post with an offer to reimburse the post that amount," his attorney said.

The warrant for the arrest was on complaint of Clare F. Young, present commander of the post.

The information accuses McMahon on three counts—"continuous" embezzlement of \$2,918.75; one specific charge of embezzlement of \$553, and larceny of the \$553 as bailer.

Commander Young acted on instructions received at a meeting of the veterans several nights ago, at which time the resignation of McMahon as post commander was received, together with his resignation from the veterans' organization.

NOT THIS YEAR

Is the Time for "Golden Rule Moses" Proctor to Make the Senatorial Race.

The other day at a rural postoffice in Henry county a Republican bellwether of the community went to the post office for mail and received an envelope, which he looked at without opening as he walked along the street. He was noticed to be swearing and muttering to himself as he approached a group of friends, and one of them asked him what was the matter. "Matter, hell," said he, "here is an envelope enclosing a letter from a fellow named Proctor up in Kansas City, saying he wants to run for United States senator this year."

"Well, what of it? Ain't you a Republican?" he was asked.

"Yes, but the damn fool wants to run this year, mind you. Don't he know no Republican is going to stand the ghost of a show in Missouri this year. A man who hasn't got sense enough to stay out of the race, hasn't got sense enough to go to the United States Senate, not by a—sigh!" — Henry County Democrat.

FIELD'S READY WIT

How the Author of "Lovers Lane St. Joe" Fooled Perkins and Also Hopkins.

In the "Forty Years Ago Today" column of the Kansas City Times one day this week appeared the following little story of Eugene Field, who was the author of "Lovers Lane St. Joe," and all sorts and shapes of practical jokes of which this was one. It follows:

"Some years ago, when Eugene Field was city editor of the St. Joseph Gazette, Ed Perkins (Melville D. Landry) came through St. Joseph on his way to the little Missouri town of Hopkins, a few miles north, where he was billed for a lecture. Field was induced by Perkins to accompany him, and they arrived in Hopkins with barely time to bolt a hasty supper and get to the little church where the lecture was to be given. Field needed to introduce Perkins to the audience, a necessary part of the program, inasmuch as neither of them knew a soul in the burg. When the pair stood up together on the platform Perkins was astonished and horrified to hear Field begin to apologize for not being able to lecture that night as advertised, owing to a severe cold and headache, stating in a conversational way, however, that he had brought with him his particular friend, Eugene Field, who would do his best to fill in as a substitute. Perkins was prepared for a moment—so overcome was he at Field's usurpation of his pseudological prerogative, in fact that he couldn't even stammer out an explanation. So he simply went on with his well memorized lecture. And to this day the good people of Hopkins still ignorant of the trick which was played on them, recount in a horror-stricken way of that 'Eugene Field' lecture?"

PUSHING RIGHT ALONG

John Albus Is Making All of the Other Gops Have Night Sweats.

When the ballots are counted on the night of the gop primary Wednesday, unless all signs fail, there is going to be a house of mourning programme carried out by the other gop candidates for mayor, for John Albus stands to head the ticket. The fact that they are all combined against John does not trouble him in the least for he can "hit 'em on the sore back," and laugh just as merrily as ever—and at the same time go straight ahead gathering in the votes.

"If my people don't stop jangling," said a fifth ward democrat Wednesday, "I'll go over and vote for Albus. He is a good business man and a property owner and is for all public improvements of merit."

And in these last few days of the campaign John will cause more worry and embarrassment to his gop opponents than did the hosts of Pharaoh to the children of Israel.

THE SCHMITTE MISSOURI RIVER PLAN

Among the visitors to the city Thursday was J. A. Schmitte, the well known Corning river expert, whose plan of handling the vagaries of the Missouri river cutting has attracted wide attention on account of its success. The federal government approval of it and endorsing its use. Schmitte has the best of endorsements from civil engineers who specialize in river improvement work who know that Schmitte's plan will pull the channels into the center of the river, cutting out the sandbars and forcing the stream into the center in place of forming eddies which cause destruction by cutting away valuable lands. The Schmitte plan is certain and in addition is economical.

MARRIED FIFTY-SIX YEARS AGO

It takes some of the old citizens of this place to remember them—but they do—that is Mr. and Mrs. James B. Northcutt, now of Nebraska City, who on last Wednesday celebrated the fifty-sixth year of their marriage and also the fifty-sixth year of their residence in Nebraska City at their home on that place with a family reunion. They have four sons, 82 of whom were present. Mrs. Northcutt was Miss Katie Toole of this city and after the marriage they went to Nebraska City where the husband freighted across the plains.

TWENTY-SIX TICKETS PER VOTER

When the voter goes into the booth on bond election day, April 11, he will be handed twenty-six slips of paper which will be 12 ballots for, and thirteen ballots against on the propositions. He will take his choice from the bunch and put his selection into the ballot box.