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**THE SHORTHORN SALE.**

No event more gratifying to the forward looking farmers of this county has occurred in recent years than the successful Shorthorn sale here on Wednesday. Twenty-three head of the finest specimens of the breed scattered among the progressive farmers of this county will mean very much for the future welfare of our great live stock interests. The Herald urged the importance of this sale, its value to the farmers, the great opportunity given them to acquire at their own prices the best types of the historic beef breed of the British isles. The success of the sale proves again that The Herald's oft expressed confidence in the good judgment, patriotism and progressiveness of the farmers of Maury county was altogether justified.

There is no reason why Maury county should not be the home of some of the choicest and largest herds of pure bred beef cattle in the United States. There is no reason why people who want the best in individuals and blood lines of the pure bred breeds should have to cross the Ohio or the Mississippi rivers to find them. We have in this county everything essential to the breeding and developing of cattle. Our climate is far superior to that of the sections where the farmers are reaping rich rewards as the result of their efforts for the development of beef cattle par excellence. Our winters are hardly half so long as those with which they must contend. We have grass, the first requisite of a cattle country and abundance of good water and feed is produced at the minimum of cost.

Even if one is not going to engage in the production of a pure bred herd, but expects merely to raise and develop steers, the purchase of a splendid, pre-potent sire is the first and most important essential to success. No philanthropist could do Maury county farmers a greater service than the purchase and elimination of all the scrub bulls of the county and substitute for them of splendid individuals with the blood of the best of their breeds in their veins.

Not only will the production of a better grade of beef cattle prove profitable to the farmers of this county in a material way, but it will give them a broader and a better view of life. The farmer who takes a pride in his herd, who loves the upstanding, noble specimen of whatever breed he may fancy, who puts his personality in his work is by reason thereof a better citizen. He will lend himself more earnestly and more enthusiastically to other endeavors that mean much for the progress and development of his country. There is a pleasure in doing creative work, in building with one's own hands, developing with one's own brains, a structure, whatever it may be, that does not and can never be the portion of the man who is always willing to be a follower. The presence in Maury county of a hundred herds of pure bred beef cattle, with a resultant generous rivalry among the breeders, would mean better schools, better roads, better community spirit, as well as a vast increase in the land and stock values of the county.

**LACK OF DECISION.**

Apparently the Wilson administration is incapable of dealing with the Mexican situation in a firm and resolute manner. Officials appear to be unable to understand that a policy of temporizing, of appeals to the principles of international law, of high-sounding phrases about the love and affection that the Americans have for the Mexicans, not only will not settle the issue in Mexico but actually complicates it.

We have for five years pursued a policy that not only has not yielded any results but has made bad matters worse. Conditions in Mexico are decidedly worse now than they were when Wilson became president and inaugurated his policy of "watchful waiting." The president unfortunately has not been consistent even in the pursuit of that mazy and indistinct policy. The Vera Cruz affair is about the most inexplicable chapter in American history. The Herald would not mind giving a substantial reward to anyone who could furnish any satisfactory reason for the proceeding at Vera Cruz or point to a single good result that followed.

The Mexicans believe that they can defy the United States. They sincerely believe that they can treat the property, the lives and the flag of Americans as they please. Who is responsible for this feeling? Our lack of decision. The Mexicans are an

ignorant people. For five years they have destroyed American property, committed outrage after outrage upon American citizens. They have assaulted women and murdered men who had a right to claim the protection of the American government. They have time after time crossed the border and even murdered the soldiers of the United States.

They have done all of this with impunity. Our government has, it is true, sent a number of very interesting and ably written diplomatic notes, phrased in high-sounding terms, telling of our devotion to the rights of humanity and of our affection for the people of Mexico. This is all. Now even if the Mexicans were educated and could read and understand the fine sentiments expressed in these notes, they would be incapable of appreciating them. The Mexicans are not to be dealt with upon such terms. Only force, the power of might, a firm and unyielding policy, will impress the Mexicans.

As the result of this government's vacillating course, it lacks of decision, under both Taft and Wilson, democrats and republicans, its repeated failure to protect either the lives or the property of its citizens, small wonder that the ignorant Mexicans have reached the conclusion that the hated "Gringos" are too cowardly or too selfish to bring them back to book. We are responsible for this Mexican estimate of our national character. It is justified under all of the circumstances.

We have sent thousands of soldiers into Mexico upon a so-called punitive expedition, to make war upon an individual or a faction. These soldiers have obtained no results. Some of them have been ambushed and slain by the faction that at this particular time our government is coddling. The ambush will occasion no surprise. Every citizen in this section who expressed himself said at the time of the pursuit of Villa that they were more concerned about the attitude of the Carranza faction than they were about the Villa gang. The expected really happened. There is no difference whatever between the Carranza forces and the make-up of the Villa bandits. They are all the same people. Blood is thicker than water. Both are Mexicans, both hate the Americans. Why send thousands of men into Mexico at an enormous expense to chase one man. Even if Villa is caught and our forces retire, what has been accomplished?

Does anyone believe that the border will be safer; that American lives and property in Mexico will be any safer? As a matter of fact, have we not aggravated the situation? Even a layman can see these things, that the Washington administration for five years has been incapable of understanding. It would have been much better never to have sent a single soldier into Mexico if their activities are going to be confined alone to a man hunt, or war upon a fast diminishing faction.

The administration should either promptly withdraw every soldier from Mexico, announce to the world that it will not protect the life or the property of an American across the border, build a wall along the Rio Grande to protect our border, or else it should give the Mexicans, not a faction, a thorough thrashing, obtain full reparation for all the outrages that have been committed against American lives and property and establish and maintain a government that will be strong enough to rule the poor, ignorant wretches who inhabit Mexico. The latter alternative will cost some treasure and some blood, but it is the only solution of the Mexican problem. Sooner or later it will have to be done. Why not do it now? Why let matters continue to drift, drift, drift?

**DOCTRINE OF PEACE.**

Nearly every state, summoned to mobilize its national guard, is having trouble in recruiting the units up to a war footing. Recruiting is very slow in Tennessee, much slower than it has ever been in the past. It is seemingly going to be a very difficult matter to get a volunteer army of creditable size in the state. In Nashville the mayor and commercial bodies are appealing for recruits. The Chattanooga Times voices disappointment at the efforts in that section. In Maury county we have not been able in a week's time to find a company of young men of military age who are willing and ready to serve their country in its hour of need.

Peace is a fine thing, but it is probable that our country has been enjoying too long a period of peace and prosperity. We have been living easy. Our young men are not looking for the tolls and hardships and privations and mayhap dangers of the soldier's life. We have preached and written and taught peace until we have all but crushed the patriotic impulse to serve one's country in war. No one can deny the horrors of war nor the beauties of peace. At the same time, there come times in the history of every people, of every nation, when if

they would survive they must fight for existence.

Unless we are willing, in time of need and at its call, to fight for our country we are unworthy to enjoy the blessings of peace and liberty which it has given us. The doctrine of peace is good enough, but that of non-resistance, if pursued to its logical end, will put us on a par with China. Surely the patriotic sons of Tennessee and of the other states of this glorious Union, the heirs of a great heritage, would not willingly allow this nation to sink to that low level.

There are times in the lives of some individuals when death is to be preferred to dishonor. There comes a time in the life of every nation when war is much to be preferred to peace, purchased at the price of national dishonor and a cowardly surrender of all those great principles for which our forefathers sacrificed so much.

At this time the nation calls to its young men. They should be encouraged and not discouraged to enlist. The youth of Maury county who have signified a willingness and a readiness to go have proven the very highest type of patriotism. They have shown a devotion to their country and an appreciation of their obligations to it that deserve the very highest praise. No good citizen should throw any obstacle in the way of their making the sacrifice which they have offered upon the altar of their common country. On the contrary they should be given that praise, that sympathy and that co-operation which they so richly deserve. All honor to the young men of Maury county who would sustain its splendid traditions in this the hour of their nation's call.

**COUNTY EQUALIZERS WON'T COMPLETE JOB FOR ABOUT TEN DAYS**

EXPECTED THAT IT WILL BE THE END OF NEXT WEEK BEFORE FINISH.

Effort To Minimize Number of Errors in the Tax Book—Aggregate Will Not Be Very Materially Changed—Assessor Cowley.

Members of the county board of equalization will not be able to complete their labors this week as they had hoped and expected. They have found that it required more time than they had thought to go over every separate item of the assessment roll and either correct or let it stand.

The board has still three districts of the county to complete. They are the Fourth, the Fifth and the Tenth. They will require about two days to the district.

While it is not expected that there will be any material change in the aggregate of the assessments of the county as the result of the board's work, many errors that have been made in the past will be avoided and the tax book will probably be more nearly correct than it has ever been.

The board has been receiving the valuable assistance of Tax Assessor Ben Cowley, who stated today that while he would be mighty glad to be out in the county meeting his friends and making a campaign, that he felt that he should look after the interests of the public first and would therefore remain with the board until its work was finished.

The assessment made now will stand for the next two years, hence it is important that every possible precaution should be taken to prevent errors.

**CIRCUS COMING TO VOGUE THEATRE**

MONDAY, JULY 3RD, "PEG O' THE RING"—GREAT CIRCUS PICTURE TO RUN FIFTEEN WEEKS.

What is claimed to be the greatest serial picture ever filmed, entitled "Peg O' The Ring," will have its first episode at the Vogue Theatre Monday, July 3rd, to run for fifteen weeks. This wonderful picture is filled with the atmosphere of the circus, so dear to old and young, with the sawdust, the wild animals, the fat lady and the giant, the side shows, concert and spieters, the red lemonade, and with the hundreds of clowns, acrobats and gymnasts from Barnum & Bailey's, Ringling Bros. and Wallace & Hagenback's circuses. There is also a hot-blooded love story running through the picture and the characters in this part of the picture will be depicted by Eddie Polo, Ruth Stonehouse, Grace Curd and Frances Ford. The Vogue is well ventilated and cool, so don't fail to see the first chapter of this wonderful picture. In addition on Monday, July 3rd, the great favorite, the great favorite, will be seen in a strong three-reel play.

**TWENTY THOUSAND NUMBER OF LAMBS SHIPPED IN MAURY**

HAVE AVERAGED MORE THAN SEVEN DOLLARS TO THE FARMERS.

**BEST SEASON EVER EXPERIENCED**

Wool And Lamb Returns Have Been About Nine Dollars Per Sheep—Quality of Lambs Best in Thirty-five Years, Says M. E. Allen.

Lamb shipments from Maury county are practically over for this season. There have been shipped from the county approximately 20,000 lambs. This is a careful estimate made by M. E. Allen, who is just closing his thirty-fifth season as a buyer and shipper of lambs. Mr. Allen estimates that the lambs shipped from this county have averaged more than \$7.25 each to the farmers, making the total receipts \$145,000.

This is the highest average ever received by the farmers of Maury county for lambs. It is full two cents higher than any previous average, and while the number of lambs shipped from the county has been greatly exceeded in many seasons of the past, in not a single season were the profits to the growers as large.

It is estimated that the wool returns to the farmers of the county from sheep were not less than \$40,000, making the total returns from sheep and lambs about \$185,000 for the season. This money was divided among a comparatively small number for the great majority of the farmers of this county do not grow sheep.

Not only were the prices received for the lambs in the county the best ever known, but the quality of the lambs has never in any season been equalled. To illustrate this, Mr. Allen shipped from the Cross Bridges and Cathey's Creek section of the county 1,001 lambs and there was not a single cull in the whole consignment, something that he never experienced before in all his thirty-five years as a trader.

In his thirty-five years as a buyer, Mr. Allen has never paid as high for lambs as he did this year. The average price paid by him will be close to ten cents per pound. The great majority were bought at that figure, probably a few culls at seven or eight cents and some contract lambs at nine cents, but as high as ten and a half cents were paid for some. Mr. Allen has paid in his thirty-five years a wide range of prices, having bought lambs as low as two and one-half cents per pound. He said today that the largest sum that he ever lost on a load of lambs was one that he purchased at four cents.

**GALVANIZED ROOFING**

We can name you a better price on galvanized roofing at the present than we have been able to make for the past sixty or ninety days. It Street, Martin & Vaughan Co.

**PERCY BROWN SELLS JERSEYS**

JERSEY COW, OXFORD MAGDALENE, BY OXFORD YOU'LL DO, SOLD FOR \$500.00.

Percy Brown, of Ewell Farm at Spring Hill, has made some splendid sales in Jerseys this week. Mr. Brown shipped out a handsome young cow, Oxford Magdalene, by Oxford You'll Do, to C. M. Hutton, of Minden, La., for which he received \$500. He also shipped a young bull calf to H. C. Stiles, at Starkville, Miss., and another bull calf to Jeff Davis, of Havana, Ark., for which he received \$100 each. Both of these calves were highly bred and will no doubt make splendid breeding bulls.

**RUBBER TIRES**

We will rubber tire your buggy with best grade of seven-eighths rubber for \$10.00 cash. It Street, Martin & Vaughan Co.

**POTATO YIELD GOOD THIS YEAR**

While the acreage of Irish potatoes in the county is small this year, the yield will be good. Farmers who have dug their crop report generally that the wet season has been of immense advantage and that one of the best yields in recent years will be made. The price is likewise good, the buyers paying \$3 per barrel for the new crop. At this price and with a good yield a crop is more profitable than the Irish potato.

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- One special lot of ladies' White Pumps for ..... \$1.50 & \$2.50

IF YOU SEE IT IN OUR ADVERTISEMENTS

**COMMENCE SURVEY BEAR CREEK PIKE TO MAKE TRANSFER**

WORK OF ASCERTAINING THE NUMBER OF MILES IS COMMENCED.

Looking After The Interests Of The County—Members of Road Board And Horace Rainey, Owner, Are Also Present.

(Wednesday's Daily.)

Surveying the turnpikes of the county recently purchased from Horace Rainey and Christopher Todd Looney commenced today. It is expected that it will require several days to complete the task as there are approximately seventy miles of these roads to be surveyed.

The job commenced today on the Bear Creek pike, a road of about ten miles. The surveying is being done by the county surveyor, W. R. McKisack, and there were present today to witness the survey, Horace Rainey, the owner of the pike, Judge J. Trim McKnight, representing Maury county, the purchaser, Road Commissioners T. G. Hughes and John H. Murphy and Clay E. Hight, were also present. The chains were carried by Roland Murphy and M. R. Dugger. When the Bear Creek pike has been surveyed the survey of the Nashville pike will begin. The other pikes will then be taken up. The work will be rushed as expeditiously as possible.

After the survey has been finished the title papers will have to be prepared, all of which will take some time. In fact, it is probable that most of the ninety days allowed will be necessary to complete all the details of the transfer.

**FIFTY HEAD PURE BRED ANGUS WILL BE SOLD ON JULY 7**

NOTABLE OFFERING OF AMERICAN ABERDEEN ASSOCIATION HERE.

Special Rates Made By The Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Railroad For all Who Attend and on Shipments of Cattle Bought.

Fifty head of pure bred Aberdeen-Angus cattle, both bulls and cows, some of the latter with calves at sides, will be sold in the big auction to be held here at 1 o'clock on Friday, July 7, by the American Aberdeen-Angus Breeders' Association, in connection with the Maury County Live Stock Association and under the auspices of the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis railroad.

The sale will take place at the Columbia Stock Yards, at the same place here last week the successful sale of pure bred Shorthorns was held. However, electric fans will be installed in the show and sales ring, so that the people who attend will not suffer from the heat.

The sale is made directly under the auspices of the American Aberdeen-Angus association, which will stand behind the animals sold and protect the buyers at the sale. It is expected that the attendance at this sale will even exceed that at the Shorthorn sale, especially as the blacks are prime favorites with the farmers of Maury county.

Col. Fred Reppert, the auctioneer here last week, will be in charge in the same capacity of this sale. Special low rates have been made to the sale by the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis railroad.