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Announcements.

For Trustee.

BRATTON—We are authorized to announce S. R. Bratton as a candidate for Trustee of Obion County, subject to the action of the Democratic party. Election August, 1916.

JACKSON—We are authorized to announce W. E. (Ellis) Jackson as a candidate for Trustee of Obion County, subject to the action of the Democratic party. Election first Thursday in August, 1916.

Improving the Corn Yield.

Edward Gallrein, a Jefferson County boy, 14 years old, won the Boys' Corn Club championship for 1914. He raised 144 bushels of corn on an acre of ground at Valley Station at a cost of 14 cents a bushel.

Other good records were made by boys who belonged to the Jefferson County Corn Club. A 13-year-old boy at Crestwood produced 177 bushels on an acre of poor hill land at a cost of 16 cents a bushel. A Seatonville boy of the same age grew ninety bushels at a cost of 11 cents a bushel and a 12-year-old boy at Valley Station made a record of 105 bushels at an expense of 17 cents a bushel.

Young Gallrein, who made the best record in the Jefferson County Corn Club, also made the highest yield of corn at the lowest cost per bushel in the State. Ten ears of corn sent by him to the State Corn Show won the grand sweepstakes in the adult and boys' classes, a notable distinction.

The boys of the State are going right ahead in the laudable enterprise of showing the adult farmers how to increase the yield of corn. There is much encouragement for those who expect to enhance the quality and quantity of their corn crops during the year 1915. There never has been any overproduction of corn in Kentucky. The coming crop should be a large one. If it cannot all be used at home there will be plenty of customers for it at prices that will pay for raising it.

The above is from the Louisville Courier Journal and shows what interest is being taken by the boys of Kentucky in corn growing.

The Commercial is not informed as to what the boys are doing in Tennessee. Several exhibits have been made and very fine ones, too. But Obion County, which should get in the competition has done very little yet. And this brings us to the proposition made at the last meeting of the Union City Business Men's Club—to offer prizes to the boys of Obion County for the best corn product on a given amount of ground. The club should get together on this proposition at once so as to give the boys time to get their seed and prepare the ground.

The best results, we gather, cannot be obtained this year for several reasons, but the work should start now nevertheless. Obion County is one of the richest corn countries. It is the principal crop, and while much has been done to develop the culture there is much yet to be done, and it may be that the secret of the best results lies with the boys of the county. The prize crops should begin this year, and then when the crop is made the seed for the next crop should be selected, and the prize arrangements should continue indefinitely until the county is brought up to the test of its possibilities in corn raising.

The club couldn't get into a better business than to encourage better farming methods and co-operation with the farmer in this movement.

Strawberry Industry.

Mr. Ed Dietzel, chairman of the strawberry committee of the Business Men's Club, and who is vitally interested in the culture in Obion County, calls attention to the fact that he is now arranging to secure plants for those who anticipate the cultivation of strawberries, or who want to make an experiment in the culture. Mr. Dietzel wants us to announce that plants for the present crop can be secured for \$1.75 per thousand. This is the Klondike variety and should be set out 7,000 to the acre. The ground should be prepared before hand and plants should be put out the first of March. Therefore there is not much time to lose if you want plants. The order should be placed with Mr. Dietzel so that he can supply everybody in time for planting.

The strawberry culture has made independent the farmers of the lower part of the county and over in Gibson. On lands that were never as fertile as those in Obion farmers have made many times the money that Obion County farmers have in corn and wheat growing.

Mr. Wade, of Kenton, will start

the strawberry industry here this year on the Herring farm near Union City. He has one hundred acres and will probably have more. There will be a home market and shipping advantages which we have not before enjoyed at this point. Therefore there is every inducement under the sun for strawberry raising in the county, and our people will do well to investigate the matter thoroughly and if interested, place your orders for plants in time for the present season.

The Ouster Bill.

The Shelby and Davidson delegates in the Legislature have joined hands, it is said, to fight the Elkins ouster bill after the recess. The fight was a failure in the Senate by a vote of 28 to 3, and no doubt will be the same in the House. Shelby and Davidson together, however, may be able to summons a larger vote, but hardly strong enough to defeat the bill, we are led to believe.

Mr. Elkins is one of the ablest members of the Legislature. He is honored with more committee appointments than usually falls to the lot of one member, besides the chairmanship of a most important committee. He has prepared this bill very carefully and with very good authority, no doubt.

The following are some of the provisions of the bill:

(1) The complaint or petition for writ of ouster may be filed upon the relation of citizens and freeholders without the concurrence of any law officer.

(2) It is made the duty of the Governor to direct the law officers, whenever knowledge comes to him that the provisions of the act are being violated, to file a complaint or petition for writ of ouster against the offending official, and it is made the duty of the law officers to obey the instructions of the Governor.

(3) It is made the duty of law officers upon the request of relator citizens and freeholders to aid and assist in the prosecution of ouster suits.

(4) The Governor may, with the concurrence of the Attorney-General, employ additional counsel to aid and assist in the prosecution of ouster suits.

(5) An appeal to the Supreme Court does not suspend or vacate the judgment or decree of the lower court, but the same remains in full force and effect until reversed by the Supreme Court.

Savagery Up-To-Date.

Formerly men were divided into enlightened, civilized, barbarous and savage classes. Nowadays great nations combine the characteristics of the four classes.

Naked American Indians killed women and children and rated as savages. A German air raid results in the murder of children and women in an English town and an official bulletin boasts of an achievement that is limited, pretty nearly, to that kind of murder. Civilized and enlightened, yet proud of acts which would have delighted the soul of a raiding Sioux or Apache in the period of border warfare, modern warriors present a spectacle somewhat discouraging to students of the progress of the human race.

The Baltimore Sun makes the point that although civilians are punished severely if they make war upon the armed forces of an enemy, "aerial soldiers may attack women and children without loss of military honor." The Sun is officially lacking in the spirit of uncringing neutrality to say that, so far as the world has learned, the Allies have confined their air attacks to fortified towns and armament depots, while the Germans have thrown bombs indiscriminately into unfortified towns. Be that as it may, civilization and enlightenment have much for which to answer when any nation considers the wanton destruction of the life and property of non-combatants, without a sufficient military purpose, a warrantable feature of warfare.

The aboriginal Americans tomahawked individuals at arm's length and could not plead "the natural and inevitable consequences of war" in defense. But when air raids which could not possibly result in anything more than desultory killing and crippling of civilians are planned by military officers, and boasted of afterward by official press bureaus, "the natural and inevitable consequences of war" will not do as an answer to the charge of savagery.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

We notice that the Union City Commercial, one of the best printed and best edited weekly newspapers in the South, has recently installed a Linotype machine, model 15, Mergenthaler. This paper is not only a credit to Union City, but it is a credit to the State, and the citizens of Union City should be both proud of the paper and its editors, Messrs. Marshall and Baird.—Kenton Herald.

Read Frank W. Adams' Saturday special in this issue.

Luke's Philosophy.

(By Luke McLuke in Cincinnati Enquirer.)

It takes a woman with four closets filled with clothes to keep on indignating because she has nothing to wear.

Bundle day was such a success that we should have a Ragman's day and get rid of the scarecrow skirts and waists and greasy wrappers that the women wear around the kitchen.

One man sits around and talks about what he is going to do while the other man goes ahead and does it. Then the first man will begin knocking the second man because the latter is so prosperous.

A city man sees so much silk and plush and paint that it would be good for sore eyes to get a look at a rosy-cheeked country girl wearing a calico dress.

Once upon a time a man got a change of heart and he decided that he would never again lie to his wife, and that he would tell her the truth about everything. He got home at 6 p. m., and at 6:15 p. m. the ambulance was hauling him to the morgue.

The old-fashioned man who used to come home loaded down with groceries and bundles now has a son who is too high toned to carry a bundle, but who brings home a package almost every night.

Another reason for the high cost of living is because every woman wants to be dressed better than other women.

It is strange how fond of bathing a boy is in summer and how much he detests bathing in winter.

A woman is as certain that her brand is the best brand of baking powder as a man is that his brand is the best brand of booze.

When a woman is around 30 and still unmarried she does an awful lot of talking about "us girls."

Maybe you can't blame the fellow who is engaged to a girl for six or seven years before he marries her. Maybe he figures that he is getting the best of it because the longer he is engaged the shorter he will be married.

It may sound good to the orator. But I doubt if a \$10 a week garbage wagon chauffeur ever swells up with pride when he hears the orator about the dignity of labor.

Every married woman wonders why her husband can't keep up his life insurance without paying the premiums.

You may imagine that the war in Europe is a calamity. But a real calamity is when the mother of five small children in a poor family is so sick that she can't get up and work.

Fine Feathers.

No play of our times has won greater applause or become more a part of our native drama than "Fine Feathers," the humanly gripping drama by Eugene Walter, which H. H. Frazee will present here on Tuesday, Feb. 2, at the Reynolds Opera House.

It delighted thousands of playgoers in the Cort Theatre, Chicago, where it was first produced by Mr. Frazee on Aug. 12, 1912, and when presented last season in the Astor Theatre, New York, ran the season out, following which it continued to play during the summer on a special trans-continental tour to the Pacific Coast.

"Fine Feathers," which runs four acts, comes direct from its triumphs in New York and will be presented here by a specially selected company. The story deals with the struggles of a young married couple, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Reynolds, who are endeavoring to maintain a Staten Island establishment on the installment plan with a salary of \$25 per week. Bob is a chemist in the municipal government of New York, his immediate duties comprising the testing of a certain brand of cement required for the construction of a dam. His wife has become weary of the arduous household duties on his small salary, and when Bob's old school chum, John Brand, now the head of the big cement company, offers him a bribe of \$40,000 to pass a grade of cement slightly inferior to the sample offered for the test, the young man is confronted with his wife's demand that he accept the money which will provide luxuries, or live without her.

He finally agreed to become a party to the graft, and it is upon this premise that Mr. Walter has built up what is claimed to be the most virile and talked of drama of his entire career. And his career includes such sterling successes as "Paid In Full," "The Easiest Way," "The Wolf," and "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine."

A Long Jump.

From a place on a big detective force to the pastorate of a down-town church is the long jump Lincoln McConnell made in a very short time. Hear him at the opera house Feb. 1.

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