

**AVERAGE TENN. ACRE IS ASSESSED \$8.64**

Increase in Valuation in Last 35 Years is Only \$2.59.

When the new State Tax Commission meets to-day in Nashville to attempt the preparation of a tax code for the State, one of the interesting facts which it will consider is that Tennessee's broad and fertile acres, from the East Tennessee hills bursting with mineral wealth, on across the blue grass region of the middle basin to the rolling valleys of the west, are worth, so far as the tax records of the State are concerned, only \$8.64 each.

In searching the records the commission will find that the 35 years which have run along since 1880 have increased the assessed valuation of Tennessee farm lands only \$2.59 an acre. In 1880 the assessed valuation of the average Tennessee acre was \$6.05; in 1914 it was \$8.64.

The records show that while the tax assessors have been a little bit discriminatory, when justified, in assessing the lands of a prosperous county at a higher figure than the lands of the poorer counties, still, taken all in all, the average is fairly well struck in each of the grand divisions of the State.

For instance, in East Tennessee the average is \$7.84; in Middle Tennessee, \$8.46, and in West Tennessee, \$8.64. Comparison shows also that the increase in the last 35 years has been about the same in the grand divisions. In 1880 the average in East Tennessee was \$4.67; in Middle Tennessee, \$6.71, and in West Tennessee \$6.

**DAVIDSON LEADS THE LIST.**

In 1914 the total number of acres listed for taxation purposes in the State was 25,938,784, with a total valuation of \$224,154,622. This does not include town lots valued at \$250,005,647, though it is one of the grounds for the complaint of Tennessee cities that they bear the brunt of the taxes, for the town lots are assessed at more than the acres.

If the well-known theory that a city grows only in proportion to the surrounding community is sound, it at least suffers when the records show that while in 1914 town lots were worth more than the acreage, yet in 1880 the total valuation of the acreage was \$150,000,000, against a town lot valuation of only \$46,000,000. The acreage kept in the lead until 1910, when both were assessed at \$210,000,000 each. Since then the city assessments have been growing.

Davidson County farm land, which has led all counties for years, is still in the lead with an assessed valuation of \$42.98. Montgomery is next in Middle Tennessee, with an average of \$18.04, and Rutherford third, with \$16.80.

**CANNOT BE BOUGHT FOR \$100.**

Coffee County farms are assessed at \$2.62 an acre, and yet Coffee County lately has been growing better tobacco than Montgomery farms at \$18.04 an acre.

Shelby leads West Tennessee with an average valuation of \$27.53, and Henry is next, with \$20.64.

There are thousands of acres of land in Tennessee that cannot be touched for less than \$100 an acre. Even in Gibson County, where there is plenty of high-priced land, the average assessed value

is \$14.23; in Dyer it is \$11.84, and in Obion \$18.66.

Statistics show that Tennessee farm lands are not assessed at more than from 10 to 20 per cent of their actual value, while the city lots, particularly in Memphis, are assessed at from 40 to 60 per cent.

The constitution requires assessors to make all property returns upon the actual value of the property assessed. Failure to do this has often resulted, particularly in case of large mineral tracts in East and Middle Tennessee, in unpopular back assessments, which have reached a somewhat oppressive stage within recent years. If assessors were required to assess property at its actual value, and a State board of equalization created with power to see that the requirement is carried out, even if the assessor has to suffer the consequences, the general tax rate could be lowered accordingly, and all back assessments discontinued, except where actual fraud is shown.—Commercial Appeal.

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**"Peg o' My Heart."**

"Peg o' My Heart," Oliver Morosco's most talked of success, which comes to the Reynolds Theatre on Wednesday night next, is one of the rare comedies with a reason to offer for its existence, a comedy in which humor and whims blend delightfully with pathos. Some one has added tears to smiles, and thus defined humor. Be that definition correct, "Peg o' My Heart" and humor are synonymous.

The story is one of singular appeal, dealing as it does with a young girl whose father has eloped with the youngest daughter of an aristocratic and wealthy English family. They reach America, where Peg is born. Soon after her birth her mother dies. Peg is brought up by her father, who does not correct her, arguing that "It is the original sin that is breaking out in you, and indeed you are not responsible; it's me." This, according to Peg, is a grand way in which to bring up a child. Rea Martin's interpretation of the character of "Peg" leaves nothing to be desired, for not in many a day has Southern theatre goers been so delightfully amused as by her artistry. She is well qualified in every way to follow her predecessor, Laurette Taylor, who played Peg for 604 consecutive performances at the Cort Theatre, New York. Miss Martin is surrounded with an excellent cast, whose work has been favorably commented on in all of the larger cities of the South thus far visited.

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Buy a 50c bottle of Farris' Healing Remedy, add to it a pint of Linseed Oil to make a healing oil, or add to it a pound of lard or a pound of vaseline to make an ointment. You will then have sixteen ounces of the Healing Remedy for harness and saddle galls, barbed wire cuts, scratches, or any hurt or sore where the skin is broken. Positively guaranteed the best made. Make it at home. By so doing you have \$2.00 worth for 50c. For sale by Frank C. Welbman.—Adv.

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**RIVES.**

J. W. Thorne attended to business in Union City Monday.

Miss Bettie White, of Union City, spent the week with Mrs. E. H. White. Miss White leaves the last of the month for a stay of several months in Colorado.

Mrs. Jerry Spikes entertained Tuesday. Those present were Mesdames R. L. Phebus, E. H. White and Miss Bettie White.

Rev. W. O. Weir and wife and Miss May Brown were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Knox Harper.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Phebus, of Pleasant Hill, were Tuesday guests of Dr. and Mrs. T. P. Palmer.

A few days past Miss Missie Harris had a few guests for the day. Those present were: Mesdames Knox Harper, R. L. Phebus, Allen Wade, Max Phebus and Misses Jessie Callicott and Martha Wade.

The delegates and visitors to the Grand Lodge of the F. & A. M. and the Grand Chapter of the O. E. S. have come in from Nashville, reporting the work progressing and membership increasing. Of the O. E. S. there were thirty-five Past Grand Patrons and Past Grand Matrons present. Several of these were from nearby States.

Those reported on the sick list are Mrs. Jas. McCaw and Miss Davis Shropshire.

Tom Hamilton, of Number Seven, and Clinton Callicott, of Pleasant Hill, attended to business here Saturday.

**OBION.**

John Nichols and wife, of Polk, were called to Prescott, Ark., last week to attend the bedside of their son, Fred Nichols, who is very sick.

Wilson Smith and wife, of Moriah, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Nichols Monday night.

Miss Louise Weatherspoon returned to her home at Nashville, Tuesday after a visit of two weeks to her cousin, Miss Lulee Jones.

Attorney E. J. Green is on the sick list this week.

Miss Lessie Cox left Sunday for Memphis, where she goes to enter the City Hospital as a nurse.

The little baby of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Archie has about recovered from a severe illness.

Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Cason are the parents of a new son, which was born Sunday night.

Jess Starnes and daughter, of near town are spending a few days in Dawson for the benefit of Mr. Starnes' health.

Mrs. A. E. Flowers, of Keaton, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. G. W. Reed.

Mrs. Don Williams, of Jackson, is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Forester.

Mrs. Roxie Hicks, and daughter, of Hornbeak, were in Obion Saturday en route to Finley to visit relatives.

Miss Florence Smith returned Sunday from Nashville, where she had been visiting for the past week.

Miss Pearl McCorkle, who is teaching school at Baker's, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Fox.

O. D. Hamilton, of Trimble, was a business visitor in Obion Tuesday.

I. W. Everett, W. L. Jackson, Geo. Thompson, John and Frank Puckett were in St. Louis the first of the week on business.

Mrs. Jennie Slack, of Salt Lake City, Utah, is the guest of her niece, Mrs. R. H. Beard, of Obion, and other relatives at Trimble.

G. O. Watson returned Saturday from Mississippi, where he had been for about a week in the interest of the Obion Mill & Elevator Co.

Hon. Thos. O. Morris is in Camden, Tenn., this week on legal business.

T. T. Paschall, of Fulton, was the guest of his daughter, Mrs. G. B. Baird, Monday. Mr. Paschall was en route home from Memphis, where he had been called to attend the funeral of his brother, Raymond Paschall, Sunday.

L. T. Rawdon, the popular barber, is back at his post after an absence of several weeks on account of illness.

Mrs. Wells, of the city of Mason Hall, is visiting the home of E. J. and Mrs. Green this week.

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Geese, full feathered . . . . .	8c
Guineas, each . . . . .	20c

Bring all the Poultry you can. This is an extremely high price for this season.

## W. G. REYNOLDS

Union City, Tenn.

**Preparation Good Enough.**  
Cadet Candidate Edwin N. Rodgers, 405 East Church street, Union City, Tenn.—Dear Sir: The superintendent directs me to inform you that the Academic Board has approved the certificate submitted by you from the Union City High School, Union City, Tenn., under the provisions of Par. 2, General Orders, No. 38, War Department, Washington, D. C., May 22, 1914. You will not, therefore, be required to undergo the prescribed mental entrance examination for admission to the United States Military Academy.

The superintendent directs that you present this letter to the president of the Examining Board at the military post where you are to report for physical examination.

Very respectfully,  
C. CARTER,  
Capt., Coast Artillery Corps, Adjt.

**A Chemist's Discovery.**  
B. A. Thomas, a retired chemist of Kentucky, like all Kentuckians, kept some fine horses. His neighbors noticed that his horses were slick and shining in the spring before other horses began to shed. He told them of some powder that he fed his horses. He gave them some of it and now B. A. Thomas' Stock Remedy is known all over Kentucky by horsemen and farmers who take pride in horses or cows or sheep. We sell it on the Money Back Basis. Sold by Frank C. Welbman.—Adv.

**Tile Record.**  
The sub-drain tile under the roadbed one-half mile north of town in front of S. L. Caruthers' home made a record this week of 8,000 gallons of water in twenty-four hours through 60 rods of tile. This was telephoned to us yesterday by one of our friends as an interesting item connected with the use of drain tile.

**40c and 50c Eggs.**  
If your hens would only lay when eggs were high. Why shouldn't they? Some hens do. The hen that lays has a healthy pink tongue and gills. Those not laying are pale in the gills, their tongue or palate has a whitish look. What's the matter? What's the matter with you when your tongue is white? Bilious? That's just what ails the hen. Start her liver and see her get busy. B. A. Thomas' Poultry Powder is guaranteed to start her liver and to start the eggs. For sale by Frank C. Welbman.—Adv.

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18 lbs. Sugar, Cane, for . . . . .	\$1.00	
9 lbs. Sugar, Cane, for . . . . .	50c	
3 three-pound cans of standard Tomatoes for . . . . .	25c	
12 three-pound cans Standard Tomatoes for . . . . .	90c	
3 cans standard Hominy for . . . . .	25c	
3 cans standard Corn for 25c; per dozen . . . . .	95c	
3 packages Quaker Oats for . . . . .	30c	
3 packages Purity Oats for . . . . .	30c	
3 packages Puffed Wheat for . . . . .	25c	
3 packages Puffed Rice for . . . . .	30c	
7 boxes Matches for . . . . . 25c	3 packages Macaroni for . . . . .	30c
3 packages Spaghetti for . . . . .	30c	
3 cans Quaker Oats for . . . . .	25c	
Kraut, per pund . . . . .	33c	
25c large size Heinz Tomato Catsup for . . . . .	20c	
25c large size Hirsh Tomato Catsup for . . . . .	20c	
25c Salad Dressing for . . . . .	20c	
50c large size Belmont Cherries for . . . . .	35c	
35c can Robin Lem Cling Peaches for . . . . .	25c	
35c can Robin Lem Cling White Cherries for . . . . .	25c	
35c can Robin Lem Cling Apricots for . . . . .	25c	
15c can Robin Lem Cling Beets for . . . . .	10c	
15c can Robin Lem Cling Tomatoes for . . . . .	10c	
20c can Heinz Baked Beans for 15c; 10c size two for . . . . .	15c	
40c Vinegar, per gallon . . . . . 35c	65c N. O. Molasses, gallon	55c
Irish Potatoes, per peck . . . . . 25c	Half bushel for . . . . .	45c
Cabbage per lb . . . . . 3c	7 bars Big Deal Soap . . . . .	25c
6 bars Clairette Soap . . . . . 25c	4 cans Merry War Lye . . . . .	25c
4 cans Snow King Baking Powder for . . . . .	30c	
30c size Webb's Vanilla Extract. 20c; 25c size Lemon Extract for . . . . .	20c	
10c size Webb's Vanilla or Lemon Extract, two for . . . . .	15c	
50c Pratt's Poultry Food for 35c; 25c size for . . . . .	15c	
50c size Pratt's Stock Food for 35c; 25c size for . . . . .	15c	
50c size International Stock Food for 35c; 25c size for . . . . .	15c	
50c size International Poultry Food for 35c; 25c size for . . . . .	15c	

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