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## ROAD CONTRACT UNION CITY TO TROY

Stretch from Union City to Troy Will  
Be of Concrete.

Hugh Smith, chairman of Obion County Highway Commission, H. Forcum and Hon. S. R. Bratton, the committee, appointed by the Obion County Court to act for the county in accepting or rejecting bids on the link of the Jefferson Davis Highway through Obion County, reported that contract had been let for a solid concrete road from Union City to Troy, a distance of about 9 1/2 miles.

The contract was awarded to Y. Y. Phillips, of Martin, Tenn., at a bid of \$284,547.84 for the road. Contract for bridge construction on this road was awarded to Ragsdale of Memphis, his bid being \$26,458.80. Mr. Smith reports that he was informed by Federal and State engineers that this bid for a solid concrete road was the lowest bid of the kind in the history of the State. This road is a link in the Jefferson Davis Highway and also in the Memphis to Bristol Highway. The concrete road will be 19 feet wide, finished, and the contract stipulates that it must be completed by December, 1923.

## WEST TENNESSEE FARMERS URGE SAFE FARMING

Annual Institute at Station Farm Has  
Large Attendance.

The West Tennessee farmers institute which met at the Experiment Station at Jackson July 25-27, was pronounced by hundreds of farmers in attendance as the best farm meeting that has ever been held in the section.

The various sessions of the meeting were characterized by a strong sentiment for a safe and sane system of farming which includes the growing of ample feed stuff for the family and livestock on every farm. The invasion of the boll weevil was discussed and as one solution, speakers and farmers urged that the cow, the sow and the hen should be included on every cotton farm. Since livestock is recognized as the cheapest method for building up and maintaining soil fertility and in view of the fact that there are brighter prospects for profitable prices ahead farmers were urged to raise more livestock and to use purebred sires at the head of the herds and flocks. The great need of enriching the soil by the use of manure, fertilizers, lime, and the growing of legumes, the value of which was demonstrated to the farmers by the inspection trips over the station farm was pointed out. Another keynote of the institute was that since production is only half the job that farmers of the section adopt the policy of marketing their products just as scientifically as they produce them, and in this connection they urge co-operation among the farmers in marketing their various crops. In the resolution adopted by the farmers attention was called to the value of the county and home demonstration agents and those counties not having them were urged to employ same.

## ACUTE HEART ATTACK FATAL TO GEO. R. LACY

Desha County Sheriff Drops Dead in  
Arkansas City.

Sheriff George R. Lacy, for 30-odd years a prominent citizen of Desha County, Ark., dropped dead in his home in Arkansas City early last night. Advices received by local relatives last night were to the effect that death was due to an acute attack of the heart.

Mr. Lacy visited the steamer Kate Adams, docked at the Arkansas City wharf, at 7:30 o'clock and returned to his home. The attack came immediately after he reached his residence and he expired within a few minutes. Sheriff Lacy was 61 years of age and had lived in Arkansas City since his early manhood. He was born and reared in St. Mary's Parish, La., the son of a sugar planter, and moved to Arkansas City soon after the death of his father.

For a number of years Mr. Lacy was a grading contractor and built some of the levees on the Mississippi River below Helena and near Covington, Tenn.

Mr. Lacy served several terms as

mayor of Arkansas City and was active in the public affairs of his county. He was rounding out his second term as Sheriff of Desha County and was a candidate for re-election in the August primaries.

Mr. Lacy was twice married, his first wife being Miss Bettie Belser, of Monticello, Ark. She died several years ago, leaving two children, Mrs. Robert Culpepper, of Pine Bluff, and Lawrence Lacy, of Arkansas City. His second wife was Miss Ethel Richards, of Union City, Tenn., who survives him. There are two sons by the second marriage, Guy and Jesse Lacy, both of whom live in Arkansas City.

The deceased was a brother of Charles A. Lacy, member of the cotton firm of Lacy Brothers & Kinball Company, of this city. Another brother, Jesse G. Lacy, a member of the local cotton firm, died in 1911.—Memphis Commercial Appeal.

## RUNAWAY OF TEAMS AT WOODLAND MILLS

Mr. M. M. Ferguson, of Woodland Mills, was a visitor here last Tuesday and told us of the trouble Mr. T. M. Flack had with his teams. Four wagon teams left Woodland Monday on their way to Hickman to get some lumber. A short time after starting the hindmost team took fright and started, running right into the next wagon, actually mounting the wagon frame, one of the mules breaking a leg. E. H. Dowell, the driver of this wagon, was knocked off and stunned but not seriously injured. Two more of the teams started in a general stampede and one horse was badly bruised. No other damage was done. The trip was continued with three teams.

It is a little remarkable that the results were not more serious. It was a dangerous looking affair.

## Mr. Garret in Union City.

Hon Finis J. Garret was here last week speaking in his own behalf as a Democratic candidate for Congress. Mr. Garret was accompanied by the Dresden band and the editor of the Dresden Enterprise, Mr. Holbrook. A very large audience greeted Mr. Garret at Reynolds Theatre, where he spoke. Mr. Garret has always had a very strong following in Obion County and his reception here seemed to verify the fact. It is hardly necessary now to mention the line of discussion since the election is over, but the speech was in every way a characteristic one, full of sensible and thoughtful views calmly and dispassionately expressed.

## Ordinances Confirmed.

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen met last Tuesday night, the principal business of the meeting being to hear objections to the present plans of street building, embraced in ordinances Nos. 12, 13, 14. Quite a number of citizens were present, but only one man seemed to have any objections of a positive nature.

The ordinances were confirmed unanimously. The plans are in brief that all the streets included are to be treated with the penetration system. That is, they are to be treated with oil which is to be a part of the general street construction. In No. 12 are included Main, Third, Washington; No. 13 including Cheatham, College, Grove, Church, Washington, Harrison, Lee, Florida, Mill, Exchange, Fifth, Third, Second, First, Depot, Bank, Division, Ury, Home, Main; No. 14 including Second, Home, Linn, Mathews, High, Fourth. These are streets specified for construction, all or part of same as set forth in the ordinances.

## Baptist Sunday School.

Why do folks fail?  
Somebody helps them.  
Why do folks succeed?  
Because somebody always helps them, and don't you forget it.

Help yourself, just a little, and lots of friends help you. Give up, "lay down" on the job—the buzzards get you.

Don't GIVE UP.  
Make a desperate struggle and go to Sunday school.

If you don't believe folks want to help, find the AGOGA class. Enter their portals; note the suppressed eagerness with which these pink checked young men murmur fond welcome and extend you the glad hand it will be good for, besides it will help you.

Agoga class, 9:30 a.m.

## PASSAGE OF TARIFF MEASURE DOUBTFUL

Administration Bill May Not Go  
Through at the Present Session.

Washington, July 31.—Whether the administration tariff bill will be enacted before the November elections again has become the subject of private discussion. There is a more or less general belief in the Senate that the measure cannot be brought to a final vote there before Sept. 15, and there are those who believe the ironing out of differences between the Senate and the House in conference will be so slow that it cannot be completed before Congress goes home for the fall campaign.

Some Democratic leaders express the belief that the House will balk at some of what the minority have insisted are high duties. These leaders think that when the measure goes to conference the House will reserve the right of separate vote on a number of questions.

The move from the Democratic side Saturday for an investigation of charges that some Senators are financially interested in the wool and other duties voted into the bill may operate to delay Senate action. The Democrats say they will press their resolution for an inquiry, and further heated discussion on the floor appears in prospect.

While the fight over the wool schedule is about over, other committee amendments will cause sharp controversies.

The promised disagreement between the House and Senate over American valuation is not expected to materialize, Senate leaders holding that the House will yield on this question in view of the flexible tariff provisions written into the bill by Senate Committee in accord with the recommendations of President Harding.

Aside from this question, however, there will be more than 2,000 items in dispute between the house and Senate.

As the fight over rates goes forward in the Senate, sentiment in favor of a "scientific tariff" to be built around recommendations of the tariff commission apparently continues to increase.

## LACY'S WIDOW MAY BE SHERIFF OF DESHA

Another Woman Also Being Urged  
for Appointment.

Little Rock, Ark., July 30.—Desha County will soon have the first woman sheriff in Arkansas, to succeed the late Sheriff George Lacy, who died Friday. By far the bulk of the recommendations reaching Gov. T. C. McRae, who will appoint a sheriff to serve until next January, favor the appointment of Mrs. Lacy.

## Health League.

Miss M. Nesbit, Director Public Health Nursing, State Board of Health, Nashville, Tenn., met with the nursing committee of the Health League on Tuesday, July 25, at the rooms of the American Legion, which is also the Union City Health Center.

Miss Nesbit was very much pleased with the work done by the League, and hopes that every one will take advantage of the Well Baby Clinics which are open for colored babies on Wednesdays, 4 to 5, and for white babies on Thursdays, 4 to 5. Bring your babies to be weighed and measured on these days, also all boys and girls up to school age.

Miss Nesbit also spoke at the Lions Club about the work and of the need of the co-operation of the community with the Health League to bring about better conditions in the way of helping to prevent communicable diseases, of the keeping of well people well, and of better birth registration.

A class in Home Hygiene and care of the sick in the home has been organized by the Public Health Nurse. It is made up of 25 young women (colored) and will meet in the colored school building Tuesdays and Fridays, 4 to 6, for six weeks, and at the end of that time a certificate will be given by the American Red Cross to those meeting the requirements. The Public Health Nurse hopes that this is only the beginning of other classes.

What the Home Hygiene and Care of the Sick in the Home course of

fers is instruction in making different kinds of beds, importance of proper ventilation in the room, taking of temperature and respiration. The use of ordinary utensils and equipment found in the home. Instruction in the care of communicable diseases, and how to check the spread of the same. The course prepares you to serve as voluntary workers in case of disasters or epidemics and fits you to live a more useful life.

## Residence Improvements.

The residence of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Quinn, Palmer street, has been remodeled and improved, with both outside and inside work. The handsome new front porch, roofing and windows have changed the appearance of the home entirely.

## I. C. MOVES PART OF SHOPS FROM JACKSON

Charge No Protection—Sheriff Asked  
to Quit.

Jackson, Tenn., July 29.—Master Mechanic L. Grimes, of the local Illinois Central Railroad shops, received orders to-day from General Superintendent Bell, of the motive power department with headquarters in Chicago to move all the belt drive machinery from the local shops to Haleyville, Ala. This constitutes about 30 per cent of the shops. Mr. Grimes stated that the I. C. was getting tired of what he called insufficient protection being offered its employees here.

Last Wednesday 26 track laborers were taken from a train at Malesus, south of Jackson, beaten and scattered. No arrests have been made in this case.

A large number of Jackson citizens met this afternoon and pledged Master Mechanic Grimes full support in protecting his employees.

The Jackson Sun asks editorially for the resignation of Sheriff R. A. Mainord.

## Mosquito Campaign.

Union City has appropriated funds, both 1921 and 1922, for getting rid of malaria (chills and fever) by the destruction of the kind of mosquitoes (anopheles) that carry malaria from one person to another. This work, chiefly drainage and oiling, is being successfully carried out under the direct supervision of Mr. Rawls, with the assistance of the State Board of Health and the U. S. Public Health Service.

To rid Union City of other kinds of mosquitoes, those that bite and "pester," each householder must see that no water stands about the house or premises for more than a week. These pestiferous mosquitoes lay their eggs in barrels, roof gutters, tubs, in fact, anything about the house, yard or lot holding water. From the eggs develop the wiggle-tails and from these the mosquitoes. Remember the city is doing work which last year caused a big reduction in the amount of malaria and will cause a further reduction this year.

It is up to each householder to prevent the other mosquitoes from breeding about the homes.

If you are bothered by mosquitoes, tell Mr. Rawls about it; but first spend a little time in your back yard; you may find them breeding there.

Flowers are all right for the front yard; mosquitoes are all wrong for the back yard.

## All Cheap Skates.

A scientist tells us that the average human body contains materials (phosphorus, sulphur, magnesium, hydrogen, oxygen, etc.) totaling, in value, about 98 cents. The human body, in short, from a physical—or rather, chemical—standpoint, is worth less than a dollar.

Yet there are conceited people!

AFTERTHOUGHT.  
And while we're on the subject of the 98-cent body, may we not philosophize a bit?

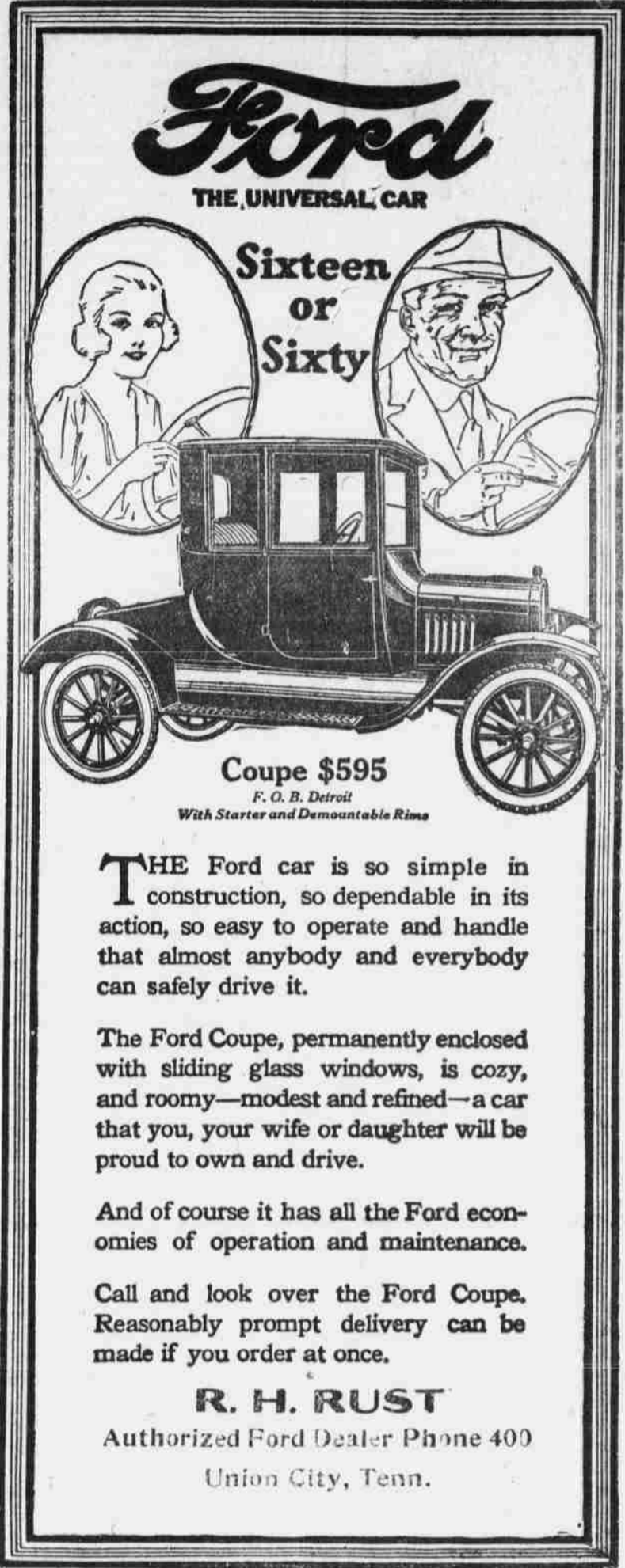
In the light of this new disclosure, why worry about death?

Death destroys only the body. So if you die, you're only 98 cents short. That's all it amounts to.

With these facts in mind, it seems foolish to spend money for physical repairs, does it not? For dentist's and doctor's bills, we'll say.

Think how silly it is to have a thirty dollar-gold filling fastened to a 98-cent piece of machinery.

Like gold bumpers on a silver—Nashville Tennessean.



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