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## Death of Seid Waddell.

The death of Hon. Seid Waddell, president of the Old National Bank, took place at his home in Union City on Sunday, February 6, 1921, at 11 o'clock a.m. Mr. Waddell was stricken suddenly with an attack of heart failure. He had not been in first-rate health for a number of years, but for a few weeks had been confined to his residence with conditions which were not at all favorable. He was however feeling better Sunday morning and was in the act of bathing his hands and face getting ready to go out for a walk, when the time came for dissolution.

Seid Waddell was born at Somerville, Tenn., May 2, 1848, son of John C. and Elizabeth D. Waddell, and was of Scotch-Irish descent. John C. Waddell was born in Carroll County, Tenn., about 1819 and died in Union City in 1884. The mother was also a Tennessean and died in Arkansas. Seid Waddell began the study of law in 1873, and in January, 1874, entered the senior class of Cumberland University at Lebanon, Tenn., and graduated the same year. He came almost immediately to Union City and here continued to reside and practice law, being for some time a law partner of Hon. Rice A. Pierce, later and for a number of years a law partner of his brother, Judge Joel B. Waddell. Mr. Waddell was one of the organizers of the bank of Union City in 1879 and was elected in 1884 and served for a number of years as president. This was the first bank opened in Union City, in which Geo. G. Bell was cashier and the well known St. Louis banker, Frank O. Watts, had his early training. Mr. Waddell was elected Mayor of Union City in 1885 and re-elected in 1886. In 1887 he was united in marriage to Miss Eva P. Waddell. Mrs. Waddell was born in Hardeman County in 1856. Mr. Waddell was a Democrat, a Mason, for many years a member of the K. of P. order and in his religious faith a Swedenborgian, one of the charter members of the New Church in Union City.

Mr. Waddell was among his many fine qualities of citizenship and character a life-long Democrat. He was elected to the General Assembly as Representative from Obion County in 1894. In 1896 he was elected to the State Senate and re-elected in 1898 and elected by that body to the position of speaker. He was at the time, along with such men as Judge Heiskel and Hon. John A. Tipton, one of the leaders of the Democratic party in Tennessee.

Mr. Waddell was active in party affairs in his own county and continued to take an interest in public affairs generally. He was one of the Board of Trustees of the Union City Training School and in this school his sons, Seid, Jr., John and E. P., had their early training. Again he entered banking some years ago when the Union City Bank & Trust Co. was organized and served that institution as director. This bank was consolidated with the First National Bank of Union City. The name of the new organization was the Old National Bank. Mr. Waddell was one of the directors and when Mr. Whitesell retired as president a year ago Mr. Waddell was elected as his successor, and held that position until he died.

Mr. Waddell is survived by his stepmother, Mrs. Sarah Waddell, 92 years of age, his wife and two brothers, St. John Waddell, of Memphis, and Judge Joel B. Waddell, of this city; two sisters, Mrs. Wm. Caruthers, of Whiteville, Tenn., and Miss Birdie Waddell, of this city. There were five children of the family of Mr. and Mrs. Seid Waddell, four of whom survive as follows: Mrs. Dickens Hendrix and E. P. Waddell, of Baton Rouge, Mrs. Belle Berryhill, of St. Louis, and J. A. Waddell, of this city.

Mr. Waddell was a man of good parts. He had exceptionally well ordered mental resources and a very high sense of moral courage. He served his people well and at all times with an immovable faith in the laws of God and eternal justice. He was aligned with the great moral movements, taking an active interest in the prohibition and enforcement laws. He was a parliamentarian in politics and an executive in business. He had a faculty of reducing puzzling problems to simple analysis and his counsel and advice were always in demand. He was in fine—a man, God's noblest handiwork, and we shall not see his like again.

The entire community mourns the loss of a good citizen, the family a loyal head and a loving heart. Funeral services were conducted

Tuesday afternoon at the residence on Todd street, Rev. L. G. Landenberger, of St. Louis, in charge.

The remains were interred with Masonic honors at East View Cemetery.

Pall bearers were as follows: Honorary—R. P. Whitesell, C. N. Lannon, A. L. Garth, Dr. C. W. Miles, Sr., J. P. Verhine, R. A. Pierce, A. E. Glover, Jno. T. Walker, A. J. Corum, J. A. Heffey.

Active—W. H. Swiggart, Geo. A. Gibbs, H. A. Bransford, J. Walker Kerr, Chas. W. Miles, Jr., Thurman Talley, F. C. Aydelott, J. S. Latta.

## Appropriations and Taxes.

We make the prediction that the overshadowing issue in future political campaigns will be the subject of taxation. Other issues will be swept away by the tide.

While there have been gross excesses chargeable to the Wilson administration, the public will no doubt applaud the defense of Inspector Dawes in the sale of supplies to the French government. The New York Herald especially has made a bitter attack on the Administration for extravagance. Much of this is unjust and Inspector Dawes does not split hairs in telling about it.

His vocabulary is unique. I suppose the quotations will be expunged from the record. The newspapers generally have criticized the Administration for being so profligate with public funds. The people made this a campaign issue. They always do when there is a movement to increase the taxes. No party can outlive a tax burden. But Mr. Dawes has been looking on at the bulldozing tactics until he became disgusted, and when the committee sought to draw him out they got more than they bargained for. This paper does not take to the idea of heavy taxation. It is not democratic. It is a burden upon the farmer. There is a tendency to discourage farming. The burden grows and the farmer deserts the rural localities and the farm. Finally the country is reduced to tenantry and then the chasm between the rich and the poor sets up a royalty. There is a military cast also in league with the royal line and poverty spreads over the land. Finally some such leeches as Lenine and Trotzky seize the reins and the high heads go to the gutter.

Now, don't get us in wrong. If taxes were borne equally 'twould be a different matter, but the big corporations and controlling interests pass their taxes on to the consumer—Federal income, State and all—and the final analysis is that every person who buys food or clothing pays the tax. The farmer has no come back. He is not able to assess his profits. So he bears the burden of the tax. It is this, with the grossly inexcusable increase of governing powers and extravagance in expenditures, that reduces agriculture, destroys democracy and finally ends in Bolshevism.

We don't know the cure unless Congress and the State Assemblies reverse themselves, or, unless like our friend, Lowe Shearon, suggests as follows:

### THE A B C OF INDUSTRY.

(a). Managers of industrial enterprises should state in advance a rate of compensation with which they will content themselves just as do the bondholders, who name an interest rate, the preferred stockholders, who name a dividend rate, and the employes, who name a wage rate.

(b). Risks should be offset by extra dividends to stockholders limited to whatever amount may be necessary to induce a sufficient investment of capital in any given enterprise.

(c). All surpluses should be pro-rated among the consumers according to the amount of their purchases since they made an enterprise possible by supplying the market for the thing produced.

These three principles would put confidence in industry and spur it to such efforts as have never been known before because they are absolutely fair to every factor of production as well as to the entire buying public.

Governments should use economy just as private citizens do, especially should they begin to retrench after a horrible catastrophe like the late war. But papers like the Herald and men of easy principles should not be allowed to exercise a liberty and license unwarranted and unjust without regard to the facts in the case.

### The Truth About It.

"Inquiring son—"Papa, what is reason?"

Fond Parent—"Reason, my boy, is that which enables a man to determine what is right."

"Inquiring Son—"And what is instinct?"

Fond Parent—"Instinct is that which tells a woman she is right whether she is or not."—From the Edinburgh Scotsman.

# MASS MEETING

## Friday Night for the Purpose of Discussing the Building of Paved Streets.

Every citizen of Union City, both ladies and gentlemen, is especially invited to attend this meeting. Let's pull Union City out of the old rut and the muddy streets, make a good town, a sanitary and healthful town. Materials are getting cheaper, let's do something for our town and citizens. The front foot assessment plan will be fully explained and by this plan good streets can be built without the burden being hard on either the city or the property owner.

If you have any interest in Union City and want it to grow and be like other cities, attend this meeting.

Don't come knocking, bring your booster friend with you.

This meeting will be held in the City Hall.

F. L. PITTMAN, Mayor.

The Commercial takes to the idea of a liberal appropriation for the public highways over and above every other public enterprise. So, out of the clouds of an impenetrable storm of appropriations the proposed appropriation of \$100,000,000 by Congress for the public highways comes as a beacon of light. We don't need a standing army of a quarter of a million. We don't need so darn many improvements while the country is bled to death with taxes. There is no demand for all these extravagancies and Congress should be made to stop. We do need our public school system, but we don't need Federal aid or any other for a college training. The children should be kept in school and educated at public expense, but young men and women should educate themselves with the classics and the trades. If a young man or woman is too trifling to give himself or herself independent college or vocational training the public money spent in that way is wasted. It is a mistake. People should not be taxed for these things. But there is one enterprise that is more vital to the people of the United States than everything else, and that is the public highway system. The construction of standard highways in the United States would solve the railroad problems. A standard highway system would give us universal truck traffic and free the people from the menace of organized labor and the gluttony of the railroads. With a standard highway system, as Mr. Bryan once suggested, we could mobilize a standing army of millions in a few days or weeks. Go in for public highways is the word.

### Death of John H. Nichols.

Tuesday night at nine o'clock John H. Nichols died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Emma Phillips, Troy, of gallstones. He had been a sufferer from this malady for some weeks. He was buried at Sardis on Wednesday.

Deceased was a widower and left three brothers, James, Thomas and Joseph; also two sisters, Mrs. Mary Cawsey, of Petersburg, Tenn., and Mrs. Letitia Wilkerson, of Troy.—Obion County Enterprise.

### Easy to Do.

Maggie—"What, you back here? I thought you had fallen into a fortune!"

Henry—"I did—and went right through it."—Cartoons Magazine.



## McHUGH BATTERY CO.

204-TWO PHONES-230

You are invited to use either of these numbers when you want the best there is on the Union City market in the eating line, and want it delivered promptly.

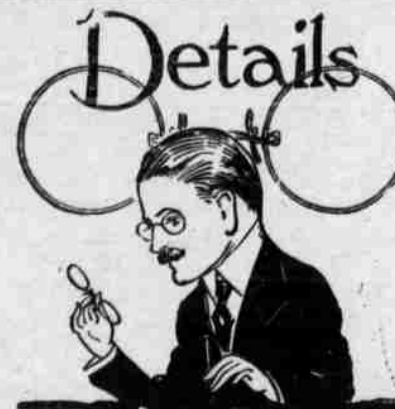
## Grissom's Service

is, as in the past, a straight from the shoulder, honest to goodness endeavor to please and the smallest business transaction is never closed until the customer is perfectly pleased.

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Visitors always welcomed at

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### HATCH CHICKS EARLY

#### FOR WINTER EGGS

"Early hatched pullets will mature and begin laying early in the fall, and if properly fed and cared for will continue to lay through the winter," say specialists of the Bureau of Extension, University of Tennessee.

Regardless of good types of houses, of how well yards are kept, of balanced rations fed, it takes early hatched pullets to produce eggs in the early fall and winter when eggs are scarce and consequently high in price.

#### Still Doing Business.

Mrs. Trotter—"Yes, we're just back from Colorado. 'We've been up to the top of Pike's Peak.'"

Mrs. Homebody—"Dear Me! I've heard my father speak of going up Pike's Peak when he was a boy. I had no idea they still had it out there."—Boston Post.

#### NON-RESIDENT NOTICE.

David Wright vs. Mary G. Wright. —Petition for Divorce.—In Circuit Court of Obion County, Tenn. To Mary G. Wright.

A bill for divorce has been sworn to and filed in this court, which bill avers that you are a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, and a resident of the State of Missouri, so that the ordinary process of law can not be served upon you. This is, therefore, to notify you the said Mary G. Wright, defendant in above styled cause, to appear before the Circuit Court of Obion County, Tenn., on or before the first Monday in May, 1921, and make defense to said bill filed against you or the same will be taken for confessed and proceeded with ex parte as to you. 46-4t  
This January 31, 1921.

J. N. RUDDLE, Clerk.  
Pierce & Fry, Attorneys for Complt.

#### TO J. C. POLK.

Forcum-James Coopersage & Lumber Co. vs. H. F. Anderson et al.—Chancery Court, Obion County, Tennessee.

In the above styled cause it appearing to the Clerk & Master from the bill of complaint, which is sworn to, that the defendant, J. C. Polk, is a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, so that ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him. It is therefore hereby ordered that the said above named defendant appear before the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Obion County, Tennessee, on or before the first Monday of March, 1921, that being a rule day of said Chancery Court, and make defense to the said bill, or the same will be taken as confessed by him, and the said cause set for hearing ex-parte as to him. It is further ordered that publication of this notice be made for four consecutive weeks in The Commercial, a weekly newspaper published in Obion County, Tenn. 44-4t  
By Nelle F. Marshall, D. C. & M.  
This January 18, 1921.

GEO. A. GIBBS,  
Clerk and Master.  
Morris & Morris, Solis. for Complt.  
Lannon & Lannon.

#### TO GEORGE REED.

Fannie Reed vs. George Reed.—Chancery Court, Obion County, Tennessee.

In the above styled cause it appearing to the Clerk and Master from the bill of complaint, which is sworn to, that the defendant, George Reed, is a non-resident of the State of Tennessee, so that ordinary process of law cannot be served upon him. It is therefore hereby ordered that the said above named defendant appear before the Clerk and Master of the Chancery Court of Obion County, Tennessee, on or before the first Monday of March, 1921, that being a rule day of said Chancery Court, and make defense to the said bill, or the same will be taken as confessed by him, and the said cause set for hearing ex-parte as to him. It is further ordered that publication of this notice be made for four consecutive weeks in The Commercial, a weekly newspaper published in Obion County, Tenn. 46-4t  
This Jan. 27th, 1921.

GEO. A. GIBBS,  
Clerk and Master.  
By Nelle F. Marshall, D. C. & M.  
Geo. R. Kenney, Sol. for Complt.