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Farm Bureau Notes

True D. Morse Here.

True D. Morse, of the Extension Department of the College of Agriculture, was in the county Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Mr. Morse was here in the interest of the livestock marketing proposition. Community meetings were held at Farmington, Bismarck and Hazel Run. The particular thing worked on was the lining up of the local Livestock Shipping Association to take advantage of the livestock commission house being opened in East St. Louis, Jan. 1st. The extension of this local Shipping Association to other sections, especially Bismarck and Bonne Terre, is practically assured. Plans have been made to serve Bismarck and plans will be made shortly to serve Bonne Terre.

Annual Meeting of Farm Bureau Saturday

A large attendance at the Annual Meeting of the Farm Bureau, Saturday, is hoped for. Mr. Harry C. Hensley, Assistant County Agent Leader, from Columbia, will make an address. Mr. Hensley is a brother of the former County Agent of this county. Besides this address, there will be reports of the work of the Farm Bureau for the past year.

These reports will be on both the men's and women's work. Some local people will appear on the program. The plans for the coming year will be discussed. Members of the executive committee and the officers will be elected. All sections of the county should be represented at the meeting to secure permanent representation for the year on the executive committee.

ATTENTION! WOMEN

FARM BUREAU MEMBERS

Women members of the Farm Bureau are urged to come to the Annual Farm Bureau meeting at Farmington, Saturday, Dec. 17th. The meeting begins at 10 a. m. and there will be something of interest all day. Reports of the work done in the clothing, poultry, health, and food projects will be given by project leaders. The Home Demonstration Agent will give a brief summary of the year's work and also present plans for next year's work.

Mrs. C. C. Schuttler, Chairman of the Women's Committee of the American Farm Bureau Federation, and a member of the State Farm Bureau Federation Executive Committee, will speak. Every one will get a greater vision of Farm Bureau work by having heard Mrs. Schuttler. Besides this, there will be the reports of the men's work and talks relating to things of particular interest to the men and ought to be of interest to the women.

Come out to the Annual Meeting, Farm Bureau women, and show that the St. Francois County Farm Bureau is really organized on the family membership plan.

New Community Programs of Work

Farm Bureau communities are busy now, thinking out and making new programs of work for 1922. Communities which have made out new programs this week are: Libertyville, Fairview, Bar-Oak-Grove, Bismarck, and Cartee.

At a community meeting, the women decide what their biggest problems are, why they are problems, and ways of working out these problems. Goals in each project are set so that at the end of the year, they can see how much has been done.

A community project leader for each project is chosen by the women. This leader is responsible for the work done in her project for the year. Twelve communities in St. Francois county have found this method of work successful. If there are others who would like to organize a community group, they should get in touch with the Home Demonstration Agent at the Farm Bureau office.

Car Owners, Attention

In order to become better acquainted with owners of cars in St. Francois county, I am making a special rate for the charging of your battery before January 1st. The rate will be seventy-five cents for charging and ten cents rental. This is the first charge of your battery if charged before January 1st, and is a twenty-five percent reduction from the regular price of one dollar for charging and fifteen cents rental to be charged after January 1st, 1922.

We test and water your battery FREE.

Store your battery with us, and it will be ready for service at any time. Call on us—VESTA SERVICE STATION, at the ELECTRIC SHOP.

REAL MERCHANTS

Those who are always ready and willing to pay a just "toll" for the privilege of doing business in this territory, are the merchants who deserve your patronage. They are the real business firms—home concerns—who can and will save you money on your purchases. Such a list of real business firms will be found in The Times. You will make no mistake in making up your list of Christmas purchases from among them.

Mrs. Phil Gruner and Mrs. Charlie Sheets, of Doe Run, were Farmington visitors Saturday.

A Bigger and Better "Times"

Beginning with 1922, The Times will be regularly enlarged to a ten and twelve page paper. That is to say, beginning with the New Year, this paper will not be less than ten pages in size, and whenever advertising will justify, twelve pages will be printed.

Not only in size will The Times be improved, but every possible effort will be put forth to give to its readers the best to be had in a home paper. A number of new departments will be added, including a Woman's page, Farm page, State and General News, one or two splendid serial stories, comics, etc. Besides this we will keep up, and improve, where possible, The Times past standard of portraying the local news.

In fact, our ambition is to give to every member, of every family, the kind of news that will be of greatest interest to them. When we have done that, then we will all be satisfied.

In connection with this announcement, we would further suggest that a subscription to this improved and enlarged paper would make a most suitable and satisfying Christmas present to anyone, anywhere. Can you think of anything, even at much greater cost, that would give the constant and enduring pleasure that the enlarged Times would bring.

This paper will start the New Year improved and enlarged in all ways except one—the price will remain the same!

All Times correspondents are authorized to receive subscriptions. They will be allowed a commission of 25-cents on each yearly subscription.

Keeping Lake in Good Order

S. T. Schutz, who is making a splendid resort out of Iron Mountain Lake, is always looking after the pleasure, comfort and convenience of visitors to that popular place for recreation. Since he has had charge of that place as manager there has been a very noticeable improvement in the upkeep, which has had the effect of drawing those who are aware of the added attentions and conveniences to be had there to that delightful spot with increasing regularity.

Recently Mr. Schutz has made splendid improvements in the road leading from the main thoroughfare to the lake, parts of which were getting in bad and run-down condition. While he has not asked for donations to assist him in paying for this work, it does seem to be asking too much of a single individual to make such splendid public improvements, without aid from those who will receive large benefit from the excellent work. The Times feels that Mr. Schutz is entitled to assistance in the improvement he has made on that road, and we also believe that all donations to him will be thankfully received, as he is a poor and hard-working man—and thoroughly worthy.

Get Ready for Free Mail Delivery

A few persons have not yet paid for the numbering of their houses. Do this at once. See Wesley Pratt, or leave money at Pelly's Book Store. Also have a slot made in your front door, or put up a box for your mail. All must be in readiness by Dec. 29th, or the free delivery of mail may not be started.

BARNEY PELLY, Chairman of Committee.

AN OLD MAN FOUND DEAD

Wm. Manus, aged 72 years, was found dead about 6:30 o'clock last Friday evening, in the woods about a mile south of Parkview cemetery. Deceased had been cutting wood for Tom Smith, superintendent of the County Infirmary, and had not been seen by anyone for several days previous to the discovery of the body. It is thought the accident which caused death occurred Tuesday, Dec. 6th. The body was lying beside a log over which deceased had evidently fallen, when perhaps stricken with paralysis, or heart failure.

Deceased has a daughter, Mrs. Sarah Wollard, and a son living in Flat River. Mrs. Wollard says that some time ago her father had a severe attack of paralysis, and the doctor told him that another stroke would perhaps be fatal. His advanced years did not dampen his industry. He insisted on work, in which he continued until the end, just as he would perhaps have desired.

The body was brought to the Neider's Undertaking establishment, where a coroner's inquest was held Saturday morning, the jury returning a verdict, "Death due to fall, cause unknown, resulting in brain neck." The remains were laid to their final rest Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Geo. Jerrolds, of St. Louis, returned last Friday after a visit with Mrs. E. L. Jerrolds, who, with her little grandson, accompanied her home for a visit.

Human Form Remolded and Renewed; Wonderful Demonstration in Surgery



Before going to Kirksville.



On his return after 11 weeks there.



His first appearance in shoes.

Three Pictures Showing "Buster" Anderson's Restoration to Physical Normalcy

The above pictures illustrate only in part the really wonderful surgery that has been performed on William Anderson, better known to his many intimate friends as "Buster," who was the subject of a story in last week's local paper.

The first picture, showing the badly deformed feet, was taken after "Buster" had been worked on by Dr. J. A. Overton for about 8 months. He has no picture previous to that time, which would have shown him wholly unable to get around, even on crutches. His limbs were in a complete tangle, his spine was shaped similar to a fish-bone, and he was compelled to drag himself about with his arms.

The pictures show his present condition, and while his spine is not yet entirely straightened, another brief treatment at Kirksville, so Dr. Overton says, will practically straighten out his spine, and put him in condition to develop into a more nearly normal state. The first picture, showing deformities, was taken only before his departure to Kirksville for treatment for the reason that his mother feared she would never see him again alive.

Another most pleasant circumstance connected with this case, which leaves a most savory odor, is the fact that neither Dr. Overton, who has given much of his time and considerable other expense in the treatment of "Buster," nor Dr. Geo. M. Laughlin, who performed the marvelous operations on him in the Kirksville School of Osteopathy, have made a cent of charge for their services. It was largely love for their work, as well as love for humanity, that caused them to put forth such splendid efforts, without hope of a direct monetary reward.

It will no doubt be pleasing to "Buster's" many friends, as well as many others who have heard of his case, to know that a "drive" will be made to-morrow for funds to pay his hospital and other necessary expenses, and that everyone will be given an opportunity to make a contribution to this most worthy cause. Everyone will doubtless feel it a privilege, as well as a pleasure, to aid in the noble work of restoring "Buster" to practically a normal boy. If any are lacking in such a desire, then they should

see and talk with "Buster" himself and become converted to his cause.

Ladies will be out to-morrow soliciting funds to pay necessary expenses in this case, and it is hoped a sufficient amount will be subscribed to pay for his next trip to Kirksville for the final operation, when it is expected that his spine will be made practically straight. Something over \$300 will be necessary to pay for the salvation of this youth to a life that is apparently full of promise. Is that not cheap enough for such a reclamation? "Buster" thinks it is; his poor but happy parents think it is; his many friends think it is. If you do not think so, then you should have a look at "Buster," who will exhibit himself in the Monarch theatre to-night and to-morrow night, when a three-minute speech will be made in explanation of his case, and an appeal made for funds to pay his expense. You should be prepared to give at that time. The County Court will also be asked for a liberal contribution to this fund, as it is really a county case, of the greatest possible merit.

Racy Suit Offers Great Attraction

The hearing in the suit for \$20,000 damages for alienation of the affections of his wife, in which Clarence E. Rougley figures as plaintiff, against Frank Thirman and wife, was begun Wednesday morning, and it required very little time for news of the commencement of the hearing to spread until the circuit court room was crowded and jammed to the doors, leaving no standing room available. Rougley is asking for \$20,000 damages. The original filing of the suit included Joseph Whitener and wife as defendants, but the present suit has dismissed them from the case.

A hard fight is being made on both sides, with Hon. Chas. Hay and Orin L. Munger representing the plaintiff, and Jerry B. Burks and B. H. Boyer for the defense. The case was given into the hands of the jury late yesterday evening, after having occupied two days of the court's attention, as well as the time and attention of hundreds of curious citizens, looking for a "sweet morsel" to roll under their tongues. Such ambitions impress The Times management more and more that such hearings should be privately held. There is not the slightest possibility of them doing anyone good, while there is every chance of them doing irreparable harm, breaking down the morale for honor and decency, and breeding contempt for the law.

Resisting Hold-Up, Peddler is Killed

James Birchall, who lived near the line between this and Washington county, was shot and instantly killed Saturday night, about 7 o'clock, near Frankel, in this county, while resisting a hold-up by two highwaymen. The murdered man, who was about 31 years old, leaves a wife and three children.

Deceased, who was accompanied by his father, was driving home, when at a lonely part of the road two men appeared in front of the vehicle with the command "hands up." Instead of complying with the demand, James Birchall drew a revolver and shot several times at the bandits, when a bullet fired by one of the bandits pierced Birchall's forehead, causing almost instant death. All shots fired by deceased appears to have gone wild. The father was not wounded.

Two suspects were arrested Sunday. They are Herbert Turley, about 25 years old, and Edward Porrior, aged about 26 years. Their preliminary hearing was first set for last Tuesday, before Squire Conway at Bismarck, but a change was asked for and granted, and the hearing will be

next Monday, before Squire Cleveland. Report is that there is some strong circumstantial evidence against these young men.

C. of C. Has Reorganized

The Farmington Chamber of Commerce held a meeting last evening, in the Masonic Temple, which was well attended, and all seemed to be imbued with the spirit that the organization must not only be kept alive, but that additional "pep" must be added to its workings. Every little thing now appears to be in good condition for the Chamber to increase its scope of usefulness.

A number of matters of importance to this community were brought up and discussed, and there appeared to be more enthusiasm in all such questions than has ever before been exhibited. The nominations committee recommended M. P. Cayce for President of the revived organization, and Rolla Cozzen for Secretary, which report was unanimously adopted by the Chamber. There is no doubt but that these newly elected officers will do everything in their power to make the Chamber of Commerce a real active, wide-awake, progressive organization. With such an organization nothing in reason will be impossible.

Sikeston H. Beats Farmington H.

In a post-season game to decide the championship of Greater Southeast Missouri, the Sikeston High School foot ball team decisively defeated the Farmington High team on the Doss field in Farmington last Friday afternoon.

The final score was twenty-seven to six in favor of Sikeston. Sikeston put over four touchdowns from which three goals were kicked, while Farmington made one touchdown and failed to kick goal. The first three quarters of the game were hotly contested and the game was really much closer than the score indicates. Both teams scored the first quarter. Craine, Sikeston's fast quarterback, got away in the first three minutes of play and ran fifty-six yards for a touch-down. Farmington had not had possession of the ball.

On the next kickoff Farmington received near her own ten-yard line and by a series of beautiful end runs, line plays and forward passes, carried the ball over on a line plunge. Simms missed the goal, making the score 7 to 6 in favor of Sikeston. The first quarter closed with the ball in Sikeston's possession on Farmington's forty-eight yard line. Twice in the second quarter Sikeston got within striking distance of Farmington's goal only to be held, and on both occasions Sikeston attempted a place kick for goal. The first was blocked by Derringer, and the second went wide by several feet. During the remainder of the second quarter and all of the third the teams seemed very evenly matched, neither side being able to score on the other, but there were thrills a plenty to keep the spectators on edge. When the first half ended it was found that Ted Graves, one of Farmington's surest tacklers, and an excellent ground gainer, had suffered a serious injury to one of his arms. He pluckily remained in the game, however, but was seriously handicapped both in offensive and defensive work.

At the beginning of the third quarter Farmington began another march toward Sikeston's goal only to be halted well within Sikeston's territory. About that time Simms suffered a badly sprained ankle and was taken out of the game. From that time on Sikeston had things pretty much their own way. They succeeded in putting over three more touchdowns in the last ten minutes of the game. One came from about the three-minute line by means of an onside kick, that partook of the nature of a fluke, while another was made from a recovered fumble near midfield. The third was made by straight foot ball and was well earned.

The largest crowd that ever witnessed a foot ball game in St. Francois county was present, and entered into the spirit of the contest with zest and enjoyment. The business men of Farmington, who had been influential in arranging the contest and had guaranteed to finance the game, had charge of the financial receipts and report that practically all expenses have been met. A large expense was incurred to bring Sikeston to Farmington, and ample provision had been made to suitably entertain the visiting team and accompanying supporters. The lady members of the high school faculty, assisted by the high school girls, served luncheon to the visitors at the High School building after the game, and a very pleasant social hour was spent in which the young people seemed to delight.

Sikeston has a wonderful team, and the spirit of good sportsmanship that prevails between the two teams is indicated by the fact that neither team suffered a penalty during the entire game. This is the second game the local boys have played without a penalty being inflicted on either team, and it speaks volumes for high school athletics.

Farmington people are glad that Sikeston came, even though they did win the game. There is a deep feeling, however, that had the Farmington boys not broken training during the week and a half that they waited for a definite answer from Sikeston, the score might have been different.

Mr. J. E. Davis of Washington University, was the referee, and he officiated in a very able and impartial manner.

As might have been expected, the usual rumors were circulated on the streets, after the game, to the effect that Sikeston had intelligible men on the team; that one man was past twenty-four years of age, and that another was a professional racer, etc. In justice to Sikeston High School it should be said that there is not the slightest evidence that any man on the team was not entirely eligible. Their best men were well known to many of our players, and neither the local high school management, nor the football boys have any faith in such rumors. Sikeston played clean all the way through, and won.

Democratic Mass Meeting Called

There will be a Democratic mass meeting held in Farmington on Monday, Dec. 19th, 1921, at 1:30 p. m., for the purpose of selecting 7 delegates from St. Francois county to the District Convention to be held at Ste. Genevieve on Wednesday, Dec. 28, 1921, which convention will nominate and select the Democratic delegate from the 26th Senatorial District to the Constitutional Convention of Missouri.

By order of the Committee of the 26th Senatorial District.

ALL CONFERENCES ARE NOT IN WASHINGTON

