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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce G. T. JOHNSON as a candidate for County Court Clerk, subject to the action of the Republican party.

The Baltimore Sun gives the American citizens something to think about when it says: 'The President has been 'trust busting' for seven years, and if any private citizen in this whole broad land has received any benefit from his exertions—If the price of any one of trust-made articles has been cured by the trust-busting which has so delighted the country—they market reports do not disclose the fact. Naaman, the Syrian, reject of the prophet's receipt for curing his leprosy because it was so simple. It was to wash to be clean. He demanded something spectacular. He wanted Elijah to come out to him and stand and call upon the name of the Lord and strike his hand over the place. And so the real cure of the monopoly that is afflicting the country is too simple to impress the public. What is monopoly? It is the absence of competition. Then why attempt in the name of reason and common sense take down the bars and let competition enter? A great line may be imposed upon the Standard Oil Company. But what will it avail? It will simply result in a higher price of oil, and so the people will lose instead of finding relief in that kind of 'trust-busting.' If the sugar trust is exacting an unfair price for sugar, why not let the German sugar beet grow with them? If the tobacco trust maintains high prices, why not let Cuba compete with it? This is not only too simple, but it would be effective. The people who are standing pat on the tariff do not want the trusts curbed.'

The fair edition of the Standard Times was a thing of beauty and joy forever. Messrs May and Williams certainly have every reason to feel proud of their splendid effort, and the citizens and business men of this city's metropolis have every reason to be proud of the Times as a news dispenser and as an advertising medium.

Don't fail to hear Judge Hager in the Court-house here next Wednesday at 2:00 P. M.

LIVINGSTON

W. C. Mullins has been here this week on business. J. A. Oliver has returned after spending a week in Knoxville, Tenn., buying fall goods, he also visited relatives and friends in North Carolina. J. A. Mullins accompanied this brother, W. C. to his home in LaFollette, Tenn., where he will spend a few weeks. Among those who attended the Baptist Association from Livingston are Messrs Geo. Cook, James Anderson, Bert Whiteshead, J. E. Singleton, Dr. E. M. Childers, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Woodall and mother, Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Dismore, Mr. and Mrs. H. Davis and Miss Sissie Kirby, also Rev. Briscoe, of Mt. Vernon and Mrs. G. E. Painter, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Albright and little

IN INTEREST OF THE PEOPLE Great Awakening On the Subject Of Tax Reform.

Many States Taking Steps to Abolish Old Methods In Favor of Better Kentucky's Case.

There is no question of greater importance before the people of Kentucky at present than the question of taxation. Those who have interested themselves in studying the growth of the state's industries during the past year and watched the attempts to develop its resources have been deeply impressed with the fact that our tax laws form a most serious obstacle to success. So deep-seated is this conviction in the minds of hundreds of thoughtful men that the time appears to be drawing near when the people of Kentucky will have made up their minds that nothing is more worthy of their serious attention than this question. As a rule, they consider themselves with it only when the assessor makes his annual call, or when they walk up to the tax collector's office to settle. Then they are fully re-erudant that the whole tax system is wrong, but as soon as the tax has been paid and the amount of it has been forgotten, the whole question is apt to be regarded up another assessment and paying their rolls around.

It is important to Kentucky that the people of the state should realize that taxation bears in a most vital way upon the prosperity of the state, and in order that taxation may be wisely adjusted, it is necessary for the intelligent people of the state to turn themselves to a careful study of the whole question and persist in it until the tax system of the state is of a kind that will yield all the necessary revenues with the lightest possible burden, according to the justice or injustice of the tax; according to its reasonableness or its oppressiveness, capital is invited to a community or driven from it. Industries will flourish or be destroyed, competition with other states may be possible or may be rendered out of the question, justice may be done or obstructed and imposed.

The Committee of the Senate. No little disappointment was felt by those who have studied the tax situation in Kentucky when the committee of the State Senate, appointed to consider tax questions during the interim between the sessions of 1906 and 1907, failed to recommend anything more than an attempt to raise more money along the lines of the old revenue bill. In its report to the senate the committee stated that it had seriously considered the advisability of recommending more radical changes in our system, but it reported the conclusion that it was not at the time advisable to do more than attempt to perfect the old system along the old lines. The reason given for this in the report was that the revenue had not in force and had not been sufficiently tried out, and was entitled to a longer experiment. And here it is to be said against hasty tinkering with tax laws.

There is no doubt that the committee itself felt disappointed in not being able to recommend something more radical, but it is to be regretted that in siding the tax situation, it held hearings in various parts of the state, and that it was not possible for the committee, by its lay-out, representative farmers and business men to reveal the views on the subject of taxation. The committee could not fail to be impressed with the general dissatisfaction with the present force in Kentucky, and yet they did not then think the time ripe to recommend a departure.

The net result of the committee's report was an attempt by the legislature to tighten up the basis of the old system and to make one further desperate effort to get out of the old system. The committee could not fail to be impressed with the general dissatisfaction with the present force in Kentucky, and yet they did not then think the time ripe to recommend a departure.

There has grown up in the state some sentiment for a tax commission with some official status, whose duty it will be to go throughout the state and make a study of the tax situation along new lines, and, of course, new lines are desirable. It is to be regretted that the committee, by its lay-out, representative farmers and business men to reveal the views on the subject of taxation. The committee could not fail to be impressed with the general dissatisfaction with the present force in Kentucky, and yet they did not then think the time ripe to recommend a departure.

Whether this should come about or not, it is to be hoped that the people of the state will be able to do something to improve their tax system, and whenever a taxpayer wishes to feel this new legislation in force, he should call on the following:

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Our Mens' Suits at	\$18.50	Suits at	\$13.50
	15.00		12.00
	12.50		10.00
	10.00		7.50
	7.50		5.00
	5.00		4.75

Summer Dress Goods, Summer Shoes and Hats to be closed out at, practically, Your Old Prices.

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U-G BAKER RING OF LOW PRICES

Farmers Institute.

The Farmers Institute convened here Tuesday and Wednesday, as outlined in our last issue. It was a most interesting meeting and the farmers who availed themselves of the splendid opportunity for improving their manner of farming certainly feel well paid for the time spent listening to the lectures, discussions and the best plans for improving the farms and how to get the best results in every particular. We regret that no more of the farmers were present, but only time will bring about the united interest necessary to make the Farmers Institute in this county a great success. We trust that the meeting just held will be an incentive to those present to continue these meetings at least once a month, during the next year and by the time to hold the next annual county Institute the enrollment of interested farmers will far exceed the expectations of any one at this time.

As a matter of encouragement, to promote the farmers interests and to bring about better farming, better stock raising and better everything connected with the farm, we propose to offer to our farmers one column of space each week for the discussion of any subject you desire, to ask any question, and should no one in the county be able to give a correct and logical answer, we will see to it ourselves that the same is referred to some one able, by teaching and experience, to give a correct and proper answer.

The farmer should be as much a student of how his work can best be done, to bring the best results, as the lawyer and physician are to master their professions, and we bring about this desired result, then to get the farmers to meet together, exchange ideas and get the plans of their neighbors who have made a success along certain lines.

The Farmers Institute is the greatest thing ever inaugurated for the benefit of the farmers, but like all other new "fads" which come around it is going to take time for a large majority to see it that way, and become properly interested.

We shall be glad to hear from any farmer at any time, and your wants shall have the most careful consideration by those competent to give advice.

EVERYTHING READY

Kentucky State Fair begins next Monday, September 16.

Entries of live stock break all records for a State Fair in the South.

Many new amusement features added to the week's program.

Louisville Sept. 9th.—(Special Correspondence)—The Kentucky State Fair management announced to-day that the final touches on Churchill Downs, getting it in shape for the State Fair, which begins next Monday, September 16th had been made. A large force of carpenters have put in two full weeks building additional shell and bog pens and fitting tables in the buildings where the exhibits of horticulture, vegetables and melons field seed and grain, tobacco, woman's work, table luxuries, etc., will be shown.

The owners of Churchill Downs at Louisville, where the State Fair will be held this year, turned over to the State Fair management the entire tract, with 650 stalls in modern stables, free of all cost, the Board of Agriculture only being required to put the grounds back in the condition they were found.

Taking the entries that have been made to a week before the opening of the fair, as an indication, practically every one of those stalls will be used. The display of horse flesh, all kind of cattle, sheep, swine, mules and jack stock, will be in keeping with the State Fair of commonwealth that have sup-

ported institutions for a quarter of a century. The poultry and pig department and the Colle Department give quite a satisfactory promise, while the other departments are certain to fill to capacity.

Turning from the educational features of the fair, to the lighter vein, the State Fair Management announced that the amusements will include Pain's \$100,000 fire works spectacle and the eruption of Vesuvius, Captain Roy Knabenshue, personally, in his airship balloons, an Igorote village, direct from the White City of Chicago, Mr. Galt's trained wild animal show, etc., and etc.

The racing program of the week will be especially attractive. There will be the trotting, pacing and running races, in addition to automobile races and the balloon races.

The crowds have made a rate of one for the round trip to Louisville tickets going on sale Sept. 15th, good returning until Sept. 25th. The freight departments have announced that exhibits will pay full tariff going to the fair, and will be returned free, if owned ship is not charged.

As there is to be a big night program every evening during State Fair week, it is believed that many visitors will come to Louisville to spend a little two days and a night. In this connection, it may be announced that Louisville's hotels and boarding houses are ready to entertain thousands, and the rates will not be advanced.

ROBINETT.

Rev. Claude will preach at Oak Grove on Fourth Sunday.—W. R. Allen, of Cincinnati, is visiting here this week.—Miss Linda Ballard will leave Saturday for Lexington to visit for a few days. She will spend the fair.—Miss Namie Cole, of Lexington is visiting here and Mrs. Belle Miller.—Mr. Galt's Elkette were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Malins at Red Hill Sunday. John Malins was here first of the

week on business.

Misses Bessie and Lona Lakes were the guests of Misses Clara and Nell Ballard Monday.—We are sorry to hear of D. C. Clark having typhoid fever.—Tom and Willie Campbell are in Clay county this week on business.—Miss Ellie Drew visited Miss Cleo Campbell Sunday.—Our Sunday school here is progressing nicely.—Robert Allen is on the sick list.—We are glad to learn that Miss Aura Lakes is better.—Our school here is progressing nicely with Miss Linda Ballard as teacher.—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hellard are in Mt. Vernon this week visiting relatives.—Eugene Ross lost a fine mule about a week ago.—Corn crops look well in this part of the country.—Miss Nell Ballard, who has been visiting friends and relatives in Mt. Vernon, has returned home and reports Mrs. G. M. Ballard much improved.—Madam Rumor says there will be a wedding here soon.—Bruce Powell was in McKee Monday on business.—Miss Ella Lakes was visiting home folks at Berea Saturday and Sunday.—A large crowd from here attended church at Union Sunday.—We are sorry to say that Mrs. Jim Mullins is no better.—Robert Allen, who is running an automobile for the Ice Delivery Co., of Cincinnati, O., was visiting home folks last week. He returned to Cincinnati Tuesday accompanied by his sister, Miss Margarite, who will spend two weeks in Covington and Cincinnati.

MARETBURG.

Mr. Dock Chandler and wife, of Bruno, are visiting Mr. Sam Chandler and family.—Mr. Robert Dodd and sister, Lillie, returned from a two week's stay at Green Hill, where Mr. Dodd has been conducting a singing school.—Mr. S. H. Martin is having a dwelling house erected just north of Marettburg.—Miss J. J. Reynolds who is teaching in the country spent Saturday and Sunday with home folks.—School at this place is progressing nicely with Prof. S. E. Chandler as teacher.

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made and the healthy sentiment in favor of side-walks already ordered to be constructed. Taxes are easily collected when the citizens see substantial evidence of municipal improvements and a judicious expenditure of the public funds. Mt. Vernon is to be congratulated upon having such a progressive Board of Trustees. The Board will doubtless publish a full and complete statement of the financial condition of the town, showing all taxes, licenses and fines collected, and all disbursements thereof. Our town has a splendid citizenship; our people believe in education, civic righteousness and municipal advancement. But the Trustees constitute the captain and pilot of her municipal craft. The people will assist but the Trustees must direct and enforce. Although away from you, I freely say, as I believe that the taxes will be used to the best interest of our awakened town.

Very truly,
R. C. WILLIAMS.

JOHN KENNETH WRITES FROM NEW MEXICO.

Ariz. New Mexico, Sept. 2, 1907. Editor Signal:

Please change my paper from Melrose to Ard, New Mexico, and oblige! This country is filling up fast and crops are good. The land is about all taken up near here. To give you some idea how fast this country is settling up, the first settlers came here last February, now we have three post offices in less than ten miles and three school houses in less than eight miles of us, and we have twenty neighbors living within a radius of two miles. We have had all the rain we needed this summer and you know this is considered an arid country. I think the "Staked Plains" is the coming country. It is pretty rich and the climate is delightful. I would love to see all my old Rockcastle friends out here, and when you get ready to take a vacation come out, our latch-string hangs on the outside.

Yours truly,
JOHN KENNETH.

JUDGE WILLIAMS PRAISES BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Covington, Ky., Sept. 4, '07. Mr. James Taylor, Tax Collector, Mt. Vernon, Ky.

Dear Sir:—Enclosed please find my check for the amount of my town tax. While at home lately, I witnessed with much gratification, the substantial street improvements