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MAKING MILLIONAIRES.

The lawmakers of this country have a wonderful way of taxing the whole people in a way to make a big bunch of millionaires. The recent tariff law is supposed to increase the cost of goods to the consumer to the amount of four billion dollars which will go into the hands of the rich manufacturers, who were already rich enough to be able to get just this kind of a tariff bill made into a law, which is evidence enough that they did not need the money.

The price of clothing and every other article of commerce usually bought by the average man, will be increased in cost to the man who buys it as the result of this new law. The increase in the cost of goods if evenly divided would make just four thousand new millionaires. And the whole body of people are just that much poorer than they would have otherwise been to the tune of four billion dollars. But it was to get just this kind of a thing done that the great trusts of the country lined up two years ago and spent millions to get the present administration in power. If the people are satisfied with this kind of a deal it is their business, but how to reconcile such a state of affairs with any rule of common justice would be hard to explain.

THE TURKISH VICTORY

The victory of the Turkish armies over the Greeks has created a situation that is more interesting than anything that has been done since the world war ended. The Turk was on the side of Germany in the great war, and went down in defeat along with Germany. With the end of the war the allies took all of the Turk territory in Europe and their capital, Constantinople, from them and restricted their national territory to a half-desert waste of country in Asia. Over this section of country Greeks have lived for ages just as they live in the cities of all countries. The hostility of the Turk was directed especially at these Greek residents of their country, and for months, now, they have been driving them out in many ways.

This is part of the war that is raging between the Turk and the Greek. The religion of the Turk is Mohammedanism. But this form of religion is not confined to the Turk. A large part of India and Egypt follows this religion. Now the interesting part of all this is that the man who is a follower of Mohammed is a fighter, for it is a part of his religion to fight. He is taught to carry his religion to other peoples by the sword. Now that the Turk has gained a great victory there is rejoicing in all the Mohammed country and the people are celebrating and rejoicing in a way that we can hardly understand.

England is the ruler of both India and Egypt, but England is no friend of Turkey. Now the danger is that the Mohammedans in both Egypt and India will be so encouraged by the Turkish victory as to undertake to throw off the English rule and liberate their country from their so-called oppressor. Millions of the people of India are in sympathy with the Turk and if they rise in rebellion England will have real trouble on her hands.

Again Constantinople, one of the greatest cities in the world, is held by the allies as a neutral city and governed by a commission appointed by the allies. France is believed to be in sympathy with the Turk and if she fails to line up with England and help to hold the city, then England will not be able to keep the Turk forces from capturing it before other troops could be sent to its aid.

There is grave danger that Russia will now line up with Turkey, and it is easy to see how another world conflict could easily be precipitated in a day and again throw all that country into a great military camp with every nation lined up and again fighting for all she can.

Of course it is to be hoped that the Turk will not be so aggressive as to create such world disturbance, but there is grave danger that he will now try to pull the temple down even if he is to go down with it.

A successful series of revival services was concluded at the Methodist church in Sileas last week. The preaching being done by Rev. J. A. Snow of this city. During the revival Mrs. Snow was the guest of her cousin Mrs. E. J. Atkinson of Sileas.

THE DIGNITY OF THE LAW.

The Federal Courts of the land are respected by the people in a way that could not be said of the lower courts. Just why it might be hard to explain. The national government has always been disposed to vigorously prosecute those who violate the federal laws.

It may not be generally known that one of the most difficult problems on the national government's hands is to prohibit the making and circulating of counterfeit money. A whole army of skilled detectives are busy night and day, all the time, running down clues and uncovering attempts to make this counterfeit coin.

It is not only a crime to make it, but it is just as great a crime to pass it on after it is made. And unless it were against the law to circulate counterfeit money it would be out of the question to suppress the evil.

The dignity of the law now demands that positive action be taken to enforce the prohibition laws of the nation, for they are a part of the constitution and nothing less than a rigid enforcement will be creditable to the government. It should be written into our laws that it is just as much a crime to handle this illegal liquor and have it in possession as it is to handle counterfeit money. And when the lawmaking powers see it in this light they will easily enforce the law and protect the citizens of the nation from the criminal element as well as the criminal element from their own destructive work.

DISCIPLINING THE YOUTH

The question of discipline in a school is one of the most important that the teacher must handle. Some teachers seem to be almost failures in their work because of their inability to properly manage the unruly student.

It is just as bad to be too lenient as it is to be too severe with the pupil.

There can be no iron-clad rule for dealing with the untrained youth. It is a matter of judgment and wisdom, and unless the teacher has these mental qualities the problem is beyond him.

In the history of our city schools we have had teachers who allowed the unruly pupils to demoralize the whole school; and then, at other times, there seemed to be a disposition to have too little patience with the heady folks. It seems to us that if a student is annoying his teacher for any cause, an admirable way to get at the adjustment would be to send for the parent and confer freely with him before any definite action is taken. We suspect that the real trouble is in the child's home relations, after all; and it is in the home, by the parent, that the child must be set right, if it is ever done; at least this is usually the case.

It is a serious matter to expel a youth from school, and this should never be done until every effort is made to right the trouble.

It seems to be a fact that many of the most useful men and women of our land in youth were possessed with the spirit of rebellion against all restraint, and until this spirit was controlled they amounted to but little. That is what the schools are for—to train the youth.

DEFEAT OF THE GREEKS.

The past few days has witnessed the greatest defeat in battle that the world has known. We have in mind the defeat of the Greek armies by the Turks. Of course larger armies have been matched against each other, but for rout and ruin and complete demoralization, the reports that come here would lead one to think that the defeat of the Greeks is complete.

It may be worth while to recall that during the world war Greece lined up with the Allies and her King, Constantine who was a brother-in-law to the emperor of Germany, abdicated his throne and left the country. Then when the war ended the Greek people, in a most enthusiastic way, recalled him to the throne. No sooner was he again in power than he put his own political favorites in charge of the army and made war on the Turks in an effort to extend his territory to part of Asia. And now, for many months, he has been vigorously fighting the Turks on his own land and had captured much of the Turkish territory.

Two weeks ago the Turks started a battle in which they have practically destroyed or captured the entire Greek army of as many as 150,000 soldiers and all their war equipment. The Greek army is now driven out of the country and what is to follow no one can tell. The Turk, emboldened by success, may undertake to retake Constantinople, their ancient capital, and again recover their lost territory in Europe. The Turk is a fighter always, and always a menace to those who must live about him. But the Greek is not getting much sympathy from the world in his present defeat, even if it is coming to him at the hands of the hated Turk.

Judge Brock Puts Lawyers To Work

Judge Walter E. Brock closed a two week's term of civil court at Dobson last Friday and those who had occasion to attend were much impressed with the manner Judge Brock conducts his court. One instance has been related that reflects the way he makes things move when he sits on the bench. Along toward the last days of the session, when the cases were of no interest to any except the parties to them, Sheriff Ashburn began to experience much difficulty in getting jurors. On the last day he reached the limit of his resources and told the Judge he would have to go out in the country and summon some men for service. His honor saw a good many men standing around the room and told the Sheriff to put some of them in the box, but he was informed that they were lawyers. "That makes no difference," said His Honor, "they'll make as good jurors as any body." The Sheriff thought the Judge was joking a little, and so to carry the joke along, he called, "Mr. Porter Graves, go in the jury box." Still everyone supposed the Judge to be joking. And Mr. Graves to carry the supposed joke on took his seat in the jury box as requested. And the High Sheriff was game enough to continue calling the lawyers into the jury box until he had six of them there for service: S. P. Graves, R. C. Freeman, Wm. Graves, W. L. Reece, R. A. Freeman and W. A. Jackson.

Those in attendance were beginning to wonder how the Judge would put the finish to his joke, and he put the finish to it too, but not like everyone had expected. The climax came when he said to Clerk Jackson, "Mr. Clerk, swear the talismen." And so these lawyers were thrown into consternation when the fact dawned upon them that were then "duly sworn to sit upon the case, hear the evidence and render their verdict accordingly." And word has just come from Dobson that lawyers can render just about as good service as jurors as any other class of men.

Judge Brock will hold the criminal court in this county beginning the last week in October, and it is already being said that the fellows who tote guns, get drunk while operating a car, and who manufacture and deal in liquor will find rough sailing in his court.

THE SCHOOLS BEGIN

In a few days the schools begin. If one wants to be impressed with the importance of the schools here are some facts that may help to impress their value.

Take a hundred homes where the heads of the family failed to get the benefit of the schools and you will find in these hundred homes a awful lack of the many things that go to make life comfortable for the educated. But few books, no pictures, no modern conveniences, no vinyard, no fruit, but little canned fruit and vegetables, and a general surrounding atmosphere that tells the mental condition of the occupants of the home much better than it can be told in words. Education is the remedy for all this.

Young Men Discharged

Some weeks ago this paper carried on account of the arrest of five young men of this county charged with the death of Frost Snow, who was found dead by the side of the road up near Round Peak about two months ago. The hearing was held Tuesday before a Magistrate's court at Round Peak composed of F. T. Lewellyn, N. E. Boyles and A. L. Sparger and the young men discharged for the lack of evidence that would show probable cause. The state attempted to show that these young men ran over Snow while they were out hunting liquor, and after killing him thus they became excited and left him by the side of the road. The evidence of the members of the coroner's jury was used by the defense, they stating that at the inquest they found no signs of any personal violence. The verdict of the coroner's jury was that Snow came to his death by excessive drinking. After the burial of Snow some parties claimed they saw him with these boys and it was then that the Sheriff made the arrest and the hearing before the Magistrate's court followed.

This One Preparing For The Fair

Geo. Fulton, a colored farmer, who lives just above this city is making preparations to put on an exhibit at the Fair here this month that will be out of the ordinary and prove interesting to many. Some nights ago George was out with his pack of bound dogs running down possums and on his trip he was able to capture without injury to them a mother possum with 14 little ones. He carefully conveyed them to his home and is now watchfully looking after the mother and her little ones and will exhibit the family at the Fair week after next.

C. D. Jarvis Home To Be Sold

In another part of this paper is an advertisement offering for sale the beautiful residence of C. D. Jarvis of this city. This property will be sold at public auction on Saturday, Sept. 23rd, at 1 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Flippin of Pilot Mountain have rented rooms for light housekeeping in the home of Mrs. John L. Ashby. Mr. Flippin will be employed by the Tobacco Growers Co-operative association.

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The summer is ended and harvest time is here. We doubt if this part of the country has had a finer year for general farm work. The season was most too rainy for the low bottom lands, and yet good crops will be made on these fertile fields. Irish and sweet potatoes are fine, and the country never had a better corn and tobacco crop.

The rains have come at frequent intervals and thus the pastures are good.

It is a rare sight to see a poor horse on our streets, but a pleasing sight to see the many sleek, fat teams from the farms.

And every apple and peach tree did its best to produce a bountiful crop. The country has the most fruit it has had in years. Truly a good land in which to live.

Democrats to Nominate County Candidates

Chairman A. D. Folger, of Dobson, has issued a call for a Democratic Mass Convention to be held in Dobson on Saturday afternoon, Sept. 23rd. The purpose of this convention is to nominate candidates for the county offices. There will be no primaries held in the townships and every Democrat attending will have a vote and voice in the proceedings. Mr. Folger especially wants to see a large delegation of the ladies in attendance, and extends to them a cordial welcome to come.

Probable candidates for the two most important offices, sheriff and clerk of the court, are already being suggested. The names of both Joe B. Haynes and Ed McKinney, of this city, are uppermost in the minds of the people as candidates for sheriff. For clerk of the court F. T. Lewellyn of Franklin township is being put forward as the one candidate for this office.

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