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## THE INSTITUTE.

### Lawrence County Teachers Hold Successful Session.

#### DETAILED ACCOUNT OF THEIR DOINGS.

On Monday last the Lawrence County Teachers' Institute convened at the public school building, Supt. James Thompson presiding, with Prof. G. M. Elam instructor. As will be seen by the appended list the attendance was very large. Miss Della Holbrook was chosen Secretary, and the work of the session began.

This work was of the most practical character and as it continued five days, under the able direction of a veteran instructor, varied with pertinent and highly interesting excursions into the different realms and departments of pedagogy and the allied sciences this 1906 session of the Lawrence Institute must inevitably be of great benefit to the attentive member. If the NEWS were a daily paper it would afford us much pleasure to have given each day at least a synopsis of the Institute's transactions. These are of much interest to the general public and of greater importance to the attendant teachers, to whom their daily record would be invaluable, but we must per force be content with this brief and somewhat imperfect notice.

The instruction given by the distinguished Conductor was, as we have said, of a most practical character, and from our point of view it seems that this is what is most needed. This is an intensely practical, utilitarian age. The business man who stops to speculate and theorize, and who gets on board an airship of dreams and soars aloft into the realms of fancy is apt to hit the earth with a sickening thud. So, the teacher who wastes his time—we say "wastes" advisedly—on psychology and concepts, and "if you sell a thing for five dollars which costs you nothing, what per cent. do you make?" is apt to find himself left in the struggle for gain and distinction.

The teachers attending this Institute seem thoroughly imbued with the spirit of work and improvement. They are prompt in their attendance, keenly alive to all that is said and done in the various sessions, and must of necessity carry back to their schools much that will be of great good to them and to their charges. What vast responsibilities rest upon these teachers! They are the real makers of our men and women. They are the true moulders of life and character. No seeing, thinking man or woman can doubt this. What, then, if this be true, should be the character of those to whom these great, vital responsibilities are intrusted?

The teachers of Lawrence county, as a body, meet, the NEWS is proud to say, the rigid requirements of the model instructor. They are men and women of high character, of lofty purpose and noble aim, and parents who place their children in their hands for instruction, mental and moral, do not make mistake.

We give the names of those attending the Institute, and for the very complete list we are greatly obliged to the Institute's efficient Secretary, Miss Della Holbrook:

- W. S. Morris
- Della Holbrook
- J. M. Moore
- Charles M. Elam
- H. H. Holbrook
- Emory Holbrook
- Joe Reeves
- J. F. Skeens
- Alonso Wright
- Werte Burton
- Fred Peters
- W. S. Boggs
- Emory Wheeler
- Heuce Vanhorn
- Frank White
- W. A. Hayes
- Arthur Morris
- John Hayes
- Youngie Sammons
- Gypsie Compton
- Lillie Chambers
- Lon Sagraves
- Edgar Pendleton
- S. Y. Dobbins
- Chilton Osborn
- Monnie Roberts
- Mary Davis
- J. L. Moore
- Amos Davis
- Reka Sagraves
- Sherman Conway
- L. E. Bradley
- H. E. Woods

- Rhoda Prose
- Bertha Prose
- Isaac Cunningham
- D. R. Skaggs
- W. H. C. Thompson, Jr.
- Bertha Austin
- Eather Picklesimer
- Mrs. C. M. Vaughan
- J. S. Ekers
- Dock Jordan
- Wm. W. See
- James Casey
- T. T. Thompson
- Linus Hewlett
- Jack Thompson
- Fred See
- Mrs. M. I. McKinstler
- Lige Rice
- Sherman Conway
- Eric B. See
- G. C. Thompson
- J. H. Frasher
- Conrad Berry
- L. T. Thompson
- M. E. Sparks
- D. L. Thompson
- Lizzie Carter
- G. M. Copley
- Green Wellman
- Mr. and Mrs. Stanton Miller
- Fanny Thompson
- Dora B. Jordan
- Susan Crank
- Cynthia Webb
- M. H. Webb
- A. T. Watson
- Kizzie See
- J. M. Dalton
- Arthur Davis
- L. O. Thompson
- Margie Collinsworth
- Hannah O'Brien
- Janet O'Brien
- Emma Roberts
- Maud Roberts
- Mr. and Mrs. Chas. L. Graham
- Sam J. Jobe
- J. H. Ekers
- Monna Evans
- McClellan Sammons
- C. F. Bishop
- A. W. Osborn
- Martha B. Roberts
- Ethel Grubb
- Geo. F. Walford
- C. F. Smith
- W. V. Diamond
- Lizzie Pennington
- Phina Wellman
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## A RIOTOUS EXCURSION

### One Man killed and Several are Wounded at Ironton.

The steamer Bonanza has been in the cheap excursion business on the Ohio river nearly all summer, and has been, according to the newspapers, a hot bed of gambling, drunkenness and debauchery. Last Saturday night, loaded with about 700 passengers, she landed at Ironton to put off some men who had been noisy. One of the men, as it is said, threw a stone at the boat after he was put off, and immediately a volley of pistol shots was fired into a crowd of people who were standing on the street at the top of the grade. One young man who was standing by the side of his wife was instantly killed. His name was Carl Mayoseheim. Two others, William Buck and Albert Slaughter, were seriously wounded.

The greatest excitement followed the boat came to Catlettsburg, and then went to Cincinnati. Telegrams were sent to that city, and all the officers of the Bonanza were arrested and taken to Ironton and jailed, awaiting examination.

The Federal authorities will be asked to lend their aid in the arrest and punishment of those responsible for the murder.

### Hickory for Handle Factory.

Mr. J. K. Whitten informs us that his company has decided to buy hickory timber at Louisa for a month, and if the quantity received will justify placing a mill here it will be done immediately thereafter. Therefore, it will be advisable for all those having hickory timber within hauling distance of Louisa to report here within that time as to how much they can furnish. Timber from five inches up is used. The mill will work it up into proper size for handles, and if the supply is large the company will probably add two lathes.

## FATAL ACCIDENT.

### Frank Black Instantly Killed at Levisa Lock, No. 1.

#### STRUCK BY A STONE FROM QUARRY BLAST.

About 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon a most distressing accident occurred at Chapman, a station on the C. & O. about 7 miles above Louisa, where Frank Black, 38, postoffice Buchanan, this county, was instantly killed. He was employed by the Baker Contract Company, contractors for the building of Lock No. 1, Levisa Fork, and was the valued foreman of the work.

For some time the Company had been quarrying stone not far from the lock, and Black had charge of the blasting. The explosive used was dynamite, and the discharge was made by a battery connected with the dynamite by a battery wire at least 400 feet long. A great many blasts had been made without the slightest accident, and it was thought that the one which was fraught with such sad disaster would be sufficient.

Owing to the peculiar formation of the rock strata where the blasting was done all the shattered stone was hurled into the river, away from the men engaged in the work. But it seems that the inclination of the stratum where this fatal charge was laid was the other way, and when the blast was made the great shower of fragments was thrown in exactly

the opposite direction, and one big piece of stone struck Foreman Black, carrying away the entire upper half of his head, causing instant death.

The body was cared for as thoroughly as possible and immediately brought to Louisa in a skiff, accompanied by several of the lock employes, some of whom were neighbors of the unfortunate man. John M. Rice, the Company's business man, and Mrs. Rice also came down in another boat.

Mr. Black's body was taken to Snyder's undertaking establishment and was there prepared for burial and placed in a casket. From there it was taken to the depot and placed on No. 37 and carried to Buchanan for interment.

Mr. Black was married and leaves a widow and six children. His wife was a daughter of Mr. Burris, a former well known teacher in this county. The Black home is on Rush creek, and is the house closest in this county to the Boyd county line. Mr. Black was one of the most valued of the Contract Company's employes, and had the reputation of being a most excellent man. His untimely death is deeply regretted by all who knew him.

### Sudden Death.

Death came very suddenly to Green Moore, this county, Wednesday. He had gone to the home of his nephew, James Moore, to assist in digging a well. When the well was fifteen or sixteen feet deep Mr. Moore, who was at the bottom helping in the work, cried out that he was sick and asked to be hauled out. This was done as speedily as possible. When he got to the top he said he felt very sick, and before aid could be summoned he died.

Mr. Moore was about 55 or 60 years of age and leaves a widow and one grown son. For some time he had been living on Rich Creek, at or near the Isaac Berry place.

### First Shipment of Coal.

The Muddy Branch Coal Company made its first shipment of coal Wednesday. This company will operate on a big scale and give employment to quite a number of miners and laborers. The manager, C. M. Kerker, is a practical coal operator while his assistant, the genial "Doc" Oldham, is equally as well versed in the business. The company is mining a very fine grade of bituminous coal and will have no trouble obtaining orders. The mines will be beneficial to Paintsville, and will have much to do in increasing its volume of business.—Paintsville Herald.

### Don't Spit on the Sidewalk!

It is an offense, punishable by fine and imprisonment, to spit on the floor of a railway coach or a passenger depot. Why not extend the provisions of this law to the sidewalks and all public places? The custom of spitting is useless, disgusting and highly unsanitary, spreading disease as scarcely any other habit does. Ladies who have soiled nice dresses on account of the nasty habit will rejoice when it is suppressed.

### O John! John!

J. P. Gartin, the popular piano dealer, left for his home at Louisa yesterday. The children, as well as the older ones, are always delighted by Mr. Gartin's visits, as he is a favorite with them, and 'tis common to see him going about with a half dozen girls running after him.—Pikeville Item.

A well-known watermelon grower said today that the crop would be exceedingly short this season on account of the bad weather that has prevailed for the past two months. The cool nights and wet days are death to growing vines, and he said he had not seen a patch in this section that would make any

ing, but dressed and walked as far as the kitchen, where he staggered and fell, life being extinct when members of his family reached him.

Mr. Eaves had been a resident of Ashland for about ten years, coming here from Louisa. He was a native of Virginia, having been born near Lexington in 1831. He had been an invalid for a number of years, but no one dreamed that death was so near, and the members of his family are prostrated by the shock.

Mr. Eaves was a member of the M. E. Church, and was a man of sterling Christian character, who was held in the highest esteem by all. He is survived by his wife and five children—Mrs. Will Hatchison, Mrs. J. T. Hackworth and Mrs. Grace Rice, of this city, Mrs. Will Ferguson, of Catlettsburg, and E. K. Eaves, of Indian Territory. Definite arrangements for the funeral are not made, but it will probably be held tomorrow afternoon from the house.

### The Caldwell Case.

The case of the Commonwealth against William Caldwell, charged with shooting Tucker Vanhorn, was called by Judge Thompson last Friday. Because of the absence of Vanhorn the examination was again continued, this time until August 17. It is thought that by that time Vanhorn, who is slowly improving, will be able to be present as a witness. A large number of witnesses from Bear Creek was present.

### Business Men's Club.

The first steps toward the organization of a Business Men's Club have been taken. R. L. Vinson has been elected President, W. D. Pierce Vice President and Cullie Bromley Secretary. The object is to promote the interests of Louisa.

The park question was discussed at the meeting and laid aside for the present, the members deciding that the Kentucky Normal College needs the concentrated efforts of the citizens of Louisa.

The Lawrence County Fair also received consideration and it was decided to put certain plans into execution that will result in securing a much better list of premiums than has heretofore been offered.

The Business Men's Club promises to be of valuable service to Louisa and vicinity.

## KILLED IN MINES.

### David Spence Loses His Life at Peach Orchard.

David Spence, age 35, was killed in the coal mines at Peach Orchard Wednesday morning, presumably by a fall of slate. A telegram was received here telling of the sad accident, but no particulars were given.

Mr. Spence married a sister of Mr. P. H. Vaughan, of Louisa. Mrs. Jas. Hatcher, a niece of the deceased, went to Peach Orchard yesterday to attend the funeral.

Mr. Spence was a good citizen, and a member of the Odd Fellows Order. He had been employed at Peach Orchard for fifteen years or more, and was a trusted employee. He leaves a wife and two sons, ages 8 and 11.

This is the first fatal accident that has occurred at Peach Orchard mines for several years.

### Board Of Officers.

Lieut. P. S. Bond, U. S. A., Engineer in charge of Improvement of the Big Sandy, has been appointed member of the Board of Officers of the Corps of Engineers to consider the plans for Lock No. 1, Mississippi river, between St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minn. This Board will meet at Minneapolis August 1, and Lieut. Bond left yesterday morning for the scene of duty. He will be gone possibly ten days.

This Board is a very important body, having some very high and responsible duties to perform, and the selection of Lieut. Bond as a member is a decided compliment to so young an officer.

### C. & O. Sunday Outings.

C. & O. Railway, Sunday Outings, July 1 to Sept. 30, 1906. Half fare, minimum 35 cents; between Big Sandy District stations for morning train No. 37, good to return on evening train No. 28.

## OUR COLLEGE.

### Fine Dormitory to be Built at Louisa This Fall.

#### DECISION REACHED—PLANS UNDER WAY.

President W. M. Byington, of the Kentucky Normal College, which will open in Louisa Sept. 4th, met a number of business men Wednesday evening and fully discussed the matter of buildings for the college. It was decided that the first building needed would be a dormitory, and that it should be built at the earliest possible date. A committee was appointed to act with Mr. Byington and they began work Thursday morning. The first thing to do is to procure a site, and prices are being secured on all available property. The best proposition offered will be accepted at once. It is the intention to begin work on the building at the very earliest moment. The structure will be about 62 feet on front and have an ell 32 feet long. Concrete blocks will probably be used, making a substantial and handsome building, fireproof and everlasting.

This will settle the question of cheap board. \$2.00 per week will be the rate for room and board, and about \$1.50 for meals only. It is therefore the most important step that can be taken toward the success and permanency of the school. It settles more questions than one. The public school building and the Masonic building will answer nicely for school purposes for the present, and the dormitory removes all doubt of being able to take care of pupils at low rates.

A strong effort will be made to complete the building by November.

## PERT PARAGRAPHS

### Picked Up At Pike, Paint and Prestonsburg.

Born, July 19th to Rev. W. F. Tyree and wife, of Pikeville, a fine girl.

Sue, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Flannery, of Pikeville, died Sunday evening, after a long illness.

News comes from the Beaver feud in Knott county, which recently came up in the Hall family, that only three men had been shot. So far, none killed.

The large barn of Hon. A. W. Campbell, of Phelps, Pike county, burned on Tuesday of last week and with it, a valuable mule, 300 bales of old hay and fifteen acres of new hay. Mr. Campbell thinks the cause of the fire was spontaneous combustion. His loss is between \$1,500 and \$2,000.

U. S. Marshal J. M. Robinson, of Pikeville, destroyed two moonshine stills—one in Floyd and one in Knott—the past week. He also arrested Elkana Owsley, of Floyd county, and brought him before Dr. Gray, charged with stilling in violation of law, and he was held for trial at the next term of the U. S. Court at Catlettsburg. Mr. Robinson is considered one of the best men in the Revenue Service.—Plaindealer.

A railroad survey is being made up Beaver creek, Floyd county, a distance of thirty-six miles. The survey begins at the C. & O. railroad at the mouth of Beaver and extends to the heart of the fine coal fields of that creek. J. F. Prindible, of this city, is in charge of the work. The survey is being made for John C. Mayo and associates. There is a strong probability the road will be built. It will open up one of the finest sections in the Big Sandy Valley.—Paintsville Herald.

A pretty wedding occurred in Paintsville on last Wednesday night when Miss Flossie Spradlin, of that place, and Everett Price, of Denver, were united in marriage. The bride is the only daughter of Leonard Spradlin, and the groom a son of the late Jim Price. We wish them a long and happy life. Quite a large crowd was in attendance and enjoyed the occasion until a late hour.

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Burns and daughter attended the races in Catlettsburg yesterday.