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DEMOCRATIC DAY

In Kentucky Was Last Tuesday.

Louisville and the General Assembly Largely Democratic and Eastern Kentucky Mostly So.

The Democrats of Kentucky were awake last Tuesday, as the results here given will show.

The General Assembly of Kentucky will have 26 Democrats in the Senate and over 79 in the lower House. Republicans 12 in the Senate and less than 30 in the House.

Louisville and Jefferson county went Democratic by majorities ranging from 711 to 3855.

Lexington is the only one of the larger cities of the State that failed to catch the inspiration. A fusion ticket was elected there, but it does not include all the offices, as a full ticket was not nominated. Will Klair, Democrat, is returned to the Legislature from Lexington.

Coming Closer Home.

Hogge, Democrat, wins for State Senate in Morgan and adjoining counties. Also, Malone Lykens was elected Representative from Morgan county on the Democratic ticket, defeating Perry, a former Democrat who bolted when defeated for the nomination.

Jerome T. Pritchard, Democrat, is elected Senator from this district by about 700 over Giles-Wright. He carried Lawrence by 130, Elliott 665, Greenup 160. Boyd county gave Wright only 135 majority. This is a great victory for Pritchard, as the district is normally Republican about 700.

For Representative from Boyd and Lawrence Lewis wins over Vaughan by 253. Lawrence gave Vaughan 221 majority and Boyd went against him 474.

In the legislative district composed of Carter and Elliott there are only 20 votes difference between the two candidates and both sides are claiming election.

Judge Gardner Elected.

Judge Gardner, Democrat, is re-elected unanimously, having carried every county in his district—Magoffin, Floyd and Knott. Also, for Commonwealth's Attorney in that district, W. H. May, Democrat, wins.

Floyd and Magoffin.

The Democrats of Floyd elected their full ticket except County Judge, Taylor Allen, who is defeated. He was charged with being against some Democratic nominees who were on the ticket with him and this probably defeated him.

In the Republican stronghold of Magoffin county the Democratic candidates for County Judge, Sheriff and Supt. of Schools were elected.

Johnson and Pike.

John P. Wells, Democrat, was defeated for County Attorney by Judge Litteral by only 18 votes in the banner Republican county of Johnson. Entire Republican ticket elected.

In Pike the Republicans won by reduced majorities. The Sheriff has only 17 votes to the good, and the County Judge wins by only 67.

Boyd County.

Democrats elect County Judge Wurts 139, County Attorney Frank Mallin 103, Sheriff George Calvin 47. Republicans elect Ed. S. Hughes County Clerk 32, Ponce Circuit Clerk 332, Debord Jailer 304, Jayne Supt. of Schools 558.

The court house will remain at Catlettsburg.

Ashland Republicans elected all of their city ticket except Chief of Police and one councilman. Kouns defeated Press Jackson for Chief of Police. Dr. Moore's majority over Tom Songer for Mayor is 195.

Greenup County Democratic.

For the first time in 20 years Greenup county has elected its entire Democratic ticket. The Republican candidate for County Judge

was Leo P. Thompson, a grandson of Andy Thompson, of Lawrence county.

Carter and Elliott.

Carter county's usual enormous Republican majorities were reduced below the 500 mark.

Elliott gave her usual Democratic majorities ranging from 550 to 700.

Judge and Commonwealth's Att'y.

Judge J. B. Hannah had no opposition for re-election. John M. Waugh is re-elected Commonwealth's Attorney by nearly 1000 majority. Morgan county is reported to have given him over 900 majority, and Elliott 535. Carter gave McClure about 475 and Lawrence 38.

Lawrence County and Louisa.

In our own county the result is as follows:

Judge, Dave Boggs, Rep., 33.

Clerk, Mont Holt, Rep., 208.

Attorney, J. W. Hinkle, Dem., 222.

Circuit Clerk, H. B. Hewlett, Dem., 86.

Sheriff, John Carter, Rep., 36.

Supt. Schools, Jay O'Daniel, Dem., 96.

Jailer, Al. Hays, Dem., 181.

Assessor, Chas. Rice, Rep., 109.

Surveyor, H. B. Highberger, Dem., 41.

Coroner, W. H. C. Thompson, Rep., 26.

In the city of Louisa there was only one contest, that of Police Judge. Jas. H. O'Brien was elected by 17 majority over Jas. A. Abbott.

The officers are as follows:

Mayor—John G. Burns.

Police Judge—James H. O'Brien.

Councilmen—R. L. Vinson, G. S. Wilson, W. H. Adams, M. G. Berry, H. G. Wellman, J. B. Peters.

TWO ACCIDENTS.

Employees at Salt-peter Dam are Painfully Injured.

The dam at Salt-peter was the scene of two accidents, one quite a serious mishap, last week. The first occurred on Friday, and Turner Riggs was the victim. Riggs and a fellow-employee were engaged in driving two-inch pling in the coffer dam. The mauls used in the work are made of heavy material, and in the hands of a muscular man are used with great force. One of these husky fellows was in the act of delivering a blow on a piece of pling, but by an unavoidable accident the maul fell upon the head of Riggs, laying it open for about four inches clear to the bone. It made a very ugly wound and knocked the unlucky man into the chilly river. The scalp was very much contused, and his left cheek bone was also badly bruised.

The second accident was much more serious in its character, and it happened to young Allen Thornhill, Dave's son. He had charge of one of the pumps, and he was running it when the accident occurred. It is difficult to tell just how it happened, but in some way the young man's right foot got in the way of part of the machinery of the pump and in a twinkling the second toe of this foot was gone—partly cut and torn off. The great toe was also badly torn. This occurred late on Saturday afternoon.

Both these employees were taken to Louisa for treatment. Riggs, who had been knocked into the river by the force of the blow on his head, was arrived here in a Joe boat. Thornhill was brought down on a launch. The men were taken in charge by Dr. Wroten, the Ohio River Contract Co.'s physician. They were taken to Riverview hospital where the doctor and Dr. York dressed the injuries. What was left of Thornhill's toe was amputated and he was kept in the hospital until the next day noon.

In Orthodox Fashion.

Miss Ellen Skene gave a Halloween party last Saturday night complete in every particular. All the traditions of the ancient festival were observed, and then some. The guests invited to the comfortable home of the fair hostess were numerous, and few, if any, declined. The regular sports of Halloween were engaged in, and the refreshments suited the time and the palate. The celebration was greatly enjoyed.

60th ANNIVERSARY

Of the Marriage of G. C. McClure and Wife.

Also, Their Son L. T. McClure Celebrates the 27th Anniversary of His Marriage.

The celebration of the sixtieth anniversary of a marriage is always an interesting event, richly deserving of record. One occurred in this vicinity on Wednesday which will long be remembered. On that day the venerable Mr. and Mrs. George C. McClure, at their beautiful and comfortable home at Gallup, surrounded by a host of relatives and friends from near and far, commemorated the happy day in November, 1849, that saw them become man and wife.

It was an auspicious occasion, an auspicious day. The genial warmth of an ideal Indian summer pervaded the atmosphere, making one feel that it was good to be alive, and it surely was good to be alive and a guest of "Uncle" George and his excellent wife. It was ever a hospitable home, but doubly so on Wednesday. The expected ones came early, and until the last guest had departed the home was the scene of unalloyed, genuine enjoyment. The morning was passed in talk, more or less reminiscent. Nearly all present were more or less akin, and it was an easy matter to continue the flow of conversation.

In accordance with the good old country custom dinner was served at noon. It was a dinner fit for the occasion, and it could have no higher praise. While the guests were at the table the Rev. Cyrus Riffle, pastor of the M. E. Church at Gallup, offered an appropriate toast, the sentiments of which met the approval of all.

An interesting feature of the afternoon was the re-solemnization of the marriage of the worthy and venerable couple, the Rev. Riffle officiating. An interesting talk was given by Bro. Riffle, and each of the children said something appropriate to the occasion. Various groupings were formed of those present and fine photographs made. All in all the celebration of the sixtieth anniversary was a happy occasion, one long to be pleasantly remembered. May the "bride and groom" live to celebrate many more anniversaries is the wish of all who know them.

These were the guests: Mr. and Mrs. G. C. McClure, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. McClure, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McClure, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. McClure, Mr. and Mrs. L. T. McClure, Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Earl McClure, Mrs. O. D. Garred, A. H. McClure, S. K. McClure, Mrs. Jno. Burgess, Mrs. A. M. Hughes, Aug. Snyder, Rev. and Mrs. Cyrus Riffle, Mrs. E. E. Shannon, Mrs. J. C. Adams, Mrs. P. A. Moats, Miss Belle Shivel, Miss Reecy McClure, Frank McClure, Mrs. Lou Bronson, Thomas Luther.

Mr. and Mrs. L. T. McClure, of this city, recently celebrated the 27th anniversary of their wedding, and they are to be congratulated upon the simple elegance and perfection of the auspicious occasion. The date of so important event in the lives of the "bride and groom" was Tuesday, November 2nd, and the place was the Brunswick hotel. For some time the celebrants have been temporarily residing in Delaware, O., leaving the management of the hotel to their son, Arch., and they do say, speaking of weddings, that—well, never mind what is said.

Mr. and Mrs. McClure came to their home for the anniversary, and all agree that the anniversary was delightfully remembered. The invitations said from 7 to 11, and during the hours of the reception the handsomely decorated parlor and halls of the hotel were thronged. Louisa, Fort Gay, Paintsville, Prestonsburg, Wayne, Catlettsburg, Ashland, Huntington, Portsmouth, Logansport, Ind., and Waukesha, Wis., were represented in the throng of guests.

It would require the ability of an artist to fittingly describe the beauty of the decorations, plucked from garden and forest and greatly admired. Music, both vocal and instrumental, lent its charm, and conversation never flagged. A big bowl of fruit punch was in the hall, presided over by a bevy of buds, and it never lacked for patrons.

About nine o'clock a stream of guests set in toward the dining room where, comfortably and congenially seated, they were served with most delicious cake and brick-ice cream and delightful coffee. None failed to enjoy this welcome part of the festivities. At quite a late hour this pleasant affair closed with the departure of the guests, each wishing for host and hostess many returns of the happy day.

Quite an interesting feature of the reception was the presence of the worthy and venerable parents of the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. George McClure, of Gallup. They this week celebrate the 60th anniversary of their wedding. "Uncle" George is 86 and his good wife is 79 years old, both hale and hearty.

Among the favored ones present were Mrs. Owen Garred, Huntington; Mrs. Moats, Ashland; Miss Varner, Portsmouth; Mrs. J. C. Adams and Miss Jeanne Adams, Catlettsburg; Earl McClure and wife and Mrs. Jennie Beale, Fort Gay; Stephen McClure, Echo, W. Va.; Mrs. W. G. Atkinson, Paintsville; Mrs. Jack Davidson and Mrs. Walter Harkins, Prestonsburg; Dr. W. E. McClure, Lexington; Miss Lizzie Burgess, of Burgess; the Rev. C. H. Williamson, Waukesha, Wis.; Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Fenton, Logansport, Ind.; Mrs. Lou Bronson, Williamson, and Mrs. John Burgess, Wayne.

THE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Of the M. E. Church South Will Be Held at Louisa Next Week.

Tuesday, November 9th, the Ashland District Conference, M. E. Church South, will convene in the Southern Methodist Church in this city. It will be quite a notable gathering, as all the clerical members and many of the laymen of the district are expected to be present.

The session will continue four days, closing on Friday afternoon. There will be preaching each day or evening during the meeting, and the various auxiliaries of the church will have due attention.

The hospitality of Louisa people will be very much in evidence. On Sunday last the pastor of the church had a few words, half in protest, half in entreaty, concerning three feasts a day during the Conference. Bro. Reid has been among us only a few weeks. The "feasts" will be spread and will be enjoyed.

Our people are urgently requested to attend all the sessions of the Conference. The men of the town are particularly invited to attend as often as possible. All will be made welcome.

Bloody Breathitt.

Breathitt county added to her list of crime at Tuesday's election. At Spring Fork precinct Tilden Blanton killed Demosthenes Noble after the latter had shot him in the arm. The home of Mrs. Deaton was set on fire in an effort, it is said, to destroy the ballots. They were saved by Mrs. Deaton at the risk of her life. The ballots were taken to the home of Berry Turner, where they were put under guard. There was no trouble in Jackson and Crockettville, owing to the presence of soldiers. A masked mob stole a box of ballots intended for the John B. Lewis precinct and threw them into the river.

Never Forgets His Duty.

The cows forget to come home; "he" may forget to put out the cat and "she" may forget to wind the clock; men sometimes forget to register, and we all forget our umbrellas, but John M. Rice never forgets to come home and vote. He was here on Tuesday and staid just long enough to ornament the rooster with a big X, and left on the first train for Irvine, Kentucky river.

DECISIONS

Of Court of Appeals in Local Cases

Favorable to the Defendants, John Sprouse and Dr. F. D. Marcum of This County.

The Court of Appeals has recently made some decisions which very materially affect a couple of cases, one from this county and one from Carter which originated in Lawrence. The cases are the Commonwealth against Dr. F. D. Marcum, and the Commonwealth against John Sprouse, charged with murdering the children of Charles Cooper by burning the house in which they were sleeping. It will be remembered that the case originated in the Lawrence Circuit Court, but a change of venue was obtained to Carter county. It was tried there, with sentence of life imprisonment, and appealed and reversed. It was again tried, with same sentence, and again appealed. The following is the report concerning the second appeal:

The court reverses the judgment of the Carter Court in the case of John Sprouse against the Commonwealth. He was given a life sentence on the charge of causing the death of Dorie Cooper by burning a house while she was sleeping in it. The court says there is no evidence to indicate otherwise than that the fire was an accident, and directs peremptory instructions for appellant if on retrial the evidence is the same.

Dr. Marcum, it will be remembered, was tried last spring for killing John Whittaker on a C. & O. passenger train near Zella, this county, in an effort to arrest him in obedience to a request from the conductor of the train, Whittaker having been disorderly. Dr. Marcum at the time of the trouble was Marshal of Louisa and a passenger on the train. The jury failed to agree, being nine for acquittal and three for conviction. The Commonwealth took the case to the Court of Appeals on a question of instructions. The report of the Appellate Court is as follows:

The court by Judge Barker certified to the Lawrence Circuit Court the law in the case of the Commonwealth against Fred Marcum. Appellee was indicted for murder for shooting John Whittaker to death. On his trial the jury disagreed and the Commonwealth's Attorney asked the court here for certification of the law. Marcum was Town Marshal of Louisa, and upon request of a C. & O. conductor sought to arrest Whittaker upon a train for disorderly conduct. He resisted and the killing followed. The court upholds the summons of peace officers to arrest disorderly persons on trains without necessity of a warrant.

It is generally believed that in the face of these important decisions there will be no more trials of either the Sprouse or the Marcum case, and that Frank Kelley, charged with being an accessory to the murder of the Cooper children, will also be released.

Rev. C. H. Williamson Here.

The Rev. Chester A. Williamson, of Waukesha, Wis., was here for a day or two this week, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Burns. Mr. Williamson had been to Memphis, Tenn., to which place he has been called by one of the largest Presbyterian churches in the State. He has not yet accepted the call, being loth to leave his present charge. Mr. Williamson is very much liked here, the former home of his good wife, and where he himself was once a pastor.

A Vicious Fight.

A school house used for church purposes on the head of Donthon, eight or nine miles from Louisa, was the scene of a sanguinary affray on Wednesday night of last week. Service was held there on that night and a large number of people

attended. Among these were Dan Fox, of Three Mile, and John Mitchell, of Big Laurel. These met outside the house, and the battle began. Regarding this engagement, as of other skirmishes, two stories are told. Accounts differ as to who was the aggressor and how it began. As to results there is not much dispute. Fox was struck twice, maybe oftener, with a stone, his head being the mark. Two bad wounds were made which required the attention of a doctor. Fox claims that Mitchell was his assailant, but he does not say who gave Mitchell the bad stab just under the eleventh rib. Both men were badly hurt.

Dr. L. H. York went to the scene of the trouble and dressed the wounds of both. They were then removed to their respective homes. It was reported that Mitchell died the next day after he was hurt, but he is alive and better.

When Fox had sufficiently recovered he came to Louisa and swore out a warrant charging Mitchell with assault with intent to kill, but the NEWS has not heard of his arrest.

The Groom was a Louisian.

The announcement of an October wedding that will prove of interest to many persons in this city is that of Miss Mayme Tierney and Mr. John Conley. Their engagement was announced at the Holy Family Church last Sunday morning. Miss Tierney is the daughter of Mrs. Mike Tierney, and she is universally popular. Mr. Conley is a young business man of this city, coming here from Louisa. The wedding will occur at the Holy Family Church, and will be a pretty affair.—Ashland Independent.

MRS. WM. BORDERS DEAD.

Long Life of One of Johnson County's Best Women Suddenly Ended.

Mrs. Cynthia Stewart, of this place, received the sad intelligence Tuesday that her only sister, Mrs. William Borders, of Paintsville, had dropped dead that morning. Mrs. Borders was a daughter of Lewis Mayo, deceased, and was closely related to some of the oldest, and most prominent families in Big Sandy valley. She was an estimable woman, highly respected and beloved by a large circle of friends and relatives.

Mrs. F. H. Yates, Mrs. H. C. Sullivan and Mrs. W. D. Roffe, of this city, are nieces, and F. L. Stewart is a nephew of the deceased. She was 78 years old. On account of her poor health Mrs. Stewart was unable to attend the funeral of her sister.

Death of Will Rose.

The friends of Will Rose will regret to hear that he died of consumption at Prestonsburg last Tuesday night. He had been sick a long time and his death was not unexpected. The deceased had been for many years an employe of the C. & O., having been at one time the operator in the Louisa office.

Mr. Rose was from Peach Orchard, but he married a young lady of Prestonsburg. She and two children survive the husband and father. The funeral was held at Prestonsburg yesterday.

Accidentally Killed.

Near Slip, in the Little Gap section Wednesday evening, while Clint Smith, aged 15, and Reeves Pack, aged 19, were out hunting, the latter was accidentally shot by the former and died within a few hours. Smith was brought here and placed in jail, and the shooting is being investigated. Only these young men were present when the accident occurred and the victim of the accident never regained consciousness. They were the best of friends and the opinion is that Smith will be released from custody.—Paintsville Herald.

Good Price For Hogs.

William Caldwell, a Bear Creek farmer, took a drove of hogs to Catlettsburg recently for which he was paid \$7.25 per hundred. He will soon place about six hundred head more upon the market.