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ROAD WORK IN KENTUCKY AND WEST VIRGINIA

Washington, Jan. 7.—Kentucky will spend $1,500,000 for its roads this season, according to estimate made today by the public roads and rural engineering bureau for the Department of Agriculture.

It is estimated, however, that about 50 per cent. of this amount will go to labor.

The Department of Agriculture estimates that $300,000,000 is immediately needed for the construction fo roads in this county.

West Virginia will spend about $16,000,000 on new roads this year, it is estimated.

HERSHEL VANHOOSE'S FIND

Hershel Vanhoose wrote home that he mentioned Louisa while talking to a bunch of soldiers in France and that one stepped up and asked him what he knew about Louisa. Of course Hershel told him enough in a short time and the man said he had a brother living in Louisa known as "Jake the Jew." It was Julius Isralsky. Jake lost no time in wiring his parents in Cincinnati, as they had not heard from Julius since the armistice was signed.

SOLD A FARM.

J. P. Gartin has sold a tract of land to James Justice, who lives near Williamson. He will move to it in the spring.

GOOD CHANGE IN BUCHANAN ROAD ACCOMPLISHED

One of the worst obstacles to a good and safe roadway from Louisa to Buchanan has been removed by the conclusion of arrangements for right of way and construction of a change near Zelda. The county road crosses the railroad twice within a very short distance, making it a dangerous place. The railroad company will pay $500 toward the cost of the change, by which two dangerous crossings will be eliminated. The road will be thus kept on one side of the railroad track.

HATFIELD WRITES AGAIN.

December 15, 1918.

Dear Father:—I have received your tenth letter. This leaves me well; am still at Passavant, France. Don't know just how long we will be here yet, but I think we will leave here soon for some seaport. I think I will be at home some time in February.

You wanted me to send you a souvenir. The last battle we were in we were so glad to get back from the front we failed to get anything in that line though we could have gotten all we could carry. I had a piece of German money, but I sent it to Jay. I have a pair of plyers I took away from a German. I will bring them back with me.

I am enclosing an official typewritten copy of the battles we have been in. Don't lose this copy. It is the only one I have. This will be on our service record.

Today is the day that President Wilson is to land in France. I saw where Arlie Bevins was buried before I left the front. We have slept in barns all the time we have been in France; you have no idea what I have gone through since I have been over here. I have gone thirty days without washing my hands or face; I have waded through floods to my ankles; I have walked over hills on dead men. I will tell you the rest when I get back home.

Your soldier boy,
PVT. WILLIE HATFIELD,
Co. A, 113th Inft. A. E. F. A. P. O. 765,
Headquarters 29th Division
American E. F.

December 5, 1918.

Memorandum to include Company Commanders:

1st. The following is a list of engagements with dates, which the 29th Division is credited with, and the notation will be made on the service records of soldiers who participated in these engagements.

25th July to 32nd September, 1918, defense of Center Sector, Bante, Alsace. 6th October, 1918, battle of Malbranch Hill, tenth October 1918, battle of Molleville Farm, 11th October, 1918, attack on Bois d'Ormont. 16th October 1918, battle of the Grand Montague. 25th October, 1918, capture of Etraye Ridge, 28th October, 1918, attack on Bois Belleu.

2nd. For units other than infantry regiments and machine gun battalions whose participation was general and not in a specific action, the following notation will be made on the service records:

8th October to 29th October, 1918, campaign north of Verdun.

By command of Major General Marton
Official:
George Scott Stewart, Jr.
Adjutant General.
W. S. BOWERS,
Lt. Colonel, General Staff,
Acting Chief of Staff.

GREENUP YOUTH WAS DROWNED

Frank Bennett Taylor of Greenup, aged 19 years, was drowned Sunday morning while skating on the backwater near his home. His body was recovered within a short time after his death. Young Taylor was one of Greenup's brightest and finest boys. He was a son of Mrs. Sallie Bennett Young and had but recently returned home from Cincinnati where he was a member of the S. A. T. C. which he entered in the hope that he would be quickly prepared to enter the great war.

Frank Bennett was a nephew of Judge J. B. Bennett.

V. BARRETT DIES.

Mrs. Jas. H. Woods received a message Saturday announcing the death of her brother, Mr. Virgil Barrett, of Richmond, Va. His death was due to influenza from which he has been suffering only a few days. Burial took place at Richmond. Mr. Barrett and wife were in Louisa last summer visiting Mrs. Woods.

WELCOME HOME RECEPTION.

There will be a reception at the court house on Friday evening, January 17, in honor of our soldier boys who have returned. The Louisa Public School will furnish the music and some interesting speeches will be made. We want each and every soldier in Lawrence county to be present and to know that we welcome you home. All are invited.

Miss Klasie Burns will leave Sunday for Cincinnati to resume her course in school. She will be accompanied to this city by her sister, Mrs. M. C. Wellman.

ASHLAND INDEPENDENT IS RAPIDLY FORGING AHEAD

The Ashland Independent has installed a new press that has a capacity of printing forty thousand complete copies of their paper in one hour. This is a very enterprising move and puts the Independent in position to meet all demands for many years to come.

AT RED CROSS ROOMS.

Announcement was made last Sunday from the pulpits of the churches of Louisa that women were needed in the Red Cross rooms to do sewing. The women responded nobly, as usual, and each afternoon and evening they have met and worked. They have already completed many garments for a shipment which is to be made by February 1.

HARLAN BLACKBURN SAFE.

A letter has been received from Harlan Blackburn written Nov. 24th informing his parents that he is all right and hopes to be home soon. He is a son of Payton Blackburn, R. D. 1 Louisa. He was a machine gunner and had not been heard from for a few weeks previous and there was considerable uneasiness about him.

CASUALTY LIST

Wounded Soldiers Arrive.

Private Jas. B. Manley of Hardy, Pike-co., is among the wounded soldiers who arrived at Camp Taylor last week from overseas. Also, Wm. Bryant of Pilgrim, Martin-co.

Private Harry De Rossett of Hellier, died of disease.

Clifford Dozier of Pikeville, was killed in action.

Sgt. Russell Withrow of Ashland, died of accident.

Pvt. Lawrence L. Cline of Lookout, Pike-co. was reported missing in action.

Carl Nutter of Kewanee, Pike-co., was wounded in action.

Private Joe Osborn of Beaver, Floyd county, was missing.

Sgt. Jake Hurt of Hazard, was severely wounded.

Private Ransom Marcum of Crum, W. Va., died of disease.

Among the wounded soldiers arriving at Camp Taylor was John Fleming, son of Jeff Fleming, of Etty, Pike county.

Albert Mullins of Myra, Pike-co., previously reported missing, was wounded severely.

Barney Scott of Gulnare, returned to duty. He was previously reported missing.

Quillen Huff, of Pikeville, was severely wounded.

FARMERS WEEK IMPORTANT TO US

I should like to bring to the attention of the farmers of the county Farmers Week, which will be held at Lexington, Ky., Jan. 28, 29, 30 and 31, 1919, and impress upon you the importance of attending this meeting. The sole purpose of this meeting is to bring together all the leading farmers of the State for a few days of consultation and review of the farming conditions of the State and to formulate plans for the future. There you will meet the leading farmers and breeders of the state. The lectures, demonstrations and special features will be of great value to farmers. Woman's work will be made a prominent feature of the week.

Every thing is free and everybody is welcome. I say frankly that I believe it will pay any farmer in Lawrence county to attend this meeting, because of the good he will get from the suggestions, lectures, demonstrations and from swapping ideas with farmers from every sections of the state. I expect to attend myself and will be glad to have any of the farmers go down with me, and if you want to know any further particulars of the meeting write or see me and I shall be glad to assist you.

Yours respectfully,
G. C. BAKER, County Agent.

BLAINE.

The farmers of this valley have lost a lot of fodder during the high water.

W. E. Kouns is spending a few days in Ashland.

Dr. H. H. Gambill has been sick the past week.

Earl Berry made a business trip down the river last week.

Mrs. Myrtle Pack Sergent went to Ashland with her husband when he returned to camp.

Luther Wellman, who was visiting his parents during the holidays, has also returned to camp.

J. K. Jordan spent Tuesday night with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Jordan.

Burns Johnson was visiting friends here during Christmas.

Herman Berry has gone to Louisa to school.

G. N. Wellman is sick for the past few days. X. Y. Z.

C. B. CHAPMAN DIED OF PNEUMONIA

Charles Ben Chapman passed away at his home at Normal at ten-thirty Sunday morning, his death resulting from bronchial pneumonia following influenza. Mr. Chapman was 30 years of age. He was a telegraph operator employed by the C. & O. and had charge of the Clyffeside tower. As an employe he was valued by the company for his strict adherence to duty, and his wholesome nature and genial disposition made him a favorite with the railroad men.

Mr. Chapman is survived by his wife and two children, all of whom are very ill of influenza. His father, Ed. Chapman, also survives. On Tuesday afternoon at one-thirty the funeral service was conducted at the Ashland cemetery where interment was made. The Masonic Lodge of Catlettsburg conducted the burial service.

Ed. Chapman, family formerly lived on Lick creek near Louisa, moved to Norma...

B. F. ...

COL. ROOSEVELT DIES SUDDENLY

Col. Theodore Roosevelt, for seven years President of the United States, statesman, soldier, author, explorer, sportsman and red-blooded American, died suddenly at his home in Oyster Bay, Monday morning at 4:15 o'clock. Although he had been ill for several months and had been under treatment at a New York hospital, his family, his friends and the country were entirely unprepared for his sudden passing, for within the last few days there had been no indications that the end was so near. Death was due, according to his physicians, to a blood clot on the lung, which was due indirectly to an attack of inflammatory rheumatism and to a fever which he contracted during his journey of exploration in South American jungles. "Put out the light, please," were his last words and these were uttered to his faithful negro servant, Joseph Amos, who later noted the heavy breathing of the former President and summoned assistance. When Mrs. Roosevelt, the nurse and the family physician arrived at the bedside, life was extinct. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon at the Oyster Bay home and at the Christ Episcopal church in that village. Both funeral and burial were simple and private.

E. B. HAGER ENJOYS Y. M. C. A. IN FRANCE

We publish the following extracts from letters received by Miss Virginia Hager, of this place, from her father, Edgar B. Hager:

Aix les Bains, France.

Am almost myself again having regained nearly all my strength and the 35 or 40 pounds I lost during my illness. This is a very pleasant place to stay. There are always a lot of men here on leave and something new all the time. Before the war this was a famous watering place and health resort frequented by the Royalty of Europe and the wealthy of all lands. The casino now occupied by the Y. M. C. A. was a great gambling resort where fortunes were won and lost in a night much as at Monte Carlo. It is said that on one occasion the infamous Harry Thaw lost a half million dollars here in one sitting. There is a multitde of hotels here and my how they do stick you! I am paying $3.00 a day at a hotel that would cost in the states not more than $1.50. Everything else is correspondingly high. A dish of ice cream costs 40c and an ordinary bottle of lemon pop 25c.

There is not a dull moment for the soldier here during his seven day leave, all the expenses of which are paid by our Government. It is certainly a wonderful place to come for the boys who have been for months in the trenches and who have endured the hardships and dangers of fthe front line. I have taken a great interest in the place, the work and the men and believe me there is much for all of us to do to take care of the men who come here, as we might say, as our guests. They all leave here delighted with their week of entertainment.

I guess there was much rejoicing in the states when the news of the conclusion of the armistice was received. Many a heart of a soldier's mother was made glad to know that the fighting and danger were over. As for me I can scarcely realize that it is. It seems like a dream even while I am here in the midst of those who rejoice that the war has ended.

Have run across only two boys from our section of the country—Boyd Crouse and John Gish of Ashland. The only other Kentuckian I have met is a Captain Caldwell who was in the hospital at the time I was. Two of the men who came over in our party have died of pneumonia—one a young fellow from Louisville.

Monday I leave here for Nice, the beautiful city of extreme Southern France, on the Mediterranean Sea. It is a delightful winter resort and I consider myself very fortunate in being assigned to this area as it will be my pleasure to spend the winter in a climate as mild as Florida or southern California. This place has been designated as a leave area for soldiers on furlough from the front and I will be placed in charge of one of the departments of Y. M. C. A. activities. I shall remain there probably till February or March. Next spring I think I shall have the privilee of getting up on the old battle line and seeing something of the real effect of the war. I have had the pleasure of meeting hundreds of soldiers from all over the U. S. A. My work has been with the hotel and entertainment departments. The hotel department meets the boys at the train, gives them the glad hand and a cordial welcome, assigns them their hotels and sees to it that they are comfortably located, and satisfactorily fed. The entertainment department looks after the matter of providing indoor and outdoor amusements. It is very interesting and congenial work. Thus far my experience has been more that of a vacationist than a laborer.

It takes a long time for mail to come from home over here—about a month for letters and for papers longer.

TUSCOLA.

There will be church at this place next Sunday night, January 12 by Rev. Harvey and others. Won't you come and bring someone with you?

Mr. and Mrs Elmer Graham of Ashland are visiting here.

Ward Womack, who has been at Ashland has returned home

Several of the boys and girls of this place were out coasting and skating Sunday

Skating at Baker College is the only sport. Come and join us.

Mrs. Kittie Jordan and son Henry, were visiting her daughter at Grayson last week.

Misses Garnet and Alberta Jordan called on Miss Hazel Graham Sunday last.

Miss Virginia Jordan is contemplating a visit to Charleston, West Va. in the near future.

August French called at this place Friday.

Can Smith is on the sick list.

We're glad to see the soldier boys marching home again.

John Presley called on Lonesome Hollow Sunday.

Jesse and Zeal Woods left for Berea where they will enter school.

Sylvester Woods spent ... with home folks.

Garnet Jordan ... help ... Berea college. ... work ... regret us hear from Irad. ... school will close at this place ... 17.

MOTHER ASKS THAT WILHELM BE INDICTED

Lexington, Ky., Jan. 8.—Mrs. Anne Corum, who lives fifteen miles from Lexington, traveled alone to this city to-day to appear before the grand jury and ask the indictment of William Hohenzollern, former Kaiser of Germany, for the willful murder of her son, Marshall Underwood Corum, the first Fayette-co. boy to meet death in the war. Corum was a gunner on the U. S. S. Rochester, which was torpedoed November 2, 1917, and his body was never found.

GRAYSON CHURCH BURNED

The Christian church at Grayson was destroyed by fire Sunday night. It was completed about three years ago at a cost of $11000.

85 PER CENT. OF U. S. WOUNDED RECOVER

Washington, January 7.—Of 71,114 wound and injury cases tabulated in the American Expeditionary hospitals between January 15 and October 15, 1918, 85.3 per cent. recovered and returned to duty, the War Department announced to-day. The percentage of deaths was 8.8.

PIKEVILLE

Miss Cline Returns.

Miss Mabel Cline has returned from a pleasant visit at Van Lear.

Mrs. Auxier Ill.

Mrs. Will Auxier has been quite sick several days, suffering with neuralgia.

Returns To College.

Miss Loraine Bowles has returned to school at Sweet Brier, Virginia, after a two weeks visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bowles.

M. E. Church South.

A revival meeting will be held in the M. E. Church South, in this city, beginning next Sunday, January 12. Rev. John A. May, evangelist of Gadsden, Alabama, will do the preaching.

The Misses Rogers.

Misses Magdalene and Lottie Rogers have returned to Ward-Belmont school, Nashville, after spending the holidays with their parents here. On Friday evening they entertained a merry party of young folks at their home.

Dinner Party.

Mrs. W. H. Layne had as dinner guests at Gentrys Sunday evening Misses Mary L. Powers, Lora Rogers, Elizabeth Sowards and Grace Layne. Mrs. Layne is from Prestonsburg and is the guest of Mrs. A. E. Auxier.

Miss J. Bowles Entertains.

Miss Josephine Bowles gave a delightful party on Saturday evening to the following who very much enjoyed the evening which was spent at games and music. Delicious refreshments were served at a late hour: Misses Sallie Vicars, Thelma Morgan, Magdolene and Lottie May Rogers, Elizabeth Daves, Julia Ora Hatcher, Nancy Pauley, Lizzie May and Doris Music. Messrs. Jesse Aldridge, Dick and Bob Scott, Cecil Greer, Thomas Harmon and Paul Riddle.

SCHOOL BOOK COMMISSION NAMED

Frankfort, Ky., January 7.—Governor Stanley to-day appointed the State Text Book Commission to select 50 per cent of the subjects of books to be used for the next four years in the rural schools. The list follows:

First District, Homer W. Nichols, of Princeton, Superintendent of the Caldwell County Schools; Second District, O. E. Baird of Owensboro, principal of the Owensboro High School; Third District, H. L. Smith, of Upton, Hardin County, principal of the Nicholasville city schools; Fourth District, Orville J. Stivers, of Jeffersonton, Superintendent of the Jefferson County Schools; Fifth District, Mrs. Nannie G. Faulkner of Lexington, Superintendent of the Fayette County Schools Sixth District, John Hurst Adams, of Minerva, Mason County, Superintendent of the Minerva High School; Seventh District, G. P. Harris, of Winchester, principal of the Winchester city schools; Paul Anderson, of Lexington dean of the School of Electrical Engineering of the University of Kentucky; E. C. McDougal, of Richmond, dean of the Eastern Kentucky Normal School; J. R. Alexander, of Bowling Green, professor of mathematics at the Western Kentucky Normal School.

The commission will organize within ten days and will make the selections before May 1.

LAWRENCE COUNTY NURSE WRITES FROM FLANDERS

Flanders in Belgium,
December 2, 1918.

Mrs. Lizzie Skaggs,
Terryville, Kentucky.

My Dear Sister:—I will tell you something about my work. Nursing among the wounded has been very interesting for we knew that we were caring for the brave boys who were fighting for home and country. When we enter the hospital to perform our day's work we are greeted with a smile and happy "good morning" from the sick in bed. We begin our daily work, such as dressing the wounds, giving the medicine to relieve pain, making them comfortable, taking the temperatures and seeing the hungry are fed. We can work for hours without feeling tired for we know we are making others happy.

I have seen very few boys die for the death rate is small after they reach the hospital. Though when I gaze upon the dead my heart aches for the dear mothers who are waiting for their boys who will never come home. We know they have not died in vain, they gave their lives that democracy may not perish from the earth. So we can know them for the great deed they have done.

I have seen soldiers of many nations marching through the streets. I also have seen the refugees who have been away for four years returning seeking their homes.

There is a great change over here since the armistice was signed. The guns have ceased to roar at night, our lights can burn when before on a bright moonlight night we would hear the call, "Lights out, an air raid is on." When we were near the front we had to carry gas masks and have our helmets handy.

We are now looking forward to the time we can make one to meet those who are waiting for us. Yours, PAUL RIDDLE.

PAUL FUNK WRITES FROM WAR FRONT

The following is part of a letter written to Mrs. Melvilia Gartin Funk in Chicago by her son, Paul, who has been in some great battles in France. Mrs. Funk is a sister of J. P. Gartin, of Louisa and by the merest accident Paul met his cousin, Otto Gartin, in the street of a French city December 15. Neither knew the other was over there.

We have another interesting letter from Paul Funk for use next week:

Somewhere in France,
October 3, 1918.

Well some days ago we hopped over the top again. It was different from anything else we have done so far. It was quite interesting. We pulled out of the support trenches one night about ten o'clock and slipped and waded down into a trench which extended down into "No Man's Land" and waited for dawn. It was a black, cold night, cold and damp, that kind which chills you to the bone and stiffens. A terrible barrage was going on at our left all night, with intermittent bombarding over us at the same time. Well, we waited and shivered and shivered and waited, it was miserable. As dawn was breaking, smoke shells began to burst over us, and "No Man's Land" and our machine gun barrage opened up. I could see men running down another trench, with bayonets fixed, hopping "over the top" and disappearing in the mist. I was quite excited as we waited our turn. Soon our company commander said, "All right boys, let's go!" and "Over The Top" we streamed. In the meantime the noise was deafening, big shells cracking here and there, the continuous " pup, pup, pup" of the machine guns, bullets whistling over us, around us, between us, and Lord knows where not. We had'nt gone far until the walking wounded started to come back. I did'nt want to look at them much.

Do you know, mother dearest, I did not see a single man afraid, not one. "Jerry" had blown up one of our pontoons bridges (we had to cross a swamp) and this necessitated more troops going over fewer pontoons, consequently our progress was slowed up, and now and then we would halt. At such times we rolled cigaretts and smoked. I guess I smoked a half a dozen cigarettes before we got across the marsh. I don't know what it is, but one loses all fear, and while cautious, he doesn't think he will be killed. After we got across the swamp we lined up, and at a signal all started forward. One could hear the Jerry machine guns lined up before him "pup, pupping" away, but we just plowed on. The sun did'nt break thru the mist and smoke until about eleven o'clock, and in the meantime we had advanced several kilometers thru everything and in the meantime, we had advanced Jerry would throw at us. I was in the second wave, a couple of hundred yards behind the first, and every once in awhile a band of Huns would break thru the mist, hands up, and one or two of our men would take back a batch of fifty or a hundred. About noon we were on a high hill, and then some of our big shells started to fall short between us and the first wave. There we were, the Huns machine guns turned on us and our own powerful shells stopping our advance. Evto think that our artillery cut us off erything had gone fine so far, but now, from our first wave made me so sick at heart that I guess I could have cried. Up went our signals and soon our artillery ceased firing, then we advanced again. On we went until we reached our present position where we have been for some days. In the "stunt" I got a little "tear gas" in my eyes, which made them smart and left me a slight headache for several hours. This gas leaves no bad effects, however, it just bothers one at the time. At the finish every one was pretty near fagged out. It is a tiresome job.

The next day we flocked into a town Jerry had evacuated and ransacked the place. He had left coffee, tea, bread meat and a million odds and ends, live rabbits and chickens included. Believe me we ate. They had built concrete houses and had planted gardens, lettuce, etc. The Hun has been "strafing" us with gas, high explosives and overhead sharpnel ever since we have been here. This kind of work gets on one's nerves after awhile.

Well, mother dearest, the things which have impressed me most in this drive are the greatness of God the bravery of our men, and the scarcity of casualties. How we ever waded thru that machine gun fire with so few losses is simply a miracle. The fact that our men went thru that same thing smoking, laughing now and then at something funny which would turn up, seems almost as great.

Yes, mother, God is good and I thank Him for His guidance and for the strength of heart and body which He has given me.

Well, good bye 'till next time.
PAUL.

Corp. Paul V. Funk,
Co. "I" 121st Infantry,
Am. E. Forces.
P. S.—A. P. O. No. 750 is my Provisional P. O. number.

STACK NEEDLES.

If the article you are knitting cannot be finished and turned in by Saturday p. m., bring in your yarn and unfinished work at once. If you can finish by Saturday p. m. do so and bring or send your finished article.

LAWRENCE CO. CHAPTER.

GERMAN HELMET.

A German helmet is on display at the Louisa Drug company's store. It was sent to Louisa by Sergt. John Burns Horton, who is in France. It was given to him by a lieutenant.

OIL DEVELOPMENT.

It is reported that considerable drilling for oil will be done two miles north and northwest of Louisa during the coming year. The C. B. Peters farm will be developed further, as well as other tracts in the same vicinity.

MRS. BURCH HEWLETT DIES.

Mrs. Burch Hewlett died at her home at Yatesville Sunday night, after an illness of a few weeks. She leaves a husband and children, the youngest only seven weeks old. She was a daughter of H. B. Salters.

NAME OMITTED.

We regret very much the omission of the name of Mr. Ed. Wellman from the list of returned soldiers who were in the receiving line at the party given in their honor last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Adams.

WAYNE OFFICERS.

Following are the officers elected at Wayne last Thursday: J. M. Riggs, mayor; D. J. W. Taylor, recorder; J. H. Billups, G. J. Riffe, B. J. Thompson, Joe Coleman and W. S. McClure, councilmen.

THE DOG BUSINESS FLOURISHES IN LAWRENCE

Up to this time 2040 licenses for dogs have been issued in Lawrence-co. for the present year and the end is not yet. The clerk is out of tags, but another supply has been ordered. The penalty for failure to list dogs and pay the taxes is heavy and includes a jail sentence. One man had five hounds, but one died just before he came in, leaving only four. He could raise nearly $100 worth of hog meat per year on what they eat.

DUTY OF THE JUROR.

The laws are sufficient to put down crime in any community, if they be enforced. No set of lawbreakers can successfully resist the law abiding citizenship when it is aroused. The trouble is that juries are not sufficiently alive to their duties. Likewise, some officers are not fighting crime like they should. The work of making the county safe for our form of government and safe from anarchy lies chiefly in the hands of the juries. There is no more sacred duty devolving upon good citizens than that of jury service, fearlessly executed. Behind the oath taken by a jury is the very life of the nation.

PAINTSVILLE

Attended Burial.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Geiger attended the funeral and burial of their sister-in-law, Mrs. Jas. Geiger at Ashland last Saturday.

To Ashland.

J. L. Talbert returned last week to his work at Ashland after spending Christmas here with his family. Mr. Talbert is working on the Fetter building in Ashland.

Guests Of Sister.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Conley of Dunham, Ky., and Mrs. Othie B. Conley and Walton Conley of Welch, W. Va., who have been the guests of Mrs. Paul J. Frazier during the holidays, left Monday morning for Welch, W. Va.

Son Improving.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Howes, who were called to the League Island at Philadelphia on account of the illness of their son Richard, who is in the U. S. navy have returned home and report the condition of their boy much improved and that he would be home as soon as he is able to leave.

Mrs. Walker Dead.

The remains of Mrs. Walker, who died in West Virginia were brought to Paintsville for burial on Christmas day. A number of relatives accompanied the remains here.

Martelia Walker was born May 25, 1886, and died Dec. 23, 1918 at Hickory Camp, W. Va. She was the daughter of the late Bracken R., and Annie Vanhoose, well known in this community. She leaves her husband, Wm. Walker, son of Judge and Mrs. J. Walker of Paintsville, Ky., seven children, five sisters, four brothers.

At Auxier.

Manford Bayes, who has been with a coal company in West Virginia for some time has resigned his position there and has accepted a position with the Northeast Coal company at Auxier and will have charge of the office work there.

Will Return Here.

Will Cain, Jr., who was in Paintsville two years with the Stafford theater but who joined the army about six months ago is at Louisa on a furlough. He will soon be mustered out and will return to Paintsville where he will have charge of the theater.

Goes To France.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Atkinson and children of Georgia are visiting Mr. Atkinson's father, Dr. W. T. Atkinson. Mr. Atkinson is in the army Y. M. C. A. work and will sail in a few days for France where he will stay will remain here the guests of Dr. for a year. Mrs. Atkinson and children and Mrs. Atkinson.

From Florida.

Attorney and Mrs. M. C. Kirk returned from Vero, Florida, where they spent the holidays with their sons, Russell and Holmes, who live there. They report a most pleasant trip. The weather was ideal there and from their farms they had green beans, strawberries, tomatoes and all vegetables green that we have in this section for the summer and fall. A number of people from Johnson county live in or near Vero.—Herald.

COMPLETED LISTS OF CASUALTIES IN

Washington, Jan. 8.—Complete lists of casualties among the American Expeditionary Forces have been sent to Washington, and 1,000 additional clerks have been put to work in the Adjutant General's office to get them out as rapidly as possible.

Secretary Baker, in making this announcement Wednesday, said another thousand clerks would be added to the Adjutant General's force, and at the rate lists were being handled it would be only a short time before all of the names were published.

TWIN BRANCH.

We are very sorry to hear of the misfortune of Willie Hughes. He was hurt in the mines at Chattaroy, W. Va. He is now in the hospital at Wlech, W. Va.

Mont Haywood and Asbury Holton were here Monday.

Allen Clay, our huckster, made his trip through here Monday.

Frank Rose of Domino, Ky., is viiting relatives and friends at this place. He will leave soon for Ashland where he is employed as a brakeman on the Big Sandy Division.

Smith Jobe is very ill at this writing.

Kay Charter and Charlie Adams were hauling corn from this place on Monday.

Harl Curnutte was at Harvey Jobes resently.

Cecil Adams was at Smith Jobes Sunday last.

Monroe Woods, of Branchland, W. Va., is visiting at this place for a few days.

His many friends will be glad to know that Veesie Jobe, somewhere in France is alive and well. His father received a letter last week dated Dec. 4, 1918, the first received for many months.

A. Pal...

THREE CHILDREN ARRIVE FROM WEST

Three children, ages 5, 7 and 9, reached Louisa Monday evening from the State of Washington, having made the long trip all alone, except for the fine protection and care that a tag with directions brought to them.

Our readers probably remember an item we published during the first influenza epidemic about the death of Jay Hays and wife in Washington. These were the parents of this trio of orphans, consisting of two boys, Kennith and Keith, and a little girl, Dimple, the youngest. They are children of C. C. Hays of ... have come to make their home with him. Mr. Hays had been advised about the time they would leave Washington and he had made a trip or two to Louisa to meet them.

The children were on the road six days, coming all the way in Pullman cars. They were shown every attention by trainmen and passengers all along the way and arrived in good health and happy spirits.

They had $32 more than they started with, which had been given to them by passengers. Also, they were given good things to eat all along the route.

Upon arrival here the conductor delivered the little group to station agent H. G. Wellman, who placed them in the hands of County Attorney D. L. Thompson. He took them home and cared for them over night, notifying their grandfather by telephone. Mr. Hays came the next day and took them home. It was the first time he had ever seen them. His son, Jay, married in the west and the families had not visited each other because of the great distance. These little orphans are fortunate in having such a good home.

BUCHANAN

John Sullivan is here from Charleston with the family of his daughter, Mrs. A. M. Samuels, who are ill with influenza.

The work is moving along nicely at the new Prichard Memorial M. E. Church South on the parsonage lot here. We have long needed a church at this place and are glad to see this handsome new building being erected.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Kinner and daughters of Catlettsburg, visited relatives here last week.

Mrs. Margaret Wallace and daughter, Mary, who have had influenza, are improving.

A telegram was received today by the Faulkners announcing the death of Hugh Smith at Pueblo, Col. Mrs. Smith was before marriage Miss Emma Faulkner. Her many friends here regret to hear of her bereavement.

Mrs. Hammond of Louisa, was called here last week to nurse the family of Dr. J. A. Prichard, who were so ill with influenza. The children are much improved and Mrs. Prichard, who was critically ill, is slightly improved.

Ollie Kinner, Jr., of Camp Bix, N. J, spent Christmas with home folks.

DAFFY DILL.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Elam have had as guests this week their two sons, Emery and Dr. Botner Elam. Emery is here on a furlough from Camp Taylor. Dr. Elam is in the dental corps.

COUNTY CLERK BECOMES BENEDICT

Drury B. Adams and Miss Early Thompson were married last Sunday at the home of Rev. M. A. Hay, four miles from Louisa. The ceremony was performed by Mr. Hay and the couple came to Louisa immediately afterward. That evening a sumptuous dinner was served for them at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pigg, where Mr. Adams has been boarding.

The bride is a daughter of Lindsey Thompson of Little Blaine, an attractive and worthy young lady of ... groom is County Court Clerk of Lawrence-co., a man of excellent character and habits who is making good in his official capacity. This is a young couple that deserves the good wishes being extended to them on all sides and the NEWS joins in congratulations. The bride is a niece of Judge T. S. Thompson of Louisa.

WM. R. MYERS WRITES FROM FRANCE.

Letters have been received by Mrs. J. W. Yates, of this city, from her grandson, Wm. R. Myers, who is in France. They follow in part.

I sure wish I could hear from home once more. Have not received any mail since I have been in France and that is a long time to go without letters. But I have been on the move all the time and guess I will get some if I ever get settled in some camp or town. I was transferred from the old Kentucky outfit I was with so long and put into this division I am now in, a New York outfit and a good one, too. But we all hated to leave each other after being together so long. There are only five of us now and I guess we will stay together until we are discharged which I hope will be soon, for I sure have had enough army life. I don't expect to get back to the States before spring, but it may be sooner. I have seen most of France (on foot) since I have been over here. Have not been more than ten days in one place and most of the time only one or two, always moving, moving, moving, and I am going to move again Tuesday, but I don't know where.

I want you to keep on writing for some day I will get some mail all at one time.

M. G. in my address is for the machine gun.

Dec. 12.—Will write again since I have quit hiking for awhile. Have been in France about three months and have never received any mail. Wish I could hear from you.

I wish they would send us home now that the war is finished. I am getting anxious to wear civilian clothes once more. Do not worry for I am getting along fine.

My address is Pvt. Wm. Rogers, M. G. Co. 803th Inf., American E. F.

CHILDREN'S HOME SOCIETY TAKES DALE CHILDREN

Three children of Beverly Dale of Richardson, have been delivered to the Children's Home Society at Louisville. They are Hughey, age 11; Clara ... Hermia 5. They were made orphans by the recent influenza epidemic.

Mr. and Mrs. ... Thursday ... mother of ...

GAS FUMES ... AT ...

Mrs. Mattie ... son, Eules, 17, ... in Kenova, W. Va., ... suffocation. The ... the room which ... They moved to ... ville, Tenn., a year ago.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE IN THE ...

John Gartin ... barn recently and ... had been stolen. He ... tise the fact, and being a gentleman he better ... ment in the NEWS with enticing words that ... took the plow could ... against the appeal ... turned. If you ... took the plow, ...

REV. HAYNES IN H...

A series of meetings ... Huntington next Sunday ... of which Rev. Fogleson, Rev. J. O. Haynes, of Birmingham, Ala., has been ... do the preaching.

FROM FRA...

Excerpts from letters received by Mrs. David M. Rice of Adelphi ... her husband written November 10:

November 21, 1918.
Somewhere in Luxembourg.

Received your letters few days ago and was sure glad to hear from you and that you were well.

This leaves me well. Would have written sooner, but have been ... for five or six days.

We are having a great time ... through Belgium. The people are delighted to see the Americans. They have decorated all ... with flowers, and flying the ... and Belgium colors.

I suppose you have ... photos and presents I sent ... haven't received the pictures yet. They sent it to the ... I was there and it ...

How is everybody ... can be I was glad to ... being back home once ...

One day we are to France ... in Belgium, the ... and I suppose the ... in Germany. The people ... we have been are delighted ... the American soldiers. ... most every nation's flags ... windows except Germany's ... people are glad to see the ... leaving. We are near the ... many and soon will enter ... think we will stay long ... anyway. Belgium is the most ... ful country I have seen ... seen England, France, ... enbourgh and I suppose ... many soon.

It hasn't been very ... have been yet.

No I am not working ... work as I was when I came ... but still after all it isn't so ... days you got it pretty hard ... days not so bad, and now ... having time pretty easy.

I don't think it will be ... will be with you all the time ... anyway.

I will not write every ... I will leave something ... when I get home.

What is the reason ... answered my letter I wrote ... I was in the hospital? ... reply before now.

When have you heard ... and from home?

THE CHUR...

(Under this head we ... churches of Louisa to ... week any announcement ... news about their services ... may desire published ... tends to be non-sectarian ... not in position to get ... from the various churches ... the space and the ... and it seems to us ... should avail themselves ...

FIRST BAPTIST ...
Sunday school 9:... ...
Preaching service ...
Evening worship ...
Prayer meeting ...
First Wednesday ... month, business ...
You are cordially ... all services. J. ...

M. E. CHURCH ...
"The Manner of ..." is the subject for ... course. "Reverence" ... for the evening ...
Morning service ...
Evening service ...
Prayer meeting ...
... Bible ... Counter ...
... are expected to ...
... dication was completed ... signatures of five stations ... of twelve ... ... showed ...

METHODIST CENTENARY COMMITTEE ...

A meeting of the Ashland ... centenary committee, M. E. ... South, was held at Ashland ... of last week to hear the report ... F. S. Pollitt, the conference ... secretary, just returned from ... ville. Also, to make apportionments to the various charges of this ... of the amount to be raised ... Centenary Missionary fund. ... fers to the campaign for $35,000,000 ... missions which is to be raised ... South Methodist church ... next five years.

Presiding Elder A. A. ... sided over the meeting ... tended by all members ... mittee except the ... gate, and by the leaders of ... missionary society, as ... ber of laymen and ...

After a clear, detailed ... Rev. Pollitt of the ... the church for this ... the committee ... ments. The ... is about the ... as the total ... by the ...