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DEMOCRATS LOSE INJUNCTION SUIT IN HIGH COURT

Cannot Get Names of Nominees on Lawrence Co. Ballots.

The Court of Appeals dissolved the injunction of the Lawrence Circuit Court in the case of D. B. Adams against W. A. Arrington and others, which means that the Democratic nominees for Circuit Clerk, County Clerk and Magistrates in three districts, can not have their names printed on the ballots for the November election. It also means that the party committee can not fill the vacancies and that no names will appear on the ballots in the place of these men except when written in by the voters.

The three magistrates thus denied are V. B. Shortridge, Add Skeens and Sillas Jobe. This action was the result of these candidates failing to file their certificates of nomination with the county clerk not later than 45 days previous to the election, September 24, the last day and they did not file until the 28th.

The local Republican committee received notice from headquarters on the last day, it is reported, to look after this matter for their candidates.

The Court of Appeals gave no opinion in the case, so it is not known upon what point the case was decided. It is not believed the Legislature intended that vacancies can not be filled on a ticket within the 45 days period, but this is the effect of the decision by the Court of Appeals. On such an important point it is regarded as rather surprising that the high court would refuse to publish an opinion on the points involved. The law was changed in 1918 to 45 days, thus catching many persons who knew that the limit was shorter under the old law.

As the county clerk has a permanent record in his office of all certificates issued, it looks like a foolish law to require all candidates to burden the files further by taking back to the clerk and filing the copy of certificate issued to him.

The Frankfort State Journal reports the case as follows: “The Court of Appeals held yesterday, in the injunction case of Adams, County Clerk of Lawrence County vs. Arrington and others that nomination certificates of candidates for county offices must be filed with the county clerk at least forty-five days before a regular election, and dissolved a mandatory injunction granted by Judge Clegg, commanding the clerk to place the names of Arrington and others upon the official ballot. Arrington and his associates were candidates in Lawrence county, and did not file their certificates of nomination until September 24, when they should have filed on the 24, they being two days late under the limit fixed by the statute. The opinion was written by Judge P. D. Sampson, the whole court sitting and concurring in the opinion.”

Greatest of Screen Plays To Come to Ashland

Announced as the most remarkable production with which the name of David W. Griffith has yet been associated in his “Way Down East,” made from the famous stage play of the same name and which will be shown in Ashland, Ky., for the first time at the Arcadia theatre, beginning Monday, Oct. 17, for a run of one week. As is expected, the usual Griffith effects and embellishments are said to be found in this latest work in abundance. It will be presented with an augmented orchestra furnishing musical accompaniment, which even the most spectacular of stage offerings would hardly afford to offer on tour; representing from the stage version he will take his audience from the simplicity of countryside to the lavishness of city mansions and thus display in a series of color schemes an array of elaborate gowns and surroundings of wealth. At the end will come a famed terrifying New England sard and the break up of the ice in the Connecticut river, scenes such in other cities have made audience grip their seats.

Engineer, Fireman Hurt in Leap Before Crash

J. Vaughan, engineer of Russell, H. Lockwood, fireman, of Ashland, slightly hurt when they jumped their engines late Monday night Oct. 10, on the Big Sandy dike when a freight train of 100 coal cars struck a shifting engine that place.

According to the report made to the office of the general superintendent of the railroad, which occurred when the train of engines struck by the shifting engine was backing out of a siding at the place. Vaughan, who was in the engine drawing the engine before the crash occurred, the fireman, Lockwood, on the engine. Both suffered minor injuries of the light train and one was thrown from the track.

R. L. Vinson is in Cincinnati a few days ago she had her removed. She is getting along all right.

DOUBLE WEDDING.

Miss Virginia Cyrus and Mr. Russell Lee Carte and Miss Hazel Williams and Mr. Walter Croasey figured in a double wedding Wednesday of last week at Catlettsburg. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Haggard at the Methodist parsonage. Miss Cyrus is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Cyrus of Kenova. Miss Williams is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. H. A. Williams of Kenova. Mr. Carte is from Charleston and Mr. Croasey is from Bramwell, W. Va. Mrs. Carte, who is a graduate of the Ceredo-Kenova high school were a becoming afternoon frock of blue satin and carried crimson roses. Mrs. Croasey graduated from Marshall College. She was attired in a tailored dress of navy serge. The bridegrooms are both brooding and carried a brilliant flower state police. They will be at home at the hotel Glenwood in Kenova for a time.

A. V. CHRISTIAN PASSES AWAY.

A. V. Christian, a widely known and highly respected citizen, died at his home near the Forks of Big Hurricane, Wayne-co., last Sunday night. He had been afflicted with paralysis for four or five years and for some time had been past going. He was about 75 years of age and leaves two sons and three daughters. Funeral services were conducted at the home Tuesday at noon and the burial took place in the family cemetery. The deceased was a member of the Baptist church and also the Masonic lodge of Wayne.—Ceredo Advance.

MAN FALLS DEAD.

Harold Smith, 35 years old, traveling out of Bluefield, W. Va., fell dead in Ashland Monday with an attack of heart trouble. He and his mother were registered at the Hotel Ventura and are well known in Ashland. Mr. Smith fell to the street at Fifteenth and Winchester avenue.

CRUDE OIL PASSES THE \$2.00 MARK

Light Somerset Reaches \$2.05 on Second Advance Within the Week.

It is reported that Somerset Light oil has had another advance of 16¢ per barrel, bringing it to \$2.05. Somerset is advanced to \$1.80, according to this report.

Since the last report in the NEWS two increases have been made, carrying the price from \$1.40 and \$1.55 to the prices named above.

The advances are bringing the price near the point where operators can afford to resume drilling. One serious obstacle still in the way is the price of pipe and other supplies tools and machinery. These things have not come down to anything near the level of oil prices.

The adjustment must and will come before much deep drilling will be done. A contract has been signed to pay the Pennsylvania grade price for Berea oil delivered into tank cars at Paintsville. A local company has laid a pipe line to a Berea field a few miles distant and the oil will be delivered in that way.

A re-grading of the Lawrence county oil is hoped for by the operators who claim that they are entitled to a better price basis.

Bishop Darlington Talks About Europe

Bishop U. V. W. Darlington declared in an address before the Huntington Kiwanis Club yesterday that bolshevism and the reign of Lenin and Trotsky in Russia were directly responsible for most of the suffering in Russia and Poland at the present time and pleaded with his hearers to do all within their power to keep this country clean and free of the forces that have wrought so great a destruction in Europe.

The Bishop characterized the condition existing in Russia as “the greatest tragedy since the French revolution” and painted a picture so real of the want and suffering among the refugees from that country that there was no doubt left in the minds of his hearers of the conditions prevailing among the thousands of innocent people.

Bishop Darlington said that the outstanding feature of his trip throughout Europe was the fact that no one ever whistled or sang and declared that apparently, joy had left the land. A condition which he ascribed to the havoc wrought by the world war, the financial depression existing there at the present time and the loss of the millions of lives in the great struggle. The speaker said it would be a miracle if the people of Europe, from the English channel to the Black sea, recover within the next ten years.

The speaker said that the next war, if there is a next war, will be far more disastrous than the struggle which ended in 1918.

FRAUDULENT MAGAZINE AGENTS

Give your magazine subscriptions to home agents. Not long ago a young man claiming to be in a contest for a college scholarship came to Louisa and secured a number of subscriptions. Evidently he kept the money, as the magazines were never received.

FRACTURED ANKLE.

John W. Warnick, a well known citizen of Williamson, fractured his left ankle while taking a car at his garage. He was removed to a hospital where his injured leg was placed in a Paris cast.

BUILDINGS FOR BUSINESS FIRMS GOING UP FAST

New Structures in Louisa for Business Purposes Are Rising Rapidly

J. A. Collinsworth and J. H. Ekers, both of the Fallsburg vicinity, will start immediately the construction of a three-story business building in Louisa on the southeast corner of Madison and Main Cross streets, on the lot purchased from Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Davis. A basement also will extend the full size of the building, which will be 50 feet by 60 or 65 feet. This will leave enough room on the rear of the lot upon which to move the residence and face it toward Main Cross street.

When the building is completed the owners will put in a large stock of hardware and furniture. The two upper floors will be especially adapted to the display of furniture. Arrangements are now being made to start the work of excavating for the handsome building.

The Woods Building. Bricklaying on James H. Woods' new building started Monday and the walls are going up rapidly. The location is Main Cross street, midway between Main and Perry on the old Roffe property. There are two business rooms on the first floor and the second floor will be fitted up into two modern flats.

The Walters Building. Dr. C. B. Walters' large new building will be ready for some of the occupants by November 1. The handsome new drug store should be in operation on or very soon after that date. The moving picture room adjoining will require a little more time for completion. The plastering is rapidly going forward, as well as all other details.

T. R. McClure. The new business building being erected by T. R. McClure on Jefferson street opposite the C. & D. passenger station will soon be ready for occupancy. It adjoins H. S. Young's new building. Both contain two stories.

Louisa National Bank. Extensive improvements are being made on the exterior of the Louisa National Bank which will add much to the appearance of the building.

Lawrence Auto Garage. The garage being erected by the Lawrence Auto Sales company is again making progress. The second story is in course of construction and going along rapidly.

M. Williamson's Child Dies at Hatfield, W. Va.

The body of Dewey Edward Williamson, four year old son and youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. Mont Williamson, was brought to Louisa Tuesday afternoon for burial. He died on Sunday morning at their home at Hatfield, W. Va., after an illness of ten days with diphtheria. His condition had seemed improved and his death was unexpected. It was a severe shock to the family.

His sister is very ill at their home having only recently returned from a hospital after a nine weeks' illness of blood poison following throat trouble. On this account the mother could not attend the funeral.

Mr. Williamson and his other children and Mr. Alex Williamson accompanied the body to this place where they were joined by Mr. Williamson's mother, Mrs. Jasper Meek, of Henrietta.

The body was taken direct to Pine Hill cemetery and funeral service was conducted by Rev. H. B. Hewlett. The bereaved family have the sympathy of all in their sorrow.

19 Year Old Lad is 9 feet 5 inches Tall

Chicago, Oct. 1.—“Gosh-a-mighty but that guy's long for this world,” said a startled negro porter this morning as Jan Van Albert doubled up like a jack-knife, squeezed through the door of a Pullman car, stretched up to his full height of nine feet, five inches, gave to the roof of the car an affectionate pat, and then hustled to a telephone to order his breakfast—a meal that would stagger five ordinary men.

The “biggest boy in the world”—he is only 19 years old—is stopping off in Chicago, enroute to Glenwood, Ill.

OBSERVE YOM KIPPUR.

Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, the most solemn day in the Jewish calendar year, was observed by Jews throughout the country for a twenty-four-hour period, beginning at sundown Tuesday and ending at sundown Wednesday afternoon. During this period in atonement for their sins, orthodox and reformed Jews refrain from partaking of any food or drink.

J. Israelky of this place went to Huntington Tuesday to observe the day in the Jewish church at that place.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED.

The engagement of Miss Willis Lee Clark of Lexington, and Mr. Littleton Tazewell Elliot, of Cincinnati and Lexington, has been announced. Miss Clark is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. P. Clark of Lexington and sister of Mrs. R. V. Garrod of Louisa.

GOING TO COLORADO.

Lawyer Walter Copley, his mother, Mrs. Fannie Copley and brother Frank Copley and wife and Mrs. Frank Copley's mother, Rebecca Fergarty, left Wednesday for Colorado Springs, Colo., where Mr. and Mrs. Frank Copley expect to make their future home. If the climate proves beneficial, Mrs. Fannie Copley will also remain there. Walter expects to return in about four weeks at which time he will close up his business and accompany his brother Leonard to California where “Len” has a nice position with one of the movie picture companies and where he is rapidly making good as a film star.—Mingo Republican.

CONTINUE HEARING FOR DISTRICT 17 OFFICERS

Williamson, W. Va.—The cases of C. F. Keeney, president of District 17, United Mine Workers, and Fred Mooney, secretary-treasurer, indicted in connection with the disturbances in Mingo last May, were continued by Judge Bailey in circuit court until the December term of court.

Prosecuting Attorney Stokes said he would not oppose the granting of bail and Judge Bailey declared that the defendants would be admitted to bail if they desired it. Keeney or Mooney did not signify at the time what course they would pursue.

FORD TO EXTEND HIS RAILROAD INTO KENTUCKY

Henry Ford, Detroit manufacturer and railroad magnate, was in Cincinnati for two hours Tuesday evening on his way to Pineville, Ky., where it is believed he is negotiating plans for a southern connection for his D. T. & I. railroad in order to reach the coal fields. The extension, it was rumored, would be made from Portsmouth, O. Mr. Ford refused to comment on the matter.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

OIL SHORTAGE IN TWO YEARS SEEN

Situation Seems to Promise Better Prices From This Time Forward.

Words of encouragement are offered oil operators of Kentucky and elsewhere in an article in The Wall Street Journal, which says that the low prices paid for crude oil through most of 1921 are not likely to recur again.

“So far as can be seen at present,” the article says, “cheap oil is a thing of the past. The new condition is due to the fact that production of vast quantities of crude oil in Mexico at low cost is declining and that in the future production of Mexican oil will be better controlled.”

“There never was a time in the oil industry when it had the advantage of such an abundance of cheap oil as it had in the last few years from the Mexican fields. The producing wells in that country are located only a score of miles in from the seacoast, which made the cost of transportation to market small. The wells yielded prodigious amounts of oil over long periods. The Casiano basin produced an average of more than 100,000 barrels of oil to the acre, an amount not approached by any other field anywhere in the world.”

“Recently during the glut of oil, individual producers who had no pipe line to the coast offered oil as low as 10 cents a barrel in Mexico. That oil is not available for less than 40 cents a barrel at present. Higher prices will be established in the next few months.”

“The two or three companies which will continue as large producers in Mexico because of their reserve acreage will get prices for their oil that will more closely correspond with prices of American oil, and they will make more money in their business in the next few years than in previous ones.”

“It is not probable that production of oil in the United States will maintain the average of 1920-21.

“It is likely that consumption of oil will tend to increase over present rates through improvement in domestic and export business. The latter is about one-half of normal at present, but domestic demand holds up surprisingly well in view of general conditions.”

“Indications now are for a serious pinch in oil within two years. Present big supplies are apt to save the situation during the next year, but after then the situation will become acute, in the opinion of those best informed.

“In respect to new fields the cost of getting the oil is sure to increase. It is not profitable to market oil from South America with the market for crude in the United States at \$1.50. It will cost \$1 a barrel to transport the oil through 1,000 miles of pipe line, as must be done from some of the South American fields, to say nothing of additional costs to get the oil to market.”

LUNCHEON GUESTS.

The Huntington Herald-Dispatch says: Honoring her house guests, Mrs. F. O. S. Habeson, of Los Angeles, Cal., and Mrs. John Thomas, who was formerly of Louisa, Ky., but is now of Los Angeles, Mrs. Matthew N. Offutt entertained a number of friends at luncheon at the Hotel Farr.

Miss Katherine Thomas of Los Angeles, Cal., who has been the guest of Mrs. A. M. Campbell of the South Side, and Miss Elizabeth McCooch and Miss Catherine Enslow were luncheon guests at the Farr hotel Friday noon.

Fred O. See of Lynch, has been visiting Louisa relatives and friends.

AIRPLANE STUNTS PARACHUTE LEAP LOUISA, OCT. 22ND

Shank and Holder to Give Great Exhibition Here on That Date.

Robert Shank of Huntington and Gordon Holder will give a thrilling exhibition of stunts in the air at Louisa on Saturday, October 22, in the afternoon.

In addition to other thrillers there will be a leap from the airplane by “Daredevil” Holder at a height of about 3500 feet, descending with the aid of a parachute. The airplane will be running at a speed of about 90 miles per hour at the moment the leap is made.

Holder has made about 800 leaps. He was an instructor in the army. His greatest leap was from a height of 14000 feet and this was the world's record for a time, but has now been exceeded.

Mr. Shank is well known in Louisa, as his father formerly lived here. He engaged in flying before the war and is considered one of the best fliers in the United States.

This exhibition has been arranged for by the people of Louisa, who contributed enough money to pay for it. This interesting sight will be free to all. Everybody is invited to come to Louisa that day and enjoy the exhibition. A great many people in this section have never had a close view of an airplane and this will be their best opportunity. Landings will be made on the Phil Preece farm just outside the city limits. The parachute jump will be made about 2:30 p. m.

Anyone who may desire to take a flight in the airplane may do so. The charge is \$10 per trip.

Pertinent Questions About the Educational Amendments

Pino, Ky., Oct. 3, 1921. Editor Big Sandy News:

I have all the daily papers I can read but every Sunday morning I ask for the Big Sandy News and I see this week you advise us all to vote for the school amendments. And before doing so I will kindly ask you to answer a few questions.

Is our constitution getting so frail that it should be changed every year? Which is the most needed at this time, legislation or execution of what laws we have?

How many counties in the state failed to elect their County Education Board of the same politics as the county officers? As the Education Boards all work without pay, what kind of service can we expect from them?

And last, but not least, is this government by the people and for the people? Very respectfully, BUD WILLIAMSON.

(The questions raised in the above article are very timely and worthy of consideration. We confess that we have no very definite ideas as to the value of the propositions, but they hardly can make matters any worse than at present, with a chance for some improvement. That is why we felt that it was fairly safe to advise voting for the amendments. The dream of taking the office out of politics probably will end like all other such dreams have ended. The plan to give the poor counties and districts the advantage of ten per cent extra money to provide certain standard equipment is considered a good move.

Boards serving without salary may give some general attention to the important duties of such positions, but they will not get down to hard work and constant application. It is true also that many salaried officials fail to give efficient service, but the higher powers may and should hold the latter to stricter account for negligence or inefficient performance. There is no ideal system. We need honest execution of the laws worse than we need new laws.)

Virginia Hills Raked for Clubman 'Lost' 8 Months

Bristol, Tenn., Oct. 29.—Officers led by Detective Elmore Brim are searching the mountain region near Marion, Va., for trace of Blaise L. Harrell, wealthy clubman of Bedford, N. Y., who has been missing since February. Relatives of the missing man received word that trace of him had been found, and it was decided to renew the search.

Harrell was last heard from in Roanoke, Va., when he was making preparations to hike through the mountains to Macon-co, Georgia.

It was believed by some he was killed by moonshiners when mistaken for a revenue officer. However, it is now thought there is a chance of finding him alive somewhere in the mountains of Southwest Virginia.

DEDICATION OF CHURCH.

The church at the Cross Roads will be dedicated Sunday, October 23rd. All day services will be held, dinner on the ground. Everybody invited. This is a non-denominational church. It

SAMMONS WITHDRAWS.

McClellan Sammons Republican nominee for Representative from Lawrence and Elliott counties, has withdrawn from the race, leaving a clear field for R. C. Moore, Democratic nominee.

ELECTION CASES APPEALED.

Frankfort, Ky., October 14.—Appeals in two Pike county election contest cases were filed in the Kentucky Court of Appeals to-day. In one Luther R. Darnon, who unsuccessfully sued in the Pike Circuit Court to have the nomination of J. M. Johnson for sheriff set aside, asked that the Court of Appeals declare Johnson illegally nominated. In the other W. W. Clarks, who was held by the lower court to have violated the corrupt practices act and whose nomination for County Judge was declared to be void, attacked the constitutionality of the corrupt practices act. All contestants are Republicans.

LARGE DIAMOND FOUND IN ARKANSAS FIELDS

Little Rock, Ark.—The largest diamond mined in the Arkansas fields in Pike county, was found last week. The stone weighs 20.25 carats in the rough and is estimated to be worth \$10,000. It was one of a total of 45 carats of diamonds found in 100 loads of materials from the mine. The largest previous stone, 15.3 carats, was sold in the rough to a New York firm for \$5,800.

“GOOD-BYE, BOYS” CRIES WIFE SLAYER AS HE HANGS

Moundville, W. Va.—With only the words “Good bye, boys,” and stoical to the end, Henry Harbor, 31, McDowell county negro, went to his death by hanging at the West Virginia penitentiary for the killing of his wife, Warrity. J. Z. Terrell pronounced the man dead in 12 minutes after the drop. Harbor stabbed the woman with a huge knife. An appeal for clemency to Governor Morgan was without success.

CHAMBERS AND BURGRAFF TRIAL SET FOR OCTOBER 21

Williamson, W. Va.—The second trial of Reece Chambers and Fred Burgraff, indicted in connection with the killing of W. J. Ferguson, one of seven Baldwin-Felts detectives slain in the Statewan battle in May, 1920, was set for Oct. 21 by Judge Bailey of the circuit court. At the first trial, which was concluded Sept. 20, last, the jury failed to agree. The defendants were released under \$10,000 bail each. The jury to try the case will be drawn from another county, it was said.

Gas Cases Heard at Frankfort Last Friday

The case of the City of Catlettsburg, et al., against the United Fuel Gas Co., pending before the Kentucky Railroad Commission, was called for final hearing at Frankfort last Friday, all parties answering ready.

At this hearing the complainant cities, Ashland, Catlettsburg and Louisa, introduced their Consulting Engineer, W. H. Weiss, of Chicago, and it was conclusively shown that, after a careful study and thorough examination of the cost of production and transportation of natural gas consumed by these cities, which study and cost of production was confirmed by an examination of the corporation's books, that a charge of 20¢ per thousand cubic feet would yield a return of more than 10 per cent on its capital invested.

The defendant gas company, late in the evening of Friday, asked permission to conclude its cross examination of Mr. Weiss at Charleston, W. Va., in order that access might be had to the books of the corporation and this request of its attorneys was granted by the Commission, conditioned that the case be speedily concluded and ready for final judgment at the meeting of the Railway Commission early in November, Frankfort.

Cheaper gas for Ashland, Catlettsburg and Louisa is reported assured by November 15th of the present year, a great saving in fuel bills for Louisa citizens this winter.

Attorneys Willis, Preston and McClure represented the plaintiff cities, and Attorneys Altizer, Senator Martin and others, represented the defendant gas company.

U. S. Attorney Slattery Removed by the President

Washington, Oct. 6.—Thomas G. Slattery, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky, was removed from office today by President Harding on recommendation of Attorney-General Daugherty.

The reason for the removal was not disclosed by officials. Thomas D. Slattery, whose home is in Mayville, was appointed in 1914 to succeed Edwin P. Morrow, now Governor, who was permitted to serve out his full term. Mr. Slattery was reappointed by President Wilson in May, 1918, for a term of four years.

This is the first instance in the history of Kentucky when a Federal District Attorney was removed or who was not allowed to serve out his term. Attorney-General Harry Daugherty reportedly asked Mr. Slattery for his resignation, but the latter declined on the ground that he was entitled by law to serve out his four-year term. A threat to remove him followed unless he should hand in his resignation by a given time. This he ignored.

Mr. Slattery was active in investigating frauds in the mountain counties after the 1920 election. Senator Richard P. Ernst, who obtained unprecedented majorities in the mountains, recommended Sawyer Smith of Barbourville as Mr. Slattery's successor.—Louisville Times.

An examination for mine foreman will be held at Lexington, Department of Mines, November 14. A fee of \$2.50 will be required.