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## MOONSHINER SHOT WHILE RESISTING DEPUTY SHERIFFS

### Raid at Webville Gets Four Youths and a Copper Still.

Deputy Sheriff raided a moonshine still near Webville a few nights ago and arrested four young fellows, ages 17 to 19 years of age. Ed. Cotton was shot and severely wounded while resisting arrest. He had a gun leveled on George Young, an officer, when he was shot. He was not able to be brought to Louisa. The other three, Lee Perkins, Hobert Perkins and Hurs ton Sparks, were brought to Louisa and put in jail. Cotton's condition is improving and he will probably recover.

The still is a good one, made of copper. The boys admitted their guilt, it is said.

Sheriff J. W. Young and his deputies have been very active in locating stills since they went into office a month ago. If they keep going at this rate Lawrence will be bone dry before long.

Later:—A boy named Hicks, who said he took meal from his father to this still to have a "rim" made, was brought in also, but he told all he knew about it and was released.

George Young made his way to the still and saw the young fellows at work, but as there were five of them he went away and summoned his brother, Mayo Young, and a man named Ward to help capture the party. Returning they met the five and arrested them. Cotton resisted as stated above.

## MRS. WELCH DIES AT FORT GAY, WEST VA.

Mrs. Mary C. Welch was born in Ft. Gay, W. Va., and spent the greater part of her life there. She died last Monday at the age of 88 years, 8 mo. and 17 days. She was converted in the M. E. Church South about 18 years ago and received and baptized in said church. She is survived by two children, Mrs. W. L. Wright of Frankfort and Samuel Welch of Rittman, Ohio, five grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

She was known for her generosity. No one was ever turned away from her door hungry or in need of sympathy. Since her conversion she has lived a consistent Christian life, often praying and saying she was ready to go whenever the Lord called her.

The funeral took place on Tuesday and was conducted by Rev. Blankenship and Rev. L. D. Bryan. Burial at Fort Gay.

## MRS. SID HATFIELD MARRIES TROOPER

Mrs. Jessie Hatfield, widow of Sid Hatfield of Matewan, W. Va., was married Wednesday evening at her home to Sylvester Pettry of Raleigh county, a member of the state police. Mr. Pettry has applied for his discharge from the service. It is said Mr. and Mrs. Pettry may locate in Huntington.

His bride's first husband was C. C. Tusterman, who was killed in May, 1920, in a riot at Matewan. A short time afterwards she was married to Sid Hatfield, who was killed in Welch, W. Va., August 1, 1921.

## LOUISA CHAPTER No. 95

Chas. Forrell and Oscar Tavory, cashier of the Himler State Bank, of Warfield, Bascom Boyd of Ulysses, and Jack Thompson and Lloyd Harrison of this place were the victims who were initiated into the mysteries of the Royal Arch Masons last Saturday night at this place.

W. M. Hale of Inez and Floyd Brewer of Warfield, and several members from Wayne Chapter also attended.

## FOR PURE WATER SUPPLY.

Dr. A. T. McCormack, of the State Board of Health, made the following statement before a legislative committee at Frankfort this week:

"This measure is for the protection of human life from polluted water supplies," declared Dr. McCormack. "We are spending more money on typhoid fever than on education in this State. One might as well issue licenses to murderers as, after knowing the facts, to permit water companies to continue to sell polluted water."

"The great cry of the water companies is that they must have water to put out fires," he said. "The water that is being sold in many Kentucky towns puts out life."

## MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Tivis R. Hayes, 25, of New Boston, Ohio, to Laura Wellman, 19, of Louisa.

Emery Kasee, 19, to Virginia Boggs, 19, of Skaggs.

Z. T. Webb, 48, of Fallsburg, to Jennie Hall, 58, of Potter.

Ira Wellman, 39, to Rosa Ritchie, 22, of Louisa.

## MRS. MONT HOLT ILL.

Mrs. Mont Holt has been critically ill with pneumonia at the home of her mother, Mrs. Robinson in Paintsville, for several days. Her condition is reported to be slightly improved today. Her little daughter is recovering from an attack of pneumonia also.

## ANTI-CIGARETTE LEAGUE ASKS 10,000,000 RECRUITS



CHICAGO.—The National Anti-Cigarette League announces a drive, to begin next week for 10,000,000 recruits to the clean life movement of the league. Dr. D. H. Kress, of Washington, is president of the organization. An educational and law enforcement campaign is planned.

## BIBLE CONTEST IN LOUISA SCHOOLS

Ashland, Ky., Jan. 31, 1922.

While at Louisa this morning I was successful in getting both schools there to enroll in the State Bible Class Contest, being conducted by the Young Men's Christian Association.

The following officers were elected at the Louisa Public High School: Paul Roberts, President. Hubert Chaffin, Vice President. Ed Land, Secretary. Mont Hale, Treasurer. Prof. Godby has agreed to teach the class.

The officers for Kentucky Normal College High School are: Homer Ekers, President. Samuel Frazier, Vice President. P. P. Damron, Secretary. Maxwell Kliner, Treasurer. Prof. W. J. Simpson, Teacher.

The contest is to begin this week, (the first of February) and last for seven weeks. A large loving cup will be given to the school that has the highest standing at the end of the seven weeks. The schools are divided into three classes: those having more than 300 boys in class I, those having more than 50 up to 300, in class II, and those having less than 50 are in class III. The schools in each class compete only with those in their class, an award being given for each class.

The other schools of eastern Kentucky so far enrolled are: Pikeville High, and Pikeville Academy, Paintsville, Prestonsburg, Ashland, Greensport, Russell, Grayson, Vanceburg and Olive Hill.

If the spirit with which Louisa schools started is kept up they will make a good showing.

Cordially yours, W. W. HALL, District Secretary.

## MORGAN FLANERY DIES IN OHIO.

The body of Morgan Flanery, who passed away about 8 o'clock Thursday morning at his home in Powellville, Ohio, after a brief illness of pneumonia, was taken to Ashland Saturday and the funeral services will be held there Sunday morning at 10 o'clock with burial in the cemetery there.

Mr. Flanery came to Powellville 4 years ago from Kentucky where the greater part of his life was spent. He had many friends in the county who heard of his passing with sincere regret.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by ten children as follows: Isom Flanery and Bayles Flanery of Poplar Plains, Ky.; Mrs. Sarah Rose and Mrs. Laura Rose of Elliott county, Ky.; Charles Flanery of Webbville, Lawrence county, Ky.; Mrs. Mary Parson of Franklin Furnace; Mrs. Mamie Jenkins of Bowellville; Miss Maggie Flannery at home and Mrs. Ethel Triplett of Boyd county, Ky.—Portsmouth Sun.

## MISS KOUNS ILL.

G. W. Kouns and Dr. J. J. Gambill were here the first of the week, returning to their homes at Blaino near Barbourville, W. Va., where they had been called by the illness of Mr. Kouns' daughter, Miss Georgia May Kouns. She has so far recovered as to be able to accompany them home. She had suffered an attack of appendicitis and was in a hospital a few days. She and her sister are students in Morris Harvey College.

## NOW SELLING GAS.

The Carroll Gas Company of this place is now supplying gas to the Central Kentucky Gas Company, serving Lexington and surrounding cities. This property is located near Red Bush, on the border of Johnson and Lawrence counties. The company has 11 wells, some of them making more than a million feet per day.

## MR. LEWIS NUNLEY DIES.

Mr. Lewis Nunley died Wednesday of this week at his home near Huletts postoffice, this county. He was about 70 years old. A wife and several grown sons and daughters survive. Mr. Nunley was one of the good citizens of that neighborhood.

## Floyd County Girl Arrested in Ohio

Cincinnati O., Jan. 28.—The young woman who gave her name as "Anna Bragg," 18, of West Virginia, when arrested here, recently while wearing male attire, today told jail authorities that her father was a Kentucky clergyman and that her mother, who lived at Garrett, Ky., was Mrs. Anna K. Richmond.

The girl also stated that she was Mrs. Pauline Richmond Curtis, having married in Cincinnati August 17, 1920, a salesman named Curtis of Tulsa, Okla., who disappeared shortly afterwards.

"I was also an actress and played with the 'Social Follies' and the 'Broadway Belles,'" the young woman declared.

She wrote her mother today and may be sent home soon.

Local detective bureau officials received a telegram today from County Prosecutor, H. B. Lee, of Bluefield, W. Va., asking them to hold the young woman as her description answered that of Mary Rateliff, who had escaped from Princeton, W. Va., jail two years ago while awaiting trial on a charge of murder.

## Dave Jackson, Masonic Secretary, Fatally Stricken

Dave Jackson, secretary of the Grand Lodge of Kentucky, Freg and Accepted Masons, died at 7 o'clock last Thursday night at the City Hospital, in Louisville, a few minutes after he was stricken by apoplexy on a street car. Mr. Jackson was going to attend a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home when he was stricken.

He was removed from the car in an unconscious condition and rushed to the hospital, where efforts to save his life were futile.

At the hospital a Masonic button on his coat was noted and his home was called. Several high officials of the order hastened to the hospital, reaching the bedside before the end came.

Mr. Jackson is survived by his widow, Mrs. Kate Mahan Jackson; a daughter, Mrs. A. B. Overstreet, of Enderlin, N. D.; and three sons, Dave Jackson, Jr., a druggist at Louisville, Walter Jackson, professor of chemistry at Dinkins' Training School, Selma, Ala., and Charles Jackson, Dallas, Texas, representative of an Indianapolis automobile house, and two brothers, W. S. Jackson, of London, and Andrew Jackson of Harlan.

Mr. Jackson visited Louisa and other Big Sandy towns last year.

## REHEARING IN GAS CASES REFUSED

## Railroad Commission Declines to Re-open Matter of Rates in Louisa, Etc.

Frankfort, Feb. 1.—The Kentucky Railroad Commission today overruled the motion of attorneys for the United Fuel Gas Company for a rehearing of the case brought recently by the cities of Ashland, Catlettsburg and Louisa for a reduction in prevailing gas rates.

Two weeks ago the commission ordered the company to reduce its rates 20 per cent. Several days later the company sent in a petition asking for a re-hearing and today was set to argue the motion. Senator George B. Martin of Catlettsburg acted as attorney for the company and John Diedrich and Vernon Dinkie, city attorneys of Ashland and Catlettsburg, respectively, appeared before the commission to oppose the plea for a new hearing.

The commission's recent decision calling for a reduction of 20 per cent was ordered to go into effect Feb. 11.

## WASHINGTON THEATER COLLAPSE COSTS 100 LIVES

Ninety-seven lives were crushed out in Washington city Saturday night when the roof of a large-swinging picture show building caved in. 135 were injured. It was the Knickerbocker theater, a new building. The construction evidently was defective, although the three feet of snow on the roof is given as the cause of the collapse.

Miss Nannie Lee Lambert, a cousin of Attorney J. T. Lambert of Wayne, W. Va., was one of those killed. She had been employed in the government lithographing plant for many years.

## MOVED TO ASHLAND.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Picklesimer are moving to Ashland where Mr. Picklesimer has accepted a position with Mr. B. E. Adams of the Vanhoose-Adams Company. Mr. and Mrs. Picklesimer will occupy a portion of the house in which Mr. Adams lives. The apartment in the Walters building vacated by them will be occupied by Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Skaggs who have moved there from the Freeze home.

## RETURN FROM TEXAS.

Dr. and Mrs. Will Burgess, who have lived in Texas for the past 20 years, are in Wayne this week, the guests of Mr. Burgess' brother, Dr. G. R. Burgess, and his sister, Mrs. T. B. McClure. Dr. Burgess says that he has returned to this country to live. He will probably open offices in Catlettsburg.—Wayne News.

## Conductor Arrested at Williamson, W. Va.

Charleston, W. Va., Jan. 31.—Add a railroad conductor to the lengthening list of profession and trades through which the market is being flooded with contraband liquor.

The following detailed report from Captain Brockus in command of B. Company, West Virginia State Police, stationed at Williamson, Mingo county, was received today by Colonel Jackson Arnold, superintendent of public safety, at state police headquarters here:

"J. E. Metz, age 53, married, passenger conductor, running from Roanoke, Va., to Winston-Salem, N. C., was arrested at the N. & W. passenger station in Williamson, W. Va., by Private James O'Brien and Private Gradea B. Godfrey, Company B, West Virginia State Police when he got off a pullman car at 6 a. m., charged with transporting whiskey into the state. He had in his possession a suit case containing five gallons and one quart of moonshine whiskey in hot water bottles. He was tried in Justice Meek's court and sentenced to pay \$500 fine and to serve sixty days in the county jail.—Huntington Herald-Dispatch.

## Tent Colonies of Mingo Costing \$100,000 a Month

Williamson, W. Va., Jan. 23.—Tent colonies in Mingo county are costing the United Mine Workers of America \$100,000 a month to maintain, according to the statement today of Harry Olmstead, chairman of the labor committee of the Williamson Coal Operators' Association.

Three hundred men and their families are quartered in the colonies, Olmstead said.

These conditions exist in Mingo county, while the United Mine Workers are calling upon the nation to furnish food and supplies to miners said to be staying in other fields of the state, the Williamson operator remarked.

"Where hunger exists mouths should be fed," Olmstead declared, "but it should not be overlooked that the United Mine Workers brought this condition of helplessness upon its members." He said the union would not permit its members to accept a readjustment of wages and, therefore, while operators have orders for coal at low or prices, they cannot operate on the present wage scales.

"It is no wonder that the tent inhabitants are contented to stay when treated with such liberality," he said. "The tent colonies are known in the Williamson district as 'the United Mine Workers' standing army,' the tents being the habitation also of the gunmen brought here for the purpose of shooting up the mining towns during the strike."

No suffering exists in the tents, according to Olmstead.

## W. S. DeRossett Dies in Vicksburg

Word has been received of the death of W. S. DeRossett at Vicksburg, Miss. Mr. DeRossett was born in Prestonsburg, October 7, 1860, and was the son of Samuel J. and Elizabeth DeRossett. He formerly lived in Ashland and Louisa, his first wife being Miss Willie Jones of Louisa.

He has lived in Vicksburg, the home of his second wife, for the past sixteen years. She was Miss Anna Fortner. Burial took place at Vicksburg.

Besides his wife, Mr. DeRossett is survived by a daughter, Mrs. B. B. Rule of Price, Utah, a son Wallace DeRossett of Vicksburg, a sister, Mrs. E. L. Hubbard of Ashland, and several nephews and nieces.

## WILLIAMSON WOMAN TO PENITENTIARY

At Williamson, W. Va., Mrs. Rosa Bevin was found guilty, by a jury in the circuit court this afternoon, of violation of the prohibition law and will be sentenced by Judge Robert F. Bailey to a term in the state penitentiary at Moundsville. Mrs. Bevin was charged with having an unlawful quantity of whiskey in her possession at her house west of the city. This is a second conviction for a similar offense and the penalty is incarceration in the state prison. The minimum sentence is one year.—Williamson News.

## DESTRUCTIVE FIRE AT PRESTONSBURG

Fire at Prestonsburg early Friday morning destroyed the Liberty restaurant and the Busy Bee restaurant and damaged the Prestonsburg Electric Light Company building, the First National Bank building and the residence of J. C. Hopkins. The cause of the blaze is unknown. The damage is estimated at \$10,000.

## ANSWERING MR. DOOLEY.

Mattie, Ky., Jan. 23, 1922. Mr. James Dooley,

Dear Dooley:—I saw your ad in the Big Sandy News and I respond to your request. I am a poor, hard working woman and have good health and would make your children a good mother and if you mean business call and we will talk the matter over. From KATTE S. BERRY.

## CIRCUIT COURT NEXT MONDAY.

Next Monday the Lawrence Circuit Court will convene at this place. Jailer Skaggs has the court room in good condition for the opening of the session, having washed the windows, polished the woodwork and cleaned up in general.

## FIGHTING PARSON IS NEW LEGION CHAPLAIN



Rev. Earl A. Blackman of Kansas, newly elected chaplain of the National American Legion earned his title of "Fighting Parson" when he offered to do battle with any A. E. F. sky-pilot in France and received no acceptances. Now he holds dances in his church in Kansas, teaches pugilism to Sunday School pupils, and says Blue Laws are bunk.

## BILL TO REPEAL OIL LEASE LAW

Mr. R. C. Moore introduced the following bill, which was ordered to be printed and referred to the Committee on Kentucky Statutes, viz:

An act repealing Section 4 of Chapter 24 of the Acts of 1920, and re-enacting the same.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

That Section 4 of Chapter of the Acts of 1920, approved March 18, 1920, be and the same is hereby repealed and the following is enacted in lieu thereof:

"That in the event of oil or gas being discovered in paying quantities on an adjoining leasehold, and the products therefrom being taken out of the ground and marketed, and said well is within three hundred feet of another lessor's property line, then within three months after written notice has been given lessee to the effect that such oil or gas has commenced to be transported and marketed from the said adjoining premises, the lessee or lessees of the land lying with three hundred feet of the said wells shall begin to drill an offset well to each of such wells so located provided said offset wells to be drilled are not less than five hundred feet of each other, and offset well and complete the same with diligence, the said contract and lease shall automatically expire and become null and void; provided this shall not apply to leases that are being operated or on which wells are being drilled."

That if any lessor fails to commence a well, regardless of whether payments of rentals have been paid or are being paid, within three years from the time said lease is taken, said lease shall automatically expire and become null and void."

## THEY PUT THEM OFF AT BUFFALO

Instead of going to Rochester, Minnesota, as announced last week, Major Hays and C. F. See, Sr., flew the track somewhere, probably at Cincinnati, and landed in Buffalo, N. Y. Mr. Hays is in a hospital there, under treatment of a specialist, and will remain thirty days. Mr. See returned home this week. Before leaving—Louisia they were considering both Rochester and Buffalo.

## EVANGELISTIC MEETING AT PRESTONSBURG

We learn that Rev. Mr. Murrell, pastor of the Methodist church at Prestonsburg, Ky., will begin a series of meetings at that place on next Sunday, assisted by Dr. Theodore Copeland and Prof. Brown, his singer. We learn also that Dr. Copeland, who is from Texas has been pastor of several large city churches and is an evangelist of note.

## ROAD COMMITTEE TO MEET IN ASHLAND

E. R. Price, chairman of the Good Roads committee of the Northeast Kentucky Coal Association, has called a general meeting of good roads enthusiasts and boosters, to be held at the Ventura Hotel, Ashland, Tuesday, February 7, at 1:00 p. m.

All interested in the construction of good roads through the Big Sandy counties are urged to be present at this very important meeting.

## REBEKAHS MEET.

Mrs. Anna K. Stein and Mrs. Anna Brel, Grand President and Grand Secretary representing the Rebekah Assembly of Kentucky, met with Betsy Ross Lodge No. 95, at this place on Monday evening, January 30. These officials lauded the efficient work being done by this chapter and gave very interesting and instructive demonstrations of the degrees. After the various phases of lodge work were discussed the lodge adjourned, but before leaving the hall all were served by excellent refreshments which were prepared by the good sisters of the order.

## MR. POSEY QUITS ROAD DEPARTMENT

### Accepts More Lucrative Position With a Large Company.

Ashland, Ky., Jan. 30, 1922. Big Sandy News, Louisa, Kentucky. Gentlemen:

I wish to take this opportunity of thanking you and other papers for publishing free of charge such articles as have been written by me, during the last eighteen months while I was Division Engineer, pertaining to road matters. I have been able to get before the citizens of this community some very vital information pertaining to good roads, on account of the public spiritedness which your papers have shown in publishing different articles, and without your support and interest I would have been unable to have gotten many things accomplished which I have.

I am resigning my position as Division Engineer, effective February 15, to form a connection with the Barrett Manufacturing Company, a State representative for Kentucky, with headquarters in Ashland. My new line of work will be along road work only, and I will be just as interested in the road program in Kentucky, and especially Northeastern Kentucky, in the future as I have in the past and at any time that I can be of service to your section pertaining to road matters I gladly volunteer my services.

Again thanking you for your public spiritedness and interest in road work, and trusting that my successor may receive the same support in his duties in the future, as I have in the past, I am, Yours very truly, M. E. S. POSEY.

## Mrs. Donald Clark for Congress in West Va.

A new color has been given to Fifth district politics this past week with the announcement from Colonel Lawrence E. Tierney, of McDowell county, that he would support Mrs. Donald Clark of Westmoreland, Wayne county, for the Democratic nomination for congress at the primary and election to be held this year.

Mrs. Clark herself has been rather non-committal on her probable candidacy. She has not yet authorized her official announcement but she and her friends are giving serious attention to this matter.

Mrs. Clarke is widely and favorably known throughout the following nine counties which represent the Fifth Congressional District of West Virginia: Lincoln, Logan, Mercer, Mingo, Monroe, McDowell, Summers, Wyoming and Wayne.

The Fifth District is ordinarily Republican by a good majority. But friends of Mrs. Clark base their confidence of her success, should she enter the campaign, upon the fact that recent municipal elections throughout the country have shown that the average voter is not adverse to women officials. In other words, these results have shown that women voters support women candidates rather consistently and that the rank and file of male voters tend to disregard sex in choosing their favorites.

In addition to this Mrs. Clark represents the Vinson family which has always been an important factor in Southern West Virginia Democratic politics. She is also secured of valuable Republican support because of the leading roles which have been played in that party by immediate relatives. The assurance of the support of Colonel Tierney is another reason why the friends of Mrs. Clark are optimistic.

In 1916 Edward Cooper (R) defeated G. R. C. Wiles (D) for Congress by the vote of 25,642 to 23,459—a majority of only 1,784 in the nine counties. In 1918 Wells Goodykoots (R) was elected over W. W. McNeal (D) by the vote of 19,304 to 16,948. And in the last Congressional election, in 1920 Mr. Goodykoots won over W. W. McNeal (D) by the vote of 45,193 to 35,324. The 1920 election was the first in which women voted, which accounts for the heavy poll: Goodykoots' majority of 6,799 in the 1920 election was a part of the general Republican general landslide which swept the entire country.

Mrs. Clark is the daughter of the late Sam Vinson, who has been dead several years, and "Aunt Polly" Vinson, who died last year. Mr. and Mrs. Clark are residents of Westmoreland but are living temporarily at the Frederick Hotel in Huntington. She is president of the Ceredo District Board of Education, a member of the State Child Welfare Association and prominently connected with other civic and educational enterprises.—Wayne News

## ANOTHER NEW RESIDENCE TO BE BUILT HERE

Mr. C. L. Hawkins, of Van Lear, has bought from E. L. Wellman a lot on Lock avenue and will build a handsome residence to be occupied by his family. They will move here from Van Lear. The lot is on the Yates place adjoining the one on which J. H. Preston recently built the house now occupied by Prof. S. B. Godbey.

Mr. Hawkins is purchasing agent for the Millers creek division of the Consolidation Coal Company at Van Lear. He is also president of the Eastern Kentucky Lumber & Supply Company of this place.

Louisa citizens will welcome Mr. Hawkins and his family to this place.