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## LAWRENCE CIRCUIT COURT GRINDING AT COUNTY SEAT

### Violators of Prohibition Laws are Being Dealt Deadly Blows.

Judge H. L. Woods opened the regular September term of circuit court at Louisa Monday morning. Commonwealth's Attorney Frank M. Vinson and County Attorney G. W. Castle are at their post of duty.

The juries were empaneled and the Judge gave strong instructions to the grand jury.

The juries are as follows: Grand Jury:—E. E. Shannon, foreman; Millard Webb, Marlon Young, Billie Sparks, H. F. Williams, J. S. Hardin, U. S. Swan, Albert May, Lewis Skaggs, F. F. Freese, David B. Thompson, E. W. Jobe.

Petit Jury:—Lon Carter, W. O. Muncey, Frank Young, Charley Derfield, Willie Hammond, Whyp Moore, Levi P. Miller, W. D. Chapman, Jesse H. Cordie, A. W. Blackburn, Frank Chandler, Fred Perry, John F. Griffith, Milt Pig. A. J. Young, A. H. Caperton, Robert Johnson, C. W. McDonald, J. A. Richmond, Wm. Barnette, Wesley Hall, Oscar Graham, Al Hays, T. B. Branham.

The docket has been disposed of each day. No felony cases have yet been tried. The way these juries are going after violations of the liquor laws is the finest example that could be set for law and order. The Commonwealth's attorney believes that the way to reduce lawlessness to the minimum is to make the violators suffer every time. This sort of policy, with the backing of the court and jury, as is the case this time, will clean up this district.

An unusually large number of bond forfeitures is being made at this term and will be enforced.

Judge Woods sent Rena Belle Kitchen to jail for 24 hours for contempt of court. He first gave her six hours and she said "Why don't you let me stay over night?" So he surprised her by extending the dose to 24 hours.

Heavy Fines Inflicted. For drunkenness Bob Collier, T. T. and Lon Hlevins and Lon Kitchen were each fined \$50 and 10 days. Harris Wilson was fined \$100 and Nelson Hillman \$50.

Jim Griffith, M. V. Sparks, Chris Lambris and Henry Perkins were fined \$5 each for failing to send their children to school.

Robert Salyer got 30 days for petit larceny. Wesley Holbrook \$50 and 10 days for carrying a pistol.

Lon Leaning \$300 and 60 days for transporting liquor. Bob Chapman \$250 and 50 days for moonshining.

Wm. Harvey \$50 and 1 day for operating a still. Carter County Case.

Next Monday a big felony case moved from Carter on change of venue will come up for trial. The defendants are Boh, Jack, Cam and Maude Biggs, charged with hiring Dominick Gardina to kill Chas. F. Duvall. Gardina made the attempt and injured Duvall, but not fatally. He was convicted in Carter county and sent to the penitentiary. Duvall killed Dr. Biggs at Olive Hill and was acquitted. It is charged that the Biggs relatives named herein sought to have Duvall killed.

Indictment For Murder. It is reported that an indictment has been found against Cleve Pruitt of Clifford, charging him with the willful murder of his father, Joe Pruitt, which occurred at the latter's home a few months ago.

Ores Jordan has been indicted for rape, according to reports.

## TWO BRIDES VISITING RELATIVES IN LOUISA

Miss Roberta Shannon, daughter of Albert M. Shannon, now of Drift, was married to Mr. Ervin Mullins of Garth, Ky., at the Louisa Inn, recently. She and her sister, Mrs. C. W. Strader, also of Garth, are now in Louisa visiting Mrs. H. B. Muney and other relatives. Mrs. Strader is a bride also. They are natives of this county, having lived four miles south of Louisa until two years ago. Both of these young ladies are attractive and worthy in every way.

## HOUSE PARTY.

Mrs. A. M. Campbell entertained the following at a house party at her home in Huntington which was a very enjoyable occasion: Mrs. Nora Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Yates, Mrs. Mary B. Horton, of this place and Mrs. C. F. Williamson of Memphis, Tenn., and A. S. L. S. Johnson of Frankfort. They were guests of Mrs. B. A. Bieckel at 6 o'clock dinner at the Huntington hotel one evening. Dr. and Mrs. G. C. Howard and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Richmond of Huntington also being included in the party.

## HUSBAND SHOTS WIFE.

Mrs. Novina Blackburn, aged 28, of Pinsonfork, is in the Williamson hospital suffering from a pistol wound alleged to have been inflicted by her husband, Otis Blackburn. The bullet struck her in the hip and while the wound is painful it is not regarded as serious. It is alleged that Blackburn came home drunk and after abusing his wife in a brutal manner shot her. He was arrested and taken to jail at Pikeville.—Mingo Republican.

## Atlantic To Pacific



Lieut. J. H. Doolittle, U. S. Army aviator, left friends at Pablo Beach, Fla., one evening recently, and dined with other in San Diego, Calif., the next, going from ocean to ocean in about 21 hours of flying.

## A Farewell Gathering for Departing Pastor

An informal reception or gathering was held at the M. E. Church South last Monday evening in honor of Rev. J. D. Bell and family, who were leaving for his new work, after serving this church faithfully for three years. Quite a large number of members and friends were out to bid these good people Godspeed and much success. Ice cream, cake and coffee was served to all. A. O. Carter paid a merited tribute to departing pastor and in doing so, voiced the sentiments of all those present. Mr. Bell and Mrs. Bell responded with warm words of appreciation. The meeting closed with handshaking and many tears along with the "good-byes."

The family left Wednesday evening for Summersville, W. Va., the new work to which Mr. Bell has been assigned. We commend him most heartily to the people of that city.

## MAN KILLED BY FALL FROM BRIDGE

A fatal accident occurred Monday evening at the Middle creek bridge at East Prestonsburg. Wade Johnson was instantly killed and Morgan Sheppard dangerously injured by falling from the bridge.

The two men were walking arm in arm on the railroad track and were seen to make a rather quick turn and fall off near the end, landing on rocks about 40 feet below. Sheppard fell on top of Johnson.

Sheppard is on trial, it is said, on a charge connecting him with the murder of a woman named Allen, Johnson was attending court as a witness. Both were citizens of Floyd county.

## Third Respite Granted Man Sentenced to Die

Frankfort, Ky., Sept. 16.—Dave Brown of Pike county, under sentence of death for the murder of James Brumfield yesterday was granted another ten-day respite by Governor Morrow. This fixes the date of execution, which was set for tomorrow for September 25.

This is the third respite for Brown since his conviction was affirmed by the Court of Appeals. The Governor is studying the record in the case, it is decided whether or not the case is one for executive clemency.

Brown's attorney in presenting application for commutation of sentence is understood to have told the Governor that Brown was at one time in an insane asylum in West Virginia. He is said to have promised to bring affidavits from the asylum to this effect.

## Age of Greasy Creek Bridal Couple Is 140

Pikeville, Ky., Sept. 14.—Unusual interest was taken in a wedding today when Irgel Keen, 65 years old, of Greasy Creek Ky., and Nancy J. Mullins 75, of Elkhorra City, were united in marriage at the County Clerk's office by Judge W. E. Flanery. The County Clerk donated the license when the bride tendered the money and the Judge made no charges for his services.

The bride was dressed in the style in vogue fifty years ago with old-fashioned shoes and bonnet, while the groom was dressed in overalls and chewed his tobacco throughout the ceremony.

## DEATH OF SCOTT MARTIN.

Scott Martin, aged 27 years, died on Wednesday in Riverview hospital after an illness of about four weeks with blood poisoning. He was the son of Elisha Martin and lived near Clifford. He was a veteran of the World war and was in service in France for some time during the war. His body was taken to the home of John Frazier in Louisa and on Thursday morning removed to the home of his parents where burial will take place.

## LOWER LICK CREEK.

There will be an ice cream festival at the school house Saturday night, September 23. Everybody come. HATTIE THOMPSON, Teacher.

## SUITS FILED BY WIDOWS OF THE CLAYHOLE VICTIMS

### Three Widows and Eighteen Orphans Ask for \$300,000 Damages.

Lexington, Sept. 20.—Mitchell S. Crain, Breathitt county republican leader, and fourteen other Breathitt citizens are defendants today in three damage suits totaling \$300,000, filed in Fayette circuit court by widows of three democrats killed in the famous election day battle last November at Clayhole.

The suits were filed by Ryland C. Musick, Jackson attorney, who assisted the defense of the cases of the democrats in the trial at Catlettsburg that started on June 12.

Although filed several days ago they were kept secret until last night to permit serving papers on defendants. The plaintiffs are Mrs. Pauline Combs, and five children; Mrs. Lizzie Allen, and seven children; and Mrs. Della Combs, widow of Asbury Combs, and six children.

Each of the women's suits asked \$100,000. The petition charges Crain and his co-defendants conspired to prevent and destroy the election and to kill and murder such persons, including the husbands of the women who filed the suits, as was necessary to carry out their purpose.

The eighteen children, left orphans by the deaths of their fathers, are named as follows: The named defendants with Crain are Ed Davis, Chester Davis, Willie Davis, Arnie Davis, Will Barnett, Marlon Barnett, Amby Barnett, Alfred Barnett, Will Campbell, Ed Combs, Gene Strong, Clarence Fugate, James Kilburn and Tom Miller.

## FORD PLANTS SHUT DOWN AT DETROIT

### Over 100,000 Persons Idle as Result—Manufacturer Renews Efforts to Solve Fuel Problem.

Detroit, Sept. 18.—An industrial army of upward of 100,000 persons today entered upon a period of idleness and the mammoth Ford Motor Company plants were deserted, except for caretakers for the first time in months. This was the first working day since the complete suspension of operations due to the coal situation.

As many of the idle factory workers were casting about for jobs to tide them over, their employer, Henry Ford renewed his efforts to solve his fuel problem. His task, Mr. Ford maintained, was to obtain fuel at what he considered a reasonable price.

No statement had been made by the manufacturer today as to the probable duration of the suspension of work at his plants, but Edsel B. Ford, president of the company, voiced the hope that a way out of the fuel difficulty soon might be found.

## MRS. WEBB IS 100 YEARS OLD

Our Tuscola correspondent makes mention of Mrs. Webb, who is in her 100th year. Last March she completed the 99th year of her age and entered upon the century year.

Mrs. Webb's oldest son is Andy J. Webb, now past eighty years. His home is at Tuscola, this county. His mother has been living with a daughter at Denton, Carter county, for several years.

Both Mr. Webb and his mother are very sick just now and their recovery is doubtful.

## Large Auto Distributing Concern Formed in Pike

Pikeville, Ky., Sept. 19.—A company composed of Pikeville business men, formed for the distribution of automobiles today purchased the Cumberland Garage of this city at a consideration of \$40,000. The company consists of H. E. Syck, president; W. L. Morris, vice president; Rudolph Rutherford, treasurer and F. P. Ratliff, secretary and manager.

## PAINTSVILLE WOMAN DIES.

Mrs. John McKenzie died Tuesday at her home near Paintsville. The family had lived at Hampton City since the death there of a daughter, Mrs. Salyer, about four years ago. Mrs. McKenzie had gone to their farm a few days ago to look after matters and while about her household duties early Tuesday morning dropped dead. After funeral service at the home interment took place in the family burying ground Thursday.

## NEHEMIAH KITCHEN DIES.

Nehemiah Kitchen, 69, a retired clergyman of the Methodist church and a respected citizen of Greensburg, died suddenly Tuesday morning at his home in South Greenup, death being due to heart failure. The Kitchens were preparing to move to Logan, W. Va., this week, where they resided before coming here. The deceased will probably be taken there for burial.—Russell Times.

## Wayne to Hold Fair October 6th and 7th

At a meeting of the Wayne County Farm Bureau held at Wayne recently it was decided that the Wayne county fair will be held this year at Wayne on October 6 and 7. The following committees were appointed to make all arrangements:

Finance Committee—Chairman C. W. Ferguson; Herman P. Dean, W. H. Newhouse, E. D. Bunn, Eustace Adkins, Frank Fry, O. J. Rife, Joseph Alley, T. J. Preston, Lacey Wellman.

Arrangement Committee—Claude Newman, Kiah Adkins, Boyd Adkins and W. B. Spurlock.

Decorations Committee—Miss Alice Miller, Mrs. W. D. Click, Mrs. D. B. Hardwick, Mrs. William Walker and Mrs. R. J. Thompson.

Exhibition Committee—Miss Annie Adkins, Prof. C. T. Hatcher, Miss Pearl Cyrus, L. L. Lycans, Miss Julia Billups, Miss Edna Tabor, Mrs. Wayne Ferguson, Mrs. Era Burgess, Mrs. P. P. Fylymale, Elizabeth Frazier, Miss Toke Sansom, A. P. Queen, William Jackson, Oscar Miller and L. B. Taber.

Entertainment Committee—Mrs. H. C. Wilcox, Prof. T. B. McClure and J. F. Harrison.

The following articles will be on exhibit: Farmers will bring all forms of household work and farm products; citizens will bring all old heirlooms; exhibits of school work will be prepared by the schools. The fruit exhibit will be one of the main features of the fair. According to plans, Friday will be declared a holiday in the county in order that teachers and pupils may attend both days of the fair.

## Chattanooga Woman Visits Our Oldest Citizen

Mrs. H. Lee Grim, representing the Chattanooga Medicine Company, was sent to Louisa this week to interview and get photographs of Mrs. Mahala Huff, age 104, one of the oldest women in the United States. She visited the home three miles from Louisa and made pictures of Mrs. Huff and her son, Henderson Wells, and his wife, also, at the urgent invitation of Mrs. Huff. Mrs. Grim ate an excellent dinner cooked by Mrs. Huff and Mrs. Wells.

Mrs. Grim has been sent by her company into 22 states to interview old people. She declares Mrs. Huff to be one of the most remarkable persons of extreme age that she has ever visited.

## J. Redding's Child Dies After Short Illness

The 13-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. J. Redding died Sunday after a short illness. Burial took place Monday in Pine Hill cemetery. The funeral service was conducted at the home by Rev. H. B. Hulstite.

The family recently moved to Louisa and lives in Dr. Sparks' house near Wm. Taylor's in the Gartin addition. Mr. Redding, who is an electrician, is employed by the power company in building a power line from West Virginia to Beaver creek. They moved here from Lexington. The family has the sympathy of the community in their bereavement.

## Miss Willie May Artrip and John Farr, Jr., Wed

Quite a wide surprise and interest was created Tuesday by the announcement of the marriage of Miss Willie Mae Artrip, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Artrip of Westmoreland, and John Farr, Jr., which occurred on September 17, in Ironton, O. Mrs. Farr was studying in her senior year at Huntington high school, and was one of the most popular members of the student body. Mr. Farr is associated in business with his father, John Farr, at the Farr Hotel, Mr. and Mrs. Farr are enjoying their honeymoon in the west. When their return they will be at home to friends at the Farr Hotel.—Huntington Herald-Dispatch.

## Louisa Firm Contracts Work in Paintsville and Ashland

The Eastern Kentucky Lumber and Supply Company of Louisa has closed contracts for the construction of two handsome business houses in Paintsville, one for James W. Turner and the other for Sid Webb.

This company also has contracted to build six residences in Ashland and has started the work of excavation.

## RETURNS FROM COLORADO.

J. Walter Copley returned today from Colorado, accompanied by his brother Leonard of Los Angeles, Cal., who joined him at Yellow Stone Park. Col. J. Walter reports a wonderful trip and is looking fine, verifying his verbal statement. Mr. Leonard Copley made the entire trip from Los Angeles to Williamson in a Buick car, having no trouble outside of changing tires. Mr. Copley remarked that the roads were great from Los Angeles to Ft. Gay, W. Va.—Williamson News.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Alex George, Jr., 21, to Dixie Cochran, 16, of R. D. 1, Louisa. Tolbert May, 35, of Cherokee, to Mary Burchett, 33, of Yatesville. Clyde Stewart, 23, of Webbville, to May Norris, 22, of Hannah. Clifford Windle, 22, to Elizabeth York, 18, of Torchlight.

## SUPREME BENCH



Former Senator George Sunderland, of Utah, is the new associate justice of the U. S. Supreme Court to succeed Justice J. H. Clarke.

## Awards Made by Workmen's Compensation Board

At Frankfort Tuesday the State Board made the following awards: Oscar Ninley's stepmother and family \$7.20 the week for 335 weeks for his death and \$75 burial expenses from the Marietta Coal Company. Pike; Virgie Patrick against the Pond Creek Coal Company, Pike, \$12 the week for 25 weeks.

Bosler Wells against the Northeast Coal Company, Floyd, \$15 the week from June 19, 1920, to June 6, 1921, and \$4 the week for the balance of 335 weeks; Ben J. Dutton against the Greenough Coal Company, Pike, \$15 the week for the balance of 335 weeks; Andy Ruby against the Bailey Puel Company, Pike, \$15 the week for 7 weeks and \$6 the week for 8 weeks; Alex Gayhart against the Hazard Jefferson Coal Company, Perry, \$15 the week from November 17, 1921, to February 6, 1922.

## FINAL GAMES OF LOCAL BASE BALL

The base ball season in Louisa will close with games to be played Saturday and Sunday, September 23 and 24. These promise to be excellent games, as the teams are to be composed of excellent players.

Wayland and Louisa teams are the ones that will lock horns.

Through the good work of Dr. Proctor Sparks Louisa has had a season of high-class amateur base ball. The patronage has been fair. It is hoped the fans will turn out in full force for the two closing games.

## Eastern Star Chapter Installs New Officers

On Tuesday evening the newly-elected officers of Louise Chapter, O. E. S., were installed by Mrs. Florence Millard, past worthy matron. The officers for the ensuing year are as follows:

Mrs. Rose Vaughan, Worthy Matron. E. K. Spencer, Worthy Patron. Mrs. Nova Wiechers, Associate Matron.

Mrs. Mary Sparks, Conductress. Mrs. Florence Millard, Associate Conductress. Miss Helen Vinson, Secretary.

Mrs. Della Wray, Treasurer. Mrs. Lydia Lewis, Adah. Mrs. Marie Caines, Esther. Mrs. May Queen, Martha. Miss Lou Chaffin, Ruth.

Mrs. Gertrude Bartram, Electa. Mrs. Dora Cooksey, Marshal. Mrs. Josephine Rice, organist. Mrs. Ida Burton, chaplain. Mrs. Josephine Spencer, Warder. Dr. H. H. Sparks, Sentinel.

In appreciation of their services, the members of the chapter presented Mrs. Josephine Spencer, past worthy matron, with a beautiful O. E. S. pin. Miss Helen C. Vinson, secretary, was given a delicious cake, upon which were four tiny candles, one for each year of faithful work. E. K. Spencer, worthy patron, was given a handsome smoking set.

At the close of the meeting refreshments, consisting of salad, sandwiches and coffee, were served.

## PRESTON-WHITESIDE.

Miss Amy Preston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Preston of Graves Shoals, and Dr. C. T. Whiteside were quietly married at Logan, W. Va., last Saturday, Sept. 16. Miss Preston has been employed as stenographer for the Boone County Coal Corporation of Sharples, W. Va., for almost two years where she met Dr. Whiteside. They will make their home at Sharples for the present.

## ELLIS AND JACK WILL OPEN A NEW STORE

Ellis Motook and Jack Thompson Tahnose will open a store in the Brunswick hotel room formerly occupied by Henry Young's store. They will carry dry goods and clothing, yard goods, etc. They expect to be ready for business in a week or ten days. Both are well known throughout this section of country.

## COMMUNITY MEETING.

An all day gathering will be held at Gallup on Saturday, September 23. A picnic dinner will be served. A program has been planned for the entire day, including entertainment for both boys and girls, athletics and various contests for adults and children. PAULINE McCLURE, Sec.

## FARM FESTIVAL AND EXPOSITION

### Our Sister City of Fort Gay Will Spread Herself Week of Sept. 25th.

A Farm Festival and Exposition will be held at Fort Gay, Sept. 25th to Sept. 30th, under the auspices of Big Hurricane Lodge No. 273, K. of P., at Fort Gay, W. Va. It will be the biggest event ever pulled off in that little city.

After paying expenses the proceeds will be used in helping to build a home for the K. of P. lodge.

The following premiums are to be given away: Monday a watch; Tuesday, Victoria; Wednesday, kitchen cabinet; Thursday, set of china; Friday, Ford touring car; Saturday, Jewett touring car. Tickets admitting to various attractions are being sold.

The Farm Fair will be held on Saturday, Sept. 30. Premiums will be given on farm products. Also to largest family present fattest man and woman, best dancer, best fiddler, ugliest couple, best decorated automobile, dirtiest automobile. Free license and minister to couple to marry in public.

## Charged With Plot to Kill Husband

Huntington, W. Va., Sept. 18.—Mrs. Laura Price Bowman was taken to the Huntington State hospital for the insane for observation today after she was bound over to the Cabell county grand jury on a charge of plotting to kill her second husband, L. F. Bowman.

James K. Price, of Corbin, Ky., who came to Huntington determined, he said to place his meagre resources at the disposal of the woman, whom he divorced a year ago that she might marry L. F. Bowman, a local business man. Bowman was named as correspondent in the suit.

Price, a former newspaperman, who claims he gave the young woman every dollar he had when he divorced her is ready to take her back.

"She may be insane, I wouldn't be surprised, but she is the mother of my two children and I haven't forgotten the old love," said Price.

The arrest of Mrs. Bowman came as a consequence of a statement made to the prosecuting attorney by Robert Hinchman, a local detective and Charles Ripley, a railroad shopman.

According to the statement of Hinchman and Ripley, Mrs. Bowman gave the former a note for \$2,000 to shoot Bowman from ambush. Payment was to have been made upon collection of Bowman's life insurance, said to total \$5,000, it was charged.

Price and his young daughter left for their home at Corbin after the arraignment.

"Laura had my moral support, but I'm broke," he declared, "if I can dig up any money I'll spend it to defend her."

## One Dead, Two Shot In Battle At Hazard

Hazard, Ky., Sept. 17.—Two officers went to arrest a fan who was said to be drinking and beating his wife near here today. As a result, one man is dead, one is dying and another is wounded.

The dead—Deputy Sheriff James Holliday, 35 years old brother of Sheriff Tolbert Holliday, shot four times.

The dying—James L. Payne, 25 whom officers sought to arrest; shot three times.

The wounded—James Eversole, 32, deputized by Holliday; shot through right shoulder.

Word that Payne was mistreating his wife was telephoned to the officers this afternoon. Holliday, familiar with Duane, the mining camp where Payne lived, took Eversole with him.

Holliday, whose right hand was blown off by dynamite some time ago, walked ahead of Eversole to Payne's cabin.

He was a few feet from it it is said, when Payne opened fire without warning. Four bullets struck Holliday before he fell, and all struck near the same spot on his head.

Eversole reached for his pistol. A bullet tore through his right shoulder. The cabin door was then swung open, and by this time Eversole had changed his weapon to his left hand. He fired three bullets into Payne's body before Payne could level his pistol.

As Payne fell his wife and children ventured to the door. They bathed Payne's wounds until a physician arrived. Holliday was dead. Any one of the four bullets would have proved fatal, it was said.

Holliday was the second Deputy Sheriff to be killed near here recently in the performance of duty. Deputy sheriff Richard Crawford was shot to death while attempting to arrest a drunken man. The slayer, Herman Williams, last week was sentenced to 21 years in the Frankfort penitentiary.

## C. & O. FIREMAN FALLS SIXTY FEET TO DEATH

H. J. Nepper, 35, C. & O. fireman, fell to his death from a caboose of a freight train into the Big Sandy river at Catlettsburg early Wednesday morning. His body was recovered soon afterwards. He is believed to have lost his balance. He was on his way to Russell to begin his run. A widow and two children survive. He lived in Huntington.