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REAL AID FOR DARK CO-OPERATIVE POOL

War Finance Corporation Approves Loan Of \$7,500,000.

Word was received here that the War Finance Corporation at Washington had approved the \$7,500,000 loan asked for by the Dark Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association. A formal request for financial assistance was made to the War Board several days ago by a committee headed by W. F. Bradshaw, president of the Association. At that time it was announced that favorable action was indicated.

Reams D. Farmer, treasurer, made the following statement when he learned of the approval of the loan: "Information from the War Finance Corporation confirming our loan from them of seven and one-half millions of dollars is added assurance of the ease in which a sound business corporation such as the Dark Tobacco Growers' Association can arrange its finances.

Already the banks in the district have agreed to loan the Association three million three hundred seventy-four thousand dollars for taking care of advances to members. This makes a total of ten million eight hundred seventy-four thousand dollars in direct loans. In addition to this, different large banks including the National Bank of Kentucky, The American National Bank and the Fourth and First National Bank of Nashville, Tenn., have extended a red-count credit of three million two hundred fifty thousand dollars. The whole thing absolutely establishes the Association's finances."

Joseph Passonneau, Manager of the Field Service Department, said that the loan was another assurance to the Association's membership of absolute success.

The grading demonstrations planned by Mr. Passonneau are drawing big crowds throughout the district. A. Y. Pendleton, of Pombroke, Christian County, said yesterday after attending one of the demonstrations, that they were more valuable to the membership than any other thing that has been done.

"I learned more about grading tobacco and classifying it at that demonstration than I learned in ten years in the business," he said. "Every member should visit one of these exhibits. It will help him immeasurably."

Mr. Pendleton is one of the biggest growers of fine tobacco in the dark area.

The legal department of The Association will organize the first subsidiary warehouse corporation at Hopkinsville today. The directors have been asked to attend the meeting which will be held at the Latham Hotel. Abe D. Waldaur, Mr. Sapiro's assistant, will be in charge.

MRS. NELLE FOWLER SUCCEUMBS TO MALADY

Mrs. Nelle Fowler, 23, wife of Mr. William Edgar Fowler, Jr., died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lon Tweddell, in Central City, Tuesday afternoon at about 3:30 o'clock, of a complication of diseases. Mrs. Fowler had been in poor health for two years and was confined to her bed two months previous to her death. She attended Belmont College in Nashville, Tenn., and was a successful teacher in the Central City and Calhoun High schools.

She was a fine type of womanhood, with a sweet disposition and loved by all who knew her. She was born in Hartford, and together with her parents left here several years ago. She has often since visited friends and relatives here, who regret to learn of her death. Besides her husband, to whom she had been married only three months, and her parents, she is survived by several other relatives.

Funeral services were conducted from the home of her parents with interment in the Central City cemetery, yesterday.

Mr. C. F. Schapmire, who is a grandfather of Mrs. Fowler and Mr. W. F. Schapmire, an uncle, Miss Lillian Schapmire, Mrs. W. C. Schlem-

mer and daughter, Miss Gertrude, city, went to Central City, yesterday, to attend the funeral and burial.

QUARTERLY MEETING TO BE HELD HERE SUNDAY

The first quarterly meeting of the present conference year, for the Hartford circuit, M. E. Church S., will be held with the Hartford congregation Sunday, Dec. 24. Dr. J. W. Rawlings, the Presiding Elder for the district, will be in charge. He will preach at 7:00 o'clock p. m.

It is not definitely known as to exact time the officials are to meet for the business session.

MISS ALPHA COCHRAN SUCCESSFUL PASTOR

The church at Salyersville, (Ky.) almost collapsed with the great crowds present, and so a new structure is immediately to be erected. Miss Alpha Cochran, the pastor, is a graduate of the University of Southern California, and is an evangelist, too. She is ably assisted by Miss Hendricks. Both women live in the new parsonage. Miss Cochran is principal of the high school. The Advocate has increased in subscription by 300 per cent. Dr. S. K. Hunt, the superintendent of the Ashland District, is taking deep interest in the building project, and personally secured \$12,500 from a few persons approached. On account of the native stone near at hand, a \$50,000 church can be built for \$25,000. The population is about 1,000, but a great rural section contributes to this county seat town. Gas, oil and timber make the country rich. Western Christian Advocate, Dec. 13.

Miss Cochran held meetings at No-creek, Washington and Hartford, early this year and will be remembered by many of these communities.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS AT THE CHURCHES

Special Christmas programs are being arranged to be rendered at each of the three churches. There will be a Christmas tree at the Baptist church Saturday night and in connection therewith a special program is to be rendered.

In connection with the S. S. services, at the regular hour, a special program is to be rendered at the Christian church, Sunday, which promises to be well worth attending.

At 9:45 Sunday morning in connection with the S. S. school, a program is to be given at the Methodist church. Special music will be furnished by the orchestra.

The little folks will predominate in the programs to be rendered at each of the churches.

A. B. ROWE SUCCEUMBS

Albert B. Rowe, aged 60 years, died at his home in Centertown, Sunday morning, Dec. 17, of bronchial pneumonia, together with a complication of valvular heart trouble. He had been seriously ill during the previous two weeks.

Funeral services were conducted at the Centertown Methodist church, of which Mr. Rowe was a useful member, Monday afternoon, at 1:30 o'clock, by the pastor, Rev. Sanders. Burial took place in the Centertown Cemetery.

The deceased was by occupation and profession a mechanic skilled in both metal and wood work and for years operated a blacksmith and repair shop in Centertown. Besides his wife, three sons: Messrs. Robert L. of Drakesboro; Louis and Basil B. of Henderson, and three daughters, Mrs. Vernon Crowder, of Central City; Mrs. J. Carson Gary of Bowling Green and Miss Joyce, residing with her parents, survive.

MARRIAGE LICENSES RECENTLY ISSUED

Willie Thommasson, Hartford, R. 4, to Maudie Baize, Hartford R. 4.
W. G. Ward, Hartford, Route 3, to Mary B. Humphrey, Hartford R. 3.
Everett Boyd, Centertown, to Mary Pirtle, Hartford.
Delmer Eskridge, Fordsville, to Myrtle Richards, Fordsville.
Truman L. Hoover, Hartford, R. 4, to Mary Alice Jolly, Hartford R. 4.
Karlott Ward, Hartford, R. 3, to Waldtrude Haynes, Hartford R. 3.
Clarence Calloway, Centertown, to Lena Mae Beck, Centertown.

SAYS SCHOOL FUNDS IMPROPERLY HANDLED

Former Superintendent of McLean Accused of Usurping Power of Board

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 20.—Violations of the law relating to disbursements of school funds are charged against W. T. Bennett, former school superintendent of McLean County, in a report filed today with George Colvin, State Superintendent. The audit of the county was made by W. L. Threlkeld, auditor of the Department of Education. The report recommends that all amounts alleged to have been illegally spent be recovered from Mr. Bennett or from his bondsmen.

The report charges that the County Board of Education paid out \$846.93 as usury on money it borrowed. The report recommends that this charge be returned to the board and used for the "benefit of the taxpayers and boys and girls of pupil age in McLean County."

Cites Law Violations.

Mr. Threlkeld in his report said that Mr. Bennett violated the school law in making payments in advance of approval by the county board. He said that in many instances payments were made from one week to two months before they were authorized by the board.

The inspector declared that the superintendent usurped the authority of the board and that both the superintendent and the board acted in violation of the law requiring that all warrants or checks be signed by both the chairman of the board and the county superintendent.

An unfortunate controversy has existed during the term of the present superintendent, R. M. Stroud, according to the report, as to which bank should be the depository for school funds. The inspector said he had settled the controversy and that in the future all accounts would be properly handled.

MOZART CLUB MEETS

The Mozart Music Club had its monthly meeting at the home of the teacher, Miss Eloise Austin, 203 N. Lafayette street, Beaver Dam. The following officers were present: Miss Alma Crowder, Pres.; Miss Lucille Baker, Vice-president; Miss Virginia McKenney, Treas.; and Mr. Frank Kelley Casebier, Secretary. The House was called to order by the president and the following program was rendered: Piano Solo—Frank Kelley Casebier.

Jokes—Lucille Couch.
Duet—Nathan Monroe, Wahnta Leach.

Violin Solo—Vienna Leach. The entertainment consisted of games, contests and conundrums. Delightful refreshments were served and the house adjourned to meet again in January.

MESDAMES RILEY ENTERTAIN WITH ROOK PARTY

Mesdames A. B. and L. T. Riley, entertained with a rook party in a very delightful manner at the home of the latter, on Main Street Friday afternoon of last week. A delicious salad course was served, and guests included the following: Mesdames E. E. Birkhead, E. G. Barrass, R. T. Collins, J. B. Tappan, O. C. Martin, Darrel Sullenger, H. T. Holbrook, J. S. Glenn, Belle Cooper, O. T. Burns, Leon H. Bishop and A. D. Kirk.

RANDOLPH WEDDING DIES IN FLORIDA

Randolph Townsend Wedding, eldest son of the late George W. and Lucy Townsend Wedding, died at his home in St. Petersburg, Florida, Dec. 14, following an operation for appendicitis the day previous.

The deceased Mr. Wedding was reared in Hartford where he has many friends, among those of middle life, having left this place near 25 years ago. He was by occupation or profession, a landscape architect and nurseryman and had attained much prominence in his line of endeavor. Burial of the remains took place in St. Petersburg. He is survived by his widow, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Reid of Rockport, this County, a daughter, who is a college student, Tallahassee, Fla., a son almost grown and an infant son.

FIVE MAKE ESCAPE FROM LONDON JAIL

London, Ky., Dec. 20.—Five federal prisoners escaped from the London jail, between midnight and daylight yesterday morning, and have not been captured. At the term of Federal Court, which closed last week, about 100 men were convicted on charges of violating the prohibition laws and were sentenced to jail terms of one to six months. Nearly all this number were confined in jail where the escape of the five was made by cutting a hole in the wall of the second story.

It is believed a wholesale delivery was prevented by an alarm that caused the greater number of the prisoners to return or to remain in their cells. An investigation is being made to discover how tools for cutting thru the wall were smuggled into the jail and it is said the next federal grand jury will make a thorough probe of the affair.

Jailer Swaner has offered a reward for the capture and return of any or all of the escaped prisoners. It was reported today that the five prisoners had been seen together near Corbin, but this can not be verified.

HARTFORD HIGH SCHOOL WINS DOUBLE-HEADER

Hartford's girls and boys each came out victorious in the twin basketball games played with Utica on the local court Friday night of last week. The girls' game came nearer to being a scoreless affair than any ever staged on a local court, only 5 tallies being made in the entire game ending 3 to 2 in favor of Hartford. The guards, all, did fine work, but nobody could sink the leather thru the circle for scores. The line-up was as follows:

Hartford	Utica
Tichenor 0	F Baird 1
Kirke 2	F Baird 1
Henry 1	C Pate 0
King 0	G Hall 0
Howard 0	G Gill 0
	Subs.

Carter Allen

The game staged by the boys was likewise close and the scoring held rather low, goal throwing also being the great trouble with most all who tried the shoots, which ended by the mark of 18 to 13 for Hartford. The line-up was as follows:

Hartford	Utica
Crowe 12	F Smith 13
Shultz 4	F Birkhead 13
Bartlett 0	C Ruby 0
Ellis 0	G May 0
Likens 2	G Mosley 0
	Subs.

WOMAN'S CLUB MEETS WITH MRS. J. S. GLENN

The Woman's Club held its regular meeting Saturday afternoon in the hospitable home of Mrs. J. S. Glenn. A large portion of the membership was present to enjoy the meeting of unusual interest. The program bore the touch of the yuletide spirit. Mrs. John B. Wilson offered invocation. Mesdames Otto C. Martin and W. S. Tinsley, with accompaniment by Miss Margaret Nalle at the piano, rendered a selection of beautiful carols. Mrs. T. L. Griffin gave the story of the community Christmas tree in New York City; Mrs. Sidney Williams that of a Christmas at Gad's Hill with the Dickens family. Mrs. Henry Carson gave the poem "Christmas Wishes. Delightful refreshments were served by the hostess. The attending guests were: Mesdames McDowell A. Fogle and Otto C. Martin.

The next meeting of the club will be held Saturday, Dec. 30th, with Mrs. Sidney A. Williams hostess.

AMERICAN EXPORTS SHOW LARGE GAIN

Washington, Dec. 18.—American exports in November reached the highest point of the year, according to official overseas trade statistics made public today by the Department of Commerce, showing an export business totaling \$253,000,000. The November total is \$12,000,000 greater than the value of Octo-

ber exports and \$90,000,000 greater than the value of commodities shipped abroad in November last year. In comparison with November, 1913, the increase was more than \$138,000,000.

A brief statement by the department declared that the November returns showed that American agriculture and industry generally benefited from the increasing export business. Detailed analysis of the trade, however, has not been made by the department.

REPUBLICAN TO TAKE HOLIDAY NEXT WEEK

As indicated in last week's issue the Republican will not appear next week, Dec. 29. Usually our advertising patrons have but little if any space during Christmas week and as a general proposition the paper would be less missed that week than any other during the whole year. Correspondents and advertisers will please note our intention. We hope that our patrons will excuse the proposition for the Republican's holiday.

MCCHORD IS AGAIN NAMED BY HARDING

Washington, Dec. 20.—President Harding today renominated Interstate Commerce Commissioners Charles C. McChord of Kentucky and Joseph B. Eastman of Massachusetts, whose terms expire shortly.

PERSONAL NEWS.

Don't fail to see the basket ball game tonight between Caneyville and the home boys—7-30.

Hot Soup, 10c; at HEG'S.

Judge W. H. Barnes, accompanied by Mrs. Barnes, city, returned from a several days' business trip to Washington, D. C., yesterday.

Rev. R. E. Fuqua and family moved yesterday, into their new home recently constructed upon the site of their former dwelling which was destroyed by fire last fall.

Caneyville has the fastest and best basket ball team it has had for some time. Don't fail to be on hands this evening at 7:30 to root for the home boys.

U. S. Carson, formerly actively engaged in the grocery and hardware business in this city, has recently put in a new line of goods and reopened at his former stand.

Mrs. Isaac Foster, city, spent Sunday in Central City, the guest of relatives. She was accompanied home by her mother, Mrs. Charlotte Brown, who will remain in this city for some time.

Box candies, Loose candies, Baskets of Fruit, Apples, Oranges, Bananas, Malaga Grapes, Coconuts, Raisins, and most anything in that line can be found at Holbrook-Himes, CITY RESTAURANT.

Mrs. W. H. Collins, who had been the guest of her father, Mr. S. T. Barnett, Mrs. Barnett and other relatives in Hartford for the past few weeks, left for her home in Spruce Pine, Ala., last Sunday.

Mrs. Lottie Hopper and little son, Willis Jr., of the West Providence neighborhood, were guests of Mrs. Hopper's aunt, Mrs. Celeste White, and sister-in-law, Mrs. Guy Ranney and Mr. Ranney, city, last week-end and the first of this week.

County School Superintendent Mrs. I. S. Mason, went to Frankfort Thursday of last week, where she attended the annual meeting of Superintendents and principals. She visited her son, Robert Mason and Mrs. Mason, in Lexington, before returning home, Monday.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express my sincere thanks to all who so graciously helped me during the burning of my residence and for the many favors and expressions of sympathy received since.

MRS. WAYNE N. STEVENS.

DR. C. F. HEAVRIN IS SERIOUSLY WOUNDED

Dentist Shot While Engaged in Office, Is Statement

Charles E. Heavrin, D. D. S., of Louisville, was shot in his office in Louisville Monday, of the present week, while doing dental work for the wife of the man, Clifford Blackerby, a Louisville Tobacco Broker, who did the shooting. A 25 calibre, automatic pistol was used, the missile hitting Dr. Heavrin in the abdomen, penetrating his intestines. The cartridge shell failed to eject and only one shot was fired. Blackerby was arrested and placed under bond.

The only statement so far made, was by the wounded man and to the effect that he had gone to a cabinet to obtain an instrument to use on the patient, who was in the dental chair at the time, and on turning around he observed Blackerby standing in the door of his office, and that he was shot without cause. Blackerby and his wife left the office immediately. Dr. Heavrin managed to get to a phone and called his brother-in-law, Mr. H. D. Hays and nephew Marion L. Heavrin. His loss of blood was very great and he soon became unconscious.

Transfusion of blood, furnished by Marion L. Heavrin, was resorted to Monday night, to save the wounded man's life, with good effect. Other transfusions have since been made. Yesterday, it was said, would likely be the most critical period, although chances for recovery were thought to be about even early yesterday morning.

Dr. Heavrin is near 50. He was born in Ohio County, and is a brother of Attorney, M. L. Heavrin, of Hartford.

LOUISVILLE MARKETS

Cattle—Trade active on choice fat selections, with medium and plainer kinds slow and uneven. Best heavy cows in excellent demand at strong rates, medium and in-between cows dull. Good fat light steers in demand, medium kinds slow and draggy. Light trade in stockers and feeders of all kinds; common stockers dull. Fairly good clearance made.

Quotations: Prime heavy steers, \$8.50@9.50; heavy shipping steers \$7.50@8.50; medium to good steers \$6.50@8; heifers \$4.50@5; fat cows \$4@5.50; medium to good cows \$2.75@4; cutters \$2.25@2.75; canners \$2@2.25; bulls \$3@4.75; feeders \$5.50@7; stockers \$3@6.25; milk cows \$15@65.

Calves—Market steady; best veals \$9 down; medium \$3@5.50; common \$2@3. Light thin calves extremely hard to dispose of at low prices.

Hogs—Market steady to 10c higher. Top hogs 120 pounds and up, \$8.45; 120 pounds down \$8; throwouts, \$7.20.

Sheep and Lambs—Trade unchanged. Best lambs \$12 down; seconds \$7@8; best fat sheep \$4.50 down; bucks \$2.50@3.

Produce

Butter—Country packing stock 25c per lb.
Eggs—Candied firsts 45c dozen; seconds 30c.
Poultry—Hens large 18c lb.; medium, 16c lb.; small 13c lb.; roosters 8c lb.; ducks 14c lb.; geese 14c lb.; guineas, old, 25c each; young guineas 1 1/2 to 2 lbs, 50c each; turkeys, young No. 1, per lb. 30c.
Rabbits—Fresh, \$2.50@3 dozen.

Grain

Current approximate buying prices, carload lots, quoted by flour mills are:
Wheat—No. 2 red, \$1.43 bu.; wagon wheat 3c bu. less.
Corn—No. 2 white, \$2; No. 2 yellow \$2c; No. 2 mixed \$1c.
Oats—No. 2 white 52c; No. 3 white 51 1/2c.

Remus M. Reid, born and raised in Rockport, Ky., now located in Greenville, Ala., and is the American Railway Express Agent at that city, was operated on a few weeks ago for appendicitis, has recovered, and is at work again.