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HOW THEY STAND.

The News Merit Contest Was Given A Good Start Monday.

A FEW SCATTERING VOTES FOR FAVORITES.

The News merit contest has started off very satisfactory.

Voting commenced early in the forenoon last Monday, and it was kept up until the lights were turned on in the afternoon.

The following candidates, giving the votes each one has received, have been nominated:

Mary Feese, Cane Valley,	2,800
Mollie Caldwell, Milltown,	2,680
Mary Hulse, Columbia,	1,600
Nora Bradshaw, Montpelier,	1,585
Jennie McFarland, Columbia,	635
Lula Connor, Glensfork,	500
Pearl Breeding, Vester,	500

Miss Ruby Jeffries has received some votes, but not enough to nominate her.

Remember that this contest does not close until the 15th of April, 1908, and at any time until that date young ladies can be nominated. A subscriber has the right to name any candidate he may choose. All ballots will be retained and when a candidate receives as many as 500 votes she will be entered in the contest.

Gov. J. R. Hindman, of late years has lost some interest in the fox chase, but his losing interest in this sport has been offset by an increased interest in raising poultry. After looking over the many breeds of poultry, he finally pinned his faith to the buff leghorn, and his success has not yet been given to the people at large. At any rate he has made a good showing, and now has about 50 hens that egg him constantly and bountifully. One of his favorites met with a misfortune and lost an eye, and her chances for forage was cut short. To put her on even terms, he feeds her separately and the place is on the back of a fine Jersey cow. She is trained to fly up, and the cow shows no displeasure in the hen being on her back. The Gov. puts the corn on the cow and none of the other chickens molest her. This occurs every morning.

SUBLETTE—WHITE

Mr. Hurshel Sublett, who resides at Romine, Taylor county, was married last Wednesday afternoon to Miss Mary White, of Burdick. The ceremony took place at Cane Valley, Rev. Will Dodge officiating, the rites being solemnized in a beautiful and impressive manner. The groom is one of Taylor county's best citizens. He is an industrious and prosperous farmer. The bride is a daughter of the late Jerry White, of Taylor county—left an orphan at a tender age. She was reared by her uncle, Mr. Luther Howard. She is a great favorite among her wide circle of friends, for her gentle manner and kind disposition. She will be greatly missed in the home where she has so successfully filled the place of daughter. Immediately after the ceremony the couple came to the home of J. G. Sublett, who is the father of the groom where a bountiful supper was spread, sixty guest being present. We extend to this desiring couple our best wishes.

BIG SUIT SETTLED.

At the present term of the Taylor Circuit Court, the Bank of Columbia recovered a judgment for \$7505.33 against the tax collector of Taylor county for the year 1902, and his bondsmen, which insures the collection of this debt and interest on it from the date of the judgment. This debt for many years has been charged off, and has not been carried by the bank as an asset, but now it will be entitled to go to increase its already large surplus and undivided profits, thus adding strength to that already strong institution. We understand that in the year 1894 Taylor county borrowed \$4,000 from the bank with which to take in \$13,333.33 of its railroad bonds upon a compromise, and then refused to pay it or the interest on it.

The Bank recovered judgment against the county, and by mandamus succeeded in getting a levy to pay the debt in 1902, and the collector refused

to collect the levy, whereupon the bank filed suit against the collector and his sureties with the above result.

In the litigation the case was twice taken to the court of Appeals, the bank winning each time in that court. Thus it appears by litigation and delay a debt which could have been paid with \$4,000 has at last reached the end of the law amounting to nearly double, besides the cost the county and the collector have incurred in attorneys fees and otherwise, in resisting what would appear to a casual observer to have been a foregone conclusion at the start. The late Judge James Garnett, Hon. James Garnett and judge W. W. Jones were the attorneys representing the bank in the litigation.

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

One day last week an accident occurred at F. L. Selby's store, located at Rowe's X Roads, Russell county. A gun was on the counter, and in some way it got knocked off and fired. Aubie Walkup and another person were in range, and they were peppered with shot. Fortunately neither of the parties were seriously hurt.

Since writing the above we are informed that Mr. Walkup is seriously hurt and the chances are against his recovery. He was shot in the calf of the leg and it is feared that blood poison has set up.

LATER:—Mr. Walkup died last Monday night.

THORN IN THE FLESH.

At the age of twelve years Miss Susan Hadley, now the wife of Rev. Thos. Hadley, of Rowe's X Roads, Russell county, accidentally stuck a thorn in one of her feet. She is now forty-four years old and for thirty-two years she suffered greatly. Last week she noticed a black speck near the heel of her foot, and she soon discovered that it was the end of the thorn that had been imbedded in her flesh for thirty-two years. She finally got it out, and it was one-half inch in length. It entered near the joint of her great toe, coming out near the heel.

WHERE THEY WILL SERVE.

State Senator L. C. Nell is on the following Committees:

Charitable Institution, Military Affairs; Penitentiaries and Houses of Reform; Public Health, of which committee he is Chairman; Reapportionment of Congressional Districts; sinking Fund; Public Roads.

In the House Hon. G. L. Perryman will serve on the following committees: Internal Improvements; Ways and Means.

CIRCUIT COURT.

The January term of the Adair circuit court opened last Monday forenoon, Judge H. C. Baker on the bench. The forenoon was taken up by Judge Baker instructing the grand jury. He called the jury's attention to the many offenses laid down in the statutes, but he dwelt at length upon night riding, and that part of his instructions is published elsewhere in this paper. The grand jurors are as follows:

Peter T. Powell, Foreman, J. B. Keltner, John M. Roy, Jas E. Bailey, Andrew Petty, Sherrod Murrell, T M. Moss, John H. Wilson, Dave Willin Zed Akin, Finis Harry.

PETIT JURY.

J. C. Calhoun, Jo Scott, W. F. Squires W. E. Keltner, Wm. Dulworth, Walker Absher, J. R. Jones, J. T. Dudley, E. J. Clark, G. F. Stults, John L. Conover, W. T. Acre, G. A. Bradshaw, Z. T. Pelley H. H. Tedder, P. H. Bridgewater, J. W. Bird, John, Jackman, W. H. Burton, G. T. Kemp, J. P. Aarons, Geo. Humphress Silas Cain, J. W. Parnell.

We are informed that Mrs. J. R. Hindman is enjoying the delightful climate of California after a considerable siege of Lagripp, Gov. Hindman is just in receipt of a letter in which she states that the weather is warm and delightful, the mercury standing at 72 at that writing. Mrs. Hindman will probably not return until the cold weather has passed in this section.

STRANGER THAN FICTION

Reads the Life Story of Rev. John E. Carpenter of Mississippi.

ORPHANED AT A VERY TENDER AGE.

The following is a brief history of Rev. John E. Carpenter, taken from the Franklin Favorite. Rev. Carpenter was partly educated in Columbia, and during the time he was in college here he boarded with the family of Mr. W. T. Price, deceased. A few weeks ago he visited his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Watkins, who lives near Milltown:

Parentless, homeless, given to the Shakers, escaped, walking from Logan to Allen county, with no hope of finding a shelter, overtaken on the roadside by an angel of mercy, who learned his story and discovered that he had an aunt living in the neighborhood, employed by a legless soldier at \$50 a year, where he saved sufficient money to obtain an education and to-day one of the leading ministers of Mississippi and pastor of a fashionable city church is the remarkable, but true life history of Rev. J. E. Carpenter who was a visitor at Franklin last Friday en route to his home at Meridian, Miss., from Adair county, in this State, where he had been to see Mr. and Mrs. Watkins, who in the days of his poverty and distress lent him material aid, and for whom he entertains feelings of deep-seated gratefulness that will linger till the heart that knows neither fear or forgetfulness is still forever.

Rev. Carpenter is a son of John Carpenter, who died in Simpson county in 1868, from the results of an injury received at the old Fair ground. Soon thereafter his wife died, leaving four small children. No heritage, save that of an honest name, was left the orphans and the neighbors believing that the best disposition that could be made of John E. Carpenter was to place him with the Shakers, then a flourishing colony at South Union in Logan county, and as there were none to object this was accordingly done. The boy soon tired of the monotonous life among the people who neither marry or give in marriage, and with no other object in view than to escape from his environments he set out afoot, and fate it seem directed his steps to Allen county. On Bay's Fork creek he met Mrs. Spann, who learned from the boy his pitiable condition and also his name. Living in the vicinity at the time was Eli Watkins, who was known all over Allen county as the "no footed pensioner," whose wife was a sister of the boy's father. She took him to the home of his aunt where he was given employment at \$50 a year. He remained with his newly found relatives for seven years, and at the expiration of that time had saved sufficient money to begin a course in college, and after undergoing many hardships succeeded in obtaining his diploma. Soon after he joined the Louisville Conference and two years later was transferred to the Mississippi Conference, in which State he has made his home and grown to be one of its foremost ministers.

While here Rev. Carpenter perfected arrangements with the Principal of Franklin Female College for the education of a niece, having met while in Kentucky a sister, from whom he was separated in youth, and arranged with her to bestow upon her daughter the boon of a collegiate education.

THE M. & F. HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

This has been one of the most pleasant weeks of school. Several of the boys brought their sleds and were kind enough to let us share the fun with them. In spite of all the bumps and falls everything rang with laughter, so that it was hard to hear the bell when it called us. Teachers as well as pupils enjoyed the fun, and it seemed that their sleds were most sure to dump them, or perhaps it was caused by the ones who did the guiding.

Miss Mary Williams was confined to her room several days of last week with a severe cold.

Mr. James Shirley visited his parents

near Milltown, Saturday and Sunday.

Master Tom Patteson is quite sick.

Miss Mabel Conover and Miss Mary D. Patteson are suffering from tonsillitis this week.

Mr. J. A. Caldwell made the school a pleasaat visit Monday afternoon.

Mr. Wm. Sandridge and Arthur Holladay were out of school this week.

Mr. James Tutt and Mr. Cassius Cheatham spent Saturday and Sunday at their homes near milltown.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT.

The Music Department of the M. & F. High School has been very prominent during the past few years, and is more popular at present than ever before. Prof. Ohlenmacher having spent the past five months with the greatest masters of Chicago, gives evidence of wonderful skill. There are several new features of the work which should claim our attention, among them, the introduction of the Faelten Technique system. By this method the pupil acquires a positive technique—learns to memorize and master a small repertoire even in a year.

The class met in the studio last Thursday for the first of a series of lectures. After preliminary arrangements Prof. Ohlenmacher rendered a very interesting program.

On last Thursday the Beethoven Music Club was organized, with the following officers elected: Prof. Ohlenmacher President, Mrs. Grant Vice President, Miss Elizabeth Holliday Secretary, after which a charming musical game was introduced, and an hour most pleasantly spent.

Ella Todd and Elizabeth Holladay.

A MISTAKE.

The report throughout a large section of Southern Kentucky that The Lindsey-Wilson School is too full to accommodate more students is a mistake and does that institution an injustice. It is a fact that the attendance is much larger than at any other time in all its past, but there is ample room in the college building and at the dining tables for more, but the dormitories are full. Profs. Neilson and Moss have tented good rooms convenient to the campus which students may occupy with the same privileges and under the same supervision as those rooming in the dormitories. The success of this institution has been gained by close, meritorious work on the part of those managing it and the full attendance is a tribute to the thorough work that is being done there. It gives us pleasure to call a halt on the report that will keep many yet from entering this institution unless corrected and we take it that no one will purposely cripple the attendance and growth of this school. Tell everybody that there is room, ample room, at the Lindsey-Wilson. It is an elastic administration.

ELOPED

Miss Fannie Meader, a young lady well-known in Columbia, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Meader and Mr. Chandler Taylor, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Luther B. Taylor, eloped from Campbellsville to Jellico Tenn., Friday of last week and were married. The wedding came as a surprise to parents and friends, as everybody had been kept in the dark. The happy couple returned to Campbellsville Sunday where they were greeted by their many friends and at the same time were feely forgiven by their parents.

ENTERTAINMENT.

Last Saturday evening the Columbia Brass Band gave its first entertainment of the year assisted by Prof. Boyer and others. The exercises were witnessed by a large audience, and some excellent music was rendered. Prof. Boyer is a scientific performer on the violin, and is a director of many years standing. There was some little trouble in getting the entertainment started, the organ being out of tune, but another instrument was placed, and the exercises were gone through uninterrupted. The readings by Misses Katie Murrell and Mabel Atkins were well received.

Mrs. C. M. Russell presided at the organ in her usual skillful manner.

COL. E. BUTLER.

This Well Kown Citizen Died at His Country Home Last Saturday Night

INTERMENT MONDAY FORENOON.

Last Saturday night about ten o'clock, Col. E. Butler, who was well-known throughout this county, died at his country home a few miles north-east of Columbia. His death was not a surprise, as his health had been rapidly failing for more than a year. Some time during last year he met with a stroke of paralysis and since that misfortune his frequent visits to this place were cut short.

The deceased was born and reared in Adair county, and last February he reached his seventy-fifth year.

When quite a young man he was admitted to the Columbia bar, and a few years thereafter he located in Albany where he practiced law for ten or fifteen years. Leaving Albany he located in Brandenburg where he practiced his profession for a number of years. While living in Brandenburg he became a candidate for the Democratic non-union Circuit Judge in the Elizabethtown district and was formidable.

About twenty years ago he returned to Columbia and after living here a short time he purchased the farm, near Mt. Pleasant Church, where he died. The deceased was an upright citizen and was a staunch Democrat from early manhood until death.

The deceased leaves a wife and one son, four brothers and three sisters. The funeral services were held at the late residence Monday forenoon at 10 o'clock, conducted by Eld. Z. T. Williams, and the interment was in the Butler cemetery, upon the farm where Mr. Josh Butler resides.

There were many relatives and friends present.

The News extends its sympathy to the widow and son and all other relatives.

A CAMPBELLSVILLE LADY DEAD.

Last Sunday night Mrs. Lizzie Durham, who was the wife of Mr. J. C. Durham, a well-known stock dealer, died at her late home in Campbellsville, a victim of appendicitis. The deceased was a highly respected lady and her death brought much sorrow to husband, children, relatives and friends.

Mrs. Durham's maiden name was Baily. She was a niece of Mrs. John B. Montgomery, and in her girlhood she was a pupil in the M. and F. High School, this place. She was about forty-seven years old. May the God of love comfort the husband and children.

In last week's issue we made the statement that all subscribers a year in arrears would be cut from our mailing list if they fail to pay by February the first but since then our Post Master at this place has received instructions to be lenient and he has given the papers of Columbia until April the first. Before that date we hope to get a statement to every subscriber and then it will depend on him as to whether he will remain on our list. We are not allowed to carry any subscriber over 12 months without paying a high postage rate, so high as to force us to discontinue in every instance. Send in, or come in and get your account in good shape.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY CITIZEN DEAD.

Mr. Robt. Cole, who lived on Renox, Cumberland county, died last Sunday morning, a victim of pneumonia. He was about forty years old, a good citizen, well-known in Columbia, being a frequent visitor here. He was a cousin of Messrs R. K. and Marvin Young this place.

Mr. R. S. Feather, a citizen of Taylor county, lost a large barn, eight head of stock and a great deal of provender by fire last week. The loss is estimated at \$2000. The stock burned, four horses and four mules. This makes the third loss by fire sustained by Mr. Feather in the last few years.

Mrs. J. J. Booker, Miami, has an orange tree in her yard with twenty-five oranges on it, some of them ripe.