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## Twenty-one Years Ago.

"We are free!"  
Just twenty-one years ago the Times first saw "the light of day" with the present editor as its projector. We are proud to be able to record the fact that the paper has reached its majority in years, as would be termed in a young man's career. It can not be said that we are just now free, for we have exercised that liberty—freedom of thought and speech—from the beginning.

While the paper is far from being a howling success, financially or influentially, it has an established record for telling the truth as we know it, and our readers know to depend on its policy, which has never wavered.

We hope to be able to print the Times for Powell county folks many more years, and if they will give us the same liberal patronage in the future as in the past, we will be trying it so long as we can, for in the language of one of our subscribers we believe we are, from a financial point of view at least, "fit for nothing else."

We wish all our readers the full compliments of the season and a happy and fruitful 1917.

## Going to Lexington.

Judge Luther Loving has accepted a responsible position with the Turkey Foot Lumber Company, with headquarters at Lexington, and will move his family there some time in the spring, while Mr. Loving takes up his duties with the Company at once.

Judge Loving has been with the Swanu-Day Lumber Co., for more than twelve years, and so long has been a leading citizen of Clay City. It is with regret that we give up the Judge and his family, realizing that they will be greatly missed and that their place will be hard to fill.

## Returns from Hospital.

Mr. Clyde Townsend, who has been confined to the Gibson Infirmary at Richmond the past two weeks where he had an arm taken off on account of an accident while operating an oil drilling rig in the Estill field, has so far recovered as to be able to return home Monday. His father, Mr. Sidney Townsend, was here when he arrived and took him to his home at Spout Spring. The many friends of Mr. Townsend are glad to learn that as the accident was dangerous, he escaped with no greater injury.

## Will Farm This Year.

L. S. Hamilton, formerly of this county, recently bought of Mayor Matlack, of Winchester, a nice farm on the Ruckerville pike, three miles from Winchester, paying \$25,000 for same. Mr. Fred Smethers, who moved from here to Winchester a few weeks ago, will move to this farm and manage it for Mr. Hamilton. Mr. Smethers is a brother-in-law to Mr. Hamilton.

## This Should Build Some Roads.

Kentucky's collection for motor vehicles for the year ending Dec. 31, amounted to \$181,174.94 on 31,500 autos and 1,500 motorcycles.

## Man Stabbed at Dance.

Oscar King, 21, son of Granville King, was very badly cut about the face and stabbed in the side by Charlie Todd, 22, of Madison county, Saturday night at a dance at Post Stage's, six miles from this city on Red River in Estill county. In dressing the wounds, Dr. Broadus, of Irvine, found it necessary to take 26 stitches. Todd was uninjured. The trouble arose, it is said, over a cap which one of the boys wrestled from the other in at first a friendly tussle. Todd went to his home in Madison county where he was later arrested and taken to Irvine.

## Declares Dividend.

December 30, the Clay City National Bank mailed each of its stockholders dividend checks amounting to 4% of its capital stock. This was a semi-annual dividend, which makes the stock in this bank yielding its holders eight per cent annually. This was the 39th dividend in the bank's existence, which has proved a very paying institution.

## Receiver Denied.

The John J. Curtis heirs, who are suing to recover oil lands in Estill county, failed to get a receiver appointed upon their motion in the Estill Circuit Court last week. This does not mean that their interests are lost, but that they must seek an injunction. Many of the heirs live in Powell county.

## Opticians Coming.

Representatives of the Cincinnati Optical Co. are coming to Clay City and will be here January 18, 19 and 20. They have a special proposition to offer all persons needing glasses which they will make known to our readers by advertisement in next week's issue.

## OUR CLUBBING RATES.

Of course everybody wants their home paper, and other periodicals too. To furnish these to our subscribers, The Times has arranged some attractive combinations. Here they are, pick out what you want and send in your order:

No. 1. The Clay City Times, Daily Evening Post, Home & Farm, Today's Magazine, Woman's World, HomeLife all one year, and beautiful 1917 Calendar, \$6.00 value, all for \$3.50

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No. 3. The Clay City Times, Louisville Herald, daily, Inland Farmer, Industrious Hen and Today's Magazine all one year for 3.25

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The Times and Orange Judd Farmer or Southern Farming, 1.40

Times and Enquirer alone, 1.35

Times and Inland Farmer, 1.25

Times and Home & Farm, 1.25

You certainly should find the class of reading you desire from the above list.

## Rich--Kidd.

Arthur Kidd, 22, of Paint Lick, and Miss Bennie Rich, 21, daughter of T. N. Rich, of Collinwood, Tenn., were married Tuesday, Dec. 26th, at Florence, Alabama. The young people will live at Dayton, Ohio, for a short time, and will then return to Madison county where Mr. Kidd will take up farming.

The bride is well and most favorably known to the young people of Clay City, where her parents formerly lived, and is a sister to Mrs. T. P. Mountz of this city, whom she has frequently visited.

## Wetherholt--Smith.

Mr. S. L. Wetherholt, of Gallipolis, Ohio, and Miss Ida B. Smith, of Vaughn's Mill, this county, were married, Wednesday, Dec. 20, at the home of Eld. W. K. Harding, Winchester. The couple went from there to Paris, where they were the guests of Mrs. J. H. Fuhrman, a cousin to the bride. They have returned and are now at the home of the bride's father, Mr. J. F. Smith, near Vaughn's Mill, receiving congratulations from the bride's numerous friends and the groom's new acquaintances.

## Will not Make Change.

Mr. Burrell Akers, L. & E. roadmaster, informs us that he will not take control of the W. & I. division of the L. & N., but will remain on the L. & E., which is contrary to a statement made in these columns last week. Mr. Akers, we regret to say, has been thinking of moving to Winchester, which gave rise to his reported change in position. We obtained our information from a reliable source and regret that the statement made by mistake and which proves to not be altogether true, has caused Mr. Akers and associates some annoyance, even though we reported the facts as they came to us.

## May We Dare to Hope.

The holidays passed off in Clay City and the editor failed to see a single drunk man or to hear a yell or whoop. We never witnessed such a sober and discreet celebration of our Lord's birthday. It is indeed very encouraging that such should be the case. We learn that there were one or two drunks, but they behaved nicely and we did not get to see them, we are proud to say.

## A Noise Like Prosperity.

Bonuses and wage increases totaling close to a million made Christmas cheer for Louisville workers. Many business houses and manufacturing plants shared the year of prosperity with their employes in a monetary way. Retail establishments in many instances reported the Christmas business the greatest in their history.

## Another Rig to the Field.

Another oil rig was unloaded here Monday morning to be taken to the lease of Mrs. Lillie Belle Watson, of near this city, whose place we learn already has three producing wells.

## STANTON.

(By P. O. Dertkirk.)

Quite a large crowd attended County Court here Monday.

D. R. Clark made a business trip to Jackson two days this week.

Richard Crowe made a business trip to Mt. Sterling Wednesday.

Dr. I. W. Johnson visited his father in Lexington one day this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Cowgill visited several days in Lexington this week.

Andrew Chaney visited his sister, Mrs. Lennie Crowe several days this week.

Mrs. Robt. Ewen was in Lexington two or three days last week, shopping and visiting.

Miss Ethel Kilburn, daughter of Mr. Jerd Kilburn, of Talleza, came in Tuesday to enter Stanton College.

J. S. Ewen lost a fine steer during the tide. It walked out on the ice, broke through, and drowned.

Mrs. Lydia Daniel and daughter Mary visited over Sunday at Nada with her sister, Mrs. Lawrence Knox.

Edgar Arnett left Saturday for home in Magoffin county for a brief visit before returning to school work.

Dr. Lemming was called to Nada to attend the family of Mr. McDaniel, where he found them all sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Mountz and baby daughter, of Upper Hardwick's Creek, spent last Monday with Mrs. Gamboe.

Miss Nannie Ponder visited with the Johnsons of Talleza, and had a fine time as everybody does who goes there.

Misses Dolora White and Perl Eckman, of Old Union, in Lee county, came Tuesday to enter Stanton College.

Miss Lillian Hadden returned Tuesday to Lexington after several days visit with her friend, Miss Margaret Lyle.

Dock Hall, of Fayette county, was here last week calling on friends and relatives.

Elmer Derickson and wife are here visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Derickson.

Jonett Boone returned to his bank work at Louisville Monday after several days visit with home folks.

Lewis Stephens sold one pair of 9 year mules to John Ashley for \$425 and bought a nice pair 3-year-old mules of John Stephens for \$230

Rev. J. C. Hanley attended the Inter-Collegiate Prohibition convention at Lexington last week. The writer was down for one day.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Sewell and baby, Mrs. Mollie Crawford and baby of Jackson, spent several Christmas days with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hardwick.

Misses Eloise and Elsie Vance are expected home this week from a visit to relatives in Lexington during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Johnson of Hatchers creek are the proud parents of a 15 pound boy, and they have named him Grover.

E. H. Fuller left for Frankfort Tuesday night to be at the trial of McDonald for the killing of his brother-in-law, Mr. Dabbs.

Mr. John Williams bought the old depot and Toby Anderson has torn it down. Mr. Williams will use it for a barn on his place.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Chaney,

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## At the Churches.

Elder D. H. Matherly occupied the pulpit at the Christian church Sunday morning and night. It being a fifth Sunday, Bro. Matherly eagerly sought the opportunity to be with his old congregation, and they in turn greatly enjoyed the sermons.

Pastor M. S. Wilson held special services appropriate to the season of Christmas and New Year, at the Methodist church Sunday.

The Rev. G. W. Kerstetter, pastor of the Presbyterian church held the usual Sabbath services at his church.

of Campton Jett, stopped off from Paris and visited their daughter, Mrs. Lennie Crow, during the holidays.

Charley Rogers, of Rogers' Chapel, was here Tuesday. He spent the night in Winchester and returned Wednesday to again enter school.

J. W. Williams left last Friday to visit his son at Gordonton; while his wife and her daughter, Anita Wells, went on to Lexington for a visit.

Troy Martin is clerking in the Hardwick & Co. store, taking the place of Walter Thacker, who has gone to Filson to take charge of the store he recently bought.

John Profit, who has been living in the house of James Patrick, moved last week to Union Hall, where he has secured a job as pump man in the oil fields.

Grant Frazier has about completed his new home. Those who have seen it say it is very nice. He has a large cellar under the house as every home should have.

We are informed that Charley Stephens, son of George Stephens, who was Jailer here for several years, was married some days ago to a Miss Adams, in Clark county.

Miss Beatrice Blount and her friend, Miss Florence Maloney, spent Friday visiting Prof. and Mrs. Neal Ranson at Clay City. They left Monday for College, at Oxford, Ohio.

John Stephens took his little boy to Winchester Friday to have a specialist look at his eyes, and he was reported in first-class condition. Grandpa Luther Stephens went with them.

Mrs. McCormick and children left last week for their new home in Winchester. Mrs. Fred Ware and children also left at same time. Miss Maudé-Boone went with them for a few days' visit.

Robert Atkinson, while riding his horse out on Judy creek road, was thrown and his leg broken just above the knee. Dr. Johnson was called to the home of Mrs. Henry Morris and he set the bone. He was taken to the home of his father, J. D. Atkinson.

Mrs. Linville Blount and baby, of Heidelberg, visited her husband's people, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Blount, the past week. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Melroy and baby of London, also visited them at same time. Mrs. Melroy is staying for longer visit; the others have returned to their homes.

Miss Julia Evans returned Tuesday from her home in Otisco, Ind., where she spent her holiday vacation; Miss Alice Childs

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