

ENTERPRISING MOREHEAD.

Home of Colleges, Churches and Culture--Is a Flourishing Little City of 1800 and the County Seat of Rowan County---Rapidly Advancing in Commerce and Industry.

Morehead, Ky., the capital of Rowan county, has the reputation of being one of the most lively and peaceable towns in Kentucky. It is situated in the central part of the county and on the Lexington and Ashland division of the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad.

It has a population of 1,800, with only fifteen of that number colored.

It has two splendid schools, one public and one normal, Bible school, which is in a flourishing condition and enjoying a liberal patronage from different parts of the State, as well as some from other states.

Morehead has four churches, one bank and one library. It enjoys modern improvements and is lighted with electricity. The plant is owned and operated by the city and is proving successful under municipal control. She has dirt streets and creditable side walks made of concrete and flagstone. A new and costly depot, built of brick and stone by the Chesapeake & Ohio, is among the recent substantial improvements which serves to show the importance of Morehead as a shipping center.

Morehead has quite a number of flourishing business houses, conducted by industrious, energetic business gentlemen, and has also one large wholesale grocery house. Enjoying splendid facilities for manufacturing and shipping, being the center of fire clay and lumber interests, several saw and planing mills, heading and spoke factories are in constant operation there and in near vicinity.

These active operations contribute a great deal to the progress and prosperity of Morehead and her enterprising citizens.

Splendid railway facilities add materially to the development of the capital and the surrounding territory, the C. & O. running through the entire length of the county, East and West, and the Morehead & North Fork railroad extending South a distance of 30 miles, penetrating a country rich in natural resources, from which Morehead, being the trade center of that section, drains a large and profitable trade.

Lying in a rich and productive region, 70 miles from Ashland, the terminals of the C. & O. Lexington division, and about 50 miles from Lexington, it enjoys a record for commercial and industrial progress second to none in Eastern Kentucky.

Its resources in lumber, fire clay, farm products and gas are large and her industrial life, as a consequence, is very active. Morehead's progress has been steady but substantial. From a little struggling village of about 300 a quarter of a century ago; a storm center for feudists, where riot and red-handed lawlessness was rife, she has emerged and forged to the front rank in commerce, education and morals. The feudal days of a quarter of a century ago are no more and is now but a memory. What a contrast--in then and now!

A peaceful, prosperous, law abiding community, blessed with modern churches and imposing educational institutions, modern business houses and a highly cultivated citizenship, working in unison for the general uplift of their home town and county.

Workers for Progress.

The educational and religious sentiment that pervades Morehead is of a sincere type and all the churches and schools are flourishing indeed.

All these institutions are modern and well attended, added to this, is an educated, cultured and eloquent ministry, whose efforts meet with a hearty cooperation upon the part of their respective denominations.

All of which adds beauty and moral tone to the city itself and makes a peaceful, intelligent and law abiding citizenship.

Morehead is indeed an ideal home town and is noted for her educational and religious progress.

The citizens take special interest in schools and the public schools, conducted on a high plane, are under a splendid faculty charge. On the whole, no town of its population enjoys more surpassing moral and educational facilities, and these are the crowning jewels in the diadem of her fair brow.

Rowan County.

Rowan county was formed in 1856, taken from parts of Morgan and Fleming counties, and was named in honor of Judge John Rowan, who was a very distinguished jurist and was also United States Senator from Kentucky from 1824 to 1830.

Rowan county is situated in the Northeastern part of the State and is bounded on the North by Lewis, on the East by Carter, on the South by Elliott, Morgan and Menifee, and on the West by Menifee, Bath and Fleming counties.

It is one of the thirteen counties in the Ninth Congressional District and in politics is Republican.

The entire county is drained by Licking river and Triplett creek and their tributaries.

Licking river borders the Southern and Western part of the county for a distance of about 100 miles.

The Licking, while not navigable in that region, carries on its tawny bosom at high tide, a vast supply of timber, crossties, staves, etc., products of the vast forests that lie along its winding banks.

The Licking is the longest stream of its kind in the world and travels its way through probably one of the richest regions in natural resources in the nation.

A system of locks and dams would prove of inestimable value, as it would make navigable the stream the entire year and open up to the market a very fine field of canal and bituminous coals. It would also facilitate the marketing of farm products of the Western and Southern parts of the county. The soils of Rowan county are made up of black loam, sand and limestone. The flat and bottom lands are very fertile and produce fine crops, such as corn, wheat, oats and a wide variety of grasses.

Rowan is quite hilly and presents picturesque beauty that surpasses any along the C. & O. from Louisville to Ashland. Her rugged mountains are pine clad, suggestive of the foot hills of the Alleghenies.

From her mountains are drawn a wealth of gas and oil, a part of which embraces the famous Ragland fields. In the county a vast and profitable store of fine stone is quarried, where large plants operate, sending a high grade superior quality of dressed stone to the markets of the nation.

There are a number of quarries containing seven and eight strata of stone, ranging from three inches to three feet in thickness.

This product is high grade and finds a market in all parts of the country.

Rowan has nearly 200,000 acres of timbered land, making lumbering a very profitable business, also an abundance of high quality fire clay is imbedded in her mountains and valleys. All these natural resources are being developed and active operations are in evidence all over the county, increasing the population, business activity and general prosperity of that region.

As a fruit growing and stock raising county, Rowan affords superior advantages. Considerable fruit, such as apples, peaches, cherries and plums and this industry, if operated on a high scale, could be turned into a very profitable and wealth producing enterprise. Her schools are conducted on a high plane and are above the average in the mountains. There are 49 public schools, 46 churches and one normal school in the county.

Rate of taxation is low, being 50 cents on the \$100.

Two newspapers are published in the county. Labor is plentiful and splendid manufacturing prospects are presented the enterprising investor, especially does this apply to the development of the fire clay interests.

Fire clay plants are needed and could thrive here and prospects for active operations at an early date look exceedingly bright. Our recent visit at Morehead, the county seat, disclosed a splendid administration of Rowan's affairs.

Her officials are generous and active and an inspection of the county's records in the various offices revealed the most complete and well kept records in this end of the State.

W. L. DAY

The Popular and Efficient County Court Clerk of Rowan County, Who is Serving His First Term With Marked Ability--A Loyal Republican and a Popular Citizen.

With the proud record, borne by Rowan county, the citizens must of necessity be much concerned as to the position their county occupies, relative to the administration of its clerical affairs and the personnel of its county officials. In the case of County Clerk W. L. Day, of Morehead, Ky., a loyal Republican and now serving his second term with ability and devotion to duty. Rowan county has reason for congratulations at the present time. It's affairs in the clerk's office are indeed in the hands of a man who is ever at his post of duty, ready to serve the public in an able, courteous and efficient manner.

Serving now his second term the duties are admirably carried out upon a high plane of efficiency, winning the praise of the court and the people at large. Mr. Day has brought about during his present term a perfect and harmonious system so that no matter how exacting the duties, they are met and dispatched in a highly creditable manner.

As the office is charged with an accurate handling of vital matters, among which are the issuing of licenses, recording deeds and transfers, mortgages and court documents, it is of the utmost importance that the incumbent should be a man of ability, integrity and of exemplary habits.

Such can be found in Mr. Day and results obtained places Rowan county foremost among the most carefully administered and well regulated in the State.

As an official Mr. Day has given an able and business like service, and no doubt still greater rewards await him in the field of public endeavor. As a citizen he is useful and bears the stamp of good breeding and noble character, bearing also an excellent personality and eminently popular with the masses.

In politics he is a loyal Republican, who never shirks a duty, but is active and rises above despicable methods in politics, planting a standard of excellency that insures honest victory at all times. He is a native of Rowan and is a worthy example, possessing in a marked degree those elements of personal popularity that make success sure, in all private and public undertakings.

His experience as clerk, while of short duration, has made many warm friends of those who did business with his office. We extend hearty congratulations to the people of Rowan county over having such a faithful and efficient County Clerk and express the hearty wish that his future public life will be crowned with still greater success.

HON. E. HOGGE

An Efficient and Popular Legal Representative of Rowan County--Brilliant Young Lawyer and Prominent Among the Leading County Attorneys of Eastern Kentucky.

A LOYAL DEMOCRAT.

Rowan, our sister county, with her proud record, must as a matter of fact, feel justly proud of her present incumbent in the County Attorney's office.

Attorney Hogge, while a Democrat of unswerving devotion, owes his election last November solely to his manly record, his ability to serve and his wide popularity.

In the face of large Republican odds he marched valiantly to victory and owes in part a debt of gratitude to the sovereigns of an opposite political

faith for his magnificent victory.

His election, in an overwhelming Republican county, demonstrates the confidence and esteem in which he is held by the masses, irrespective of party affiliations. It also shows that in their selection of a County Attorney to execute the varied duties and responsibilities of that important office, Attorney Hogge was wisely chosen.

His record thus far is most enviable and no more able exponent of good morals and good county government has ever graced the official roster of Rowan.

An analysis of his character proves that he is in thorough harmony with Rowan's distinguished County Judge in all matters pertaining to the moral and religious advancement of this county and section. Following out these plans Attorney Hogge together with Judge Riley exercises with functionary discretion, power and influence, obedience to the moral and social code and a subservieny to the public welfare.

Attorney Hogge is yet a young man, gifted with unusual intelligence and fired with a laudable ambition to mount still higher in his profession.

He is an able and fearless prosecutor and is a master of details at his profession.

In professional as well as official pursuits he has shown marked fidel-

ty and ability. In politics, Attorney Hogge is a sterling Democrat, and his victory last November was made more glorious because he won out in the face of large Republican odds. Such a victory can be attributed to nothing less than his excellent manhood and extreme popularity among all classes of people. Appreciating that fact, Mr. Hogge, in carrying out his official duties, has been deeply solicitous of the welfare of his fellow men, irrespective of party. Results obtained are indeed satisfactory, and we have every reason to believe that still greater reward awaits him should he seek a higher position in public life. This prediction is based solely upon merit and a public record already achieved, and we know of no man who is more worthy of high honors in public life than the above named gentleman.

In this special edition of The Advocate, going out to thousands of readers in Central and Eastern Kentucky, we are pleased to present this sketch of a most deservingly popular gentleman in professional and public life; a man who is thoroughly representative of Rowan county's sterling and aggressive manhood and entitled to recognition in this section of our issue, devoted to the leading interests of Rowan county, and Morehead, its progressive county seat.

incumbent is best explained in the universal endorsement of her public record. The Advocate in its big industrial and progressive edition, going out to thousands of interested readers in this and adjoining counties, takes great pleasure in thus paying voluntary tribute to a lady who so richly deserves commendation at our hands.

DAVIS CAUDILL

Rowan County's Able and Popular Sheriff, Whose Record is Clean in Private and Public Life--A Young Democrat of Prominence and a Promising Future.

In singling out a worthy son to represent the county or Rowan in the capacity of Sheriff, the Democrats in convention exercised wisdom and the sovereigns their prerogatives with an eye single to good county government, at the last November election.

Mr. Davis Caudill, of Morehead, Ky., the enterprising capital of Rowan, was honored by his people irrespective of party, to serve a four years term as Sheriff, all because of his sterling worth, his fitness, his wide popularity and well known devotion to duty.

It was a personal tribute to Mr. Caudill and not to the party he represents, because Rowan county is decidedly Republican when political lines are drawn to a decisive tension. In Mr. Caudill's case, as with several others, politics cut no figure in the 1909 election. It was purely a case of personal fitness, "a survival of the fittest," as it were, and thus a Democratic Sheriff was created in the magnificent victory of Mr. Caudill who succeeded in gaining many warm friends and supporters from the ranks of the opposition.

Of course there are many reasons for his election to his present position, which are not here given, because our readers are quite familiar with them.

Mr. Caudill assumed his duties at the beginning of the present year and by constant effort and close attention to duty has thus far made a record without a blemish, signaling his proficiency in every way, and carrying forward with credit, all the duties of Sheriff.

In fact, universal approval has set its seal upon his public record, and it is conceded that no more able or efficient officer ever graced the county's roster.

As the duties of Sheriff of a county noted as Rowan is, for its good morals and extensive interests, demands a man of rare traits of character and intelligent judgment, the county has no reason for regret in the choosing of Mr. Caudill, for in him she has an able, fearless and competent official who is in hearty accord with the splendid reputation Rowan sustains to-

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Mrs. Cora Wilson Stewart
The Popular and Efficient County Superintendent of Schools of Rowan County--Wonderful Strides Made Along Educational Lines During Her Tenure of Office.

ENJOYS CONFIDENCE OF ALL WHO KNOW HER.

In this industrial and progressive edition of the Mt. Sterling Advocate, devoted to the various interests of this section, reference must be made among others to the important office of County Superintendent of Schools of Rowan county, so ably and so efficiently filled at the present time by Mrs. Cora Wilson Stewart. As an educator Mrs. Stewart is progressive and the rapid strides made by the schools of this county speaks volumes in her behalf. She is an authoress of note and has established a State wide reputation as a lecturer along educational lines. Mrs. Wilson is now serving her second term as County Superintendent of Schools and the fact that she is a lady and has succeeded in taking the county schools out of politics augurs

well for education in Rowan county. She rendered such a good account of herself during her first term that when she announced her candidacy last fall she was logically chosen at the November election by the sovereigns of Rowan county to occupy her present high position and that too in the place of strong opposition. Her success in public life can be ascribed to natural ability, genial personality and a determination to place the school system of Rowan county upon a higher and better plane. Mrs. Stewart possesses all those splendid attributes usually ascribed to the successful educator and all these in a measure explain her signal triumphs in public life. That the sovereigns of Rowan county made no mistake in choosing the present



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