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BOURBON CIRCUIT COURT

When the March term of Bourbon Circuit Court reconvened Tuesday morning the case of John Henry Harpe, charged with murder, was entered into. Harpe was charged with killing Oscar Willoughby at an entertainment given in the Hill school house near Centerville, in 1917. The jury selected to try the case was composed of O. B. Lloyd, Wm. Hehr, Owen Ingels, Harry Kerslake, Bunyan Pence, E. C. Oliver, J. W. Calvert, Frank Sled, Wm. Redmon, George Reynold, Reuben Letton and Chas. B. Layson.

The opening statements in the case were made by Mr. John J. Williams for the Commonwealth, and Mr. Kemper, of Lexington, for the defendant. The prosecution was conducted by Commonwealth's Attorney Victor Bradley, County Attorney D. D. Cline and John J. Williams, Mr. Kemper and Judge Denis Dundon representing Harpe. A large number of witnesses on both sides gave their testimony.

Arguments were made in the case by Maury Kemper, representing Harpe, and Commonwealth's Attorney Victor Bradley, for the prosecution, after instructions to the jury had been read by Judge Stout. The jury retired, and after four hours of deliberating the case in all its phases, brought in a verdict giving Harpe three years in the Frankfort Reformatory. In his testimony in the case Harpe admitted that he had been drinking, but that he was acting in self-defense when he killed Willoughby.

Witnesses were on hand to testify in the case of the Commonwealth vs. Oscar Johnson, charged with killing Walter Rice. Johnson was tried at the June term of Court and was given the death penalty. His attorneys filed a motion and grounds for a new trial, alleging newly discovered evidence. The Commonwealth replied with a number of witnesses, mostly county officials of Laurel county, who testified as to the character of the witness, Thos. C. Gregory, produced by the defendant, relative to his general reputation, which they stated was bad. Judge Stout took the case under advisement, and proceeded with the trial of the Harpe case, which was resumed at nine o'clock Wednesday morning.

In Court yesterday, in the case of Julius Throckmorton, charged with grand larceny, in stealing a large quantity of tobacco from a Paris tobacco warehouse and selling it at another, Throckmorton entered a plea of guilty, and was given the minimum sentence of one year in the Frankfort Reformatory. Dennis Leer, colored, charged with grand larceny, in stealing two cases of whiskey from the local office of the Adams Express Company, entered a plea of guilty, and was given the minimum sentence of one year in the Frankfort Reformatory.

The term of the court was taken up yesterday afternoon in trial of the case of Chas. S. Brent & Bro., of Paris vs. the Western Union Telegraph Co. for damages. The jury returned a verdict giving Brent & Bro. damages in the sum of \$582.00, the full amount asked for. The suit was for the wrongful transmission of a telegram in which Hopkinsville poultry dealers gave Brent & Bro. an option on a shipment of turkeys. Judge Denis Dundon represented the plaintiff, and E. M. Dickson and John J. Williams the defendant.

AT THE ALAMO THEATRE AND PARIS GRAND.

To-day, Friday, March 21—Picture program at the Alamo and the Grand—Pauline Frederick, in "A Daughter of the Old South"; Pearl White, in "The Lightning Raider"; Keystone Comedy and Hearst News Feature. At the Grand at night—Bonbon Revue Co., in miniature musical comedy, "The Duke," and vaudeville program.

To-morrow, Saturday, March 22—Picture program at the Alamo and the Grand—Mae Marsh, in "The Racing Strain"; Smiling Bill Parsons, in "The Jelly Fish"; Current Events. At the Paris Grand at night—Bonbon Revue Co., in miniature musical comedy, "Oh, John," and vaudeville program.

Monday, March 24—Mildred Harris (now Mrs. Charles Chaplin), in "When a Girl Loves"; Mary Pickford, in "The Dawn of a Tomorrow"; Fatty Arbuckle, in "The Sheriff."

KARL ZERFOSS TO SPEAK AT BOYS' RALLY SUNDAY.

The Y. M. C. A. has secured Mr. Karl Zerfoss, State Y. M. C. A. Student Secretary, for the Sunday Boys' Rally, March 23. The meeting will be held in the Y. M. C. A. lobby, beginning at 2:30 p. m., and is for the members of the High School Bible Study Club, and their friends. Mr. Zerfoss has just been discharged from the army, where he gained the rank of First Lieutenant. He is one of the best athletes in the South and was chosen as an "all star." While the meeting is for all boys, fathers who so wish may attend and will be given a "back seat."

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Mrs. H. D. Campbell sold her cottage on Sixteenth street, recently, to Mrs. W. R. Franklin, for \$2,000.

IN THE SERVICE OF THEIR COUNTRY.

Allen Lary, of Winchester, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Lary, former residents of Paris, has been promoted to the rank of Regimental Sergeant-Major, the highest rank of a non-commissioned officer in the service. He is stationed at Camp Zachary Taylor.

Jesse Richardson, colored, who was one of the Bourbon county draftees has returned from overseas, and is now at Camp Zachary Taylor, awaiting his final discharge papers. Before his induction into the army service Richardson was porter at the C. B. Mitchell store, in Paris.

Lieut. James G. Metcalfe, formerly of Paris, where he held the position of Trainmaster for the Louisville & Nashville, has returned from France, where he was stationed in a similar position with the Government forces. Lieut. Metcalfe was with the American Expeditionary Forces. He will come to Paris for a visit as soon as he receives his final discharge papers.

The last obstacle to the issuance of a new insurance policy into which soldiers' insurance may be converted, was removed when Attorney General Palmer gave an opinion that the treasury might pay insurance to the estate of deceased persons as well as to specified beneficiaries. The form of the policy was sent to Secretary Glass for approval, and will be ready for final announcement within a few days.

The Muncie, Ind., Star of a recent date, publishes an extended notice of Jos. B. Lynch, who was a resident of Paris in 1913, when his father was Superintendent of the Paris office of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. Young Lynch was in France with the U. S. Marine Corps, and was wounded in the right arm in action on October 5. He is at present in the Naval Base Hospital, in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Regulations governing the payment of \$60 bonus to honorably discharged soldiers have been amended by the War Department to permit the acceptance by disbursing officials of a "true copy" of discharge certificate.

Heretofore the original certificates were required, but it was found that many soldiers refused to part with the papers, preferring to lose the bonus rather than risk the loss of official evidence of their honorable release from the army. All copies submitted under the amendment authorized must be certified by the army recruiting officer nearest the soldier's residence.

ARMENIAN AND SYRIAN RELIEF CAMPAIGN MONDAY

Without food, without clothes, without hope—and blindness creeping on from starvation.

If you feel you cannot give to such a cause and your conscience remains silent, then you have a right to refuse.

And they ask so little—just enough to sustain life until harvest time in their own country when they may find their place in the sun.

The campaign for funds and food for these people, the starving and ragged people of Armenia and Syria, innocent victims of the hate and vengeance of the Huns and their allies in the far East, will begin in this city and county next Monday. It is earnestly hoped that there will be a generous response. Mr. Chas. B. Mitchell has been appointed County Chairman, and Mr. W. W. Mitchell, at the Farmers' and Traders' Bank, is Treasurer. Contributions will be received by the latter at the bank, and formally acknowledged.

Mr. Mitchell is in receipt of a letter from State Chairman, stating that in one district alone in the devastated country, 100,000 people will starve to death unless relief is afforded them within the next thirty days. Crops have been a total failure, thousands have lost everything they possessed, and if they can be aided over until the new crops come in they will be self-sustaining. It was also stated that things had come to such a pass in those countries that children are living on two bowls of soup apiece each day. If they show that they have not lost weight they do not get even the soup the next day, as the article is distributed to others who need it.

Mr. Mitchell asks the good people of the city and county to come to the relief of these starving people, and signify their humanitarian instincts by subscribing to the fund or by donating foodstuffs that will help to sustain life. Donations of cash will be accepted, as the money will be forwarded to headquarters and used to the best advantage in the alleviation of suffering.

Remember the campaign will begin next Monday. Show you are friends of civilization and the good of the world by helping these people.

NEW VICTORY STAMPS.

A supply of the new Victory Stamps, of the three-cent denomination, has been received at the Paris postoffice. Postmaster Payne states these stamps will be furnished in place of the regular design to those who call for them. The new stamps were issued to commemorate the victory of the Allies over the Central Powers in the late war.

REFUGEE CLOTHING CAMPAIGN TO START NEXT MONDAY.

Miss Elizabeth Steele, County Chairman of the French and Belgian Relief Committee, asks THE NEWS to announce to the people of Paris and the county that the campaign in the interest of securing clothing for the French and Belgian refugees, made homeless during the great world war, will begin on next Monday, March 24.

Miss Steele will appoint sub-committees who will make a house-to-house canvass for the purpose of securing clothing. Donations of plain clothing for men, women and children are asked for. Suits, coats, shoes, and other articles that will help to clothe the refugees are especially solicited, and will be gratefully received. Those making the donations who do not wish to have the responsibility of delivering the goods can have them called for by calling Miss Steele, who will make arrangements for sending for them.

There have been campaigns and campaigns of different kinds, but this is one of the most worthy ones. There is hardly a home in Paris but where there is some discarded article of wearing apparel that can well be spared for the relief of the refugees. Look through your possessions, turn over the old clothes in the closets and the attics and you will be sure to find something that will receive a warm welcome among the refugees. When you have found an old suit or an old coat, an old pair of shoes that are still good, but which you have discarded, call Miss Steele or tell one of the soliciting committee and have them notify her, and the articles will be sent for.

TO ATTEND MEETING OF LIBERTY LOAN SECRETARIES.

Mr. Rudolph Davis and Postmaster J. Walter Payne will leave for Cleveland, Ohio, this afternoon, to attend the meeting of Liberty Loan Publicity Secretaries which is to be held at the Hotel Statler, in that city, Saturday. Mr. Davis received a letter from Mr. M. H. Laundon, Chairman of the Fourth Federal Reserve District, who has charge of the publicity work for the district, as follows:

"I have been advised by Mr. Buckner Woodford, of Paris, Chairman of the Bourbon County Liberty Loan Committee, of your appointment as publicity secretary of the Liberty Loan Committee of your county. I am calling a most important conference of the publicity secretaries of all the counties in the district, to be held at the Hotel Statler, in Cleveland, on Saturday, March 22, and am especially desirous of your attendance. We certainly hope to see you here."

Very Sincerely,
M. H. LAUNDON, Chairman.

TOBACCO MARKETS

The Paris market is gradually drawing to a close, and the final sales will be held on next Wednesday, March 24. The receipts have been very light this week. There will be sales each day this week and on up to the closing day.

Prices ruled rather a shade higher on the local market Wednesday, competition for the better grades being active. At the Independent House a total of 19,490 pounds was disposed of for a money value of \$6,577.21, an average of \$33.74. The crop averages ranged from \$27.36 to \$50.30, the latter price being realized on a crop of 1,845 pounds, consigned by Yarber & Parker.

WAR MOTHERS' ASSOCIATION URGES ENROLLMENT

The Bourbon county branch of the National War Mothers' Association urges every war mother in the county, whose son or daughter has been in the service, to enroll her name and record the war service of her child. The National Association will become an honorary association, similar to the D. A. R., the U. D. C. and other organizations that have become prominent in women's work. The annual dues have been placed at twenty-five cents. Fill out the coupon below, and send it with twenty-five cents to Mrs. Louis Rogers, War Mothers' Association of Bourbon County, at Paris:

Mother's name
Name and rank of son
Race
Mother's maiden name
Married or single
Date of entrance into service
Camp where first training received
Branch of service (indicate by underscoring)
Army: Infantry, Artillery, Medical Corps, Aviation.

SPRINGTIME IS COMING.

The sun is supposed to cross the equator to-day, March 21, when Spring is supposed to be ushered in. We may have some March furies, but there is not likely to be much of it.

In the winter now closing there has been less snow than we ever remember, not over four inches in the aggregate. We have seen warmer winters, perhaps, but never so light a snowfall. What it will mean in its influence on crops this season we can only wait and see.

The show windows are taking on a spring-like appearance, and everything indicates the close approach of spring. Come on, gentle spring, we're waiting for you!

NEGRO MAN VICTIM OF AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT.

Failure to hear the warning sounded by an automobile horn on the machine in which Mr. Geo. W. Clay and his father, Mr. Thos. Henry Clay, were driving on the Winchester pike, Tuesday afternoon, caused the death of Sam Schooler, colored, aged sixty.

The accident occurred near the home of Mr. Chariton Clay, on the Winchester pike, a short distance from Paris, about two o'clock in the afternoon. Both Schooler and the Clay machine were heading in the same direction. Mr. George W. Clay, who was driving, saw the man walking in the middle of the pike, a short distance ahead of him, and sounded his horn repeatedly, giving ample warning of its approach. Schooler evidently became confused upon hearing the machine so close to him, as he turned in the wrong direction, and was struck by the car. Mr. Clay made every effort to stop the machine, running it in the ditch at the side of the road, but too late to avoid the accident. The machine struck a stone fence at the side of the pike, and was slightly damaged. When struck Schooler was knocked down and pinned under the car, his skull being crushed, causing instant death.

Mrs. Wm. Woodford came along in her car a few minutes after the accident and took Mr. Clay and his father back to Paris, where the accident was reported to the authorities. They then returned to the scene in a machine secured from a local garage. The body of Schooler was released from under the Clay machine and was sent to the undertaking establishment of Ed. Martyn, on High street, where it was prepared for burial. In the pockets of the dead man were found two receipts for supplies purchased at the grocery of P. J. McElhone & Co., in Lexington; a paper containing the address of Mrs. Bettie Schooler, 553 Clinton street, Cincinnati; several interurban car tickets from Lexington to Paris, and about fifty cents in coin. He had been evidently going to work as a farm laborer, as he was dressed in overalls and carried a package over his shoulder, which proved to contain a luncheon.

Mr. Clay gave a clear and concise report of the accident, which tended to show that he was not to blame for the unfortunate occurrence. He said that he did all he could to stop the car in time, but that the man jumped directly in front of it, and that he could not avoid hitting him.

Coroner Davis held an investigation into the circumstances surrounding the accident, at the court house yesterday afternoon at two o'clock. The testimony of Mr. Geo. W. Clay and Mr. Thos. Henry Clay, the only eye-witnesses, was taken. The jury, composed of H. M. Collins, foreman, Newton Mitchell, A. S. Thompson, G. W. Redmon, I. L. Price and E. B. Myers, returned a verdict, absolving Mr. Clay from all blame for the unavoidable accident.

BOURBON PEOPLE PROMINENT IN OIL DEALS.

Leases on a tract of five hundred acres in Southwestern Kentucky have been taken by Mr. W. A. Thompson, of Paris, and five associates, who expect to have the property developed for oil and gas this summer.

Mr. Thompson was in Lexington this week, and engaged Geologist Rourke to go out on the lease at once and stake out sites for drilling a number of wells. Mr. Thompson states that the lease secured by his associates, which is close to the Allen county pool, is in the vicinity of production, and that a preliminary examination of the property indicates a good showing for oil.

Articles incorporating the Ken-Flo Oil and Gas Company, with offices in Lexington, have been filed in the Fayette County Clerk's office in Lexington. The capital stock is fixed at \$100,000, divided into 100,000 shares of \$1 each. The names of the stockholders are as follows: Geo. W. Wilder and Edward H. Gorey, of Paris; Frank M. Bryson, J. D. Hedrick and A. A. Bablitz, of Lexington. Papers incorporating the Hutchison Oil and Gas Company have been filed in the office of County Clerk Pearce Paton, in this city. The capital stock has been placed at \$5,000, divided into five hundred shares at \$10 each, and the amount of indebtedness the company may at any time incur is fixed at \$5,000.

The incorporators are William Meeter, Alonza Ginn, M. R. Jacoby and John L. Karney. They will begin drilling for oil shortly on the farm of Wm. Meeter, near Hutchison, and expect to go to a depth of 2,500 feet.

Evidences of oil and gas in the neighborhood of the Meeter farm are known to exist, and recent geological researches and investigations have offered promising inducements for exploitation.

The Bourbon Oil & Development Co. has brought in its No. 6 well, Comet sub-division, Block 13, rated at fifteen barrels. The same company's No. 7 and 8 wells, on Block 23, are due in, and their No. 3, on the Millie Freeman farm, is ready for the casing. The company's field manager, Mr. James H. Moreland, who recently returned to the field of operation, reports excellent prospects.

The Co-operating Land & Development Company of Paris, now has three leases in the Big Sinking district, a total of fifty-seven acres, part of which is near Big wells. The company also has holdings in the Ross Creek field. It has three wells of its own, a half-interest in eight others, and a royalty in eleven more.

Oil men of the State were surprised to learn in a recent report of the work done in Kentucky oil fields in the month of February that 615 wells are in the course of drilling in 56 counties. Few men had expected to hear of more than 400 or 450 wells, and the larger figure has justified the optimism that many have felt for the future of the industry. On the basis of the present pipe lines the oil section will yield \$20,000,000 in the coming year.

BLUEGRASS OIL EXCHANGE

A large crowd was in attendance at the Bluegrass Oil Exchange open call session Wednesday night. Co-operating Land & Development stock is in big demand at 35c to 40c and Flesher stock sold at \$2.10 to 2.12 1/2. Sales were as follows:

100 shares Co-operating	39c
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100 shares Co-operating	31c
100 shares Co-operating	31c
100 shares Co-operating	31c
100 shares Co-operating	33c
200 shares Co-operating	31c
500 shares Co-operating	31c
300 shares Co-operating	32c
600 shares Co-operating	33c
200 shares Co-operating	36c
100 shares Co-operating	40c
200 shares Flesher	\$2.10
250 shares Flesher	\$2.10
50 shares Flesher	\$2.12 1/2

BOURBON TURFMAN ELECTED DIRECTOR IN JOCKEY CLUB.

At a recent meeting of the stockholders of the Kentucky Jockey Club, held in Louisville, Mr. Cateby Woodford, of near Paris, one of the State's most prominent turfman and breeders, was elected as a member of the Board of Directors, an action which reflected the good judgment of the stockholders.

Mr. Woodford has been identified with the racing and breeding interests of the county for many years as a member of the firm of Clay & Woodford, during which time their colors were seen in many of the most important turf events in the United States, and later as breeders at the Runnymede Stock Farm, near Paris. Mr. Woodford's membership in the Kentucky Association covered a period of forty-three years and his connection with the turf and breeding interests took up a period of a half-century. Their firm bred the thoroughbred, Hanover, perhaps the greatest race horse ever produced in Kentucky, and in their stud Hindoo, a very high-class race horse and successful sire, sent forth stake winners of the highest class.

—WE KNOW MOW—

Spring Showing
of
Manhattan and Wilson Bros.' Celebrated Shirts

Exclusive patterns are now on display for your inspection. You will find the most complete exhibit of fine shirts ever shown in this city at our store—shirts of fine Madaas, Percales, Mercerized Fabrics, Crepe Silks and Linens; soft cuffs and stiff, any size, any length sleeves, many desirable patterns in plaids, stripes and solid colors.

\$1.75 to \$10

SPRING STYLES IN STETSON HATS AND AND IMPORTED BARSALINOS
are now on display
\$7.00 to \$10.00

MITCHELL & BLAKEMORE
Nettleton Shoes
Dr. Reed's Cushion Sole Shoes
Manhattan Shirts
Stetson Hats

RED CROSS URGES MEMBERS SUBSCRIPTION TO MAGAZINE

Once more Bourbon County Chapter members are called upon to show their loyalty. For the first time in its history Bourbon County Chapter, American Red Cross, has fallen down and did not respond to the call. The reason is, "we did not try."

The Red Cross Magazine is the official organ of the Red Cross, and is issued once a month by the organization printing department. It is a breezy, bright magazine, full of good reading matter of more than ordinary interest, and will keep you posted on all the general activities of the Red Cross at home and abroad. It furnishes a fund of information which cannot be supplied by other magazines, and keeps you in close touch with the general activities of the war departments. It has facts, figures and action—in fact, it is a very complete and up-to-date magazine.

The chapter has been assigned 300 subscriptions at \$1.00 per year to all Red Cross members at \$2.00 per year, including membership, to those joining now. We have now about six subscribers in the county, and have been requested to fill the balance of our quota by March 31. We have the names of some who were secured during the Christmas Roll Call who have not received the January number, which is probably due to the names not reaching the magazine department in time to be placed on the roll.

We are making another concerted effort to secure the required 300 subscriptions, and are asking that all Red Cross members, where possible, send name and \$1.00 to Mrs. John T. Collins, North Middletown, Ky.

The only way these subscriptions can be secured in so short a time is for each member to "get busy" and have a dollar ready or send same at once. Any information can be secured from the committees.

BOURBON COUNTY CHAPTER,
Nell Crutcher, Secretary.

FINE WHEAT CROP PROSPECT

Unless something should happen which is now unforeseen, we shall have a fine crop of wheat in this section. It is looking very thrifty, plenty of it on the ground, and forward enough. Much will depend on the weather of the next few weeks.