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BOURBON SOLDIER'S BODY ARRIVES IN NEW YORK

County Judge George Batterton received a telegram Tuesday from government officials at Washington, notifying him of the arrival at New York of the body of his brother, Private Bishop Batterton, from France. The body will arrive in Paris in a few days, and will be given a soldier's burial in the Paris Cemetery, with appropriate ceremonies by Bourbon Post of the American Legion.

Young Batterton was twenty-one years old at the time of his death. He was a member of the Marine Corps, Sixth Regiment, Second Division. He was awarded a sharpshooter's medal in this country before departing for the scene of war in France. He was wounded in the engagement at Soissons, France, on July 19, 1918, his death occurring on the following day. Mr. Batterton was the son of Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Batterton, of this county, and an extremely popular young man.

THUGS BEAT AND ROB AGED MAN.

Mr. Lewis Hixon, carpenter, aged about seventy-three, was taken to the Massie Memorial Hospital, Tuesday morning, suffering from serious injuries on the head and face. At the hospital yesterday it was stated Mr. Hixon was in a very serious condition, suffering from exposure and his wounds, being at times delirious.

Hixon was found in an unconscious condition in the rear of the Bourbon Tobacco Warehouse, in South Paris, Tuesday morning, by a watchman while making his rounds. He had been attacked some time in the night, beaten and robbed of a purse containing \$80. The blows on the head inflicted a deep gash, and other cuts and bruises on the face gave evidence of a murderous assault. He was unable to give any account of the assault or any description of his assailants.

MIDWAY GROCERY BURNED; TOWN IN DARKNESS

Fire of undetermined origin destroyed the grocery store and stock of R. C. Ethrington, at Midway, with a loss of approximately five thousand dollars. A frame building behind the store, which houses the transformers supplying light to the city was damaged by the flames and the city put in darkness. When the fire was discovered in the store about 9 o'clock, it had gained such headway that the building could not be saved. Quick work by the fire department confined the flames to the two structures.

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CALLED MEETING OF ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Prof. Charles E. Skinner, of Lexington, president of the Central Kentucky High School Athletic Association, has issued a call to the various high schools in the Association to send a representative to a meeting to be held in Prof. Skinner's office, in Lexington, to-morrow morning at eleven o'clock.

At a meeting of the State Athletic Association last April, it was decided that sectional tournaments should be played in each section of the State, and that the winner of each of these sectional tournaments should compete in the State tournament to be held at the University of Kentucky. The meeting to be held to-morrow will take up the matter of deciding upon and arranging for the Central Kentucky tournament. The tournament will probably be played in Lexington, March 4 and 5. Paris High Schools will send a representative to the meeting.

GEORGE R. DAVIS PURCHASES UNDERTAKING BUSINESS

George R. Davis has purchased the undertaking business so successfully conducted by his father, the late George W. Davis, and with whom he was actively associated for many years, from Owen L. Davis, administrator, and will conduct it in the future.

Mr. Davis will be assisted in the business by his brother, Rudolph Davis and by his nephew, Ireland Davis, of Millersburg. These are among the most popular business men in Paris. Their offices will be in the same old stand as for years, at the corner of Fifth and Pleasant streets.

COST OF GROWING TOBACCO FIGURED OUT.

The 1920 crop of Burley tobacco in Kentucky cost approximately \$309 per acre to grow, according to an estimate made public by the College of Agriculture of the University of Kentucky. The estimate was based on investigations of field men of the University and the United States Department of Agriculture who, for the last two years, have been making a study of the cost of producing tobacco in Kentucky.

The estimate covers only what is known as the White Burley District of Central Kentucky. No estimate was made for the dark tobacco area of Western Kentucky.

The final average cost of producing and marketing the 1919 crop was fixed at \$289.10 per acre for the Burley district, and \$141.76 for the dark tobacco area. Eighty-one farms in the Burley District and seventy in the Dark District were studied. The 1920 report is not yet complete.

The more money a man has the more he is abused—and the less he cares.

DISAPPOINTMENT MARKS OPENING OF LOCAL TOBACCO MARKET.

Disappointment and very low prices, coupled with an excited and restless lot of growers and spectators, marked the resumption of the tobacco sales for the 1921 season on the Paris market, Tuesday morning. Reports of happenings in other places filtering in served to keep the nerves of the growers on a raw edge, and a spark would have started a panic. The sale opened at the Paris House No. 1 of the Bourbon Tobacco Warehouse Company, at nine o'clock, and closed at eleven o'clock, in the midst of an excited multitude. The sales amounted to a little over 80,940 pounds, with selections of 14,570 pounds, making the net sales for the time \$66,612.03, an average of \$9.90. During the sale a few baskets brought more than twenty-five cents a pound and one sold for forty-five cents a pound. The sales were stopped when the dissatisfaction and discontent had reached an acute stage. Cries of "Cut it out!" all over the house decided the matter, and, after a conference between the auctioneers, managers of the houses and growers, the sales were stopped.

In the afternoon a meeting of the growers and handlers was held at the court house, attended by a crowd conservatively estimated at about 1,500. John T. Collins, manager of the Bourbon Tobacco Warehouse, presided. Mr. Collins made an address, which was loudly cheered by the whole audience. Speeches were also made by Dan W. Peed, J. W. Bell and Wm. O. Hinton. A motion was made and carried by a unanimous vote to hold the present crop and cut out this year's crop. The managers of the two warehouses then agreed to close their houses indefinitely. Mr. Collins was named by resolution as chairman of a committee to be named by him to co-operate with a like committee from the entire Burley district at once and place the Burley business on a working basis. Mr. Collins announced his committee as follows: D. W. Peed, Edward Burke, Jas. H. Thompson, Wm. D. McIntyre, J. H. Bell, John W. Jones, John T. Collins, Jas. McClure and James M. Caldwell.

The question of financing the present crop to save the small growers and farmers was taken up at a meeting of Bourbon county bankers held Tuesday night. At this meeting the matter was thoroughly threshed out and a plan of action decided upon, which will tend to relieve the strained situation and bring order out of chaos.

It was said yesterday that the sales would probably be resumed Tuesday.

The feeling of impending disaster which at first took possession of the people upon hearing the news of the situation gradually gave way to a calmer state and a more optimistic feeling prevailed Wednesday and yesterday. The calamity-howlers were promptly silenced, and the assurance went forth that the situation would yet resolve itself into one that would be met fully and to the satisfaction of all parties concerned.

The matter has now developed into a game of watchful waiting. Those who looked with trepidation on the future are now viewing the matter through the eyes of reason and calmness. No further action will be taken here until after the big mass-meeting which is to be held today in Lexington. In the meantime the sales houses will remain closed, and the tobacco on the six selling floors will remain there.

Charging that "there is a well-defined conspiracy among a few big tobacco manufacturers to steal this crop of tobacco from the farmers," Representative J. Campbell Cantrill, Seventh Kentucky District, in an interview with The Courier-Journal correspondent at Washington, declared that the State and Federal laws are sufficient to prevent such an illegal combination and expressed the hope that every Commonwealth's Attorney and every Federal District Attorney in Kentucky "will immediately make a full and complete investigation of these conditions so that such a combination, if it exists, is broken up and the offenders brought to immediate justice."

Representative Cantrill, who himself is a large producer of tobacco, expressed it as his individual opinion that the burley growers should not permit their crops to go on the market until the manufacturers are willing to offer better prices.

FORMER BOURBONITE CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF IN MONTGOMERY

Warren W. Stoner, formerly of Paris, announces in the Mt. Sterling papers, his candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Montgomery county. Mr. Stoner is a brother of Mrs. May Stoner Clay, of Bourbon county, and is well-known here. Since his return from the West several years ago, Mr. Stoner has been engaged in business in Mt. Sterling.

MR. JOE B. SMITH FOR TAX COMMISSIONER—MR. FRANK COLLINS ON TICKET.

Mr. Joe B. Smith, the well-known Paris stock trader, in this issue of THE NEWS announces his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for Tax Commissioner of Bourbon County, subject to the action of the Democratic primary on August 2, 1921. Mr. Smith also made known his purpose of having Mr. Frank Collins as his Deputy in the event of his nomination and election.

Mr. Smith is well and favorably known throughout Bourbon county, no man having a larger circle of acquaintances among the voters than he. Mr. Smith is of a happy and jovial disposition, has the knack of becoming acquainted with men and always remembering them thereafter, and his broad smile and hearty handshake will add greatly to his strength as a vote getter.

Mr. Frank Collins, who is making the race with Mr. Smith as his Deputy Tax Commissioner, is a popular young farmer who, prior to a year ago was a resident of the North Middletown precinct. Both men are qualified to fill the office and no doubt will make an aggressive campaign for the nomination.

AMERICAN LEGION MEETING

All ex-service men in the county are urged to be present at the regular monthly meeting of Bourbon Post American Legion, this (Friday) evening, January 7, at 7:30, at the court house. The new officers elected for the ensuing year will be installed. Very important business concerning every ex-service man in the county will come up and a full attendance is desired.

J. A. ORR, Commander.
WM. COLLINS, Adjutant.

FOOT SPECIALIST IN PARIS EVERY TUESDAY AND FRIDAY

Dr. J. W. Weber, the well-known foot specialist, has opened an office in the Windsor Hotel. Dr. Weber removes all troubles of the feet without the use of a knife. Dr. Weber is well-known in the State, and is highly prized by those whom he has treated. According to his recommendations he is one of the best authorities on bad feet. He will be at his office Tuesday and Friday at the Windsor Hotel, Paris, Ky. (Jan 7-Fr)

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ROOSEVELT PORTRAIT FREE TO SCHOOLS.

Judge F. D. Sampson, of the Kentucky Court of Appeals, has arranged to have a life-size portrait of Theodore Roosevelt free.

On the portrait is printed the last message of Col. Roosevelt on "Americanism," sent the night before he died, January 5, 1919, through the American Defense Society, of which Judge Sampson is a member. Colonel Roosevelt said: "There can be no divided allegiance in America, a man who comes to this country and becomes a citizen in fact, should be treated on equality with all other citizens. But a man who pretends to be an American and also tries to be something else should not be allowed to remain in this country."

Judge Sampson requests all teachers and superintendents of schools to co-operate with him in interesting the school children in this work of Americanism. Every school room in the State may have a Roosevelt portrait size 29x24 inches if the school children or parents in the school district will have the portrait framed. One condition is that when the portrait is framed it shall be hung with appropriate ceremonies in which the children should take part. It would be well if the parents would also take part in the ceremonies when the portrait is hung.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction George Colvin heartily approves of this plan and requests that all teachers in Kentucky write to their respective County Superintendents stating the number of Roosevelt pictures which they will undertake to have properly framed and hung. The American Defense Society furnishes the picture free. County Superintendents are requested to write to Robert Appleton, former Treasurer American Defense Society, 116 East Twenty-fourth street, New York City, stating the number of portraits necessary to supply the schools in the county. There will be no expense in any way for these wonderful life-size portraits, done by a famous artist.

SPECIAL ON CANNED PEAS

We are offering a special price of 15 cents per can on Serv-U's Canned Peas. This is a bargain and will last only a few days.

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BOY INJURED

Richard Butler, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Butler, of Paris, fell from his bicycle at his home Wednesday, his head striking the edge of the porch. He sustained a split lip and other slight injuries, painful but not serious. The little fellow was given immediate medical attention.

COMMERCIAL CLUB NOTES

The Commercial Club, as a member of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, has received a referendum from the national body on which the local organization is asked to cast its vote before January 31. The referendum relates to the problem of taxation, and on the ballot are fifteen different proposals, which have been suggested as remedies for solving the national financial stringency. The Commercial Club is asked to express the opinion of local business men on the following measures: An excess profits tax, the income tax, excise taxes, sales taxes, undistributed earnings tax on corporations, and tax on individual stockholders of corporations.

The Commercial Club was recently admitted to membership in the U. S. Chamber and therefore is entitled to a voice in the recommendations made to the government through the National Chamber, which exercises a great influence in determining the policies of the government. All persons interested in the question of national taxation are invited to consult the referendum and cast their vote on it at the Commercial Club office.

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the local Club will be held Friday evening, according to present plans, when the new board will meet for the first time. The meeting was first called for Tuesday evening, but was postponed, due to the inability of some members to attend. There are now thirteen members, whereas formerly there were ten. The retiring members are H. A. Power, I. L. Price and John J. Williams, while Rudolph Davis, Jas. F. Davis, N. F. Brent, M. J. Lavin, B. J. Santen and G. W. Wilder will be new members. Many important matters will come before the board, including the election of a treasurer, which office is now held by C. K. Thomas, and a report of the project under way.

No forum meeting was held last month, on account of the holiday season, but a meeting will be arranged for this month, when a program of entertainment will be followed by a public forum discussion. It is also planned to hold noon luncheons, either weekly, or bi-weekly. Other activities for the month will include the publication of a booklet giving solid facts about Paris, which is now almost ready for the press, studies by special committees of city planning, street cleaning, the water question and a memorial for the World War veterans.

Complete information files on many subjects have been added to the Commercial Club's office. A clipping service whereby men interested in particular problems will be provided with information taken from current publications, have been instituted.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES

The Y. M. C. A. Educational Committee has received word of appropriation of additional funds for free correspondence scholarship for former service men, and will meet the last of this week to receive applications from any veteran desiring to take a course. Several farm courses are included in the list.

The Y. M. C. A. basketball team showed up strong Tuesday night in the game on the local floor with the Y team from Frankfort, by defeating the latter by the score of 32 to 15. The speed and teamwork of the local team mystified the Frankfort team, only one point being scored by them in the first half of the game. The locals lined up as follows: Roberts and Burnett, forwards; Brews and Chipley, center; Tucker, Port and McIntyre, guards. The Frankfort team lined up as follows: Lewis and Riley, forwards; Snyder and Jarvis, center; Suppinger, Utterback and Bristow, guards. Points were scored as follows: For Paris—Roberts 13, Burnett 9, Tucker 4, Port 2, McIntyre 4; for Frankfort—Snyder 1, Jarvis 6, McKinney 6.

The Y. M. C. A. team will go to Georgetown to-night for a game with the Georgetown College team. On January 18 the Y team will meet the Kentucky Wesleyan College team from Winchester.

Two volley ball teams from the Business Men's Gymnasium class at the Y. M. C. A. have been organized. The "Railroaders," captained by J. G. Metcalfe, and the "Town Lot" team, led by Rev. T. S. Smylie. Captain Metcalfe's "Railroaders" are as follows: Joe Grosche, Y. H. Harrison, Carl Bratton, Ray Ogden and Stanley Price. The "Town Lot" team is composed of the following: Rev. T. S. Smylie, M. Peale Collier, John W. Yerkes, M. M. Sheffield and C. B. Harrison. A series of nine match games will be played between the two teams. The Railroaders won two out of three games in the first contest between the two teams Wednesday. The next contest will be held this afternoon at 5 o'clock. The Basket Ball team from the women's gym class will have a special practice this (Friday) evening.

ADMINISTRATOR APPOINTED

In the County Court yesterday Catesby Spears and Woodford Spears were appointed by County Judge George Batterton as executors of the estate of their mother, Mrs. Sallie Woodford Spears. They accepted and qualified for the trust by furnishing bond in the sum of \$120,000.

The Court appointed Harry B. Clay as executor of the estate of his brother, the late J. Frank Clay. Mr. Clay accepted and qualified for the trust by furnishing bond in the sum of \$20,000.

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