

## "GENERAL" DR. DAVID AMOS

And Five Others Indicted For Night Riding at Hopkinsville

GUY DUNNING, FORMER CHIEF INSPECTOR, AMONG INDICTED.

Grand Jury Still at Work and More True Bills Promised.

Hopkinsville, Ky., March 21.—The Christian County Grand Jury this morning returned indictments against "General" David Amos, of Cobb, alleged chief of the Night Rider band, and a number of other persons who are accused of being members of the masked band of midnight marauders who terrorized the Black Patch during the so-called tobacco war. Besides Dr. Amos the following men are named in the bills: Guy Dunning, formerly Chief Inspector of the Planters' Protective Association; J. B. Malone, Newton Nichols, John Robinson and Irvin Glass. All are charged with complicity in the raid on Hopkinsville on the night of December 6, 1907, when \$150,000 worth of property was burned, houses riddled with bullets, two men shot and one tobacco buyer unmercifully whipped on Main Street.

There are three indictments against each defendant. One charges "confederation and banding together, etc." The second, "confederating to injure property, etc." and the third specifically charges the defendants with burning the warehouses of the late John C. Latham and W. T. Tandy. The former was a "loose floor" and the latter was occupied by the Italian Regie buyers.

The indictments are the most important and sensational that have been returned here since the Night Rider troubles, and are only the first batch. The jury is still at work and witnesses from various part of the "Black Patch" are being examined. It is said that full confessions have been made by several witnesses, and that as a result of the Grand Jury's labor there will be a complete exposure of the Night Rider organization in the courts.

The present indictments were returned by the unanimous vote of the jury. Warrants for the arrest of the men are in the hands of officers. Bond is fixed at \$1,000 in each case.

## TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND EMPLOYEES ONE COMPANY

Enormous Operations of the United States Steel Corporation.

The investing public does not begin to grasp the magnitude of the United States Steel Corporation. The annual report just issued was probably the most remarkable corporation report ever issued. It showed that since origin the corporation has expended out of earnings for replacement and new construction \$400,000,000, equal to \$80 a share for the common stock; and, while it was doing this and paying dividends to its stockholders, it reduced its bonded debt \$68,000,000, increased its net liquid assets \$70,000,000 and increased its surplus from \$25,000,000 to \$151,000,000.

Its manufacturing capacity has been increased 100 per cent, and, while total earnings for the common stock amounted to 10 1-2 per cent, its earnings at the present time are at the rate of about 18 per cent, or more than

four times present dividend requirements. The common stock will probably go on a 5 per cent basis this spring, for every indication points to an exceedingly prosperous steel year, as the company has 6,000,000 tons in unfilled orders, and these orders are placed "firm," not subject to cancellation. The investing public probably does not appreciate that the United States Steel Corporation controls a railroad system of 5,000 miles, over which it operates 50,000 cars and 1,200 locomotives, and it has 200,000 employees.

## "GRIF" GONE TO NASHVILLE

Will be Assistant to Superintendent of Terminals—His Successor.

W. K. Griffin, who recently resigned as assistant trainmaster of the Henderson division, with headquarters here, left Earlinton last night for Nashville, where he takes up the same work, as assistant to W. P. Bruce, Superintendent of the Nashville Terminal Association. Mr. Griffin has been with the Louisville & Nashville for eleven years and expresses regret at leaving that company, but says he feels he will almost be with the L. & N. still, as the interests of that road and the N. C. & St. L.



W. K. GRIFFIN

are very large in Nashville. "Grif" has always been popular here, but he is just finding how many friends he has, as he is leaving the town. He has been getting the glad hand and regrets on all sides.

No announcement has yet been made as to selection of his successor, but it is known that W. S. Bramwell, agent and yardmaster here, and Ewing Jones, who occupies the same position at Howell, are being considered in this connection.

## Third Regiment Band to Quit Service.

Owensboro, Ky., March 16.—An effort is being made by Col. Jonett Henry, of the Third Regiment Kentucky National Guard, whereby the members of the band can be induced to re-enlist in the service, but the members of the band state that they have decided to sever their connection with the State.

They offer to remain in the service until after the National encampment at Indianapolis in September, but no longer than that time. Their enlistment expired this month.

Capt. Arthur Chapman, of Hopkinsville, has been here by order of Col. Henry in an effort to keep the band from going out.

## La So Con Club Meets.

The La So Con Club met last Friday night with the Misses Crenshaw. A St. Patrick form of amusement had been chosen by the hostess. The La So Con's were asked to join their "thinking caps," which they did most brilliantly. Quite an interesting evening was spent, brim full of samples of Irish wit and original American thoughts. For pastime during the social hour the members matched shamrocks, on which were written quotations from Irish poets, after which a salad course was served.

## DISASTROUS FIRE AT COILTOWN

Flames Destroy Mine Property of Rose Creek Coal Company.

FIRST SERIOUS FIRE HAD IN HOPKINS COUNTY MINES.

Monday morning, about 2 o'clock, fire was discovered in one of the out houses and had gained such headway that the power house, engine and boiler room and blacksmith shop were destroyed before the fire could be checked. The coal tippie, which is one of the best in this part of the State, was saved. The only place there had been any fire was in the boiler room and it is not known how it started. The mine will be shut down for about a month or six weeks, but the men will be kept employed at the other mines near there. The loss was near \$60,000 and it is not known at present how much insurance there was on the building. The first report here was that the fire started inside and had burnt 13 mules and the tippie, but the report was found to be false. The company will commence at once to install first-class, up-to-date machinery and will increase the output. This is the first serious fire we have ever had in Hopkins county mines.

## Locomotive Blasts.

REMARKABLE NEW LOCOMOTIVE BUILT FOR SOUTHERN PACIFIC

More Than 100 Feet Long and Amounts to Two Engines in One.

The Southern Pacific Railroad has just had completed at the shops of the Baldwin Locomotive Works fifteen new locomotives of a type which has aroused considerable interest. The new engines are of the Mallet compound type, which are in reality equivalent to two locomotives joined into one, having two sets of cylinders and driving wheels. The Southern Pacific almost a year ago secured a number of these locomotives, but engineers operating them have raised the objection that the extreme length of the machine, exceeding as it does 100 feet, and the huge boiler, interfere with the view of the track ahead.

To obviate this difficulty the Southern Pacific has had its new Mallets so constructed as to be turned about and run backward, with the cab foremost. The result is an engine resembling from the front an electric locomotive, with large windows through which the engineer gains an unobstructed view of the track. From the windows downward is a smooth plate front with a small pilot below. At the rear end is the smoke stack, and behind the second set of cylinders is the tender.

Such an arrangement of course would be an impossibility with a coal burning locomotive, where the firing must be done in the engine cab. The Southern Pacific's engines, however, are oil burners and the only change necessary was to extend the pipes around the side of the boiler from the tender tank to the oil burners in the firebox.

The advantages gained from the clear outlook afforded the man operating the locomotive in the opinion of railway engineering men, that it is regarded as strange that so few have been designed. In the ordinary coal locomotive there is an objection

## UNCLE SAM HELPS COOKS

Gets Out a Book Showing How to Make Cheaper Cuts of Meats Appealing.

Washington, March 17.—The increased cost of living has prompted the Department of Agriculture to instruct housekeepers of the country how to make the cheaper cuts of meat palatable and appetizing. To this end a manual of economy in meat cooking has been prepared, containing a variety of recipes and general information. "Economic Use of Meats in the House" is the title of the manual, which may be procured by addressing a request to the Secretary of Agriculture. The department officials state that cheap cuts are most difficult to prepare.

## New Firm.

Dr. P. B. Davis and son, E. A. Davis, have formed a partnership and will practice medicine in this city. Dr. P. B. Davis is too well known in this city to need anything said as to his efficiency and is classed as one of the best in the State. His son, Eldred, two years ago, graduated with high honor at the University of Nashville and is a "worthy son of a worthy sire," "a chip off the old block." We welcome this new firm to our medical world and wish them success and recommend them to our readers.

to the separating of the engineer and the fireman, though this is already done in the case of many engines of the camel-back type with the cab in the middle of the boiler.

The Southern Pacific's new engines weigh over 218 tons each, of which 197 tons rest on the drivers. Including the tender each locomotive weighs over 304 tons. The heating surface of the boilers is 6,393 square feet.

The Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburgh have placed an order with the American Locomotive Company for ninety locomotives to cost about \$1,800,000. This is the largest single order for locomotives that has appeared in the market for a long time.

Owing to the rush of business the civil engineers have been compelled to work in No. 11 mine at night, so as not to have the mine shut down during the working hours.

A small wreck at Nortonville Friday night delayed the Dixie Flyer a few hours. The wrecker was called and soon had the track clear.

Geo. Kirkwood, of Madisonville, who has been a telegraph operator here for some time, has severed his connection with the L. & N.

Arthur Daves, who had his right leg cut off in the yards here some time ago, is able to be out on crutches.

S. W. Mothershead, of Evansville, spent Sunday in the city with his parents.

Oscar Zachery, of Slaughterville, was in the city Saturday visiting friends.

M. Devney, of Evansville, was on the city last week.

## Two Families Move to St. Charles.

Earlington has lost two excellent citizens, A. R. O'Bannon and Thos. Warren, with their estimable families, and St. Charles gains them. Messrs. O'Bannon and Warren are inseparable companions and have been closely associated in mining for several years. When the time came for Mr. O'Bannon to take charge of the Fox Run mine the natural sequence was that Mr. Warren should go too. And so it happens that we lose two instead of one.

## FARMERS' CLUB HOLDS MEETING

Earlington City Hall Hears Talks on Important Farm Topics.

ANOTHER MEETING WILL BE HELD A MONTH HENCE.

The Hopkins County Farmers' Club met in the Earlinton City Hall Saturday morning and was called to order at 10 o'clock by Judge Jno. G. B. Hall, president of the club. The morning was filled with very interesting discussions continued right up to the noon hour, when adjournment was had until one o'clock. After the dinner hour the meeting was continued with renewed interest until final adjournment at 4 o'clock. Some twenty-five farmers all told attended the meeting, coming from various sections of the county, and their interest was keenly manifested throughout the day. Only a few of the subjects outlined in the program published last week in THE BEE could be taken up because of the lack of time. The principal topics discussed are as follows:

Eq. J. H. Shaw led the discussion on Corn, making a very instructive talk and conducting a veritable "round table" upon the subject, which drew out many questions from others in attendance. W. W. Wilson, of Dalton, and J. H. Laffoon took part also in discussion of this subject, which consumed the time until noon.

The first subject taken up after dinner was "Fruit—Grafting and Spraying," by J. J. Tippett, a practical and self-trained fruit grower and nursery man of this county, whose home is a few miles northwest of Madisonville. Mr. Tippett illuminated his talk by exhibiting various tree cuttings and rooted young fruit trees, to show the manner of grafting, told how to make at home a cheap and practical spraying mixture and how to apply it. Another point he touched upon especially was the deadly San Jose scale, describing it and the danger of it and how to avoid and control it by spraying. Mr. Tippett was subjected to numerous queries from interested listeners.

Eq. Frank Sisk stirred a more general interest, perhaps, than any other speaker by his story of his successful experience in growing pea hay for a number of years past. He now puts in annually 35 or more acres in peas and is considered as perhaps the most successful grower of this important crop in Hopkins county. His farm is but a short distance west of Earlinton and he was formerly for some years a resident of this place.

J. H. Laffoon was on the program for a talk on hay growing, but this subject was not reached. Mr. Laffoon made a brief talk on Wheat, however, when the latter subject came up on the program. Regrets were expressed that there was not time to hear Mr. Laffoon on grass and hay culture, because he is known to have devoted much time to this crop for years and with fine success. The chairman announced that the club would expect to hear from Mr. Laffoon on this subject at its next meeting.

Tiling and Drainage was discussed by J. D. Bobbitt, Madisonville, W. W. Wilson and J. H. Laffoon and it proved to be a subject those present generally recognized to be a vital one to farmers, but a thing which but

few of the Hopkins county farmers had put to the practical test. This is probably because it costs some \$20 per acre to tile land properly. The two last gentlemen had used tile extensively on their farms for years past and had gotten results that proved to them the plan was very beneficial.

The farmers all agreed that fertilizers were beneficial to wheat, but several expressed the view that they did not believe in it for any other farm crop. Some even declared their belief to be that fertilizers were simply stimulants and their continued use would exhaust the land.

The leading spirits in the meeting urged the holding of monthly meetings of the Farmers' Club as it was proposed should be done when the club was organized at the Farmers' Institute held here last fall, and held that great benefit would come out of frequent discussion of the best methods in various details of farming.

The meeting adjourned after voting to meet at Madisonville on the third Saturday in next month, April 16.

## "BIRTHDAY PARTY" FOR THE PARSONAGE FUND

Occasion of Very Pleasant Evening and Good Returns.

Ladies of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, request that their thanks and appreciation to the Earlinton public be expressed through THE BEE, for the very liberal patronage given their "Birthday Party" at Auditorium Rink Tuesday evening. They also wish especially to make public acknowledgement to the members of the Klub Kentuck Band for the choice musical program rendered during the evening, which added very greatly to pleasure of all who were present. The ladies say the gross receipts were beyond their expectations, that those who attended were very liberal and numbers who could not be there sent in their offerings. Some of these offerings came from Russellville, Madisonville, Owensboro and other places at a distance. The proceeds will go towards paying off the remainder of indebtedness against the parsonage. The attendance was large and of all ages, from one year to at least 74 1-2 years of age. Several hundred people attended the entertainment and were served with supper.

## SPRING OPENING OF BARNES, COWARD & CO.

Held Tuesday—Attended by a Large Crowd.

The spring opening of the Store and Millinery department of Barnes, Coward & Co. was held Tuesday, and was very largely attended by the citizens of this place and surrounding towns. Music was furnished by Prof. Ceutura's orchestra, of Evansville. Carnations were given to all visitors.

An enormous crowd was present all day, which attests the popularity of this young and growing firm.

## Curiosity Found in Arnold Mine.

Quite a curiosity was found at the Arnold mine ten feet below the surface Friday while sinking a shaft. It is a section of a tree about two feet long and perfect in every respect. It can be seen in the St. Bernard main office hall. It was embedded in sand stone.