

THREE WILLS ARE FILED

In One Day In Knox County Probate Court

Case Of Harkness vs Gray On In Common Pleas

Answer And Cross Petition Is Filed In A Case

In Which Defendant Sets Up Two Large Claims

Other Items Of Interest From The Court House

Three wills were filed in probate Monday as follows:

Ruth P. Strong, late of Middlebury township, gives all her estate, both real and personal, to her stepson, Wilbur T. Strong, and her stepdaughter, Elda Strong, share and share alike. The stepdaughter and the stepson are named as the executors. The will was signed July 18, 1908, in the presence of Clarence Blair and L. B. Ackerman.

By the terms of the will of Elizabeth Taylor, late of College township, 10 acres off her farm in College township goes to her son, Joshua M. Taylor; 10 acres to her son-in-law, George W. Mohr; and 10 acres to her daughter, Anna Mohr. All the residue of the farm she gives to her son, Robert T. Taylor. All the household articles are to be divided among the above-named, with the exception of the kitchen furniture, which she gives to Anna Mohr and Robert T. Taylor. Joshua M. Taylor is named as the executor. The will was signed October 28, 1909, and was witnessed by Joseph Wagner and Eva M. Glenn.

According to the provisions of the last will and testament of Mary E. Ewers, late of Fredericktown, together with a codicil, the following disposition is made of her estate: To her grandson, Edward J. Blackburn, the sum of \$500 and certain personal articles, to her great grandson, Ray K. Blackburn, the sum of \$100, to her great-grandson, Boyd Blackburn, \$100, and to her granddaughter-in-law, Bertha Blackburn, a set of dishes. All the residue of her estate the testatrix gives to her only child, Cenith A. Blackburn. The daughter is named as the executrix. The will was signed February 16, 1910, and was witnessed by Sephona Darling and L. B. Ackerman, while the codicil was signed August 22, 1912, in the presence of Artie Morrow and L. B. Ackerman.

Answer and Cross Petition—
In the case of B. M. Critchfield, administrator, vs. Frank McGugin et al., an answer and cross petition has been filed in the court of common pleas in which the defendant sets up two claims, one for \$705.38 and one for \$482.91, which he says is due him as administrator of E. A. McElroy, and asks the clerk of courts to pay the administrator the above sum, and for a decree terminating the trust.

KNOX COUNTY SAVINGS BANK

Every Day Is Thrifty Day

at this bank. All nature teaches thrift.

The dog buries his bone for future use.

Why not store away some of your earnings here for the future.

It is not yet too late to join our Christmas Savings Club. Make back payments and join this week.

WEST SIDE PUBLIC SQUARE
S. H. Israel, Pres.
B. D. Herron, Cashier.

By a former order of the court, the clerk of courts was ordered to pay these claims as soon as they were established and the amounts set forth by the defendant in his answer and cross petition. The attorney for the defendant is Frank O. Levering.

Common Pleas Court—
In the case of Alonzo Chapman, executor, vs. Alonzo Chapman et al., the bond of the executor has been approved and a public sale ordered.

At 9 o'clock Monday morning the case of Harkness vs. Gray was resumed in common pleas court before Judge Blair.

Executor Appointed—
E. A. Russell has been appointed executor of Susan Russell. Bond \$500 in a surety company. No appraisalment.

Additional Bond Filed—
In the estate of David Chapman an additional bond in the sum of \$7,000 has been filed by Alonzo Chapman, the administrator. The sureties are Charles W. Harrison, James Davis and C. D. Morey.

Guardian Appointed—
Fred W. Kahrl has been appointed guardian of Robert Curran, an imbecile. Bond \$9,000, with surety in a bonding company.

Marriage License—
Harry Marion Coad, laborer, and Loretta Amelia Frye, both of Mt. Vernon. The Rev. J. A. Long.

Deeds Filed—
Riley Kirby to G. R. Owens, parcel in Mt. Liberty, \$600.
Bert L. Barnes to L. G. Walker, 79.70 acres in Hilliar, \$5,250.

Moses J. Morrow to Henry Faulhaber, parcel in Clinton, \$1.
Albert Dalrymple to William A. Dalrymple, parcel in Mt. Vernon, \$1.
Jesse Myers to George Sleeman, 1 1/2 acres in Pleasant, \$1.

DYNAMITE

Used By Malicious Person At Bellville To Destroy A Building

(Mansfield Shield.)

Several persons were slightly injured and considerable property was damaged by a mysterious explosion which occurred in the Cockley building at Bellville Saturday morning. It is believed that the explosion was caused by dynamite, maliciously placed in the building for the purpose of destroying a club room located on the second floor.

The second floor of the building is occupied by a club, composed of highly respected Bellville young men. When Rollin Spayde, a member of the club, went into the club room at 9 o'clock this morning he lit the gas stove and upon looking down noticed a stick of dynamite, the fuse of which was almost burned up. He made a leap for the door and just as he was leaving the room the explosion occurred. He was thrown across the hallway and sustained many painful cuts and bruises which, while not serious, will keep him laid up for a time. His clothing was also torn to shreds.

A hole was torn in the floor and a barbershop and poolroom on the first floor, owned by Ralph Rowe, was almost completely wrecked. The plastering was torn from the walls of the building, all the windows were broken, and nearly all the furniture in the building was wrecked. A number of persons who were in the Rowe store at the time were slightly injured.

Following the explosion Prosecuting Attorney Jarvis was notified and, accompanied by County Detective Hilton and Fire Chief Knofflock, went to Bellville to investigate the case. It is believed that the dynamite was placed in the club room by some person who holds a spite against the club or its members. The authorities have a clue as to who the guilty party is and an arrest will probably follow. It is thought that the dynamite was placed in such a manner that the fuse would be ignited when the fire was lit. Members of the club are congratulating themselves today upon their narrow escape from serious injury. Had the explosion occurred when the room was filled with club members, several of them would probably have been killed.

An explosion similar to the one this morning occurred in a room over the Sharp restaurant on the night of Jan. 23. It is believed that both explosions were caused by the same person, as the first one was also caused for the purpose of doing damage to members of the club. Every effort will be made to capture the party responsible for these explosions in order to prevent a repetition of the acts.

FORMAL OPENING

Of Two New Churches In Mt. Vernon During April

Church Of Christ To Be Dedicated On April 16

And Re-built First Baptist Opens On April 2

Prominent Churchmen To Be In The City

At The Exercises In Both Handsome Edifices

Plans were announced Sunday for an "Opening Week" of the First Baptist church edifice on Sunday, April 2. The plans have been made and speakers engaged in some cases several weeks ago, but announcement was withheld awaiting definite word from the building committee.

On Sunday, April 2, the church will formally open the new edifice to the public and will hold services with appropriate exercises. Monday, April 3, to Thursday, April 6, Rev. T. H. McAfee of Marion will preach each evening. Dr. McAfee is well known and much admired from his appearance here last year.

On Friday, April 7, Rev. J. C. Masse, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist church of Dayton and well known as a great pulpit orator, standing high among the men of national reputation, will preach. The church is fortunate to secure such a man for the opening week.

On Sunday, April 9, the musical talent of the church will render a full musical program.

On Wednesday evening, April 12, will occur the annual meeting of the church with a sermon by Rev. C. H. Stull, Ph. D., of Newark.

A rare musical treat is anticipated, but not yet announced, for Friday evening, April 14.

On Sunday, April 16, will begin a series of evangelistic meetings, with Rev. J. E. Conant, D. D., as preacher, and will continue for three weeks. This beautiful and really elaborate building has been constructed in almost record-breaking time. The congregation used the old building until the latter part of August and will enter the new building after only seven months' absence. During that time nearly \$20,000 will have been expended, most of which has already been covered by cash and good pledges. It is not expected that any hysterical appeal for money to pay for the building will be made during the opening week.

The congregation has made heroic efforts to provide this structure and present it to the city as one of the public improvements.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Services dedicating the new Vine street Church of Christ will be held on Sunday morning, April 16, according to an announcement made Sunday by the pastor, Rev. J. A. Long. April 9 was originally set as the date, but this was changed in order to secure Rev. George L. Snively of Lewis-ton, Ill., as speaker of the day.

Rev. Snively holds rather a unique position among the ministers of the Church of Christ. For the past ten years he has devoted his time almost exclusively to the dedication of churches to such an extent that his services must be sought months ahead. His marked ability in this line has given him national reputation among the members both of his own and other churches.

The church which Rev. Snively will dedicate is one of the architectural monuments of the city of Mt. Vernon. It is the most spacious and commodious religious edifice in the city and is capable of seating a larger number of people than any other structure, religious or otherwise, in the city. The building committee, of which Dr. Joseph Wenger is chairman, was assured of finances before the church was started, and its handling of everything has brought much credit to it.

OFFICIAL CALL DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION COLUMBUS, OHIO

Thursday, June 1st, 1916

Pursuant to law the Democratic State Central Committee hereby calls a Delegate State Convention of Democrats to assemble in the city of Columbus, Ohio, on Thursday, June 1st, 1916, at one o'clock p. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination two candidates for Presidential Elector-at-Large and twenty-two candidates for District Presidential Electors; the adoption of a Democratic State platform and the transaction of any other business that shall properly come before such convention.

The ratio of representation in this State Convention shall be one delegate and one alternate for each five hundred votes or major fraction thereof cast for James M. Cox for Governor in 1914. These delegates, according to the following apportionment, shall be selected from each county at large provided, however, that any county central committee at a regularly called meeting held prior to February 15th, 1916, may provide for the selection of such delegates and alternates by wards, townships or districts, to be determined by such committee.

(Knox County is entitled to seven delegates and alternates.) The delegates from each congressional district shall meet in district caucus at ten o'clock a. m., on said Thursday, June 1st, 1916, for the purpose of selecting representatives on such committees as may be provided for by the Committee on Arrangements of such convention.

By order of the Democratic State Central Committee.

W. W. DURBIN,

Chairman.

C. N. GREER,

Secretary.

ATTEMPT TO DISBAR DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Los Angeles, Feb. 14—Hearing of testimony in the disbarment proceedings brought against Barclay McCowan, district attorney of Kern county, by the Bar Association of that county, was begun today, before Judges Conroy, Shaw and James of the district court of appeals.

NEW ORLEANS OPENS NEW R. R. TERMINAL

New Orleans, Feb. 14—The new terminal owned jointly by the Texas and Pacific and the Missouri Pacific-Iron Mountain was opened to trains today, and will be thrown open to the public tomorrow.

JUDE AS JURYMAN

(Atchison, Kan., Globe) Judge Johnson was once on a jury that heard a booze case. After all evidence had been heard, Jude, who was foreman of the jury, said to the judge: "The jury is satisfied as to the sale of the bottle, but is undecided about the contents of the bottle, and asks leave to examine the contents of the bottle." The court granted the jury's request, and a half hour later the jury came out again and Jude announced this decision: "Your Honor, we, the jury, find that there is no case against the defendant, as there was not enough evidence to go around."

DINE NATIONAL COMMANDERY SPANISH WAR VETERANS

Washington, Feb. 14—The Army and Navy Military Order of the Spanish-American War will tender a dinner tonight in honor of the officers of the national commandery, who are in session here.

LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS MEET AT BOSTON

Boston, Feb. 14—National parks and their needs will be discussed at the annual meeting of the American Society of Landscape Architects, who meet here today.

BILLIARD STARS AT NEWARK

Newark, N. J., Feb. 14—Firm Cassignol of France, Leonard Howison of Canada, Welker Cochran of Chicago and Roy Ream of Newark are the contestants in the 18.2 ball-line professional tournament which opens here today. Cassignol makes his debut in American tournaments, and his showing will determine whether he will secure a match with Willie Hoppe.

McAdoo Declines to Run.

Washington, Feb. 14.—Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo made public a letter he had written to Chester C. Platt of Batavia, N. Y., declining to become a candidate or to permit himself to be urged for delegate to the Democratic national convention at St. Louis. Whether or not this is to be a policy for all administration officials has not been disclosed.

Ford's Latest.

Detroit, Feb. 14.—Henry Ford is about to launch a countrywide campaign of newspaper and magazine advertising against the program for big expenditures on naval and military forces now before congress.

STATE

Meeting Of Church Of Christ To Occur In Mt. Vernon

Six hundred delegates of the Church of Christ of Ohio will assemble in Mt. Vernon on May 22-25 for the annual state meeting of the church. All of the sessions of the convention will be held in the new church.

The program for the three days has not been completed as yet, but it is known that Prof. Athearn, a noted educator of Des Moines, Ia., and Frederick D. Kirshner of St. Louis, Mo., editor of the "Christian Evangelist" and former president of the Texas Christian university, will be two of the speakers.

It is very much out of the ordinary course of events for Mt. Vernon to entertain a convention of this size, and citizens will outdo themselves in cordiality and welcome to the delegates.

W. D. Ward of Newark, president of the state organization, will preside.

REAL ESTATE

AGENTS LIKE TO HAVE THEIR CUSTOMERS BORROW MONEY FROM

1. The Buckeye State Building and Loan Company, Rankin Building, 22 West Gay street, Columbus, O.
2. For the reasons
3. That the Buckeye is prompt in appraisements,
4. And gives good terms to borrowers
5. When the security is sufficient.
6. The Buckeye loans only on first mortgage on homes and farms.
7. Assets over \$10,000,000. Five per cent paid on time deposits.

FARMERS' MEETING AT FREDERICKTOWN

There will be a farmers' meeting held in the council chamber in Fredericktown on Thursday, Feb. 17, at 1 o'clock. The purpose of this meeting is to talk over plans and if possible to form a farmers' co-operative association. "Co-operate" is the word today. Co-operate in buying, co-operate in selling. All other trades and professions co-operate, why not the farmers? Come, learn, think, join us. FARMERS.

TO GIVE READINGS

In the society section of Sunday's Columbus Dispatch, there appeared a large cut of Mrs. Besse Patterson Chrisman of Chillicothe, formerly of Mt. Vernon, together with the information that Mrs. Chrisman would appear in Columbus shortly in a series of interesting poetic readings.

KENYON DEFEATED

Miami defeated Kenyon in basketball at Oxford Saturday night by the score of 25 to 20. The game was slow and neither team showed much class.

OWNERS

Of Autos Given Few More Days To Secure 1916 License Tags

Mayor Mitchell has granted a few days' grace to owners of automobiles in Mt. Vernon to secure their license tags for 1916. The mayor had issued orders that all machines must be supplied with 1916 tags by February 14, but so many complained to the mayor that they had ordered their new license tags and had been unable to secure them, that Mayor Mitchell decided to grant a few more days in which owners of machines must secure their license tags.

UNCLAIMED MAIL

To avoid delay in delivery have your mail addressed to street and number, P. O. box or general delivery. The following letters remain unclaimed in the Mt. Vernon post-office: Advertised Feb. 14, 1916.

Collins, B. H.
Davis, Mrs. Anna M.
Egelston, Hiram J.
Fosburg, Mrs. Onie
Horn, Samuel B.
Jackson, Mrs. Hattie
Kirkpatrick, Sam
McFarland, Mrs.
McKinzie, Mrs. Ella
Morgan, Mrs. H.
Sheldon, John
Smith, Alvin
Stackhouse, Miss Mary
Walker, Mrs. Carrie J.
S. G. DOWDS, Postmaster.

Buy Fencing Now

The Reason:

On and after February 22, fencing will be 10 to 15 per cent higher. All we have in stock at present can be bought up to that time at OLD PRICES.

B. E. SALISBURY

208 W. High St.

Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

Special Announcement

We invite you to visit our patterns department Tuesday & Wednesday, Feb. 15, 16

Mrs. Margaret H. Widrig

Special representative of the Pictorial Review Company of New York will be here to explain the many distinctive features of Pictorial Review patterns which make them superior to all other patterns.

The patent cutting and construction guides furnished only with Pictorial Review Patterns save time, labor and material in every case. They show just how to lay out the parts of the patterns on the material to cut and how to assemble the parts in completing the garment.

Do not fail to meet Mrs. Widrig and learn of the many advantages contained in Pictorial Review Patterns not found in any other pattern.

A. A. Dowds Dry Goods Co.

The New Season's Goods are here

We are now showing the Spring Styles in

Ladies' Coats, Suits, Skirts, Waists, Neckwear, Embroideries, Dress Goods, Silks, Gingham, Percales, Poplins, thin Wash Fabrics, Rugs, Curtains and Draperies.

No Advance in Prices

In announcing the opening of the new season we want to urge you to supply your needs early. We began last summer to prepare for this season's business and everything now in stock was bought at the old low prices.

In the last few weeks, however, many prices have been advanced by the mills and in some lines merchandise is very scarce. In view of these well-known facts it seems advisable to suggest early shopping on your part.

A. A. Dowds Dry Goods Co.