

# GEORGE A. ROSS CALLED FOR HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT

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ing of some little child, might be assuaged. The Last Edition ever was the mecca toward which he strove, but the bleeding heart of mankind could serve occasionally to blind his keen insight into news.

Thirty years of George Ross' life was spent in the newspaper business. He did his first writing on the Johnson City, Tenn., Comet, when Cy Lyle was the editor and publisher. It was there in the shadow of Big Smoky mountain that he laid the foundation of humor and homely experience that lasted him through a lifetime devoted to the chronicling of current events and the spinning of yarns that ever brought a laugh to the host of readers who followed his work.

George Ross not only could write. He could tell a story in a manner that hushed every outburst and held breathless to the end his coterie of listeners. Many of the negro dialect stories that made "Bob" Taylor of Tennessee famous on the stump are credited to George Abasalom Ross' facile pen and boundless ability to ferret out humor.

### Led Dialect Writers.

As a writer of negro dialect he was the premier of the news writers of the entire South. His dialect by right ranks even with that of Joel Chandler Harris and Harris Dickson. But to Ross' eternal credit, he never essayed poetry, being content with the gift of prose which the gods had bestowed upon him. His prose was poetry with an infinite variety of meter.

George A. Ross was born in Greenville, Tenn., on Jan. 13, 1861, the son of David R. Ross and Martha Stonecipher Ross. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Lula Roach Ross; a daughter, Miss Juanita L. Ross. He was educated at Tusculum, Greene county, Tenn., and Washington college, Clark county, Tenn. He came to Johnson City from the place of his birth in 1890. He remained there until the larger press of Knoxville, Tenn.—the Journal and Tribune—called him in 1894. There he remained until 1904, when he came to Memphis as the police reporter of the old Morning News. When that paper was consolidated with The Scimitar, he went to the Commercial Appeal in 1905, where he remained for 11 years, writing the stories that made him famous throughout the South.

As age crept on apace and night work became too arduous, George Ross left the Commercial Appeal. He joined the staff of the Memphis Press and retained his position as police reporter last August.

Here is one of his latest and typical omissions:

"The case of Birdie Eggers against Hammond Eggers was called in Squire McNamara's court this morning. Assault and battery was the charge.

"Judging from the names," said Squire McNamara, "this case should have been set before Tony, the Greek, in the Coffee Kitchen."

"All the while Birdie was fumbling a small hickey on her forehead with ostentatious method.

"Go ahead, Birdie," said the judge, "and tell us what he did to you."

"He most kilt me, judge, dat's what. Dat man sits other wuck at 6 o'clock and he nevah got hom dis mornin' 'till three—and den he nevah had no excuse."

"Did you do anything to him?" asked the squire.

"Nuthin' a-tall, judge, 'ceut talk tuh him."

"What you got to say, Hammond?" the squire asked the meek defendant.

"Is yo' a married man, yo' sell, judge?" asked Hammond.

"I am not," said the squire.

"Den Ah mought as well plead guilty."

"Dismisses the case."

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### Mrs. Streuli Says Cops Made Mistake

Mrs. R. A. Streuli, 1118 Tutwiler avenue, explained Friday how police came to get her name as Mrs. J. D. Baugh, when she was arrested after her automobile had run down former Gov. T. C. Rye. The explanation given by police that her name was Mrs. J. D. Baugh before she married Mr. Streuli, was incorrect, Mrs. Streuli said.

"Mrs. J. D. Baugh is my mother's name," Mrs. Streuli said. "I was Miss Ruby Baugh before I married Mr. Streuli. I have been married only once. I had a Cadillac car before my marriage. Since I have bought a Packard, I used the Cadillac numbers on the Packard, and they were registered under the name of my father, J. D. Baugh. Thus is how the police got the name Baugh mixed up in the case."

Mrs. Streuli said further that Gov. Rye jumped in front of her car last Sunday night, and that the brakes refused to work. The accident was unavoidable, she declared. Mrs. Streuli has retained Ralph Davis as her attorney in the case.

### ARKANSAS BANKER HERE.

Gordon N. Peay, president of the W. B. Worthen Banking company, Little Rock, Ark., was a visitor in Memphis Friday and paying his respects to officers of the local banks.

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### RIVER FORECAST.

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### News of Rivers

River Bulletin. Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 5, 1920.

Place	Flood Stage	Hgt. Chg.	Fall
Pittsburgh, Pa.	22	6.1	-0.1
Cincinnati, O.	59	12.0	-0.2
Louisville, Ky.	28	8.8	-0.2
Evansville, Ind.	35	4.6	+0.5
Nashville, Tenn.	40	7.5	0.0
Chattanooga, Tenn.	22	8.8	0.0
Johnsonville, Tenn.	31	2.3	+0.1
Paducah, Ky.	48	3.4	+0.2
Davenport, Iowa	15	2.4	+0.1
Omaha, Neb.	19	7.5	0.0
Kansas City, Mo.	22	7.2	+0.5
St. Louis, Mo.	32	2.1	+0.2
Cairo, Ill.	45	10.2	-0.2
New Madrid, Mo.	24	6.2	-0.2
MEMPHIS	35	0.7	-0.1
Helena, Ark.	42	7.0	+0.1
Pt. Smith, Ark.	22	8.4	+0.6
Little Rock, Ark.	29	2.8	0.0
Vicksburg, Miss.	45	11.0	0.0
Shreveport, La.	29	17.4	-0.8
New Orleans, La.	18	5.4	+0.3

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### PADUCAH MAN ROBBED, THROAT CUT BY PAIR

PADUCAH, Ky., Nov. 4.—With his throat deeply slashed, and almost frozen from exposure to the cold, James M. Jeffords, former city weigher, was found on the Ohio river bank at the foot of Clay street Wednesday morning by police. The waters of the Ohio washed over him. Mystery surrounds the injury of Jeffords. He had been absent from his home here for the last two weeks. He alleges in a statement made at the hospital that two masked men rifled his pockets, cut his throat, and threw him into the river.

### BREWERIES STOCK DROPS.

Affected by a feeling that the Republican victory in the United States was favorable to prohibition, National Breweries stock fell from 60 to 64 1/2 on the local exchange.

### MISSISSIPPI-ARKANSAS BOUNDARY REPORT FILED

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5.—The commission appointed by the supreme court to establish the boundary between the states of Arkansas and Mississippi, involved in the original suit between those states, yesterday filed its report with maps showing in detail the line determined upon.

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