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## SHOOTING AT ISOLINE

**Frank Shellito Gets Slight Wound in the Side as Result of Labor Troubles**

Thursday evening about six o'clock, Jim Barton shot Frank Shellito in the side inflicting a slight wound and attempted to shoot Mr. Shellito in the head but failed. Dr. W. A. Reed was called and dressed the wound for Mr. Shellito and his recovery will be sure and rapid.

The conditions surrounding the shooting are as follows as best we have been able to learn. The Tennessee Coal and Lumber Company that is operating the mines at Isoleine was desirous of reducing the wages of the men mining coal and proposed a twenty percent cut. They also proposed an equal cut on house rent and the goods they sold to the miners. Frank Shellito and some other miners expressed a willingness to accept the conditions proffered. Jim Barton did not favor accepting the conditions proffered.

It seems that Barton had fired a blast in the mines at such a time as prevented Shellito from working for half a day. When they meet about six o'clock in the evening they began talking about the proposed wage change and Shellito referred to the blasting that Barton had done and complained that Barton had not treated him fair. It seems Barton then drew a pistol and fired at Shellito's head, but Shellito dodged and Barton missed him but the powder burned Shellito in the face. Barton then fired again and Shellito turned sideways as the pistol fired and the bullet went through his clothes and grazed his back and side inflicting a slight flesh wound. Barton then left and so far as known has not been arrested.

A phone call was sent for Dr. Reed and Sheriff G. W. Walker, who started for Isoleine in a car. They had trouble with the car and did not reach Isoleine until late in the night. Barton had been gone for some time and it is talked that he left for some point in Kentucky where his father lives. Barton has a wife and one child.

## DORTCH LAW TO ENTIRE STATE

Monday the democrats, by a strictly partisan vote, enacted a law that extends the Dortch law to every precinct in the state. They also passed a law requiring poll taxes to be paid 60 days before election, payment of poll tax being a requirement to voting. Also to require all trustees to file with the secretary of the state a complete list of all persons who have paid poll tax.

The republicans opposed the measures but the steam roller worked perfectly and all were passed. Gov. Taylor will very likely veto the Dortch law bill, if not the others, and that will require it being passed over his veto, which will likely be done.

## RELEASED BY GERMANY

Some months ago two soldiers of the American army of occupation in Germany attempted to kidnap Grover Cleveland Bergdall, an American draft evader. The two soldiers—Carl Neuf and Franz Zimmer—were arrested by the German authorities and put in prison. March 31 the two men were released by the Germans.

An effort is now being made to have Bergdall extradited and returned to America for punishment. The U. S. authorities were after Bergdall hot when he succeeded in escaping from this country and reaching Germany.

He is a naturalized American citizen and there is every probability that he will be turned over to the United States for punishment.

## CONGRESS TO CONVENE

President Harding has called congress to convene in extra session Monday.

Ginseng has no curative value. Practically all of it is shipped to China, where it is highly esteemed for its curative value, as they think.

The rat has been responsible for more untimely deaths among human beings than all the wars of history. It carries the deadly bubonic plague and many other diseases.

Some people cast their bread upon the waters and expect it to come back buttered.—Brookfield (Mo.) Budget.

## EX-SHERIFF PASSES AWAY

**Samuel Tollett Died at His Home, Near Fredonia Church, Sunday, Buried Monday.**

Samuel Tollett, aged 69 years, died at his home, one mile from Fredonia church, Sunday morning at 8 o'clock, after a lingering illness of several weeks. The remains were interred at Fredonia church Monday attended by numerous relatives and friends. The sermon was preached by Rev. S. W. Rose.

The deceased was a brother of our townsman, former Senator E. G. Tollett. Many years ago he was engaged in the mercantile business in Crossville, but for the past 25 years or longer he has been a farmer. At one time he was city marshal of Crossville and was elected sheriff of the county three years ago. He found the work uncongenial and non-remunerative and resigned before his term of office expired.

He was a man of sterling integrity, a Christian gentleman and enjoyed the respect and confidence of all who knew him. He was born and reared in this county and had lived here practically all his life.

Latest reports from John Q. Burnett who is in a Nashville hospital being treated, is that he is very much improved in a general way and a major operation will be performed in a short time. His brother, G. P. Burnett, arrived from Nashville this morning and feels much encouraged over the condition of his brother. Mrs. Burnett is sitting at the bedside of her husband.

Rev. Frank L. Miller was here last week as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Burnett. He returned to New York from which point he will sail as an army chaplain in the Canal Zone, April 10. He will likely remain there for quite a period of years.

Miss Emma F. Dodge, Miss Elizabeth Fletcher and Miss Fannie E. Bacon, all of Pleasant Hill, were in town yesterday on their way to Knoxville to attend the ninth annual meeting of the Southern Mountain Workers. They expect to return Friday.

S. B. Gardner arrived from Oneonta, N. Y., Monday to look after the property of the Phillipsburg Land Co. The company has several thousand acres of land in this country suitable for farming lands, but are unclear. Mr. Gardner is desirous of selling in large or small tracts.

The work of spreading slag on Main Street moves on slowly. The main difficulty seems to be in getting the railroad to deliver the loaded cars, which are loaded at Rockwood, less than 30 miles away.

This beautiful weather, which reminds one of June, is putting our farmers actively at work all over the country. Indications are for larger crops of all kinds this year than ever before.

The Rush Cooperage have had their works shut down at Crab Orchard for a short time, but we are informed they will start work again in a few days.

W. B. Johnson has recently taken a picture of a rock in Renfro Hollow that shows the face of a woman very distinctly. She is smiling in a very pronounced manner. He calls the picture the "Old Woman of Renfro Hollow." The lady is evidently smiling over her Easter bonnet, which shows distinctly and is of the latest style. The rock is at the side of the Memphis to Bristol pike and few people would notice the likeness to a head and face in the rock unless their attention was called to it, in that case it becomes very distinct.

Rev. L. A. Hurst, who was called here to preach the funeral of James E. Caudell, Sunday, remained until Tuesday for a visit with friends and church people. Rev. Hurst was for some time pastor of the Baptist church here and finds many old friends and acquaintances who were glad to greet him.

## MARRY-GO-ROUND DEATH

Mrs. A. J. Kearsey, aged 55, fell from a marry-go-round at Monterey Friday night as the result of heart failure. She died at once. She leaves three daughters, a son and husband. The daughters are married and live in Kentucky and the son in Texas. Her husband was for several years an engineer on the T. C. and Southern but is now retired.

## BOILER EXPLOSION

**Seven Persons Hurt, But None Killed at Monterey Thursday.**

Thursday at 12:30 a boiler in a planing mill at Monterey blew up because of being defective. Seven persons were hurt, but none killed. The property loss is estimated at \$5,000.

One of the victims, Casto Sparks, had not regained senses Saturday, but was expected to recover. Several persons were slightly scalded. The flues of the boiler were blown two blocks and the explosion threw down a large smoke stack which crashed through the roof of a small house.

## M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH SCHOOL

Word has been received that the church board of the M. E. Church, south, will meet April 21. At that time definite action will be taken looking to commencing work on the buildings for the great school they propose to establish in this county to cost \$100,000. The location for the buildings has not been selected but a committee for that purpose will doubtless arrive shortly after the board meeting. It is understood the location will be at some point on the 240 acre tract that is convenient to the railroad so that a depot may be established for the convenience of the school.

## ENGLISH MINERS STRIKE

April 1 practically 1200 thousand coal miners struck in England. The wage dispute was the cause. Fears are entertained that many of the mines may be flooded and forever ruined. The strike resulted in orders being placed in the United States for many tons of coal.

## FORMER EMPEROR CHARLES

Former Emperor Charles, of Hungary, attempted to regain the throne last week, but the attempt failed. Several adjoining nations threatened war in the event Charles was elevated to the throne again. He returned to his former place of exile in Switzerland.

## Wooden Shoes and Automobiles.

At first thought there seems to be no relation between wooden shoes and automobiles. But one never can tell these days. Wooden shoes play an important part in auto building; indeed they probably reduce the cost of autos by six and three-tenths cents each—if figured out by an efficiency expert.

At first the auto companies provided high rubber boots for the men who did the work; but they soon found, says the Scientific American Monthly, that soap and rubber did not agree, and that the bill for rubber boots was quite an item. And when the war came on, and the price of rubber soared, indeed, it became quite appalling.

So some bright young man got a lot of wooden sabots—brought from Holland or somewhere for actors—and tried them out. The workmen stuffed paper tightly in around their feet and encircled their legs with pieces of old slickers and found that the result was very satisfactory when worn with the usual apron.

## Midget Motorcycle.

Probably on account of the high cost of fuel Europeans are making use of a very small type of vehicle. The latest is a diminutive motorcycle, weighing only 32 pounds. The power plant of the little cycle is a single-cylinder air-cooled engine of small bore and stroke. Drive is by means of sprockets and one chain to the rear wheel. No claims of excessive speed are made for the vehicle. No special garage space is needed, as, owing to the small size and light weight of the machine, it can be easily carried into the owner's dwelling.

## Seeking Seclusion.

"You said you were going on a fishing trip."  
"I am," replied Senator Sorghum.  
"But I'm going to take a lot of correspondence and a stenographer. It will be one of the fishing trips that do not particularly disturb the fish."

## Making Her a Centenarian.

Miss Passeign—I was born on Lincoln's birthday.  
Mr. Blunt—I thought it was about that time.—Boston Transcript.

## BARN BURNED

**R. H. Millard Suffers Loss Estimated at \$1,300 With \$700 Insurance Narrow Escape.**

The barn belonging to R. H. Millard, who lives a mile and a half east of town, was burned Saturday morning about four o'clock. When Mr. Millard discovered the fire the barn was in flames and part of the roof falling in. He succeeded in rescuing his team but everything else was destroyed.

In the barn was the harness for the team, about a ton of hay, a two-seater surrty, a mowing machine, some other farm tools and a small amount of grain. It was with much effort that he was able to rescue his team as the fire had reached such a stage as to block the doors and he had to tear off the boards from the side of the barn and remove the team that way. At first he thought they had been injured as there was fire all over their backs, but later he found the team had not been burned more than a slight scorching of the hair.

His loss on the barn is estimated at \$1,000 and the other loss will amount to around \$300. He was carrying \$700 in insurance on the barn. Mr. Millard thinks he knows who set fire to the barn and expects to have sufficient proof in a short time to justify an arrest.

He came to Crossville Saturday morning with the purpose of securing bloodhounds from Chattanooga, but when he found the charge would be \$100, he abandoned the idea. That the fire was of incendiary origin there seems to be no doubt.

## WE NEVER SUBSCRIBED

**For That Reason the League Cannot Vote away U. S. Rights.**

In the discussing the controversy over the island of Yap the Japanese made the fundamental error of assuming that the league of nations is clothed with the power to administer the affairs of the world. They overlook the fact that the United States never subscribed to the league, but on the contrary specifically rejected it.

Its powers extends only to those enant. It may be that other small nations, too weak to raise an effective protest against any action that the league might take involving their affairs, will have to submit to its dictation.

But the United States has not reached the point where it has to surrender any part of its rights to the league of nations or any other combination of powers. That is a fact that Japan should keep clearly in mind as applied to Yap.

It is true that the Japs drove the Germans from the island and took possession of it, but their occupancy was only pending final disposition of the island at the close of the war. They had no vested rights in the island by right of conquest, any more than the United States took title to the Argonne Forest when the American soldiers drove the Germans out.

The question of the final disposition of Yap became a matter for the peace settlement, in which the United States was entitled to an equal voice with Japan and each of the other allies.

By internationalizing the island the interest of all nations would be protected, whereas exclusive sovereignty over it by Japan would give to that country undue influence over the cable communications of the Pacific. It is for the former arrangement that the United States has taken its stand.

## LEGISLATURE TO AJOURN

The seventy-five days allotted to the legislature for which they receive pay will end with Sunday, which may cause that body to remain in session during at least a part of that day as much work remains to be disposed of and the time is short in which to handle it.

There is some talk of a recess from Saturday to Tuesday to avoid the Sunday session. It has been suggested, however, that the farmer members are very desirous of getting home to get behind Old Beck to pull the bell cord a while and that it will be very hard to get enough members back to form a quorum, should the proposed recess be taken. Just what will be done is as yet very uncertain, except in one way, they will not stay longer than they are paid.

## SOLDIER'S BODY RETURNED

**James Caudell, Hero of the Hindenburg Line, Buried in City Cemetery Sunday.**

The remains of James E. Caudell, aged 24, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. T. Caudell, were laid to rest in the city cemetery Sunday. The funeral services were conducted by Revs. J. H. Snow and L. A. Hurst, the latter preaching the sermon, having been called here from Bessemer, Ala., for that purpose.

The deceased was a member of the volunteer company raised in this and Fentress county at the opening of the great war. He was in the famous First Division that assisted in breaking the Hindenburg Line on September 28 and 29. He fell fighting on September 29. The remains were interred with other American soldiers at the time and later the government shipped the remains here at the request of the family. An escort of ex-service men was provided to escort the remains from the church to the cemetery.

Rev. Hurst was for some years pastor of the Baptist church here and was personally acquainted with the deceased. He paid a most glowing tribute to this worthy Christian young man. He dwelt on the high Christian character of the young man and his fidelity to the highest ideal of Christian citizenship. The writer was personally acquainted with the young man and knows him to have been a most worthy and respected man, of high character and worthy the esteem of all good citizens.

The remains arrived here Saturday and the funeral services were conducted in the Baptist church and were attended by a large number of Crossville people and others from different parts of the county. All that kindly sympathy could suggest was done by sympathizing neighbors and friends to lighten the great burden of sorrow that fell upon the family.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend to the good people of Crossville and Cumberland county our most sincere and heartfelt thanks for their kindness and sympathy in the burial of our beloved son.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. M. Caudell.

## BIG PLUM FOR DEN

Indications point very strongly to the appointment by President Harding of former Governor Ben W. Hooper as Commissioner of Internal Revenue.

Governor Hooper has the entire republication state delegation behind him and the Anti-Saloon League is very active in his behalf. It is claimed that his strongest opponent is a West Virginia man who is classed as wet. The record of Gov. Hooper during his two years as governor of Tennessee is proving a very strong card in his favor with all prohibition forces.

## BIG DRUG HAUL

New York detectives made a big haul in morphine, cocaine and heroin amounting to \$250,000. Four men were arrested at the same time. The drugs were in a box marked "Spaggetti" and was stored in the shed to the rear of a grocery store. A detective was sitting on the box when the groceryman came to get it. He thought the detective was a tramp and ordered him out of his woodshed. The detective then placed him under arrest and took the box containing the drugs. Other detectives had arranged to buy \$2,000 worth of the drugs from the groceryman and three other men and all were arrested.

## FURTHER FORCE REDUCTION

Railroads are reducing their section forces because fewer trains are being run. In the case of the Tennessee Central there will be only one section squad where there were three. Many roads are reducing their forces at that rate.

## T. C. SALE

Judge Sanford has granted a stay of proceedings in the sale of the Tennessee Central railroad to May 2 conditionally on reorganization movement. In any event he will hear the case May 7 and it is probable that some final adjustment will result.