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Renew your subscription to the Post, and vote for your favorite in the Golden Gate Contest.

One difficulty about the "holy war" is that there is as much discussion among Moslems as there is among Christians.

It is always easier for a Mexican general to grant concessions than it is to guarantee delivery of the goods.

If Canada wants to make new friends around here it should run its arctic breezes through a steam coil before sending them down.

Remember the war sufferers in Europe, but do not forget that those who also deserve your help are needy right here.

That thirteen is not an unlucky number is demonstrated once more by the internal revenue returns, which show that thirteen Chicagoans have incomes of over $500,000 a year.

Certain officials insinuate that Uncle Sam has something up his sleeve against a possible war, whereas certain other officials insinuate that the only thing the old gentleman has up his sleeve is his funny bone.

Some unusually heavy shipments of postage stamps have gone through the mails from Washington of late. In a single day more than 17 tons, valued at over $4,000,000, were sent out. Another day's shipment was valued at more than $3,800,000.

So long as Turkish officials insist on opening letters from Americans, the safe course will be to send only picture post cards of an entirely non-committal character.

Those that charge that President Wilson has no conception of diplomacy should consider his attitude toward woman suffrage.

The Coeburn Journal suspended publication last week, and, according to the statement of the owners, will not be started again by the present management. The Journal was supposed to be the most prosperous paper in the county and its suspension was a surprise. However Wise county still has five weekly papers, three more than any other county in Southwest Virginia.

There is food for thought in the following paragraph taken from the Beuna Vista Herald:

The Almighty has so planned it that we cannot achieve real success in life without fellowship and brotherhood—without a willingness to work with our fellows and trust them and bear with them and help them. Otherwise we not only cannot find the happiness and satisfaction that should be ours, but as a people we cannot even prosper greatly in matters of dollars and cents.

## LOCAL ITEMS.

Mrs. G. B. Myers and neice, Miss Gertrude Bailey, who is teaching at Keokee, returned Wednesday from Louisville, where they spent several days visiting Miss Mary Priest.

Alex Clark, one of Big Stone Gap's leading colored citizens, has opened up a moving picture theatre in the Summerfield building on Wood Ave., and will have a show every night. He solicits the patronage of both white and colored people.

Miss Winnie Mullins returned to Salem, where she is attending school, Monday morning, after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mullins, in the Gap.

Ray, the nine-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Mahaffey, underwent an operation on last Friday morning for tonsilitus and adenoids by Dr. Thomas F. Staley, the specialist from Bristol. The operation was a success, and the patient was up and going about within a few hours afterwards.

N. D. Pressly, who holds a position in the offices of the Stonega Coke and Coal Company, at this place, has been at Keokee for the past few days working in the place of D. S. Skinner, script clerk for the same company, who has been quite sick.

J. J. Akers, of Charlotte, N. C., returned home last week after spending the holidays here visiting his sister, Mrs. F. E. Goodloe.

Mrs. W. M. Lyle and daughters spent a few days at Middlesboro last week. On their return, Miss Gladys Lyle stopped at Pennington Gap a day and visited Miss Lanna Marrs, who is attending school at Lee Baptist Institute.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Burgess returned home Tuesday night from Bluefield, where they spent several days visiting relatives.

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Miss Nannie Bandy, of Imboden, spent last week in town visiting relatives.

Mayor and Mrs. S. P. Fleenor had as their guests Christmas day, Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Botts and baby, of Louisville; Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Witt and children of this place; T. I. Pippin, of Hiltons, and Lee and Willard Large, of Appalachia.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Baker entertained at six o'clock dinner on last Thursday, in honor of Mr. W. M. Persival, of Hazard. Those present besides the family were Mr. Persival, Jno. W. Chalkley, J. M. McLemore and W. R. Peck.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. A. Drennen, who until recently lived at Jenkins, Ky., have moved to the Gap, and will make their home with their son, Mr. E. Drennen, on Poplar Hill, until they can secure a suitable residence.

Owing to the heating plant in the court house at Wise being out of order the January term of the circuit court will not be held and the court adjourned Monday until the 22nd of March.

Rev. J. M. Smith, pastor of the Presbyterian church, will preach at Blue Springs on the fifth Sunday in this month. Every one in that community is cordially invited to attend the meeting.

Rev. Wm. Robinette will preach at Blue Springs on the third Saturday and Sunday in this month.

Allen, Hugh, Martin and Margaret Carnes spent New Year's day in Lee County visiting their aunt, Mrs. Mattie McClure.

C. E. Bevins, of Wise, candidate for commissioner of the revenue for the Eastern District, and R. E. Smith, who lives in the valley above town, and who is a candidate for commissioner of the revenue for the Western district were visitors to the Gap last Saturday. These gentlemen are well qualified to fill the position to which they aspire.

Rev. Gilmer, of Pulaski, preached in the Presbyterian church at this place on last Sunday morning.

Miss Louise Goodloe, who is attending school at Mary Baldwin Seminary, in Staunton, spent the holidays with friends in Roanoke.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lowry spent the holidays with relatives in Knoxville.

Rev. J. M. Smith, pastor of the Presbyterian church, is spending a few weeks with relatives and friends in Petersburg. He, and his wife, who has been visiting in Petersburg for about three months, will return to the Gap about the fifteenth.

W. A. Dockins has returned to his home at Russellville, Ky., after spending the holidays with his son, E. A. Dockins, who holds a position with the Stonega Coke and Coal Company, in their general offices at this place.

J. Polk Wolfe was down from Dante a few days last week visiting homefolks.

M. C. Beverly returned to Sweetwater, Tenn., Friday morning where he is attending school at Hiwassee College, after spending the holidays here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Beverly here and at Norton.

W. P. Snodgrass and family, and W. P. Beverly and family, of Norton, spent part of last week in town visiting relatives.

Blackburn Napier and Miss Minnie Bailey, both of Cadet, were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Bailey, on last Thursday afternoon. Rev. Henry Wampler, of East Stone Gap, performed the ceremony. The couple will make their home at Cadet.

Henry Bullitt, Vivion Mouser and Donald Prescott have returned to Andover, Mass., where they are attending school, after spending the holidays with their parents in the Gap.

Miss Mabel Willis, who is attending school at Randolph Macon College, in Lynchburg, Miss Florence McCormick, at Radford State Normal, Miss Ruth Prescott, at Mary Baldwin Seminary, in Staunton, and Miss Rachel Craft, at Virginia Interment, in Bristol and Miss Grace Wolfe, at Sullins College, in Bristol, returned to their schools Monday, after spending two weeks with their parents in the Gap.

The fund to buy Christmas presents for the children at the mines of the Stonega Coke and Coal Company was raised by the employees of the company in the various departments and not alone by the office employees, as stated in our article on December 23rd. The children at all the plants were made happy by the generosity of those who so willingly contributed to this fund.

Claude F. Beverly, the revenue officer, of Big Stone Gap was in town during the Christmas holidays. He has "made good" as a federal officer and has a splendid record with the department of Justice at Washington and Revenue Agent Sams.—Clintwood Moon.

Capt. Henry Taylor and James Body, two fine old Englishmen residing here, delighted a number of their neighbors Christmas morning about daylight by the singing of that beautiful carol, "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men." It is their custom early every Christmas morning to visit the homes of a number of their friends and sing this beautiful song. May they live to sing it again many a Christmas morning.

STRAYED:—One yearling heifer. Took up at my place October 1st. Owner can have her by paying cost of feed and this advertisement.—Ed. Tomlison, Cadet, Va.

### A Wedding Announcement.

The following engraved announcement has been received by a number of people in the Gap:

Mr. and Mrs. Moses Asberry Riggs
announce the marriage of their daughter
Myrtle Tyler
to
Mr. Worley Belt Gilly
on Wednesday, December the thirtieth
Nineteen hundred and fourteen
East Stone Gap, Virginia

In polite society they whiten the hands by rubbing a little glycerine and lemon juice over them at night and drawing on an old pair of gloves. Personally, we use soap and water.

## Death of John A. Muncy.

The people of this town were greatly shocked on Dec. 28th by the sad news of the accidental death of John A. Muncy at Floyd, Va. He was, of recent years, a traveling salesman, and had gone to his home at Floyd to spend the holidays, and at the time of his death was out rabbit hunting with Harry Harmon, a very close friend of his, and a cousin to his wife. After the two men were out a short time, a rabbit ran into a small pile of brush, and they walked onto the pile. The side on which Harmon was walking gave down and his gun, which was already cocked, was accidentally discharged. The entire charge entered Mr. Muncy's back, causing instant death.

The deceased was born at White Shoals, Lee County, Va., about 34 years ago, and while a small lad, came with his parents to this county, where at Norton, and later at this place, he grew to manhood. While but a youth he conducted a mercantile business here and was for some time newsboy on the V. & S. W. passenger train. At a later time he conducted a a first class grocery store here, which he sold to become a commercial traveling salesman, in which occupation he continued until his untimely death.

His bright and happy temperament won for him a host of friends wherever he went, and he always had a smile and good word for everybody. While in business here his kindness and generosity to the unfortunate was so extensive as to make against his own best financial interest. Always happy and jovial himself, it seemed to hurt him to find that others were not so situated as to be like himself, and his big, charitable heart went out to them.

He was married to Miss Alice Bishop, daughter of Capt. and Mrs. Burdine Bishop, of Floyd, Va., and to them were born one son and three daughters.

Interment was in the Bishop burial lot at Floyd, where it is supposed the remainder of the family will continue to reside.

Of his immediate family relatives, there resides at this place, his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Muncy and youngest sister, Madge. Another sister, Mrs. Otto Mullen resides at Greeneville, Tenn., and a brother, Palmer Muncy, in the Philippine Islands, all of whom have the deep sympathy of the people of this town in their sad bereavement.

## Mrs. Duff Dies at Appalachia.

Mrs. Mecca Duff died at Appalachia Tuesday morning at six o'clock at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Alice Sullivan, after an illness of over a year. Mrs. Duff was about 69 years of age, and a widow of the late Jerome Duff, who died here about 22 years ago, and after his death she conducted the hotel now owned by Frank Sturgill, which still goes by the name of the "Duff House." She was well known in Big Stone Gap and her many friends here will be deeply grieved to learn of her death. Funeral services will be conducted at Appalachia this morning and burial will take place here in Glencoe cemetery at about 11 o'clock.

The deceased is survived by three daughters and two sons: Mrs. Alice Sullivan, of Appalachia; Mrs. W. C. Robinson, of Farmville; and Mrs. Dr. Nance, of Asheville, N. C.; Will and Rad Duff, who live in the west.

The past week in this section indicative of genuine business revival. It is not the kind of business outlook we read of in the newspapers or that comes out of the mouths of the defenders of the administration; it is business in the way of orders for coal that doubles our present capacity; which will mean giving immediate employment to every idle workman in this section of Eastern Kentucky. Already our local coal men are seeking to engage double the number of miners they now have in order to take care of the orders for coal they have received, and with this sudden jump in the market also comes a necessity for the coal men and local merchants stocking up on supplies.—Middlesboro News.

# POPULARITY CONTEST

## Free Trip to the Panama Exposition at San Francisco at the Expense of the Kelly Drug Company and The Big Stone Gap Post.

### Rules of Contest.

RULE 1. The Kelly Drug Company will issue votes as per following schedule:
- 500 votes for $1.00 on cash sales of Drugs and Sundries
- 500 " " " " " " Paints and Oils
- 500 " " " " " " China and Cut Glass
- 500 " " " " " " Jewelry and Watches
- 500 " " " " " " Kodaks and Supplies
- 500 " " " " " " Holiday Goods
- 500 " " " " " " Rexall Remedies
- 300 " " " " payment of old accounts
- 300 " " " " Due Bills sold—in addition to other votes

Additional votes will be given on all special sales as advertised from time to time.

The Big Stone Gap Post will issue votes as per following schedule:
- 1000 votes for every dollar paid on back subscription and renewals
- 1000 " " " " " new subscription
- 3000 " " each subscription paid 2 years in advance
- 5000 " " " " 3 " "

RULE 2. Votes will be issued with a time limit and must be cast in the ballot box at the Kelly Drug Company provided for that purpose, before the expiration of the time limit. Before casting votes, make a record for your own guidance. In order to facilitate voting you are requested to place your votes in an envelope and seal it. Please write on the outside the number of votes the envelope contains and the name of the candidate you desire to vote for.

RULE 3. Employees, clerks and relatives of the Kelly Drug Company and The Big Stone Gap Post, also schools, churches and secret organizations cannot participate as candidates.

RULE 4. Neither the Kelly Drug Company or The Big Stone Gap Post will in no instance issue votes until such votes have been properly stamped with their firm name. Customers should refuse them otherwise.

RULE 5. The soliciting of votes in either the Kelly Drug Store or in the office of The Big Stone Gap Post is prohibited.

RULE 6. A vote that is scratched or marked in any manner after it has been issued shall be thrown out providing this defacing should appear that a figure has been tampered with.

RULE 7. Four weeks from the opening date, candidates will no longer be entered, unless by special arrangement with Contest Manager.

RULE 8. Everybody is invited to nominate candidates; all that is necessary is to send in the name of any young lady in the community. This will entitle her to 1000 nominating votes, and she will be entered as a candidate.

RULE 9. Votes are not transferable after being cast. Friends of the candidates may mail votes to candidates direct or send them to the Contest Manager, at the Kelly Drug Store.

RULE 10. Votes that are not properly stamped with the signature of the Kelly Drug Company or The Big Stone Gap Post will not be accepted.

RULE 11. A committee selected by the Contest Manager shall count the votes each week, beginning with the third week, and report the result to The Big Stone Gap Post.

RULE 12. Any question, dispute and controversy that may arise will be ruled upon by the judges, and their decision will be final and conclusive.

### HOW THEY STAND.

| BIG STONE GAP | |
|---|---|
| Mrs. S. V. Bailey | 212,360 |
| Miss Cora Mahaffey | 197,570 |
| Miss Corrie Long | 20,325 |
| Miss Margaret Carnes | 17,250 |
| Miss Georgia Bostwick | 15,100 |
| Miss Thelma Baker | 10,800 |
| Miss Gladys Wolfe | 8,750 |
| Miss Mattie Brown | 5,100 |
| Miss Rebecca Wade R. F. D. No. 2 | 5,000 |
| Miss Bessie Skeen, R. F. D. No. 1 | 2,000 |
| Miss Fannie Johnson | 1,000 |
| Miss Flora Bruce | 1,000 |
| Miss Addie Fleenor | 1,000 |
| Miss Edna Catron | 1,000 |
| Miss Mary Kilbourne | 1,000 |
| Miss Gladys Lyle | 1,000 |
| Miss Arkie Witt | 1,000 |
| Miss Julia Bullitt | 1,000 |
| Miss Olivette Dalton | 1,000 |
| Miss Grace Gilly, R. F. D. No. 2 | 1,000 |

| EAST STONE GAP | |
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| Miss Mollie Hurd | 16,800 |
| Miss Edna Stewart | 1,000 |
| Miss Bessie Tate | 1,000 |
| Miss Virgie Neely | 1,000 |

| STONEGA | |
|---|---|
| Miss Bess Young | 23,500 |
| Miss Cora Collier | 1,050 |

| IMBODEN | |
|---|---|
| Miss Cora Davis | 7,850 |
| Miss Bonnie Barker | 1,000 |

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# Appalachia Items

Mrs. Gilly has been very ill for the past ten days. Her sister, brother and daughter are with her.

Miss Fannie Elliott, of Hotel Windsor, has been confined to her room several days.

Little Sarah Guntner is quite sick with measles.

Charlie Cartwright and family spent the week end in Bristol.

Mrs. R. W. Holley and children spent the Christmas holidays at Cumberland Gap.

Misses Coffey, Lichliter and McKenzie, Mrs. B. S. Grim and E. E. Givens, teachers in the public school here, spent the holidays with their homefolks.

The home of J. S. McConnell was broken into during the Xmas holidays and quite a number of things stolen. This necessitated an early return from his visit to Baltimore.

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An enterprising newspaper of Paris has offered a $2,000 prize for the best forecast of the map of Europe, as that map will be after the peace that will follow this war is concluded. All subscribers of the paper are permitted to forward drawings and the one that gets in the closest forecast first will get the prize.