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## Governor Fields Writes To "Colonel" Jack

### Answering a Certain Statement Made by the Rowan County News, Reflecting Upon the Integrity of the Governor and the State Highway Commission—Brands Statement of the News as False and Misleading.

Governor W. J. Fields has addressed the following letter to the editor of the Rowan County News, concerning a certain statement made by the News in regard to a proposed highway from Olive Hill to the Elliott county line. The Governor mines no words in branding the statement as wholly untrue and without foundation in fact.

Frankfort, Ky. January 17, 1927.  
Mr. Jack Wilson, Editor, Rowan County News, Morehead, Ky.

Dear Sir: My attention has been called to an editorial in a recent issue of the Rowan County Herald, which reads in part as follows:

"Why the Preference?" Under the above heading Jack Wilson, editor of the Rowan County News, at Morehead, tells us that the State Highway Commission has absolutely ignored the good county of Rowan and acceded to the wishes of our Governor, W. J. Fields, and is now surveying the road leading from Olive Hill to Elliott county. He says that Rowan county voted their bonds long before Carter county did and they should have their roads before Carter county. I have not seen the copy of your paper from which the Carter County Herald quoted the foregoing statement, but assume that you are correctly quoted, and will say in reply that your statement is wholly untrue and without foundation in fact. There has not been an engineering force of the Highway Department in Carter county since long before the Road Bond election in that county, and at no time has a road been surveyed by the Department in the point in Carter county to any on the Elliott county line.

If you made this charge through ignorance you are incompetent to edit a newspaper to be read by a fair-minded enlightened people like the citizenry of Rowan county. If you wrote it for the purpose of deceiving your readers and causing them to believe that you are the champion of their interests and defender of their rights, you are un-

### MESSER AND FLANERY ARE ARRESTED

Some time during the holidays the Post Office at Farmers was robbed of a small amount of money and some money orders. Thursday, Zora Messer, son of Dr. J. B. Messer, of Rockville, was arrested by U. S. officers assisted by Deputy Sheriff Stanger and Martin Myers at the home of his father, charged with the robbery. We hear that Prentiss Flanery was arrested by U. S. officers in Lexington Wednesday, charged as a party to the robbery.

### FINE POTTERY EXHIBIT

The Fine Arts Department of the R. C. W. Club held an all-day exhibit of American pottery at the parlors of the Baptist church Thursday which was well attended and the most beautiful pottery that was ever in Eastern Kentucky was on display, and was valued at fifteen hundred dollars. Later in the afternoon there will be given on "Pottery" by this department of which Mrs. Arthur Blair is chairman.

### GOOD-BYE, "COLLEGE HUT"

The "College Hut" on Carey Avenue has been sold out by its owners, and supplies and fixtures being bought by different parties in the city. Charles Davis, of the Wayside Inn, has bought a portion of the outfit as did also Clayton & Flood, of the Eagle's Nest. We are sorry the young men could not make it a paying business.

### TOOK TONY TO HOME

C. C. Crosthwaite took Tony Robb to Marion, Ind., and placed him in the National Military Home for disabled world war veterans which is doubtless the best home Tony ever had.

worthy to edit a newspaper for them. There is no escape from the conclusion that you are either incompetent or unpoorly to edit a newspaper and possibly both. It is therefore my opinion that your readers would do well to discontinue their subscriptions and cease reading your irresponsible sheet.

Trusting that you will give this letter the same publicity that you gave to your misrepresentations of me, I am

Yours truly,  
W. J. Fields, Governor

The Scorchers has all along advised moderation in handling the road situation—referring to the proposed road from Flemingsburg, via Morehead to Sandy Hook. It has said that tearing your shirt and pulling your hair" would not get you anywhere, and we still say that attempted bulldozing of the Governor and Highway Commission, coming from one whose only interest in Rowan County is the "toes and fishes" that freely fall for flattery is bound to injure our chances of securing an early survey and letting of this important road.

Suppose Carter county did vote bonds for a road from Olive Hill to the Elliott County line—that's none of our business and it nowhere appears that Governor Fields or the Highway Department, wants to substitute it for the Christy Creek route of the Fleming-Elliott road. Governor Fields is well and favorably known throughout Kentucky, long before Editor Wilson left Nebraska and the Highway Commission is composed of men, whom the people believe are fully as honest and conscientious about Kentucky's welfare as he; and we should at least accord to them the respect due every Kentucky gentleman, and not accuse them of using dark-infernal methods in their office acts, when there is nothing to warrant such accusation. Let's be patient—don't put the taxpayers of the counties to the expense of sending large delegations to Frankfort to harass the Department. It will do no good. We will simply have to await our turn in the order of business. We feel sure the Commission will act just as soon as it can, in the matter of the Fleming-Elliott road.

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### POWER CO. MOVES STORE

The Kentucky Power Company has moved its store from the Blair building on Fairbanks street to the Johnson property on Carey Avenue, just Southeast of the post office. The February light bills will be paid at the store instead of the main office as heretofore. The company is now doing home wiring at Farmers, all wiring is done in accordance with underwriters standards. Wiring will soon begin at Sall Lick.

### M. N. S. PLAYS

The M. N. S. Dramatic club presented two one-act plays Thursday evening at the State Normal Auditorium, under the direction of Miss Evelyn Royalty. One play is called "The Yallah" and the other "Friday Evening." They were well received and much enjoyed by those present.

### FREE RAZORS

Free Razors at the office of The Mountain Scorchers, at corner of Main and Wilson Avenue, Morehead, Ky. Subscribe for or renew your subscription to The Mountain Scorchers and you get the famous Antiseptic Razor and Strip FREE. Subscription \$1.50 per year.

### STORE BROBBED AT GATES

The store of Robert Hayes at Gates was broken into Tuesday night, a quantity of goods being taken by the thieves.

Joe Maddox, of Delaware, Fleming county, died at his home last Friday from complications following an attempt to end his life by slugging his throat with a knife. He had been in ill health. He had been visited by his wife and several small children.

### JAIL DELIVERY

Four prisoners escaped from the Rowan county jail about dusk Wednesday evening by over-powering and disarming Troy Jennings, deputy sheriff and acting jailer, when he took them their supper. Sheriff Jennings was accompanied by Irvin Hamm the 9-year-old son of the jailer who had the keys. The boy gave them a lively tussle and it took two of them to get them away from him after throwing him on the bed and partially smothering him.

Two of the largest and strongest prisoners seized Mr. Jennings and held him while a third one took his pistol. Those who escaped were: Al Fred Riley (house burning); Robert Brown and Walter Broomfield (chicken stealing) and a man named Porter who formerly lived at Soldier, wanted in Ohio on a charge of robbery.

Sheriff Fouch caught Porter and returned him to jail but the other three made good their escape.

Dewey Thomas, charged with being accessory to the murder of Cecil Humcutt in Elliott county some time ago, refused to leave the jail. He says the case against him is only a "frame-up," that he is innocent and is going to stay with it for trial.

Jaller Milvin Hamm was not at home, having gone to Louisa as a witness in the Coffee case.

### 100,000 TREES READY FOR REFORESTING IDEAL LAND

Last spring the 12,000 trees available for reforestation purposes were disposed of so rapidly that the Kentucky Forest Service of the Department of Agriculture has this year increased its output to 100,000 seedlings. The trees vary in height from one to several feet and are in ideal condition for use in planting up idle land, Locust, oaks, and catalpa are the species available which will be sold at about \$5.00 per thousand.

Nearly 6,000 trees are also ready for planting along the highways of the state and on public grounds. These trees are from 4 to 6 feet tall and have been transplanted once, thus assuring a root system well adapted to transplanting. The species in the nursery are ash, sycamore and maple which will be disposed of at 10 cents each to cover the cost of digging and packing.

Persons desiring trees should write for application blanks to the Kentucky Forest Service, Frankfort, Kentucky.

### FRED B. MERRILL, State Forester

### HALDEMAN AT MT. STERLING

The boys' and girls' basketball team of the Haldeman Consolidated school went to Mt. Sterling Tuesday and there met the girls' team of Mt. Sterling and the boys' team of Owingsville. The first game resulted in a victory for the Mt. Sterling girls, the score being 24 to 14. The Haldeman boys' won from Owingsville by a score of 24 to 26. The following besides the players from Haldeaman were present: Mrs. B. W. Cline, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Fisher, Mrs. D. B. Leadbetter and daughters, Miss Margaret and Mabel, Mrs. D. B. Hays and son, Fred, Messrs Ivan Boecock and Fred Earley, Misses Fannie Alfrey, Nellie Cassidy and Mayme Myers.

### PROF. JENNINGS IMPROVING

C. C. Crosthwaite went to Lexington Saturday to see his brother-in-law, Prof. Charles Jennings who is in a hospital. He found him in good condition and thinks he will be out in a few days. It was decided by two specialists that an operation was not immediately necessary and perhaps not at all. Farris Crosthwaite went with C. C. and underwent an X-Ray examination. The doctors decided that his condition was purely nervous, caused perhaps by worry over the recent death of his son. Later, J. T. Jennings went down Friday to accompany Prof. Jennings home.

### KILLED AT HITCHENS

Last Sunday at the Hitchens passenger station in Carter county, Mrs. Bill James, in a jealous rage, shot and killed Mrs. Mary Wilburn, age 37, 4 bullets from Mrs. James' pistol-taking effect. Mrs. James had an examining trial at Grayson Monday and was held for the Carter county grand jury on a bond of \$3,000.

Patrons merchants who advertise in The Scorchers.

### MOREHEAD WOMAN'S CLUB

The Morehead Woman's Club met at the home of Mrs. Lester Hogue Monday evening with 35 members present. Mrs. D. M. Holbrook and Mrs. Hogue were hostesses. President, Mrs. S. H. McGuire, presided at the business meeting. The program, "Modern Literature," was also in charge of Mrs. McGuire who gave a brief outline of the literature of today, reading a number of sections of modern authors as illustrations. After the program games were played and the hostesses served a most delicious lunch. The guests of the club were: Miss Marie Holbrook, Miss Mary Griffith, Mrs. Arthur Phillips, Miss Edith Boggs, Miss Lola Truller and Mrs. Naomi Claypool.

### KIWANIS COMMITTEES FOR YEAR 1927

The regular weekly meeting of the Kiwanis Club was held Monday evening in the parlors of the Baptist church. The meeting was devoted to a discussion of the Flemingburg-Sandy Hook Road, and to plans for sending a large delegation to Frankfort on January 25th to appear before the State Highway Commission to urge the immediate survey of the route for this extremely important road. Atty. Jas. Clay and E. Hogue were visitors at the meeting and spoke on the project.

President W. L. Jayne presented the next president's plan of retiring the Phillips pumping station. Ing president H. VanAntwerp, and announced the following committees for the coming year: Program—H. H. Groves, W. C. Lappin, H. VanAntwerp, Rev. C. B. Cloyd.

Attendance—H. C. Hagan, W. C. Lappin and T. F. Hogue. Inter-Club Relations—Earl Young, W. E. Proctor and J. L. Holbrook. Music—W. C. Lappin, Sam Caudill and Lester Blair. Under Privileged Child—J. L. Chambers, Harlan Powers and Howard Lewis.

House—Lester Blair, Harlan Powers and Phillip Anderson. Publicity—Chas. VanAntwerp, S. B. McGuire and C. B. Lane.

Business Standards and Methods—J. V. Baumstark, C. B. McCullough and Virgil Flood. Entertainment—Lester Blair, Chas. VanAntwerp and D. M. Holbrook.

Classification—S. M. Bradley, F. C. Button and T. F. Hogue. Laws and Regulations—C. O. Peart, H. L. Nickell and Steve Caudill.

Agriculture—H. C. Hagan, C. E. Bishop and S. M. Bradley. Reception—H. L. Wilson, C. B. Lane and Phillip Anderson.

Grievance—H. C. Lewis, C. F. Carter and J. H. Stogard. Finance—C. E. Bishop, S. C. Caudill and H. L. Wilson.

Membership—Robert Young, H. VanAntwerp and S. B. McGuire. Public Affairs—E. E. Maggard, Robert Young and J. V. Baumstark.

### BILL COLFETT CONVICTED

Prof. E. Martt, Tom Fraley, David Kidd and Jaller Melvin Hamm went to Louisville Sunday night to be witnesses in the case of Bill Colfett, of Rowan county, charged with killing Trulan Ferguson recently at a pie supper at the Wheeler School House in Lawrence county. The witnesses all returned here Thursday morning. The jury had the case when they left and they gave it as their opinion that he should be acquitted.

Later, the jury returned a verdict of three years in the penitentiary.

### NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 541 Kentucky Statutes the Bath-Rowan Bridge Company is closing its business and winding up its affairs. All persons indebted to or having claims against said Company are notified to immediately pay or present same to the undersigned.

### BATH-ROWAN BRIDGE COMPANY

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### FRESH JANUARY TOMATOES

Cold as it was Saturday, Mr. C. E. Dild, of this city, the well known commercial cranepit, received from his brother Louis, in Texas, a crate of nice fresh tomatoes from the latter's extensive garden. These are the first new January tomatoes we ever heard of Morehead. They arrived here by express in good condition and escaped freezing by the use of sea-island paper.

## Morehead State Normal Now Has 4-Year College

### The A. B. Degree Can Be Conferred by the Morehead State Normal the Same as By the University of Kentucky. A Big Forward Step for This Great School.

At the last meeting of the Board of Regents of the Morehead State Normal School held in Louisville on January 13th, they passed an order greatly raising the standard of the school. They added two Ph. D. and two Masters to the present faculty, and the accrediting committee of the University of Kentucky has accredited it as a high standard four-year college, giving to graduates the A. B. degree. When attending school at Morehead you have the same advantages for a four year college as the University of Kentucky can give you.

The Scorchers joins in the general rejoicing among all who are interested in educational advancement in Eastern Kentucky, because of this important forward step in the Morehead State Normal.

The status of this great school is no longer a matter of doubt and mark our word, it will, in a few years, take the lead among all the State Normals. Its location is ideal and the men behind it—Judge Young and others, will not slip on of Kentucky's greatest school towns. See full page advertisement elsewhere in this paper.

### TOM HENRY MOREFIELD BURNED TO DEATH

C. E. Dillon, Secretary of Morehead Lodge No. 654, F. & A. M., received the following telegram announcing the tragic death of Tom Henry Morefield, son of the late Dan Morefield, of Wrigley:

"Depew, Okla., Jan. 18, 1927. Tom Morefield, member of your lodge, burned to death here this morning in explosion at the Ozark Pipe Line gas pumping station. Funeral services will be held at Okmungee, Okla., Thursday. E. K. PICKFORD, Secy. Depew Lodge, No. 496, F. & A. M."

Mr. Morefield was a member of the Masonic lodge here and has many friends here and at Wrigley and Redwine who very much regret his untimely death.

### FIED BLAIR BYS

Fred Blair, who lives at the head of Wilson street, has bought the Grocery Department of Blair Brothers and Ruth Henry.

Mr. Blair is a son of U. G. Blair and Mrs. Blair of Craney and has had much experience in the mercantile business. He is a well trained, business man, honest, sober and discreet and is quite popular with his many friends in the city and county. We predict for him a successful business.

### DEATH OF FORMER CITIZEN

John Wood, of Crum, W. Va., a former well-known and highly esteemed citizen of Clarkfield and Morehead, died of heart trouble on Friday, January 14th and was buried at Kermit Sunday. Mr. Wood was prominent in church and lodge circles here, being a devout member of the State church and a member of the Masonic order. His many friends regret his passing and all hearts go out in sympathy for Mr. Wood and the children. Mr. Wood was high class Christian gentleman and a true friend.

### R. C. W. CLUB LYCEUM

As a means of paying off the indebtedness on the soldier's monument and financing their plans for civic improvement in the town, the Rowan County Woman's club has started a local talent lyceum course. The first number will be an evening of Dramatic Readings, by Miss Evelyn Royalty, assisted by her pupils, given at Burgess Hall Auditorium, Wednesday, January 25th.

Miss Royalty is a reader of such rare ability that the evening will be a real treat. Don't forget the date. Be There at 7:30 P. M.

### BODY OF MRS. STARCHER BROUGHT HERE FROM OHIO

The body of Elizabeth, wife of Ocho Starcher, age 35 years, who died at Akron, O. January 13th, arrived here Monday morning and, in charge of undertaker Walter Hageman, was conveyed to the Phillips Cemetery at Paragon and buried Tuesday. She was a daughter of George Andy Wecott.

### WHAT ABOUT THIS?

A razor and strip worth a dollar and The Mountain Scorchers one year both for \$1.00. If you send your subscription by mail, enclose the extra to pay postage on the shaving outfit and it will be sent you by mail.

### MOREHEAD CONSOL. GRADUATED SCHOOL

HONOR ROLL  
Grade 1-A—Harvey Tackett, Roger Hill Barber, Virginia Johnson, Eleanor Day, Chester Riddle and Nola Fouch.

Grade 1-B—Glady's Nealous, J. Warren Bell, Alberta Day, Virginia Alfrey, Charlotte Martin and Clinton Talcott.

Grade 2—Samuel Reynolds, Woodrow Elam, Harval Alfrey, Pauline Butcher and Leroy Hill. Grade 2—Delmar White, Woodrow Thomas, Pauline Atkins, Edna Fouch and Anna M. Young.

Grade 4—Myrtle Martin, Edna Thomas, M. Johns, Jr., Gladys Casey and Lowell Ambergue. Grade 5—Gail Caswell, Matilda Roseberry, Phillip Johns and Hayward McKinney.

Grade 6—Lucy Martin, Sue Barber, Eugene Miles, Ray Whitte, Fred Blair, Gladys Allen, Nellie Cassidy and Ruth Henry.

Grade 7—Grace Cooper, Ora Wells, Roger Hackney, Ralph Cassidy, Howard Mauk, Augusta Adams, Marie Thomas, Sabre Foster and Opal Foster.

Grade 8—Eloise Young, Mary Martin, William Caudill, Edna Tackett and Jack Trumbo.

### School News

J. Warren Blair and George Nessler Hunt are in school again, having been absent from school with chicken pox.

Robert Fraley and Jean Blair are in school again, having been absent on account of chicken pox.

Prof. Charles Jennings is still in the hospital at Lexington.

John Hargis is in school again after a long absence.

Ray and Charles Purvis are in school after a brief illness.

Prof. L. B. Porter is teaching in the absence of Prof. Jennings.

Miss Ruth Cassidy is fill with the "flu."

Mrs. W. B. Elder is teaching the third grade this week.

Many students are out of school on account of the bad weather.

The High School basketball team played Olive Hill City High Wednesday night at Olive Hill.

### MT. STERLING KIWANIS ASKED TO HELP

Before the Mt. Sterling Kiwanis club at noon Wednesday representatives Chas. VanAntwerp, Farmer, and James Jay, Morehead, spoke in the interest of the highway to be built from the Fleming County line through Morehead to Sandy Hook county, of Elliott county. They urged the club to take immediate steps looking to the construction of the road.

President Ringo appointed W. C. Hamilton to investigate and report to the club as to what steps should be taken in the matter.

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### GOUTER CAUSES HEART DISEASE

"Heart disease is frequently due to a certain type of gouter which has not been discovered by the individual affected," according to Dr. Joseph L. DeCourcey, director of the surgical department of the DeCourcey Clinic, Cincinnati, O. This statement was made by Dr. DeCourcey in discussing the increase in heart disease and gouter in America. Dr. DeCourcey pointed out that exophthalmic gouter, a condition characterized by bulging of the eyes, rapid heart, nervousness and loss of weight is on the increase, especially in cities and is becoming very prevalent in young adults between sixteen and twenty years of age.

"This can be readily accounted for," Dr. DeCourcey said, "by an overtaxed, unstable nervous system. Girls and boys at this period are apt to overstep their endurance with late parties and lack of sleep, all of which favor this type of gouter. This condition, when developed, is very serious and therefore every precaution should be taken to conserve any strength which one may have at this stage.

### PLEASURES OF YOUTH

Even all pleasure is pleasant at twenty. We go out to meet it with alacrity, speculate upon its coming, and when its visit is announced, count the days until it and we shall come together. How very hotly and coolly we regard it towards the close of life's long season. . . . I can remember when I thought it was delightful to walk three miles and back in the country to dine with old Captain Jones. . . . How I liked to walk three miles, now, to dine with Jones and drink his half-pint port! No doubt it was brought from the little country town wine merchant and cost but a small sum; but 'twas offered with a kindly welcome and youth care it a flavor which no age of wine or man can impart to it now-a-days.—From the "Virgilian" by Thackeray.

### MINIMUM CORPORATION

**LICENSE TAX \$10**  
The minimum corporation license tax in Kentucky remains \$10, as under the old law. In an item last week calling attention to the new law, the minimum was erroneously stated as \$15. The latter sum was proposed in the bill when introduced but the legislators amended the measure to retain the old minimum. As previously pointed out, reports must be filed with the State Tax Commission on or before February 1.

A Virginia town is said to be so dry that it has to pin on its postage stamps.

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### LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL GIRL MAY WIN UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP

Local high school girls are to be given an opportunity to win a university scholarship through competition in a national meat story contest, according to formal announcement of the event which has just been sent out to home economics teachers by the National Livestock and Meat Board. Several scholarships are being offered. It is the fourth annual contest to be sponsored by this institution of research and education.

To compete, a student must write a story or theme on some phase of the subject of meat or the livestock industry. The stories are to be judged by a committee of home economics authorities. Dr. Louise Stanley, chief of the bureau of home economics, United States Department of Agriculture, who has been chairman of the judging committee for the three previous contests, will again serve in this capacity. It is said.

The Board gives as the reason for this annual competition for scholarships a desire to stimulate a greater interest in the study of home economics, a subject which considered of great importance to the coming generations of housewives. It is pointed out that today education is playing a most important part in the solution of the housewife's many problems. More than 10,000 girls competed last year, and the contest director expressed the belief that even more will enroll for the present contest which will come to a close on March 15.

The contest has been most successful due to the fact that teachers have found it especially valuable as a class project, says the Board's statement.

### STATE URGED TO SEEK FACTORIES

Dr. C. E. Allen, member of the faculty of Centre College, Danville, was the speaker at the weekly luncheon of the Harrodsburg Rotary Club at Hotel Harrod last week. His subject was "Kentucky's Challenge." After citing how labor troubles are causing manufacturers of the East to seek the South, he showed how Kentucky should be prepared in a business, religious and educational way to draw these factories and meet their needs industrially. The State has all the natural resources necessary, he said, and the coming of big business and the consequent wealth is inevitable if her citizens will accept the challenge and take advantage of the opportunity offered them.

### DECEMBER TOP OF A YEAR IN AGO

The average price of tobacco sold on the independent market during the month of December, 1926, in the Kentucky burley district, burdened by a definite overcrop and a crop of very poor quality, dropped close to the average of the "hard year" year of 1920, according to sworn reports of warehousemen, to which Coleman, commissioner of agriculture. The report shows that the average price for the district was \$12.25 a hundred pounds, \$19.12 a hundred pounds less than was received for the same period in 1925.

These figures, which cover sales for growers only show that 2,462,154 more pounds of burley passed over the breaks in December, 1926 and the growers only, show that 2,462,759 more pounds of burley passed over the breaks in December, 1926 than in December, 1925 and the growers received for it \$1,452,622.21 less money than they received in 1925.

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### DRUG AND FOOD INSPECTOR IS DUE HERE SHORTLY

The Bureau of Foods, Drugs and Hotels of the State Board of Health has started its annual inspection of hotels, restaurants, caterers and boarding houses and its representatives will be here within a few days. Certificates expired December 31, and proprietors of all establishments which rest sleeping rooms or which sell meals or lunches are required to apply to the board for a renewal of these certificates.

The Bureau announced that it is advisable for the proprietors to make application immediately to the State Board of Health at Louisville, rather than wait until the inspectors come here.

Annual inspections by the bureau have been very beneficial to the individual towns and to the State as a whole. Numerous unsanitary establishments have been closed and those which have been permitted to continue to operate are required to reach a high standard of healthfulness and cleanliness.

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### REPORT GIVES RESULTS OF COUNTY AGENCY WORK

The annual report of County Agent K. J. Bowles reviews briefly some of the accomplishments of three years of county agent work in Estill county.

The hundred and fifty farmers grew 500 acres of soybeans, worth \$325,000, last night, compared with four farmers growing 25 acres worth \$225 in 1923. One hundred and seventeen farmers were induced to sow soybeans last year.

Eleven farmers were induced to apply limestone and acid phosphate to their corn land last year, with a resultant increase of an average of 25 bushels the acre over similar land untreated. The corn also matured earlier and was of better quality, than corn produced on untreated land.

Fifty percent of the farmers in Estill county now own some pure-bred poultry, compared to 5 percent three years ago and the income from poultry has increased from \$150,000 to \$250,000 per year in that time. Fifty farmers have been influenced to use better breeding hogs, and there are more than 50 purebred hogs in the county now. Vaccination against cholera was extensively used last year.

The Estill county gardens were dusted to control the Mexican beetle last year.

Six farmers last year pruned, sprayed and cultivated their orchards.

Certified seed potatoes were introduced into the county last year, with greatly increased yields resulting.

A large number of boys and girls were organized into clubs to raise poultry, pigs or calves or grow crops and vegetables.

### HAY

Go to Marion Day's for a good quality of mixed clover and timothy hay. 25-31

### OFFICIAL DIRECTORY

**Circuit Court**  
H. R. Prewitt, Circuit Judge.  
W. C. Hamilton, Com'wealth Atty.  
C. C. Crosthwait, Circuit Clerk.  
Lester Hogge, Master Commissioner.  
G. A. Nickell, Trusee Jury Fund.

**County Court**  
T. A. E. Evans, Judge.  
T. W. Rose, County Attorney.  
W. T. Caudill, Clerk.  
F. W. Couch, Sheriff.  
Melvin Hanson, Jailor.  
Harlan Cooper, Tax Commissioner.  
A. J. Olyaps, Coroner.

**Board of Magistrates**  
W. H. Hall, District No. 1.  
Turner Crosthwait, District No. 2.  
W. J. Fletcher, District No. 3.  
Peyton Estell, District No. 4.

**Constables**  
Wm. Tackett, District No. 1.  
Harry McKenna, District No. 2.  
Glen Maze, District No. 3.

**City Councilman**  
Harlan Blair, Mayor.  
Dr. H. L. Wilson.  
Arthur Blair.  
A. B. McKinney.  
S. M. Brandlee.  
E. M. Gentry.  
G. W. Prichard.

**City Court**  
R. Tussey, Judge.  
Dr. H. L. Caudill, City Attorney.  
Lester Hogge, Clerk.  
F. M. Robinson, Marshal.  
P. L. Wells, Sub-Water Works.

### DON'T

A few "don'ts" for correspondents:  
Don't write on both sides of the paper.  
Don't abbreviate your words.  
Don't fail to write full proper names plainly.  
Don't write "nite" for night.  
Don't report little courting calls in the neighborhood.  
Don't try to crack local jokes.  
Don't use more words than are necessary to state the facts.  
Don't send us long articles that are not news.  
Don't be careless about your spelling, especially the names of persons and places.  
Don't fail to get your letters here not later than Wednesday of each week.

### FIVE CENTS A YARD

Best work. Holiday work given special attention. Mail your packages to Mrs. Ola Rogers Egan, Mt. Sterling, Ky.

### FINE CHICKENS

Fare bred White Rock chickens. The best layers of all strains. Pullet \$1.50. Rooster \$1.75. One mile northeast of ELLA. Address—STANT JOHNSON, Morehead, Ky.

# ABRAHAM THE PATRIARCH

IN Moving Pictures AT Christian Church Wednesday, Jan. 26th At 7:00 P. M.

## Euphrates River, Demascus, Red Sea, Beer-Sheba.

### A CHILD'S MORAL DEVELOPMENT THROUGH NATURE

Of one of our well known educators has said, "In our wild lives close enough to nature for the first fourteen years of his life, he will never go astray." It is a broad statement and worthy of consideration.

Not every child who lives in the country lives "close to nature" nor is this living impossible to the city child. All children should have their attention called to the natural wonders that are always within reach in some form or other. In the winter there are frost, snow, ice, the leafless tree and the evergreen. These will give rise to many questions, the answers to which will furnish valuable insight into the workings of nature. Let the child coax to his door with bits of suet and bread the few jolly little birds which dare to stay with us through the cold season; he will feel that he is helping to maintain life and he will be making worth while friends that will thank him with sincerity.

Of course, a little country boy or one who lives in a small town has special opportunities. Winter offers him continuous inspiration and he can always find a place to enjoy himself freely and safely to his heart's content, giving happy and orderly outlet to his superfluous activity. Nevertheless, in most cases he will need to be taught to see nature and to hear her voice; but it will be easy teaching. Then the great expanse of white purity before him is a vivid scene of the infinitely wonderful. The curious tracks in the snow may tempt him to follow a rabbit or a squirrel to its hole and thereby learn of its mode of living in winter. The squirrel may be trained to make daily visits to his door, for nuts, if but coaxed the least bit with a sample nut, he may become even more interested in the birds in winter than in summer because of his close relation to them in feeding and caring for them. And perhaps the beautiful, blue blue jay will change his screech of "thief, thief!" to a song of the snow and sing "knee deep." The cocoon swarms on the leafless tree can tell the little country boy a story of transforming life going on in the perfect silk cradle. Within doors, if he is ever forced to stay in, there is still something for him to study—icles on the eaves, ice formations on the window pane, frost on cobwebs in a sheltered corner of the window. At night he may be lulled to slumber by the song of the wind in the chimney and happy and healthy attention. Mail your packages to Mrs. Ola Rogers Egan, Mt. Sterling, Ky.

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Bath—Owingsville, 2nd Monday.  
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park through the snow or in the country at the end of a car line to look for winter birds, a moment's pause in the snowstorm to see the formation of the snowflakes on coat or mittens, the care of plants or bulbs or a canary in the apartment will help to develop in him the love of nature. The acquaintance of the nearest farmer is greatly to be desired, and a Saturday spent on his farm at regular intervals through the winter will mean more to the child than all the moving picture shows in the world.

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### KENTUCKY SELECTIONS COACH

Harry E. Gammage, former University of Illinois football star, who succeeded Bert Ingwersen as coach at the University of Illinois in the fall of 1924, has accepted a two-year contract as head coach of the University of Kentucky football team at a salary of \$10,000 a year. Gammage was a member of the athletic council of the University of Kentucky at the Phoenix hotel Friday night.

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1926 WEATHER REVIEWED

BY FEDERAL BUREAU In summarizing weather conditions for the United States for the year 1926, the Weather Bureau of the United States Department of Agriculture says that, for the country as a whole, no marked abnormal features affecting agricultural interests were experienced. Conditions were rather unfavorable for development of some of the major crops, but were unusually favorable for others, with the general result as to yield satisfactory. Wheat came through the mild winter with no material harm, which, together with subsequent favorable weather, resulted in an unusually good crop of the winter type; likewise the general absence of damaging frosts was responsible for one of the largest fruit yields in the history of the country, and the widespread favorable weather in the South gave an unprecedented large crop of cotton. Conditions were somewhat less favorable for corn, while heat and drought materially reduced the yield of spring wheat.

The temperature for the year was below normal in most parts of the country from the Mississippi River eastward, and generally above normal to the westward, with an unusually warm year in the northwest where in some districts the temperature averaged nearly 3 degrees a day above normal. Approximately two-thirds of the country had a year warmer than normal.

Unfavorable conditions of drought prevailed during part of the year in some northwestern States and locally in the southeast, but otherwise no wide-spread harmful drought occurred. Floods caused some local damage in the interior and southwest, and too much rain occurred from time to time in more or less restricted areas, but, in general, moisture conditions were satisfactory. A little more than half the country received less than the normal rainfall for the year.

There was very little frost damage except some harm to the corn crop just before maturity in the northwestern portion of the belt. The growing season, or period between the last killing frost in spring and first in fall, was somewhat shorter than usual in most of the south and in some north-central States, but otherwise it was generally longer than normal. In about 60 per cent of the country, crops in 1926 had a longer growing season than usual.

In general, the weather fluctuations of 1926 differed in no important particular from normals established by more than 50 years of record, with the tendency to slightly warmer conditions than usual. In most of the country the growing

season was also slightly longer than the customary season. Such variations from the established normals are expected by meteorologists, and many years, since the Weather Bureau records began, could be selected showing greater variations than were observed in 1926.

DREAM COMES TRUE

A Montgomery county girl dreamed of a fire and awoke to find her dream come true. Lucy Setters, 17, daughter of Bee Setters, tenant on the John Bryant farm at Peyton's-Lick, this county, had the dream about midnight Sunday night. She awoke and found the roof of the house burning.

She aroused her brother, Howard, and the rest of the family and all escaped, although the house and its contents were destroyed. The boy was severely burned before he could get out of the building and was brought to the Mary Chiles Hospital yesterday for treatment.—Mt. Sterling Advocate.

TIME TO SPEAK UP REGARDING TAX REDUCTION

Manufacturers and others who believe the federal corporation tax, which will be 15 1/2 percent for 1926, should be reduced, will materially increase the possibility of a reduction by at once writing to members of the House and Senate, giving their views. By a strike party vote, the House Committee on Ways and Means decided not to report any legislation for tax reduction at this session of Congress. There seems to be a growing demand, however, that corporate wealth be allowed to have some of the benefits of reduced taxation which have come to all other classes of wealth. More than 15,000,000 citizens who own stocks of corporations and the whole economic life of the people, it is claimed, would benefit by a reasonable reduction.

WASHINGTON COUNTY POLTRY PROFITABLE

Records kept by owners of three flocks in Washington county indicate the profitability of poultry, where good stock is used and best methods practiced, according to County Agent G. W. Gardner. Mrs. R. K. Blanford made a net profit of \$674 last year, after deducting all expenses, or more than \$5 per bird. Mrs. F. M. Warren's net profit was \$258 per hen, while Miss Hettie Kelley made \$230 per bird. These three flocks have been admitted to the Kentucky Certified Poultry Breeders' Association.

It is not Leap year in 1927, but the girls of Mt. Sterling will find ways of accomplishing the same results as if it were.

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Program For Farm And Home Convention At Lexington January 25th to 28th.

Below will be found the program for the farm and home convention that will be held in the new livestock pavilion at the Kentucky Experiment Station on January 25, 26, 27, and 28. As can be seen the meeting is divided into two or three sections that will be held in different rooms, all in the same building, all at the same time. With a program as given here it will not be hard for anyone to find something of value to them in one of these rooms at any time. It is hoped that a large number from this county will take advantage of the opportunity to hear these speakers of national reputation.

The Livestock Pavilion is a new building that has just been completed to replace the old building destroyed by fire last winter. All rooms are well lighted, ventilated and heated. The Women's and general sessions will be held on the ground floor; the poultry session of Thursday will be held on the second floor.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25 General Program LIVESTOCK PAVILION T. R. Bryant, Chairman

10:00 A. M.—Building Material for the Future—Fred B. Merrell, State Forester, Frankfort, Ky. 10:30 A. M.—Around the World with the Sheep Industry—Illustrated Lecture, R. C. Miller, College of Agriculture.

11:00 A. M.—Needs for Better Rural Education.—Hon. McHenry Rhoads, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Frankfort, Ky. 11:30 A. M.—Agriculture, A Business Proposition.—Dean Thomas P. Cooper, College of Agriculture.

12:00—Noon. 1:15 P. M.—How I Handle My Flock.—R. H. Stephenson, Dry Ridge, Ky.

1:40 P. M.—Purebred Sheep as an Investment.—Perry Gaines, Carrollton, Ky.

2:00 P. M.—Some Suggestions for Improving Our Permanent Pastures.—Ralph Kenney, College of Agriculture.

2:20 P. M.—The Basis of a Farm Management Program for the Kentucky Farmer.—W. D. Nicholls, College of Agriculture. Get Together Banquet

Thursday Night

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25 Special Session for Women LIVESTOCK PAVILION Miss Myrtle Weldon, Chairman

10:00 A. M.—Community Singing. 10:15 A. M.—Homes, Farms.—Dean Thomas P. Cooper, College of Agriculture, University of Ky.

10:45 A. M.—Man's Best Friend.—Mrs. Frank L. McVey, Lexington, Ky.

11:15 A. M.—Appreciating Beautiful Pictures.—Miss Jean Bullitt Lowry, Art Department, University of Kentucky. 12:00—Noon.

1:15 P. M.—Community Singing. 1:30 P. M.—Child Rights.—Edna Walls, Specialist in Child Training, University of Illinois.

2:15 P. M.—Music in the Home.—Fannie Buchanan, Victor Talking Machine Company, Camden, N. J.

3:00 P. M.—American Chop-Suey in the Jar.—Miss Lindman, Ball Brothers, Muncie, Indiana.

3:45 P. M.—Announcements of Appointment of Committees.—Myrtle Weldon, State Leader, Home Demonstration Agents, University of Kentucky.

Group singing for all sessions led by Miss Fannie Buchanan, Victor Talking Machine Company, Camden, N. J.

Miss Lucy Taylor, LaGrange, will preside at the piano. Get-Together Banquet

Thursday Night

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26 General Program LIVESTOCK PAVILION E. S. Good, Chairman

10:00 A. M.—Maximum Production of Milk.—John Null, Lagrange, Ky. 10:20 A. M.—Every Day Problems of the Dairymen.—James A. Huey, Burlington, Ky.

10:40 A. M.—Top Profits and Ton Litters.—Horace Emnick, Lewisport, Ky. 11:00 A. M.—Handling the Home Pork Supply.—Charles Land, Lexington, Ky.

11:20 A. M.—Lessons from the Recent Hog Cholera Outbreak.—W. W. Dimock, College of Agriculture. 11:45 A. M.—Discussion led by Graddy Sellards.

12:00—Noon. 1:15 P. M.—The University and the State.—President Frank L. McVey, University of Kentucky. 2:00 P. M.—The Railroad and the

Farmer.—E. S. Jonett, Vice-president, L. & N. Railroad Louisville, Ky. 2:30 P. M.—How Kentucky Farmers are Using Lime and Marl.—S. C. Jones, College of Agriculture. Get-Together Banquet

Thursday Night

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26 Special Session for Women LIVESTOCK PAVILION Miss Mariel Hopkins, Chairman

10:00 A. M.—Community Singing. 10:15 A. M.—The Nation's Measure of a Home.—Eess Towse, Field Editor, The Farmers' Wife.

10:45 A. M.—Some New Acquaintances.—Mrs. Preston Johnston, Lexington, Ky. 11:15 A. M.—Masterpieces for Every Home.—Miss Jean Bullitt Lowry, Art Department, University of Kentucky.

12:00—Noon. 1:15 P. M.—Community Singing. 1:30 P. M.—Home Attitudes.—Miss Walls, University of Illinois.

2:15 P. M.—How Music is Made.—Miss Buchanan, Victor Talking Machine Co., Camden, N. J. 3:00 P. M.—Fruit Salads for All Occasions.—Miss Lindman, Ball Bros., Muncie, Ind.

3:15 P. M.—Tea for Homemakers.—Home of President and Mrs. McVey on Campus. 7:30 P. M.—Evening Program.—Dicker Hall.

Extension Folios of 1926.—Extension and Resident Home—Economic Staff. Get-Together Banquet

Thursday Night

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27 General Program LIVESTOCK PAVILION Dean Cooper, Chairman

10:00 A. M.—What the Farmer Ought to Raise in the Way of Food Stuff.—J. S. Gardner, College of Agriculture. 10:30 A. M.—Some Fundamental Principles of Livestock Breeding.—W. S. Anderson, College of Agriculture.

11:00 A. M.—The Outlook of Business and its Relation to the Farmer.—M. O. Hughes, Louisville, Ky. 11:30 A. M.—What Changes in Taxation and Public Finance Would Be of Real Benefit to the Farmer?—Hon. William Balknap, Goshen, Ky. 12:00—Noon.

1:15 P. M.—One of the Worst Agencies of Agriculture.—G. I. Christie, Director, Experiment Station, Lafayette, Ind. 2:00 P. M.—Future Plans of the Burley Association.—J. C. Stone, President, Burley Tobacco Association, Lexington, Ky.

2:20 P. M.—Looking Ahead.—C. B. Jenness, College of Agriculture. Get-Together Banquet Tonight

Thursday Night

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27 Poultry Meeting LIVESTOCK PAVILION J. Holmes Martin, Chairman

10:00 A. M.—Recent Developments in Feeding Layers.—J. R. Stryker, College of Agriculture. 10:40 A. M.—Discussion and Questions on Feeding.—J. Holmes Martin, College of Agriculture.

11:00 A. M.—Maximum Returns from the Farm Flock.—H. L. Shradler, Extension Poultryman, U. S. Department of Agriculture. 12:00—Noon.

1:15 P. M.—Breeding for a 200 Egg Average.—J. Holmes Martin, College of Agriculture. 2:00 P. M.—Certification and Accreditation.—H. L. Shradler, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

2:30 P. M.—Meeting of Certified Poultry Breeders' Association.—W. F. Pyles, President. Get-Together Banquet Tonight

Thursday Night

THURSDAY, JANUARY 27 Special Session for Women LIVESTOCK PAVILION Miss Lullie Logan, Chairman

10:00 A. M.—Community Singing. 10:15 A. M.—Home Economics in Every Day Life.—Mariel Hopkins, Head Home Economics Department, University of Kentucky.

10:45 A. M.—The Music of America.—Miss Buchanan, Victor Talking Machine Company. 11:15 A. M.—Living with Pictures.—Mary Miller, Field Agent in Home Management, University of Kentucky.

12:00—Noon. 1:15 P. M.—Community Singing. 1:30 P. M.—Regular Callers.—Margaret I. King, Librarian, University of Kentucky. 2:00 P. M.—Child Health Show with Living Models.—Mrs. Pearis

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 28

General Program LIVESTOCK PAVILION George Roberts, Chairman

10:00 A. M.—Past and Present of Livestock in Kentucky.—E. S. Good, College of Agriculture. 10:30 A. M.—The Baby Beef Industry in Mason County.—R. M. Greene, County Agent, Maysville, Ky.

10:45 A. M.—Improving Agriculture on a County-Wide Basis.—J. W. Gaines, Lawrenceburg, Ky. 11:00 A. M.—How May Farm Credits Be Improved?—N. H. Dosker, Vice-president National Bank of Kentucky, Louisville, Ky.

11:30 A. M.—Kentucky's Highway Program and its Relation to the Farmer.—W. C. Hanna, Member of State Highway Commission, Shelbyville, Ky. 12:00—Noon.

1:15 P. M.—Making a Success in Growing Alfalfa in Central Kentucky.—C. R. Jordan, Fayette county. 1:30 P. M.—Beef Production Problems.—J. E. Poole, Chicago Livestock Exchange, Chicago, Illinois.

Discussion of Beef Cattle Problems, led by W. J. Harris. FRIDAY, JANUARY 28 Special Session for Women LIVESTOCK PAVILION Miss Zelma Monroe, Chairman

10:00 A. M.—Community Singing. 10:15 A. M.—Looking Down the Road.—Myrtle Weldon, College of Agriculture. 10:30 A. M.—Report of Program Planning Committee. 10:45 A. M.—Report of Committees.

11:00 A. M.—A Visit with Kentucky Homemakers.—Kentucky Homemakers themselves. 12:00—Homemakers' Luncheon. Afternoon Program.—Dicker's Hall. 1:00 P. M.—Community Singing. 1:45 P. M.—Watering the Farm Family.—Earl Welch, College of Agriculture, University of Kentucky. 2:30 P. M.—Movie—Turn on the Water. Patronize merchants who advertise in The Scorcher.

CINCINNATI LIVESTOCK

Hogs—Receipts 3,149; held over, 912; butchers weighing under 250 pounds active, steady; heavy hogs 275 pounds, up dull; few sales around 15 to 25 cents lower; 130 to 225 pounds \$12.50 @ \$13.60; 250 to 300 pounds \$12.00 @ \$12.25; over 300 pounds around \$11.75 down; packing sows steady to 25 cents lower, mostly \$10.75 down, few high weights \$11.00; pigs unchanged; stags around \$9.00.

Cattle—Receipts 290. Calves—400. Not enough cattle offered to test market. Sales mostly steady to strong. Good demand for fed stock; few light steers and heifers around \$9.25 down; cows and bulls unchanged; vealers steady, top \$15. Sheep—Receipts 350. Generally steady; better grade lambs upwards to \$12.00; heavies around \$11.00; common kind \$9.50 down. Ewes upwards to \$5.50.

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce Judge H. R. Prewitt as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Circuit Judge of the District composed of Rowan, Montgomery, Menifee and Bath counties and subject to the action of the Democratic party at its primary, August 6, 1927.

We are authorized to announce W. C. Hamilton as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Commonwealths Attorney of the Twenty-First judicial district, composed of Rowan, Bath, Menifee and Montgomery counties, subject to the primary election, August 6, 1927.

### THE PLAGUE OF LAWS

William F. Helm, Jr. who specializes in government statistics, in an article in the American Mercury, entitled, "The Plague of Laws," declares that the total number of laws theoretically operative in the United States, including city, county, state and national, approximates 10 million, and that the time has come for a new Justinius to junk the whole complicated mess and to substitute a simple code, like that of the Roman jurivizer.

In 1925 no fewer than 13,000 new laws appeared on the statute books of the 48 states. Fifteen typical American cities added 4,333 laws in one year, and there are some 13,000 important towns and cities, and all of them are busy grinding out ordinances. State legislatures will this year grind out thousands of additional laws. Commenting on the situation, the Salem, Oregon, Capital Journal, says:

"The growth of bureaucracy can be traced directly to the extension of the law, and bureaucracy grows by multiplication of laws. They supplant each other. The more laws, the more bureaucrats to enforce them. The more bureaucrats, the more laws to increase and extend their power."

until we have reached the point where the whole top-heavy system is breaking down and the law becomes a joke.

It can be added that practically every new law increases taxes, and one of the best ways to bring about tax reduction is to stop passing new laws.

### EDITORIAL POP SHOTS

The old-fashioned man who has been wanting to see an o. f. winter, got a taste of it last week, and doubtless wondered what became of his last summer's wages.

When a man tries to be "all things to all men" he is, generally speaking, "nothing to anybody." Deception and double-dealing will, sooner or later, find its way into the open. No man can play a double role in life's drama and get by with it for any great length of time. Little by little the light will be turned on and he will, at last, stand out in all his hideousness, among those who are the victims of his treacherous flattery and hypocritical conduct, while wearing, as it were, the "livery of Heaven to serve the devil in." Lincoln said: "You can fool some people all the time and all of the people some of the time, but you can't fool all the people all the time."

There has been much criticism of the President's act in sending safes into Nicaragua to protect American interests there. They say it should have been settled by arbitration without any armed intervention. The arbitration of the sword is the only kind of arbitration those Latin-Americans can understand and the President was right in taking charge of the matter early in the action, so as to prevent needless bloodshed and destruction of property. Don't get panicky, we haven't gone to war yet and there is no probability that we will.

Miss Deba Horn, 17 years old, a cripple from birth, died at her home at Elizabethtown from burns sustained when her clothing ignited while she was standing before an open fireplace.

Claude Baisley, of Somerset, student at Centre College, was seriously injured and Miss Wanda Tucker, of Danville, suffered a fractured collar bone in a coasting accident at Danville last week.

### News From Over the State

Franklin Shropshire, 87 years old, one of Harrison county's oldest and most respected citizens, died at his home near Cynthia Sunday.

Sixty-four arrests were made by state wardens in Kentucky during December. Fines assessed, totaled \$1,015.

Mrs. Mary Cunningham, 45 years old, was shot and perhaps fatally wounded by her husband at their home at Henderson Sunday.

The third annual meeting of Kentucky sportsmen under the auspices of the Fish and Game Commission will be held in Frankfort February 1 and 2.

Judge J. W. Cammack of Owen County, Owen county, last week formally announced himself as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Attorney General.

Little May Dorman, 3 years old, was stricken with acute indigestion at the home of her parents at Greensburg and died before the arrival of a physician.

After being divorced for five years, Floyd Coldron, 34, automobile dealer and Sallie Louise Coldron, of Richmond, were remarried at Richmond last week.

The first state convention of the Kentucky division of the League of Women Voters of America will be held at the Lafayette Hotel in Lexington January 26 and 27.

Trapped in his sedan which was knocked off an Ohio river ferryboat near the Jeffersonville wharf last Friday, W. A. Crawford, 35 years old, of Louisville was drowned.

A woman registered as Ruth Ruh, of Fayette county, was arrested on the bridge between Covington and Newport with 55 gallons of moonshine whisky in her automobile.

Rev. L. S. Gaines, pastor of the First Baptist church at Paris for the past four years, resigned Sunday to take over the pastorage of the Baptist church at Campbellburg.

In Boyle county last week, Lloyd Davis, negro, teased David Key, 74 when the old veteran grabbed a muzzle loading shotgun and shot the boy in the arm, making slight wound.

The bloodstained hat found in the automobile of Charles Henderson, Danville wholesale grocer, who disappeared last month, has been sent to the public service laboratory at Lexington for examination. The Republican State Central Com-

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### REGULATIONS

No accounts to run more than one week. We have to come as nearly to a cash basis as possible in order to have money wherewith to pay expenses and meet obligations and in no case will accounts be extended over 2 weeks.

As far as is convenient, we would ask our friends and patrons to pay their laundry bills when work is delivered. This would help us greatly in carrying on the business. In fact we are compelled to come to a cash basis.

The expenses of running a laundry are heavy and we most respectfully urge that our patrons, help us all they can to come to a cash basis. Those who are in arrears for their work will please settle their bills as soon as they can and so help us to keep the work going.

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# FRED BLAIR

Fairbanks Street Morehead, Ky.

mittee has been called to meet at Louisville on Friday February 12 for the purpose of determining the method of selecting nominees for state offices this summer.

T. Scott Mayes, state inspector and examiner, in a report on Boyd county filed with Governor Fields Saturday, declared county officials of that county owe the state a total of \$3,956.49.

J. A. Thompson, editor and publisher of the Bracken Chronicle, who recently took over the management of the Bracken County Review, has suspended publication of the latter newspaper.

William Turner Harrod, 32, world war veteran, was sentenced to death by jury at Louisville Friday night for the murder of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Rosa Nolin, 31, at her home in Louisville in November.

Judge Frank V. Nunneley, of Georgetown, suffered bodily injuries and a deep laceration on the head Saturday when his automobile was struck by an interurban car while he was crossing the car tracks.

Governor Fields last Thursday granted a stay of execution until September 9, of W. M. Perciful, 29 years old, sentenced to die in the electric chair for the murder of J. W. Rieger in Rockcastle county in October, 1924.

In the Clark circuit court at Winchester last week, Mrs. G. N. Wyceff was awarded \$15,000 damages against the L. & N. Railroad for the death of her husband, who died as the result of injuries suffered when he fell while alighting from a station.

The Kentucky court of appeals has held that the temporary injunction under which the consumers of gas in Lexington are being served will be dissolved March 1. The company will be entitled to withdraw service after that date, it was said.

Zack Moody, 78 years old, was buried to death at his home in Adair county last Friday night when "his clothing ignited while he was kindling a fire. His aged brother, Jim Moody, escaped as their home was burned. The two men both died and died lives alone.

David R. Francis, 76 years old, former Secretary of the Interior and former Governor of Missouri, died Saturday night at his home in St. Louis. Mr. Francis was born and reared in Clarksville, going to St. Louis when he was 16 years old.

### POOL DISTRIBUTES OVER

A SIX MILLION DOLLARS

Checks for a total of \$6,120,498.48 were mailed out Wednesday by the Burley Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association to those of its 109,000 members in the States of Kentucky, Ohio, West Virginia, Missouri, Tennessee and Virginia, who delivered to the association their 1925 tobacco crops.

The checks sent are for a sum equal to 50 per cent of the amount advanced to the growers when they delivered their crops to the association in the winter of 1925.

The second payment on the 1925 crop raises the total paid on the tobacco delivered by the growers to the association in the past five years to \$151,032,896.73. The average paid on all the tobacco delivered to the association in the years 1921 to 1925 inclusive, amounting to \$69,361,222 pounds, was \$17.37, including today's payment and the association still holds about 93,000,000 pounds of the 1923, 1924 and 1925 crops, from which future payments will be made when this tobacco is sold.

The association previously had paid in full settlement for the 1921 crop, \$23,449,352.07; for the 1922 crop in full, \$49,423,795.53; two payments on the 1923 crop totaling \$33,839,063.65, and two payments on the crop of 1924 aggregating \$25,956,290.04.

Accompanying each check sent out by the association today was a statement from James C. Stone, president and general manager, and also sales manager of the Burley organization, explaining the present distribution and the deductions for warehouse stock by districts per 100 pounds.

### FINISH THE DRESS WELL

Many a promising dress is spoiled in the finishing, says Miss Isabelle M. Story, in "Selection and Use of Commercial Patterns," a new circular published by the Kentucky College of Agriculture. If a dress is to look as it should, seams must be of the right kind and finish, hems and facings put in correctly, thread tensions kept enough to insure against puckering, and so on, extreme care being taken at each point in its construction. Women desiring to secure copies of this circular, which gives many valuable suggestions about w-

ing patterns, should see their county home agent or agricultural agent or write the college at Lexington.

### THREE HAWKS CAUGHT

Chester Whisman, farmer residing near Bethel, saw three hawks attack and kill one of his chickens several days ago. He informed his brother, Clarence, who took the chicken and set three steeltraps around it.

The next day the traps were visited and a red-tailed hawk was found in each of the traps. These hawks were measured and weighed by D. E. Grimes. One measured 47 inches from tip to tip, one 48 inches from tip to tip and the other 50 inches. The combined weight of the three hawks was 8 3/4 pounds.

Love lives on and has a power to bless when they who loved are hidden in the grave.—Lowell.

This country is said to chase the dollar too much, but anyway the dollar seems able to get away from most of us.

Somewhere between the Great Beyond and the sucker who thinks the dead speak there is a happy medium.

## Flowers!

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**Social and Personal**

Mrs. E. L. Hall, writes to have her Scorch changed from Cranston to Butler, Ky., where she is visiting her brother.

Mrs. W. B. Elder left Friday morning for Alabama in response to a telegram from her son, Morton Elder that his baby was not expected to live.

Carl Elam and family visited Mrs. Elam's father, Dell Downs and family at Owingsville Sunday.

Mrs. Wick Leedy and John Thompson, of Stark, were weekend guests of their sisters, Mrs. Drew Evans, Mrs. U. S. Sparks and Miss Lynn Thompson.

Dr. and Mrs. A. M. Lyons, of Frankfort, spent Sunday here with Mrs. Lyon's sister, Mrs. Herbert Caudill.

Mrs. T. F. Terry, of Marion, O., was the guest of Mrs. May Day and family the first of the week.

Charles Thompson, of Sharpshoobury, and Dan Evans, of Fleming county, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Drew Evans the latter part of the week.

Doc Lambert, of Crix, was in the city Wednesday.

Mrs. Sam C. Brown and Miss Lizzie Brown, of Wrigley, went to Lexington on train No. 23 Tuesday.

Miss Frances Donohew, of Mt. Sterling, was the weekend guest of Misses Vella Waltz and Sallie Cogswell.

Dr. M. E. Staley was in Louisville Friday on business.

T. F. Anderson was a business visitor in Owingsville this week.

Lyle Tackett was in Flemingburg the first of the week visiting his sister, Mrs. C. B. Daugherty.

G. W. Young, of Salt Lick, is quite ill at the home of his son, Robert Young, in this city.

Mrs. Belle Clayton, Mrs. A. T. Tatum, Misses Ruth and Grace Cassidy have been sick the past week with "flu."

G. W. McDaniel returned Friday of last week from a 14-days' visit to ex-Kentuckians, J. D. Walker, and others, in Ohio.

**Missionary Society**

The Missionary Society of the Methodist church met at the home of Mrs. Drew Evans Thursday after-

noon, Mrs. S. M. Bradley, president, presiding. Mrs. H. B. Tolliver had charge of the program, after which a social hour was enjoyed and refreshments were served the following: Mesdames S. M. R. Hurt, S. M. Bradley, A. L. Miller, Sam C. Caudill, Herbert Proctor, James Clay, H. B. Tolliver, C. R. Thomas, John Cecil and Mrs. Emma Redwine Day. The guest of the society was Rev. C. R. Thomas.

**Churches and Societies**

**Treasure Thought**

"If any little word of mine can make the heart the lighter,  
If any little song of mine can make a life the brighter,  
God help me speak the little word and take my bit of singing,  
And drop it in some lonely vale, to set the echoes ringing."

"Build a little fence of trust around today,  
Fill the space with loving work and therein stay;  
Look not through the sheltering bars upon tomorrow,  
God will help you bear what comes of joy or sorrow."

All churches and Sunday schools and religious societies are invited to make their announcements in this column for which there will be no charge.

Rev. Lealle Brown, pastor of the Church of God at Lexington, is now holding a big revival meeting in Indianapolis. Rev. Brown is a nephew of the Scorch editor and we are glad to see the young man climbing up in the service of the Master.

**Morehead Baptist Church**

Bible school at 9:45, S. P. Wheeler, superintendent. Come and study God's word with us. Morning worship at 11 o'clock, sermon, "What It Takes to Make a Great Church." The B. Y. P. U. meets at 6:15, Ruth Cassidy, president. Evening worship at 7:00 o'clock, sermon "The Breaking of an Alabaster Box." You are cordially invited to all of the services of this church. Come and bring your friends. M. E. S.

First Christian church, January 22, 1927. Morning subject, "Christian Education." Evening subject,

"The Power of Faith." Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:00. The subject will be, "The Development of Morality in the Child." Such questions as the Child's Attitude Punishment, Family Government and the Value of Precept and Example will be discussed. Christian Endeavor Sunday evening at 6:00. Bible school Sunday morning at 9:30.

Next Wednesday night, January 26, Rev. Mr. Thornberry and Rev. Mr. Kiser of the Primitive Baptist church, will preach at the court house. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody.

**SMILE NEWS**

The Sunday school at this place is progressing nicely. A large crowd attends each Sunday.

Eby Reeves, of this place, is visiting his brothers at Akron, Ohio.

James Fryman, of this place, attended church at Olive Hill Saturday and Sunday.

Oleta Fryman visited the Bull Fork school last Friday.

Julia Fryman came home Friday and returned Sunday.

Lullie Tussey was a visitor at Morehead Monday.

John Hatfield and wife are visiting in Bath county.

Bob Hatfield is moving to Mrs. George Pelfrey's place.

Mrs. Cora Tussey is sick at this writing.

Rufus and Spencer Conn went to Beechburg last week in search of employment.

Ralph Lewis and Owen Gilkerson attended Sunday school here Sunday.

Marshall Wright went to Lewis county last week and all the youngsters were disappointed because he did not bring a wife back with him as they were planning on giving him a big send-off.

Thurman Vaughn has returned home from Floyd county.

After motion for a new trial had been denied, Robert Lee Bennett, 21 years old, charged with beating to death his grandmother at her home in Louisville several months ago, was sentenced to die in the electric chair on March 4. Bennett took the verdict calmly, protesting his innocence.

A slanderous ear is just as bad as a slanderous tongue as both reveal the true state of the heart.

**LITTLE SANDY NEWS**

Emma Adkins is improving. Alex Elliott is improving slowly. Jesse Howard and Nettie Adkins were the Thursday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Adkins.

Clifford Adkins is visiting his uncle, Woodrow Adkins this week. Estill Howard has returned from West Virginia to his old farm to spend the rest of his days.

Menta Adkins and Nan Howard were in Sandy Hook shopping last week.

Jesse Howard and Netta Adkins, Nan Howard and Walter Winkelman, Flora and Emery Lytton and Menta Adkins and Ransome Whitt were all at Floyd Adkins' last week. They reported a fine time.

Miss Dona and Lula Adkins were visiting their brother, F. H. Adkins, Sunday.

A large crowd of young folks went skating Saturday.

Wade Howard won the prize at the marble game last week.

Mrs. Claud Howard was visited by the stark yesterday.

Jesse Howard was in Redwine this week.

**SHARKEY NEWS**

Henry Eldridge took a load of tobacco off last week and pin-hooked it for 1 1/2 cents per pound.

Miss Ora Jane Caudill, of the M. S. N., has been very ill the past week.

A large crowd attended the Bull Fork school Friday. They are preparing for a big entertainment the last day, January 21.

The little son of Cleveland Johnson is very ill at this writing with fever.

A large crowd attended the Baptist church near Sharkey Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Oleta Fryman was visiting the school on Bull Fork Thursday and Friday.

The little daughter of George Hyatt, who has been very ill with heart dropsy is a little better at this writing.

Mrs. Sallie Cash Overall, 86 years old, was burned to death when her clothing ignited while she was standing before an open fireplace at her home in Hardin county.

The annual convention of the Kentucky Retail Lumber Dealers Association will be held at the Brown hotel in Louisville February 2 and 3.

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**THINGS WORTH KNOWING**

**ABOUT KENTUCKY**

The sum of \$2,500,000 is to be spent this year in enlargement of the Ashland plant of the American Rolling Mill Co., according to the Ashland Independent. Recently the company determined to build new blast furnaces at the Kentucky plant and foundations for the structures have already been started. An appropriation of \$1,700,000 was made for the purpose, it is said. An additional appropriation of \$1,500,000 made just before Christmas for the purpose of building two new open hearth furnaces and providing additional capacity to the present sheet mills. "With the millions which have already been spent on this plant," comments the Independent, "the outlook is that before very long it will be one of the biggest and most up-to-date plants of its kind in the United States." Operation of the Norton Iron Works and the Ashland Steel Company during the year makes the industrial outlook unusually bright for the eastern Kentucky city says the Independent.

The Paducah Sun prints a letter from the manager of a local factory urging his employees to recognize the importance of keeping the home town on the map. "We would like to have you purchase everything you can here," writes the employer. "Give the merchants a chance to show you what they have on sale. If they haven't what you want in stock, let them order it for you if convenient. The persons who spend their money out of town for goods that can be bought at home, may some day have to go out of town to hunt for another job, meaning that if all the money is sent out of a community there will be none left to carry on business at home."

Formation of a stock company for

the purpose of operating an overall factory has been undertaken by a committee of the Hazard Chamber of Commerce. A convention bureau is also being planned to bring meetings to the Perry county capital.

Thirty-two States, Canada and Cuba have been aided in solving the permanent highway problem during the past year by a Kentucky corporation, the Kentucky Rock Asphalt Co. Over 200,000 tons of "Kyrock," the trade name of the company's famous product, were shipped in 1926. As recently reported in these bulletins, Kentucky now holds the lead of all States in rock asphalt production. Perhaps not many citizens of the State know that a town of 1,200 inhabitants has grown up on the company's 40,000 acres of property on the Nolin River, 40 miles from Bowling Green. The town is called Kyrock, has excellent schools, a theater, electric light and ice plants and yet is 40 miles from the nearest railroad station. About 600 residents of the town are employed in the quarry and plant of the company. Attractively illustrated literature recently issued by the Ky. Rock Asphalt Co. shows some of the most-traveled roads of the country surfaced with "Kyrock." Included in the list is a recent photograph of the floor-like surface of the famous military road between Louisville and Camp Knox, laid in 1915.

The F. H. Cravens Developing Co. has been organized to manufacture angle corks and safety and air appliances for locomotives with a main factory at Lexington and a branch plant at Olive Hill.

Eighty-two turkeys for the Christmas market brought \$59.20 to Mrs. John Arnold, of Washington county, says the Springfield Sun.

Fifty establishments contributed to the State's output of clay prod-

ucts to the total value of \$7,973,977 in 1925, according to figures compiled by State Geologist Jilison. Fire clay brick led the list, the output having a value of over \$5,000,000.

There were four establishments manufacturing pottery. Proposed development of more than 10,000 acres of coal, iron ore and fire clay deposits in Lawrence county is indicated by the presence in the territory of a representative of Eastern interests, says the Big Sandy News, of Louisia.

Mr. Vernon is growing by leaps and bounds, says the Stanford Interior Journal, because of the tourist traffic. There are half a dozen or more tourist camps in the town.

Over \$1,250,000 is brought into Pulaski county every year by the poultry industry, according to the Somerset Journal. The newspaper declares the county should employ an expert poultry man to further develop the industry. An improvement in the quality and quantity of poultry sent from Adair county is reported by the Columbia Enterprise. The Elizabethtown News reports an organization of Hardin county poultry growers to raise more poultry along better breed lines.

Twenty-eight new factories were located in Louisville during 1926, according to a report from the manager of the Louisville Industrial Foundation appearing in the Courier-Journal. Feeds, castings, brushes, clothing, concrete products, electrical devices and enameling work were listed among the varied products of the new concerns. The annual production of the new plants will amount to over \$3,000,000, it is estimated, while their combined annual payroll will be about \$381,000. Substantial increases in facilities were made during the year by 85 of the city's established industries, says the report. Improvements and new equipment added by these concerns had a total value of \$2,105,470, and the increased annual production by these plants will be nearly \$5,000,000. Comment is made in the report on the rapid progress of the hydro-electric development at the falls of the Ohio under auspices of the Louisville Gas & Electric Co.

Extensive development in the Ohio county oil fields has been quickened by a strike of a 200-barrel-a-day well near Hartford. Sev-

eral producing wells were brought in during the closing two weeks of the year in the Ohio-Davies-Hancock district.

In the Annual Financial and Business Review of the Louisville Herald Post at the beginning of the year one writer pointed out how community effort is bearing fruit in bringing new industries to various parts of Kentucky. Establishments of creditable sized factories in widely scattered towns of the State was pointed out, and tribute was paid to the work of chambers of commerce and local newspapers in advancing community development. It was contended that progress seems to be fostered by local effort, rather than by attempts at helping the individual community through State exploitation. Each community has its individual appeal, it was noted, and thru its chamber of commerce or other agency should attempt to sell its advantages directly to the kind of industry which can best utilize the particular attractions of the community.

Dr. W. R. Jilison, State Geologist is reported as planning to complete the topographic mapping of Kentucky in 1927.

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**A LITTLE TALK ON THRIFT**

By S. W. Straus, President American Society for Thrift.

Recently compiled statistics show that there are now 46,762,240 persons in the United States with savings bank accounts amounting to \$24,696,192,000 or an average of about \$521 for every person in the country. The last year witnessed a growth of about \$1,500,000,000 in these accounts with a little less than 3,000,000 added depositors.

The best feature of the report is the addition of this vast army of new money savers, for it indicates that thrift in the country is steadily gaining. The increase in the country's population is normally being 1,500,000 and 2,000,000. Thus it is safe to assume that more than 1,000,000 Americans are now saving money who a year ago were neglecting to do so.

There is still plenty of work ahead for those interested in thrift progress. With less than \$5,000,000 savings bank depositors there are probably 25,000,000 adults who

could save money if they only had the will to do so.

We cannot measure the nation's thrift, of course, entirely by these records. Many men are thrifty who have no savings accounts. They have their savings otherwise invested. Nevertheless the country's record of savings accounts is the best available barometer. The lesson they teach is obvious. Too many of us are drifting along from year to year without making preparations for the days to come.

Everyone should save for the

rainy day and for the day of sunshine as well. Our savings will come in handy when we need them either for adversity or for opportunity for advancement.

Let us hope that these words will fall beneath the eyes of many of our 25,000,000 non-savers and that they will be led to make immediate start along the pathway of thrift. This great nation should be able to add more than 3,000,000 new money savers during the year we have just started.

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"FARM MANUFACTURERS"

MAKE MOST MONEY Farmers who are manufacturers rather than sellers of raw products are the ones who make the most money out of farming, declared C. M. Long, chief of farm service, in his discussion of the present dairy situation before the Purdue University Conference at Purdue University.

With low priced raw materials in the form of farm crops and with profitable markets on every hand for products into which they are converted or manufactured, the use of the cow, alfalfa, sow and hen combination as machines for his factory, puts the farmer on a manufacturing basis. It spells C-A-S-H farming. However, greater profits from farming cannot be expected by the mere setting up of this machinery—the placing of the cow, the sow and the hen on the farm. These machines must be made to operate efficiently and economically, to convert pasture, hay, grain and other raw farm crops into milk, pork and eggs at a good profit, Mr. Long emphasized.

"The bulk of American farm crops does not find its way to market as such," Mr. Long said. Most of it is fed to livestock and is marketed in the form of butterfat, milk, eggs, pork and other animal products. About 80 out of every 100 bushels of corn produced is fed to livestock which also consume approximately 40 per cent of the wheat and 75 per cent of the oat crops. In addition to the vast amount of corn that is fed to hogs, these animals also consume around 25,000,000 bushels of barley each year. Poultry alone eat more of our 870,000,000 bushel wheat crop than is exported. Cattle and work horses do away with 98 per cent of the nation's hay crop, and takes nearly 4,000,000 acres of corn in the form of silage to feed our milk cows. Therefore, the livestock farmer is not so much concerned with the price of corn at Chicago or the price of alfalfa at Kansas City as he is in the returns from butterfat, eggs, pork and broilers. His problem is based on the returns he gets for a ton of alfalfa when it is fed to dairy cows and converted to butterfat, for corn when it is converted into fat hogs and the price he receives for his grains and skim-milk when made into eggs."

The value of all dairy products produced in the United States in 1926 was given by Mr. Long as \$2,750,000,000, a sum which is equal to the combined valuation of all the cattle, hogs and sheep, as well as their sties and dams, produced in this country last year. If all these animals been taken away from farm last year, there would now be no dairy and livestock business. On the other hand, the sale of two or three-quarter billion dollars worth of dairy products still leaves the cows, the source of all this tremendous wealth, to create a new fortune for cow milking farmers this year. If all the dairy products sold last year were paid for at one cent per pound, the gold produced in the United States since 1885 would be required.

Notwithstanding the fact that the income from dairy products last year increased 10 per cent over 1925 and 22 per cent over 1924, the volume of products decreased 1.2 per cent since 1925. The past year, therefore, was one of the most profitable not only in the dairy industry, but in all allied industries of poultry and swine growing as well.

The demand for dairy products is increasing rapidly. There are indications that this demand is growing more rapidly than production is being increased. Not only are people in this country consuming more dairy products per capita, but each year the number of people is increasing at a rate which will require 25,000 additional cows by 1939 in Indiana alone. In the case of this state's increased population, to say nothing of the additional cows required for herd replacement. The only possibility for a decreased demand for dairy production would be a general industrial depression, but no such severe depression is looked for in the very near future.

Milk production does not vary directly with the number of cows, but is greatly influenced in the flush season by the condition of pastures and in feeding season by the abundance and cheapness of feed. Feeds were cheap last winter and summer. Concentrates and hay are less abundant this winter than last. Even if nothing like a shortage of feed develops, Mr. Long declared that the influence of this factor will be toward lighter production during the coming months as compared to the same months a year ago. This was one of the reasons brought out by Mr. Long to show that the dairy industry is not confronted with any grave menace of domestic over-production.

PRODUCE REVIEW

Milk and butterfat production is showing some general increase from week to week, but as yet production is below the level of a year ago. Receipts of butter on the four largest consuming markets, Chicago, New York, Boston and Philadelphia for Monday to Friday inclusive, of last week show a marked decrease as compared with the previous week and compared with the same week a year ago. This decrease or shortage has been more marked in Chicago than New York and quotations reflect this situation.

Chicago 90 score Standards today quoted 48 cents as compared with 47 1/2 cents last Monday. New York Extras today are 49 cents as compared with 50 1/2 cents same day last week.

Owing to the high cost of New Zealand and Danish butter, most of the stocks of this butter have been taken off the market, and generally speaking, values are not clearly defined. Shipments from these countries reported on the way are small. Weather in the Central West and the principal producing sections is generally cold and unfavorable for egg production. The general effect of this cold weather, with reports today for its continuance, is having a strengthening effect upon the market as receipts are lighter. Chicago market on firsts today is 41 to 42 cents, an increase compared with Monday of last week of 2 cents per dozen. The New York market has advanced approximately 2 cents per dozen.

Approximately 200 cars of live poultry were received by New York last week. Buying demand is slow following the recent extreme prices which had the effect of restricting outlets and cutting down actual consumption. Chicago market on fowls today is 27 cents; springs 19 to 24 cents. These prices represent an actual reduction of 1 cent compared with the high point on quotations last week. The New York market on fowls is quoted 26 to 30 cents, a drop since last Monday of 4 to 5 cents per pound; springs 22 to 24 cents, a decline since last Monday of 6 cents per pound.

The report of United States Cold Storage Holdings as of January 1, 1927, as issued by the United States Department of Agriculture, is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Creamery Butter (44,882,000 lbs), Eggs, Cases (1,572,000), Total Poultry (105,559,000 lbs).

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Creamery Butter (52,785,000 lbs), Eggs, Cases (1,683,000), Total Poultry (111,501,000 lbs).

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Creamery Butter (34,355,000 lbs), Eggs, Cases (1,111,000), Total Poultry (144,220,000 lbs).

As will be noted from the above figures, the storage holdings of butter and eggs at the present time compare favorably with holdings at the same time a year ago and the five year average. The holdings of poultry, however, vary considerably in excess of the holdings for the five year average and January 1, 1926.

CAMPAIGN FOR \$15,000,000 PENSION FUND

Organization works for a drive to raise Kentucky's share of \$15,000,000 being sought throughout the nation by the Laymen's Committee of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A., to provide pensions for Presbyterian ministers, is under way throughout the state and shortly the actual solicitation of funds will begin simultaneously in each of three Presbyteries.

The national campaign is under direction of Will Hays. He is Chairman of the national Laymen's Committee with headquarters in New York and through him Chairman for each of three Presbyteries in Kentucky have been appointed to direct the local drives.

The quotas for Kentucky has been set at \$216,000 and the actual collection of this fund will be carried on from February 11 to February 28. The state quota has been divided into separate quotas for each Presbytery, the quota being reached by adding 10 percent to the total benevolences of the Presbytery for 1926. A list of Kentucky Presbyteries, with the campaign Chairman for each one in which a Chairman has been appointed, and the quota for that Presbytery follows:

- Ebenezer: Hon. Richard F. Ernst; \$18,481.
Lebanon: Walter E. Belknap; \$52,249.
Transylvania: Chairman not yet named; \$39,046.
The Presbyteries of Buckhorn, Lincoln, Logan and Princeton will not be separately organized, but workers from the other Presbyteries will canvass their strongest churches.

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Whenever Men Have Settled Into Civilized Communities, And Wherever The Treasures of Minerals Outcrop - In Marketable Quantities, American Dollars Have Gone, American Engineers Are At Work.—New York Times.

Bowling Green—Contract awarded for erection of \$55,000 new State Armory and Civic Center.

Pikeville—New swing bridge completed across river between Fairview and West Pikeville.

Louisville—Addition will be built to Willow Terrace Apartments costing \$180,000.

Georgetown—Arrangements being made for organizing poultry association for Scott county.

Pikeville—Federal building made center of new Federal Court District.

Lexington—New Protestant Episcopal church costing \$300,000 dedicated here.

Burkeville—Grocus Creek Pool in Cumberland county producing 700 barrels of oil daily.

Burkeville—Paragon pumping 2,500 barrels oil daily out of Jewett Creek Pool and Upchurch lease.

Lexington—Over \$5,000,000 will be distributed to 1925 Burley tobacco poolers in January.

In about a year, Kentucky Power Company from serving only Bracken county now furnishes 12 counties with light and power.

Cloverport—Business Men's Association formed here.

Frankfort—G. W. Munn Auto Service, Louisville, chartered with capital of \$10,000.

Madisonville—L. & N. Railroad constructing switching "Y" at Atkinson Junction.

Sturgis—Southern Bell Telephone Company improves its service in this city.

Evansville—Swift and Company purchases Evansville Packing Company, and capacity production will be resumed.

City City—Standard Oil Company installing additional storage tank here.

Fitchburg—New road in Estill county will begin near the Lee county line and run northeast to Cob Hill.

McKee—Gross Company brings in good oil on Rattlesnake branch of Buffalo in Owl county.

Frankfort—Bids will be received in March for 4.7 miles work on Greenbore road and 16 miles on Columbia-Burkeville road.

Glasgow—Sale reported of 8,000 acres of oil leases in Barren and Hart counties.

Ashland—Fayette Home Telephone Company of Lexington, purchases Ashland Telephone Company and Cattelburg Telephone Company.

Mayville—Colonel J. B. Russell lets contract for building new home on Edgemont.

Glasgow—Kentucky Utilities Co. renewing old ice plant on South Fork Creek at expense of \$60,000.

Greenville—Total assessment valued property in Muhlenberg county is \$13,279,252, or more than a million increase over last year.

Frankfort—Kentucky Forest Service supplied 12,000 trees to land owners last year. 100,000 trees will be available this spring.

Mayfield—Series of farm management meetings being held in Jackson Purchase region.

Grayson—\$200,000 road bonds issued in Carter county.

Heller—Bank of Heller reopened.

Bardwell—Movement under way to establish modern hospital here.

Hickman—Agitation in progress for another Kentucky National Park connected with Reelfoot Lake Park in Tennessee.

Louisville—\$25,000 storage warehouse planned for erection on 14th Street near Magnolia.

Mayville—New management of New Central Hotel makes many improvements at hotelery.

Louisville—Erection of new porcelain enameling plant at 13th and Burnett Streets at cost of \$100,000 is planned.

Louisville—Total assessments of city is \$42,000,000.

Augusta—Northern Kentucky Mutual Telephone Company takes over Boone County Telephone Company, and installing new automatic telephones here.

Hides are now tanned by electricity in Germany in half the time formerly required.

The Insurance Department of the United States Chamber of Commerce finds that only \$1 out of every \$17 in taxes on insurance premiums goes to maintain state insurance departments. The rest goes for general taxes.

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