The Rowan Resolutions.
The people of Rowan county are determined to have peace within her borders even though they have to fight to maintain it. The following resolutions were passed at a citizens’ meeting held there on June 29th:

Be it resolved, That we, the undersigned citizens of Rowan county and the town of Morehead, resolve ourselves into an association to be known as the Rowan County Mutual Protective Association.

We hereby pledge to ourselves and the people of Kentucky that we will obey the law, and we are determined to require the observance of it in others. We are tired of bloodshed and are determined to have a dominion of law rather than a reign of terror.

We agree to act as a posse comitatus whenever summoned by the Sheriff to execute the process of any court, and when warrants of arrest are placed in our hands, we agree to bring the parties accused to the bar of the court alive, if possible; dead, if necessary.

We request the Circuit Court Judge of this district to immediately call a special term of his court for Rowan county, and we pledge him our assistance in the selection of a grand jury that has the courage to find indictments against every infactor of the law, to whatever party or faction he may belong; and we pledge our lives in defending every witness who may be called on to testify in this court.

We deplore violence in all its forms, but we are determined that lawless men shall no longer terrorize Rowan county, but that we will, in the strict interpretation of the law, make it a terror to wrong doers from whatever source they may come.

We will guarantee to every person accused of a crime, and brought to Rowan county to be tried, a fair trial and protection from violence.

We respectfully ask all good citizens of Rowan county, of all shades of opinions, to sign these resolutions.