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The Merits of the Case

WHILE THE TIMES shares with the Big Sandy valley and Floyd county particularly the disappointment resulting from the location of the district tuberculosis hospital in Ashland rather than at Allen, we decline to become vituperative about the matter, knowing whatever we may say will avail nothing.

We hesitate to start name-calling as a result of this rank injustice to this section of Kentucky, but the only commendation we have to offer is to Representative W. G. Biggers and Claude Hammons for their authorship of the tuberculosis program legislation and to them, Dr. Howard and Senator Waldon of the Sites Committee for standing firm in their choice of the Floyd county site.

Governor Willis explains that he used no influence in bringing about the Commission's choice of Ashland or any other hospital site. Explaining his position, Governor Willis said: "I have insisted that the decision in each case be based upon the merits."

Then what are the merits of this Allen-Ashland case?

The community of Allen is approximately 10 miles from Prestonsburg, at the junction of two paved highways. The site itself was chosen on the word of the Commission's architect. It is, or is near, the geographical center of the district. It is in a section of Kentucky which, as The Courier-Journal pointed out, "is lacking more general facilities than any other in the state and most needing all the help it can get in the way of medical facilities." All utilities were assured. The Floyd fiscal court had voted to build water and sewage systems as required and to furnish the site. The site was the only location ever voted by those who had ac-

tually inspected potential hospital grounds.

The city of Ashland, on the other hand, is on the Ohio river, at or near the extreme end of the district. It is as far from many parts of the district as are the hospital to be built at Paris or Hazelwood in Louisville. Governor Willis has not denied that he himself not long ago declared Ashland is too far from the center of the district. It is not the center of a region needing medical facilities. It was never considered by the Sites Committee—the men who actually went onto the ground and looked the situation over—as a favorable or just location. It has all the utilities any community of the section can offer. The location there is near a paved road or street.

That tells the story—almost. One more "merit" must be added to Ashland's case. It is the home of the Governor of Kentucky!

'Living on Borrowed Time'

MANY of those who sat in the crowds which packed the Pikeville high school gymnasium recently must have viewed the building, jammed as it was, as the thing it was—a huge fire-trap. A long, frame building, two doors at the front the only means of exit, every seat jammed downstairs and up, even the stairways packed; a pot-bellied stove at the rear supplying heat; cigarettes smoldering all through the house.

This is written not as a rebuke to a neighboring town or to belittle its gymnasium. It is intended as a warning. Floyd county has gymnasiums which are, or could be, as dangerous under crowded conditions.

This section has never suffered a disaster in human life by fire—but it is, as the aged admit they are, "living on borrowed time" against that tragic day.

Suppose, under conditions such as existed at Pikeville recently and under such as may exist in this county at the coming tournaments, fire breaks out and there is no adequate means of emptying the building in orderly fashion. It requires no powerful imagination to conjure up the scene of horror that would follow—hundreds burned or trampled to death. That is leaving off the details of such tragedy which the reader should not need to catch the hair-raising picture of the danger.

THE TIMES does not enjoy the role of calamity-howler or viewer-with-alarm; it does not want to be a kill-joy or to dull the fun of witnessing a fine sport. But it cannot, with good conscience, refrain from warning against a danger that 90 per cent of us, at some time or other, risk.

We will continue with basketball, we hope. Then the thing for school authorities to do, and the thing that the public should demand that they do, is provide adequate means of exit from all gymnasiums and encourage every possible safety practice.

Mrs. Hale's Brother Rescued in Pacific



After having been reported missing in action with the navy air forces December 6, Carl Stafford, Jr., AMM 2/c, brother of Mrs. Johnnie Hale, Prestonsburg, was picked up by friendly forces, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stafford, Paintsville, have been notified by the Navy Department.

Stafford was in action in the Pacific theater of war when reported missing.

Local Man's Battalion Awarded Distinguished Unit Citation in Italy

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, ITALY—Cpl. Frederick R. Cottrell, son of Mrs. Joe Hobson, Prestonsburg, Ky., is an aid man of the 2nd battalion, 168th "Rainbow" regiment, recently awarded a Distinguished Unit Citation. The award was formally presented to the battalion near Fifth army frontlines in Italy by General Truscott.

The outfit, part of the 34th "Red Bull" Division, is currently sparring for an opening into the valley. The battalion was cited for having seized a hill dominating Cervaro, capturing the town, taking hills to the west, dominating German positions on Mt. Trocchio, and repelling powerful German counterattacks mounted during an eight-day period.

The first hill was taken in a night attack and held against determined counter thrusts. Cervaro itself fell after a day-long running battle in which heavy casualties were sustained by the Second battalion. Its depleted strength fought doggedly for the hills to the west. A fresh battalion of the Herman Goering division was thrown in to make a series of counter moves, but was warded off in each attempt to recapture the strategic important hill positions.

Cpl. Cottrell, who was wounded in Italy, holds the Silver Star for heroism and two battle stars for the campaigns south and north of Rome.

Cpl. Mayo Prepping For Aerial Action

AN AERIAL SERVICE COMMAND STATION, England—Cpl. Royce W. Mayo, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Mayo, of West Prestonsburg, recently completed an orientation course designed to bridge the gap between training in the States and combat soldiering against the enemy in Germany. At this Air Service Command station Cpl. Mayo attended a series of lectures given by veterans of this command which included instructions on chemical warfare defense and pertinent tips on staying healthy in a combat zone. His next station will be one from which America's fighting planes cover the Allied advance into Germany.

WARCO

(Last week's correspondence) Mrs. Paul Jarrell and daughter, Glina, were shopping in Huntington last week-end.

Mrs. J. D. Mayo, of Prestonsburg, was luncheon guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. May Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Baldrige and son, Bobby, spent last week-end with relatives in Prestonsburg and West Prestonsburg.

Mrs. C. L. Allen and children and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jarrell were luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. May, Friday.

Charlie Hensley and daughter, Herma, were shopping in Prestonsburg Saturday.

Boyd Jarrell, Homer Irons and Cal Hardwick, of Kenova, W. Va., were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jarrell Friday evening.

Mrs. Sue Ward had the misfortune to break her wrist in a fall on ice recently, but is recovering nicely.

Mrs. Manda Turner, of Northern, who has been quite ill of high blood pressure and complications recently, spent a day with her daughter, Mrs. Paul Jarrell, last week.

Misses Herma Jean Hensley and Libby Ree May attended the Valentine party for their classes in the Maytown school building Saturday evening.

On Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. E. R. May visited S. B. May who is seriously ill of heart trouble at his home in Maytown.

Laben Gibson, of Maytown, spent a night with his young cousin Buddie Hyden this week.

Miss Mary Jo Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Flanery, who teaches on Left Beaver, was at home for the week-end.

Mesdames Paul Jarrell, John R. Baldrige and E. R. May visited Mesdames Manda Turner and Rob Waddles, Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. May and daughter, Libby, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. F. May, of Maytown.

Floyd County Goes To War

Third Brother Enters Armed Forces Nov. 8



D. Laferty Last of the three sons of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Laferty, of Edgar, to enter the armed forces is Pvt. Johnnie Laferty, Jr., who began his army service Nov. 8 and is now in basic training at Camp Wheeler, Georgia.

Both of his brothers have seen action overseas. Pfc. Darwin Laferty entered the signal corps Dec. 4, 1942 and has been in the south Pacific since April, 1943, having a part there in considerable action. He is now a Diesel engine mechanic in the Pacific area. Seaman 1/c Edgar Laferty entered the

Seaman Loferty coast guard service Aug. 20, 1943 and went overseas in April of last year. He was in the invasion of France and served on an LST for several months across the English Channel, transporting supplies to Allied forces and taking German prisoners back to England. He returned to this country Dec. 18 and spent a Christmas leave at home. The three brothers are former Prestonsburg high school students.

Cpl. Eversole on Staff Of Evacuation Hospital

SIXTH ARMY GROUP, FRANCE—Infant of the U.S. Seventh army's large evacuation hospitals is the 51st evacuation hospital, but its record since it was set up five months ago north of the Riviera beaches in Southern France, shows that it has operated as a veteran from the start.

The 51st—which supports combat units in Lt. Gen. Jacob L. Devers' Sixth army group—first operated in the field at Draguignan, France. In 20 days it had received 1,147 patients, administering 179,000,000 units of penicillin, 481 units of blood plasma, and 204 bottles of whole blood. During the record month of December, it treated 3,158 patients.

Members of the hospital staff include Cpl. Sam Eversole, litter bearer, of Drift, Ky.

Sammons Is Member Of Unit Given Citation

AN EIGHTH AIR FORCE LIBERATOR STATION, England—Sgt. Leonard Sammons, West Prestonsburg, Ky., heavy equipment operator, is a member of the 392nd Bombardier Group, a Liberator unit recently cited for "distinguished and exceptionally outstanding performance of duty" on 200 missions.

Commanded by Col. Lorin L. Johnson, of Payson, Utah, the group has been overseas for more than a year. The 200th mission was made on Armistice Day, the 100th on D-Day. The citation, issued by Major General William E. Kepner, of the Second Bombardment Division, read:

"During the period of 200 missions, the 392nd attacked 120 targets in Germany and 80 targets in enemy occupied territory despite adverse conditions in inclement weather at times . . . overcoming fierce enemy fighter opposition on many occasions in order to reach assigned targets."

Pvt. Leo Baldrige Honored Posthumously

Pvt. Leo Baldrige, son of Mrs. E. L. Baldrige, of Tucson, Arizona, has been awarded the Silver Star posthumously for gallantry in action on the Italian front, according to information received from overseas.

Pvt. Baldrige, a native of Paintsville, and a former resident of this county, lost his life while serving with the 1st Armored Division on the Fifth army front in Italy.

Lying in a ditch with other members of a squad while the immediate area was subjected to continuous heavy artillery shelling, Pvt. Baldrige, member of a litter squad, heard a wounded soldier's cry for help. He voluntarily and unhesitatingly went along through heavy fire to help him. Just as he reached the wounded soldier he himself was hit and mortally wounded.

The citation with the award read: "The courage and concern for the welfare of this wounded soldier with complete disregard for his own safety displayed by Pvt. Baldrige reflect the finest traditions of the armed forces and are deserving of the highest praise."

Liberator Navigator Receives Promotion



AN 8th AIR FORCE LIBERATOR STATION, England—2nd Lt. Robert H. Hester, 27, husband of Mrs. Irene Cooley Hester, Prestonsburg, Ky., has recently been promoted to the rank of first lieutenant. He holds the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf clusters, Son of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Hester, Eddyville, he has been overseas since July 28, 1944, and in the service two years. He is a navigator on a Liberator bomber.

NOTICE

Your 1944 Prestonsburg grade school taxes are due. Please pay before the penalty goes on March 1, 1945.

ADRIAN COLLINS, Collector

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as ex-officio chairman, Claude Hammons, Laurence Ashmore and W. G. Biggers. Also Assistant Attorney General Harry Wilson, counsel for the Commission, was present. After the Committee of Locations and Sites had thus come into private session the architect came in and handed to each member of the Committee a 65-page report. "I then entered a motion which carried unanimously, for the secretary to read the report. By the provisions of this

report, the following sites for the sanitoriums were recommended by the committee, which report was then taken up by the committee, starting with District No. 1. In considering the site for District No. 1, the Committee voted unanimously for Madisonville.

In view of the fact that Hazelwood Sanitorium is already located in District No. 2, Louisville, this district was passed by the Committee. Regarding the location in District No. 3, the Committee, with J. B. Everett not present and while we were in Covington had voted and incorporated in the report by a unanimous agreement making the location in this district No. 3 at Covington. When we came to consider the location in this district, Mr. J. B. Everett asked to be permitted to make a statement. He then requested the Committee to reconsider its report as to Covington and make the location in District No. 3 at Paris, and gave as his reason for his said request that Covington is on the banks of the Ohio river and adjacent to the state of Ohio and that it is commonly known that the Ohio river fog would militate against locating a sanitorium at Covington, and also that Covington is too close to Cincinnati. The Committee then voted to make the location at Paris.

When District No. 4 came up for recommendation and vote, it appeared from the above mentioned written report by the Committee, by a vote of four to one, that Allen, Floyd county, was recommended by the Committee. Commissioner Ashmore was the only member of the Committee who voted against the Allen location and for Ashland. He cast his vote, notwithstanding his repeated pledges to me and the entire Committee that he would vote for Allen.

We then took up the location in District No. 5. The Committee then, as in the location at Allen, Floyd

Early next morning not later than 8:30, Ralph Homan, the Governor's executive secretary, appeared at the hotel. I immediately talked to him and told him that I was of the opinion that some "dirty, underhand work was going on." He became angry and said to me, "There have been two locations recommended by the Committee and the location at Allen is one of the two that should not be considered."

Upon the convening of the whole Commission at the New Office Building next morning, at 10 a.m., the secretary, Cass Walden, read the above mentioned Sites and Locations Committee's report, and immediately upon it being read I moved for the adoption by the Commission of this report, which would have made the location at Allen, Chairman J. B. Everett, who was presiding, took the vote of the Commission as a whole and the vote as actually cast by the Commission as a whole stood at six to five in favor of the adoption of the report, which would have made the location at Allen. Whereupon, J. B. Everett, who was presiding as stated, cast his vote in favor of rejecting the report as recommended by the said Committee, thereby making the vote as the vote of the Commission as a whole then stand at six to six. It then became necessary, which was done, to take up the location of sites district by district, and in the vote between Ashland and Allen the vote of the Commission as a whole was eight to four in favor of Ashland, again J. B. Everett and Ashmore voting for Ashland. It may be noted that J. B. Everett cast his vote in favor of Ashland and against Allen and made no explanation to the Commission of his sudden change in attitude respecting the placing of one of these much needed sanitoriums on the banks of the Ohio river as explained, as above set out.

The above mentioned 65-page architect's report, copies of which had been given the Sites Committee the night before, was for the first time handed the other members of the Commission not exceeding ten minutes prior to the time of their casting their above mentioned votes between Ashland and Allen, and either of the Commissioners who had thus received this lengthy report had time to and actually did not study the said report.

Again I say that this statement is made that the record might be kept clear, and the "weasel" worded explanation made by the Governor as to his actions in this matter cannot and will not be accepted by the people of Kentucky at their face value. As well might he, the Governor, have issued a statement that he had nothing to do with the moving of the State Highway offices from Pikeville, Ky., to Ashland, Ky. For reasons known, it seems, only to himself, the Governor seems to have

acquired a habit of by-passing the Big Sandy section of Kentucky. It is commonly known that his success as a private lawyer was primarily due to clients represented by him in the Big Sandy region of Kentucky. It is likewise commonly known throughout this entire section that he has literally stuck the dagger of ingratitude in the backs of hundreds of members of his own party in the counties of Boyd, Lawrence, Johnson, Martin, Magoffin, Floyd and Pike. These men, as members of his party, were his earliest and truest friends and made great sacrifices in both time and money to further his, the Governor's, interest.

For the first time in many decades not a single appointive administrative head of one of the state departments of government comes from either of the counties of Lawrence, Johnson, Magoffin, Martin, Floyd or Pike, whose appointment is in any wise due to the Governor's influence. It is mere "child's play" to say that the change in vote of the Commission respecting the location of the sanitorium at Ashland instead of Allen was not directly chargeable to the underhanded, unfair and unheard of tactics of the Governor working through his "lieutenants." That the record might be kept clear, it might be remembered that the Governor is in no wise entitled to any honor respecting the passage of legislation authorizing the establishment of the tuberculosis sanitoriums in Kentucky. It will be remembered that for the first time in the history of Kentucky a Legislature convened and the Governor was unable to present it with the usual Budget Bill. He had taken the time chasing after the "will-o'-the-wisp" Presidential nomination in New York. It was a matter of common knowledge at the convening of the 1944 session that every member of the Legislature, regardless of party, owing to war conditions, desired to meet, pass the necessary legislation and adjourn at the earliest possible date. It became necessary for the first time for a Legislature to write its own Budget Bill, which it must be admitted was imperfect in some respects, but as a whole should have been passed. Before the special session was called it is a matter of common knowledge that practically the whole membership of the Legislature, including many of the leaders of the Governor's own party, urged the Governor to call a general budget session and he was especially requested and urged to include in the special call an authorization for the necessary legislation for the tuberculosis sanitoriums. The Governor at least three times issued statements that he would not make such a call. In spite of his repeated statements that he would not make such a call, the Legislature of Kentucky, by almost unanimous vote, drew and

passed a general budget bill and passed the necessary legislation as to the tuberculosis sanitoriums and it was only after such was done and after the members of his own party had joined with the Democrats in passing such legislation that the Governor was forced to and did make such call.

He made these repeated statements with full knowledge that he was jeopardizing not only the chances of passage of enabling legislation as to tuberculosis sanitoriums but likewise as to the proper functioning of practically every branch of the state government.

Therefore, I again repeat, he can claim no honor for such legislation. The teachers of Kentucky know who made the fight for their increase in salaries and it is a matter of such common knowledge that it makes it useless to repeat that the Governor "muffed the ball" in respect to the teachers and they, the teachers, know who actually served them. The most noteworthy achievements of the Governor are that he has united the Democrats of Kentucky as never before and has split the members of his own party into warring camps in practically every in Kentucky.

I went to Frankfort as a member of the Kentucky Legislature with only two things in mind as of paramount importance; substantial aid to the poorly paid school teachers of Kentucky and passing of legislation to aid the thousands of Kentuckians suffering from tuberculosis, and my record shows that I per-

formed my duties in this respect. It is a sad state of affairs that after months of personal study and investigation by a committee selected for that purpose, the sick and dying of Kentucky are not to be truly served and to have the efforts of this committee nullified and held for naught overnight by two or three selfish and uninformed politicians as it was in this case. I have nothing but the kindest of feelings toward Mr. E. W. Seaton, the Commissioner at Ashland, who as a member naturally insisted that Ashland be selected. However, the Governor of Kentucky should have, at least, been big enough to see Kentucky as a whole. This he failed to do. Tuberculosis patients from the Big Sandy section will undoubtedly go to either Richmond, Paris or Lexington where they can, at least, get away from the "Ohio river fog" as expressed by J. B. Everett. Either of these places is approximately as close to the Big Sandy as is Ashland. "Again and Again and Again" I say, let the record speak.

Floyd Soldier Receives Combat Decoration

WITH THE FIFTH ARMY, ITALY—Pfc. Curtis Moore, of Wayland, Ky., has been cited by the 350th "Battle Mountain" Regiment of the 88th "Blue Devil" Division, and awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge for actual participation in combat against the enemy with the Fifth Army in Italy.

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adjourned as above set out till the next day.

Immediately after the adjournment at the Mansion, another Commissioner and I went to our rooms at the Capitol hotel, where we had a conference with Commissioner Ashmore for the purpose of trying to find out why he had changed his position or pledge. He could give us no answer other than the meaningless statement that "There are things you fellows don't know about." This Commissioner and I then went to Ashmore's room where we found him talking to another Commissioner. While there a telephone call came and the Commissioner was called out of the room, and asked us to await his return, which we did. Later another telephone call was made and Commissioner Ashmore was called out of his room and did not return before we left.

We three Commissioners then went back to my room and the Commissioner who had been called out by telephone told us that he had been called from his room and told that he had better "get right" or he might lose another district as recommended by the Committee.

A Statement Of Interest To The Public About Rural Electrification

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We have recently applied to and received the permission of the Public Service Commission of Kentucky to construct 1186 additional miles of rural lines in these counties. It is our plan to construct as many of these lines this year as may be eligible under present war-time restrictions and regulations. The remaining lines which are not eligible will be made ready for actual construction as rapidly as possible, looking forward to the time when materials will be available.

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When labor was not available to harvest lespezeza for hay in Marshall county, farmers secured the services of combines and saved seed.

In Carlisle county, 4-H club boys are helping to reach the county goal of 5,000 acres planted on the contour.

William Burke of Larue county estimates that he made \$15 per 100 pounds of tobacco by using heat in curing his crop.

More than 100 farmers in Madison county plan to use 1,000 pounds of fertilizer to the acre this year.

MARTIN

Pvt. and Mrs. Warren Risner, Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Taylor and children were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mac Taylor this week.

Mrs. John Turnley and Mrs. Edna Key are visiting Mrs. Maggie Lee Cassidy in Louisville this week.

Mrs. Della Owens, of Hindman, is visiting relatives in Martin this week.

Miss Pauline Mynhier, of Norfolk, Va., has arrived home to spend some time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mynhier.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Allen have returned from Huntington, W. Va., where Mrs. Allen consulted a doctor. Douglas Tackett has gone to Huntington, W. Va., where he expects to be employed.

Sgt. Tom Bales, who is serving somewhere in Belgium, sent his wife, Mrs. Georgia Bales, roses for Valentine day.

A recent wedding of interest was that of Miss Lois Bentley and Mr. Thomas P. Cox, of Baltimore, Md. Miss Bentley is the daughter of Mrs. Dewey Bentley, of Martin. Mr. Cox is from Christiansburg, Va. They will reside in Baltimore.

Mrs. Gladys Deaton and son, of Jackson, Ky., have been houseguests of her mother, Mrs. Minnie Tackett, this week.

Gene and Jack Bentley, who have been working in Baltimore, Md., are with their mother, Mrs. Dewey Bentley, here.

Mr. and Mrs. Paris Hayes, of Dayton, O., have been visiting friends and relatives in Martin and vicinity this week.

Sgt. Crit Conley and his brother-in-law, Pvt. Joe Edd Daniels, have been enjoying furloughs at home.

Mrs. Malcolm Benjey left for Texas recently to spend some time with her husband, Mrs. Benjey will be remembered as the former Miss Mabel Crisp, of Martin.

Business visitors to Prestonsburg this week: Mrs. S. S. Sweet, Mrs. Florence Crisp, Mrs. Kruger Martin, Mrs. C. C. Caudill and daughter, Stella Dean, and grandson, Gregory.

Business visitors to Martin this week: Mrs. Clova Moore, of Drift; Hillard McKinney, of the army; Norman Selkirk and Mrs. Lizzie McGrath, of Weeksbury.

Mrs. J. W. Hall, Mrs. Sadie Ratliff and Mrs. Wanda Osborne and daughter, Barbara Ann, John Henry, Buck and James Osborne were dinner guests of their brother, Ernest B. Osborne, of Prestonsburg, last week. The occasion was a farewell party for Ernest just before he left for Pearl Harbor to work.

Mrs. L. M. Hayes, of Morehead, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Lizzie Hill, this week.

Joel Crisp was visiting his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Greer, in Pikeville this week.

Miss Toots Braham, of Louisville, is spending a vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Braham.

Pfc. Tom Carver, of the marines, is spending a furlough with his wife, Mrs. Easter Carver. She is the former Easter Braham.

Judge Bush, the garbage contractor, has exchanged his mule for a billy goat. His work hasn't suffered any by the deal.

H. H. Vincent was a business visitor in Ashland this week.

Mrs. Tommy Jenkins and Rebecca Roberts are visiting their mother, Mrs. S. J. Roberts, and sisters, Mrs. W. P. West and Mrs. Kruger Martin.

Mrs. James B. Prazier, of Drift, was visiting in Martin this week. She had just returned from a visit to Pocatello, Idaho.

Little Charles William Hunter has

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MAYTOWN

Miss Betty Lou Stephens spent last week-end in Lackey visiting relatives.

Pvts. Rex Osborne and Dale Gayheart, from a camp in Florida, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Osborne, of Eastern, and Mr. and Mrs. Crit Gayheart, of Goose Creek.

Misses Joyce and Beryl Stewart and Catherine Stapleton spent the week-end, the guests of Glenn McComas, of Goose Creek.

Mrs. Ula Allen and daughter, Miss Agnes, have returned from Ohio, having spent a week there.

Ebb Bentley, of the armed forces, is spending his furlough with his family on Wilson Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry May have received word from their son, Ned, who is somewhere in Europe, that he has received the Bronze Star for meritorious service in action.

The sixth and seventh grades were entertained at a joint Valentine party at the school building by their teachers, Misses Rose Hagans and Vada Reffitt.

Mrs. James Webb and daughter have been visiting relatives in Kenova, W. Va.

Mrs. Chester Laferty and children, of Ashland, have been visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Ern Reffitt and daughter, Marie, were visiting her sister at a hospital in Paintsville last week.

Mrs. Violet Allen is visiting her husband, Cpl. James E. Allen, who is stationed at Ft. Belvoir, Va. They met in Washington, D.C., where they are spending the week-end. Mrs. Allen will return to her work at Willow Run, Mich., later in the week. She has been employed there almost two years and is now an inspector.

Friends of Syd Begley are pleased to learn of his rapid improvement in the last few days.

Maytown is expecting a large attendance at the tournament to be held March 1, 2 and 3.

Mrs. Viola Stewart was hostess at her home to the annual Valentine party which is given for the Daughters of America. Games were played in harmony with the February famous birthdays and Valentine day. Refreshments were served. The secret sisters and brothers were revealed and new ones drawn for the coming year. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sutton, Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas Patrick, Mr. and Mrs. John May, John Hampton, Misses Lexie Allen and Vada Ratliff, Mesdames C. L. Allen, Elizabeth Baker, Anna Arrowood, Lillie May, Beryl Jarrell, Alice Baldrige, Edith Webb, Irma Tallent and Viola Stewart. Due to illness, several members were not able to attend.

CLASS REUNION
The class of 1938, Maytown high school, held a re-union at the home of Mrs. Irma Stewart Tallent, one of the members, on Feb. 15. Members present were Misses Peggy Jo Allen and Rose Hagans, Mrs. Minnie Martin Conley and Mrs. Voleeta Osborne. Others who could not attend, most of whom are in the armed services, are Miss Gladys Howard, Herschell Begley, of Maytown; Joe Taylor Begley, Seattle, Wash.; Floyd Stephens, Oliver Risner, in the army; James L. Allen, Hippo; Everett Martin, Ohio. One member of the class, Herman Osborne, was recently killed in action in Belgium. The class met early in the evening and, after a buffet dinner, motored to Prestonsburg to attend a movie.

MEETING HONORS MRS. ROARK
The Irene Burke Bible class of the Methodist Church met at the home of Mrs. James Roark Thursday evening, Feb. 15. The meeting was held as a surprise in honor of Mrs. Roark's birth anniversary. After the discussion on "Faithfulness," led by Mrs. C. R. Slone, a lovely picture was presented to Mrs. Roark. A salad course was served to Rev. and Mrs. James Roark, Mrs. C. R. Slone, Mrs. J. D. Mayo, Mrs. Alex M. Spradlin, Mrs. Reuben Taylor, Misses Anna Woods and Myrtle Pugsley.

BUY WAR BONDS

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

FOR COUNTY COURT CLERK
We are authorized to announce JARVIS ALLEN (who was shot down in Belgium in the service of his country) as a candidate for

COUNTY COURT CLERK
of Floyd county, subject to the action of the Democratic party at the primary election in August, 1945.

FOR CIRCUIT JUDGE
We are authorized to announce JOHN ALLEN as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Circuit Judge of the 31st Judicial District (Floyd and Knott counties) at the August, 1945 primary.

FOR MAGISTRATE
We are authorized to announce ELDER BERT NEWSOME of Craynor, Ky., as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Magistrate, Magisterial District No. 4, at the August, 1945 primary.

FOR MAGISTRATE
I make my announcement for the office of Magistrate in District No. 2, subject to the action of the Democratic party at the primary Aug. 4, 1945. I was born and reared in this district and have paid taxes 40 years.
E. S. PRATT

FOR MAGISTRATE
We are authorized to announce JOE YATES as a candidate for Magistrate of District No. 4, Floyd county, subject to the action of the Democratic party at the August, 1945 primary. Your vote and influence will be highly appreciated.

FOR MAGISTRATE
We are authorized to announce JOHN MAY of Langley, Ky., as a candidate for Magistrate of Dist. No. 2, subject to the action of the Democratic party at the August, 1945 primary.

FOR MAGISTRATE
We are authorized to announce J. M. JONES son of Ambrose Jones, of Grethel, Ky., as a candidate for Magistrate, District No. 4, subject to the action of the Republican party at the primary election, August, 1945.

FOR MAGISTRATE
We are authorized to announce SAM HALE of Blue River, Ky., as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Magistrate, District No. 1, at the primary election, Aug. 4, 1945.

FOR MAGISTRATE
We are authorized to announce WILLIE HOWARD of Garrett, Ky., as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Magistrate, District No. 2, at the August primary, 1945.

FOR MAGISTRATE
We are authorized to announce JESSE WALLEN of Water Gap, Ky., as a candidate for Magistrate, District No. 1, subject to the action of the Democratic party at the August, 1945 primary.

FOR MAGISTRATE
We are authorized to announce A. L. (DOCK) PRATER of Lackey, Ky., as a candidate for Magistrate, District No. 2, subject to the action of the Democratic party at the August, 1945 primary election.

TO THE DEMOCRATIC VOTERS OF MAGISTERIAL DIST. NO. 1
I hereby announce my candidacy for Constable, and if nominated and elected I promise sober, honest and faithful service. I shall not go beyond the law or reason in the discharge of my duties.
BILL P. WILLS

FOR JAILER
We are authorized to announce GUY HORN as a candidate for re-election as JAILER OF FLOYD COUNTY subject to the action of the Democratic party at the August, 1945 primary.

FOR CIRCUIT COURT CLERK
We are authorized to announce BILL COOLEY as a candidate for re-election, subject to the action of the Democratic party at the August, 1945 primary. Your vote and influence will be appreciated.

TO THE VOTERS OF THE 31ST JUDICIAL DISTRICT:
With malice toward none but friendship for all and with my sacred promise of the best there is in me, as God gives me wisdom and strength to serve, I now announce my candidacy for the office of Commonwealth's Attorney, subject always to the will of the Democratic party to be registered at the August, 1945 primary.
Sincerely yours,
2-22-45
JOE P. TACKETT

BETSY LAYNE

We with the Bobcats are feeling the least bit droopy over having lost to Maytown Friday afternoon by a score of 33 to 31. We are hoping to make up for it in the future.

Pfc. Willis Senters is spending a 10-day furlough with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Carl Senters.

Miss Lois Roberts, of Paintsville, was visiting friends and relatives here Monday.

The Woman's Club met at the home of Mrs. Glenn Blackburn last Thursday evening with the vice-president, Mrs. Blackburn, presiding. The lesson for the meeting was, "Consumers' Problems." Topics relating to the subject were given by Mesdames Myrtle Howard, Kathryn Blackburn, and Misses Eulevne Boyd, Kelsa Gearheart and Elaine Roberts. After the program and business session, a social hour was enjoyed.

Lon Roberts, who has been serving as depot agent here for several years, has accepted the position as agent at Elkhorn City where he began his duties last week.

The Youth Rally at the school auditorium Monday afternoon and night was a great success. The meeting was well attended and was favored by the appearance of Albert Lutzweiler and his miramba, accompanied by the Rev. Melvin E. Faw, Pianist.

Mrs. Lyle Wise, of Detroit, Mich., spent the week-end visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Risner. Mrs. Wise will be remembered as the former Della Risner and was recently married to Pfc. Lyle Wise, of Logan, W. Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Thomas entertained many little friends of their son, Larry Wendell, Sunday afternoon, honoring him on his fourth birthday. The hour was spent playing games after which ice cream

and cake were served to the honor and guests.

The Junior high chorus of the school, sponsored by Miss Carlos M. Hale, enjoyed a party at the school Tuesday evening.

Miss Kathryn Chandler, of Pikeville, was the Thursday night guest of Mrs. Eliza Blackburn.

Friends of Master Gene Douglas Davis are glad to learn that he is well on the road to recovery after suffering an attack of pneumonia.

Palmer Crum and Glenn Blackburn drove to Lexington Sunday on business.

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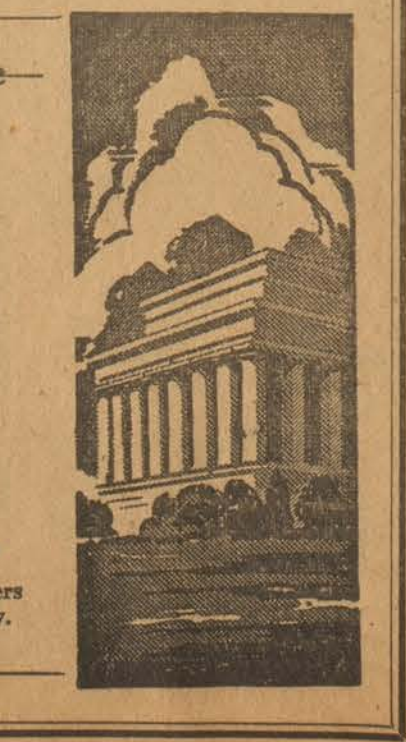
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WEST GARRETT

Mr. and Mrs. Dillard Kilgore announce the arrival of a son, William Dexter, born Feb. 16. Mr. and Mrs. Julian Cavin announce the arrival of a daughter, born Feb. 11.

LETTERS FROM BOYS TO HOME CHURCH

April 20-44 Dearest Members of the Pilgrim Holiness Church: I was more than pleased to receive so many cards and letters from you and knowing that our Christian people back home haven't forgotten us. I was attending a little church meeting in England last Easter Sunday.

ALLEN

Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Laferty and son, Bennie Lyriwood, were Saturday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hall, of Estill.

MARTIN

(Continued from Page Six) been very ill at his home here. His grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hunter, have been staying with his mother, Mrs. Jewel Hunter, during his illness.

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Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Spurluck, of Prestonsburg, visited Mrs. H. B. Spurluck, Jr., and baby Judy and Mr. and Mrs. Felix Crisp Thursday afternoon.

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