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This Town-- That World

GREETINGS
Unable to tell you all how much I wish for you a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year, I revert to type.

BEAT 'EM DOWN
Maybe you shouldn't bring such members up at this season of the year, but you know, there are some awfully ignorant people. For instance, there's the story about some signs corps students who came from the Middle West to Fairview to study, and to see for themselves life in the mountains.

ANYWAY, within an hour after they left the train at Fairview they had old residents in stitches with the story that, as they came out, they saw folks making moonshine whisky. "It's a fact!" they declared. "Out in a big bottom, in broad daylight and not caring who saw them. They were making whisky with a long pole sticking out and a mule hitched to it, going round and round, for everybody to see!"

CHRISTMAS STORY
Vernie Smith, returning home to Freeburg for Christmas from the production front, tells a story that he avers is true and that, at least temporarily, gets you all "hot up". The story:

There is, in a certain army training camp, one of the toughest, most hard-boiled sergeants you ever saw or heard. Not only the men drilling under him but also the women working nearby can't bear him and all over the lot, hour after hour, his "hot" wouldn't please him. "Miller would have to accompany me to some down his objections to... these sergeants of Uncle Sam's are doing or not doing."

A few days ago, when all the boys were looking forward to Christmas, the sergeant was marked up for absence of a few days. Some were given furloughs of such short duration that, because of the distance they were required to travel, left them only five or six hours with their families.

No spark of sympathy passed from the "top-kick" to these unfortunate ones. Then, finally, there came to this alleged Simon Legree a soldier new to the ranks who was below average in height and weight and short of hair.

He complained, "The other fellows are getting furloughs—some long, some not so long. They've returned me only a furlough at all."

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POW AWARDED SCHOLARSHIP

Wayland Man Honored By U. of Cincinnati, Dean Announces

Dean Robert C. Gowdy, of the College of Engineering and Commerce, University of Cincinnati, today announced last week the award of the annual \$800 Robert Heuck, Jr. scholarship to George Pow, Jr., Wayland, Ky., president of the university senior class and campus leader in many activities.

This is the second year the Heuck award has been made. Established in 1941 by Major and Mrs. Robert Heuck, Jr., both U. C. graduates, in honor of a son, the scholarship is presented each year to the College of Engineering and Commerce senior co-operative chemical engineering student "who will have gained the respect of his professors for reasons of scholastic work and who in student activities will have shown a degree of leadership while at the University and will have won the confidence and regard of his classmates."

Provisions also stipulate the scholarship is "not to be awarded by reason of high grade in studies. It is to be the honor of a student to be a major consideration." A 1938 graduate of the Highlands high school, Ft. Thomas, Ky., Pow is the son of George and Mrs. Katherine Pow. He is also at the University of Cincinnati as a freshman in the College of Nursing and Health.

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B AND C CARD OWNERS GIVEN DANGER HINT

Ration Board Member Says Violations May Cause Drastic Action

Commenting on the charge that ration holders of B and C gasoline ration cards in this county are violating regulations governing the use of these cards, a member of the Floyd County War Price and Rationing Board said Tuesday proof of such violations would result in the recall of ration books issued such persons.

The nation board member's statement follows: "It has been brought to the attention of the board through different sources that some holders of B and C cards are violating regulations of such proof of such violations would result in the recall of ration books being re-called."

"All C book mileage is what is known as preferred mileage and must be used only for his original application. "It is suggested that C book holders keep a record of their mileage, since they will very likely need them in applying for a renewal on April 1."

Doors of the ration board office will be closed each Wednesday till 4 p.m. every day until further notice, so that workers in the office can complete work that has piled up during the rush of early rationing days.

HOWARD, FREE IN SLAYING

No Formal Charge Filed in Killing In This County

John Howard, 21 years old, of Middle Fork of Quicksand, Knott county, was released from the jail here Saturday after no charge had been formally filed against him for the slaying of Melvin Bolen, 30, of Knott county, and the unknown woman of Adam Miller, 25, of Madison county, on Neck Fork of Salt Lick Creek, near Cosco.

His story that he shot Bolen and that Miller remained unaccounted for was believed, however, that his story, originally told him by the effect that he had killed both men, was erroneous, since Miller's wounds were not fatal.

Harrie Handshoe, in whose barn the shooting took place shortly before midnight, Tuesday of last week, told THE TIMES he was not a self-defense. He said he and Howard were sawing wood in front of his home when they saw two men approaching, and when the day, and that Howard, saying Miller and Bolen had been looking for him, went inside the house. Miller and another man came up, inquired for Howard and went on toward the house. Handshoe said. He added that Miller and the other did not halt until they were on the porch of his home and then only after Howard called to them three times to halt.

When they left the house, he said, Bolen arose from his place of hiding on a nearby hillside. Late that night, Handshoe stated, Howard decided to sleep in the barn, saying the men might return, looking for him. The shooting followed only a few minutes later.

Bolen was shot in the abdomen and head with charges from a shot gun. Miller was severely slashed on his arm, but was not believed to be seriously hurt.

The victim was a son of "Little" Rant Bolen, of the Rock Fork section of Knott county. He was married and had several children, it was said.

Babe Dies Near Here, En Route to Hospital

Spending of "Cartwheel" Results in the Arrest Of Youth, 19

The spending of a silver dollar, which he is alleged to have taken from the home of W. J. Turner at Drift recently resulted in the arrest of Elmer Patton, 19, of McDowell, Thursday of last week by Deputy Sheriff Ed Hall.

The Turner home was entered some time during Friday, Dec. 11, while the family was away. The haul consisted of a small sum of money, silverware and other items, mostly family keepsakes.

FLOYD JALOPY ROUND-UP ON

Legion Head Calls For Old-Car Scrap Drive in County

"Every 'junkie' in Floyd county will be recruited to provide food for the hungry furnaces of our wartime steel mills," said the Legion head.

It is estimated that about 20 per cent of the iron and steel scrap being turned into weapons of war now comes from the 20,000 automobile graveyards of this nation. The Legion now handling approximately 400,000 jalopies a month. Ceiling prices on scrap prevent workers from paying more than 45 cents for worn-out cars as junk, but there is no "ceiling" on the damage a scrapped jalopy can do the enemy.

For example, the steel and iron that our average enough to provide the metal needed to make more than 3,000 hand grenades or a half-ton tin bronze, 40 five-inch mortar shells, 100 French trench mortars or 60 one hundred pound aerial bombs, and the Legion Legionnaires know how these bombs are used to help defeat the axis.

"Your jalopy may have lost its shining glamour and most of its life still packs a beautiful wallop when put to work as brand new steel for the manufacture of guns, tanks, ships and shells for our ever-increasing offensive against the enemy."

If you know the whereabouts of a useless jalopy, tell one of your Legionnaire friends, he'll see that it.

SAILOR TELLS EXPERIENCES

Wheelwright Youth Says Ship Sank By Submarine

Special to The Times Wheelwright, Ky., Dec. 19.—Seventeen-year-old Eugene Phillips turned a few days ago to the high school here which he left as a freshman, shortly after Pearl Harbor, to give both instructors and pupils a lesson in geography.

Young Phillips, a seaman first class, was but recently returned from Casablanca, Africa, center of American-British operations in the recent Italian invasion. He didn't waste telling of his experiences and of this land he visited even on re-lier maps and such schoolroom matters. He said he actually saw the "invader" as naval regulations would permit.

For one thing, he pointed out the fact that all African coastline, near the equator, is not the desert, as you think. More than that, he showed that safe arrival in the port of destination was no sign that you're safe. For after his transport had unloaded and was standing off the harbor, a German submarine snatched the ship and didn't get away. It was sunk and the crew captured.

Dwale Man, Radio Operator on Sub, Tells of Seeing 8 Jap Ships Sunk

Akers Declares Report Of Sub Crew Watching Horse Race Is True

Those stories coming out of the Pacific telling how one American submarine crew watched a horse race on the Japanese mainland, and another lay in wait two weeks for the launching of a Japanese battleship, watched it slide down the ways as the Japs played and had sent a torpedo into it so that it would never stop going till it rested in Davy Jones' locker—both stories are true.

That's what Archie Akers, submarine radioman first class, avers here last week while spending a 30-day leave with his parents, Mr and Mrs. J. E. Akers, of Dwale.

Back home for the first time since entering the submarine service five years ago, Akers, now only 22, is in position to know about such military things while the fireworks were being set for the war in the Pacific. "My sub had accounted for eight enemy ships—one a troop ship with 5,000 men aboard, two tankers,

5,000 Jap Soldiers Lost on Transport Sunk by His Sub

He has been with a submarine crew, ever since, except for the time he was stranded on Bataan during the days immediately following Pearl Harbor. The Floyd county man was recovering from an operation and had been assigned only to light duty on Bataan when war came.

"After that," he said, "I went and stayed any place where there was something to eat or a shelter to sleep under. My ship was at sea, so were the other subs, and I had sent a torpedo into it so that it would never stop going till it rested in Davy Jones' locker—both stories are true."

"The only thing the Japs haven't done to me is use a bayonet," he answered when asked about his experiences on Bataan and Corregidor, on which he also spent several days before being rescued for final duty on a submarine.

Veteran of at least 11 major engagements—"all one big battle," he said—"Akers declared one Floyd county sailor or soldier "his good for any six Japs." "For ingenuity and daring and plain fighting ability, there's no comparison." "My sub had accounted for eight enemy ships—one a troop ship with 5,000 men aboard, two tankers,

BOY, 16, HELD IN SLAYING AT GARRETT

Singleton Killed; Frasure Denies Memory of Act

Sixteen-year-old Harrison Frasure, Jr., of Estill, was jailed here Tuesday morning and faces a murder charge in connection with the slaying at Garrett Monday night of Willard Singleton, 18.

A revolver bullet passed through Singleton's body in the region of the heart, and he died within a few minutes without speaking. The shooting took place in front of Dolly Belcher's place at Garrett, between 9:30 and 10 o'clock.

The alleged slayer said that as he and Singleton were walking up the highway, he ran into home, he heard someone behind them say, "Let's kill 'em." He said he fell from a blow on the back on his head and regained possession of his faculties only when picked up by officers, some time later.

The bullet which killed Singleton passed through his body and struck Paul L. Mullins, son of Wayland policeman Tom Mullins, in his hand. Young Mullins was quoted by Magistrate John A. Hicks, Garrett, as stating Tuesday that Singleton and Frasure were on the ground, sufficing when the shot was fired. Both youths were drinking, according to this statement.

Frasure said he could not believe Singleton had been killed until he saw the body in Belcher's place after he returned there with officers from a nearby hospital where his head was dressed.

The accused youth is a son of Harrison Frasure, former Plumber here. Besides his parents, he is survived by three sisters: Mrs. Ed Turner, Misses Pearl and Dollie Singleton, and of Garrett. The funeral will be held at 10 o'clock Monday morning at the Rev. Green B. Allen officiating, and burial will be made in the Tom under direction of the Ryan Funeral Home.

Church Here To Honor Students Next Sunday

Student Recognition Day to be observed Sunday at the morning service at the Freeburg Methodist Church will honor all young people of the community home from school during the Christmas holidays, the church announced Monday.

All students, regardless of church affiliation, are invited to attend the service. The sermon will be dedicated to all students, whom we will get as others often asking the offering and rendering special music.

11 NYA GRADS GO TO DAYTON

30 Others Ready For War Production After Training Here

With its trainees finding their way into war production through private employment and Civil Service under the U. S. army at Dayton, O., the Prestonsburg NYA defense shop this month has already graduated 11 students who are ready to go. It was said last week.

Those sent to Dayton this month all for employment: under Civil Service are: Tony Tusey, Dock; Mae Wright, Prestonsburg; Lou Ella Ratliff, Daviess; Raymond Good, Prestonsburg; Raymond H. Robertson, Coal Run; Raymond Tackett, Virgie; O. C. Meade, West Prestonsburg; Paul Boling, Whitehouse; Russell Puck, Whitehouse; Mitchell Tolson, West Prestonsburg; Marvin Blankenship, Argo, Ky.

Plans for a further acceleration of the war production training program of the National Youth Administration to meet ever-growing demands for more and more women workers in war industries are announced by War Manpower Commission officials. Since its incorporation as a war training agency of the Manpower Commission last week.

94 SELECTEES LEAVE DEC. 30

For Final Examination At Huntington, W. Va., For Possible Induction

Ninety-four selectees and volunteers were notified by Local Board No. 45 to report here Dec. 30, at 6 a. m., to go to Huntington, W. Va., for army induction.

Their names and addresses follow: Robert Kinney, Jr., (V), Fredie Clayton Smith (V), Jesse Lee Conley, Makron Moses, Tommie Newt Tackett, James Starr (V), James H. Hays, Dewey Raymond Griffith, Willard Singleton (V), Hueysville—Willie Edwin Ratliff, Matthew Short, Tobe Castle (V), Hippo—Berndt Batley, Northern—Berndt Lamarr Allen, Bolton H. Martin, Lanley—Robert Louis May (V), Edward Dale Allen, Hershel Willard Beard.

Marion Hall Succumbs At Buckingham Home, Tuberculosis Victim

Marion Hall, 39 years old, died at her home at Buckingham Monday of tuberculosis from which she had suffered for the last three years.

He was a son of the late Willie Hall, of Knott county, surviving in her home at Alpha Hill, his mother, Mrs. Susan Hall, and six children: Omar, Rebecca, Joan, Curtis L., James E. and Dolores.

The funeral was conducted this morning (Tuesday) at the grave site in the Newcom cemetery at Buckingham and burial was under direction of the Ryan Funeral Home.

Your best investment—United States War Bonds and Stamps!

4 JAILED WHILE SEARCH MADE FOR \$4,500 LOST IN COUNTY

Walking along the railway tracks, and did not learn about the loss until the search was made. First clue to the finder was gained after Mrs. Thacker sent \$10 to a prisoner in the county jail here.

Her arrest was later ordered, and when Prestonsburg police brought her to the jail, Jailer and Mrs. Horn searched her, finding approximately \$100 in her shoe. Later, she and her brother told officials exact location of the money. Beneath a smoothly linoleum floor they found a jar containing \$3,970.

Mrs. Thacker was arrested in West Prestonsburg by local police. Her parents and brother were later arrested on Left Beaver Creek by Sheriff Sheriff Carter.

Mrs. Thacker told authorities her parents gave her \$100 not to tell where or how they came by their money.

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Four persons were in jail here two days last week while authorities assisted in the county's greatest "treasure hunt" in years. Last week, when a truck owned by Johnny Hall and Wayne Stumbo collided with the Douglas Hays lumber company truck. The trucks were badly wrecked.

Mrs. Martin laid Thursday her purse containing the funds while walking along the railway tracks, and did not learn about the loss until the search was made. First clue to the finder was gained after Mrs. Thacker sent \$10 to a prisoner in the county jail here.

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DR. J. S. KELLY DENTIST Wright Building, corner of Court & Second, Prestonsburg, Ky. Phone 6181

PRESTONSBURG LODGE I. O. O. F., No. 293 Meets the first, second, third and fourth Thursdays in each month. The following officers were installed:

E. B. AKERS, N. G. CLAUDE KENDRICK, V. O. EDWARD MAY, Treasurer W. C. AFRICA, Secretary L. V. GOBLE, Fin. Secy. WM. DINGUS, Chaplain

DR. C. R. SLONE DENTIST Phone No. 4311 Layne Building, Court St. Prestonsburg, Ky.

M. T. DOTSON, M. D. Office: Opposite Courthouse PHONE 6841

DR. R. H. MESSER DENTIST X-Ray Equipped Garrett, Kentucky Phone Wayland 34

DR. G. C. COLLINS DENTIST MARTIN, KY. Office Hours: 8 to 12 a. m. - 1 to 5 p. m.

ZEBULON LODGE No. 273 F. & A. M. Meets 1st and 3rd Saturdays in each month. Members of sister lodges are fraternally invited to attend. Permanent quarters in our new Temple on Court street. Notice to Candidates: E. A. and F. C. Degres, first Saturdays. M. M. Degres (third Saturdays). C. F. HUDSON, W. M. W. J. RYAN, Secretary

Sandy Valley Encampment No. 31, I. O. O. F. Prestonsburg, Ky. Meets 1st and 3rd Mondays each month. All visiting brothers are invited. Officers: J. M. FARNSLEY, J. W. WM. DINGUS, N. P. F. C. HALL, Scribe L. V. GOBLE, P. Scribe J. L. GUNNELLS, Treasurer EDWARD MAY, C. P. RALPH TAYLOR, S. W.

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DR. R. M. WILHITE CHIROPRACTOR Paintsville, Ky. Res. Phone 84-W Office Phone 98-W

Mrs. Claude Young, of Hopkins county, has a flock of 122 hens which averaged 173 eggs this year, and netted her \$3.99 per hen.



Now is the time when all of us are more fully conscious of the goodness that should pervade all mankind. Permit us, then, to thank you for your good will in 1942; we wish you all the merriest Christmas possible.

CASH HARDWARE Prestonsburg, Ky.



We thank you for your loyalty to us during the year. May you experience every joy during this blessed Yuletide of 1942.

G. R. FANNIN West Prestonsburg, Ky.



At this time, when common tasks begin to glimmer with new glory, we pause to wish you all the Christmas joys this joyous season can bring.

N. M. WHITE, Jr. PRESTONSBURG, KY.

U.S. Fighting Men To Spend Christmas in Every Clime

For the first time in history, has to serve for an altar. There American armed forces on active duty will celebrate Christmas this year on every continent and ocean on earth, except possibly the Antarctic.

Some will be fighting and their dinner will be concentrated field rations from their packs. But the majority will feast on turkey with all the trimmings, however far they are from home and however strange the lands of their enforced domicile.

And rare indeed will be the man who hasn't Christmas presents from home, for the army postoffice has shipped overseas more than 2,454,000 packages weighing more than 13,545,000 pounds—the largest overseas mail shipment in history. In addition, exactly 86,196,920 letters went to the boys for Christmas week delivery.

These astronomical figures apply only to soldiers overseas, now totaling around 1,000,000 men. They do not include almost 1,000,000 soldiers and marines, many of whom are abroad or at sea, nor do they include the 4,000,000 soldiers still in continental United States.

During World War I only 5,200,000 pounds of Christmas mail was sent to the A. E. F. for the two Christmases they spent in France. But this time arrangements are much better for getting mail to the troops and there are more of them abroad—scattered from Alaska to Brazil and from Iceland to India.

For their Christmas dinner, mess halls here and abroad will be decorated—with evergreens where these are available. The dinner will be the same for every man able to get his feet under a table.

Food for complete Christmas dinners, including 5,000,000 pounds of turkey or a pound to the man, was shipped well in advance and now is in the hands of company cooks at the places where it will be served.

The cranberry sauce will be made from dehydrated berries. Army and navy dinners will vary slightly. The full army dinner will include fresh fruit, celery soup, turkey, dressing, giblet gravy, snowflake potatoes, green beans, tomatoes, corn pudding, hot rolls, butter, cranberry and orange relish, celery, olives, pickles, radishes, lettuce with Russian dressing, mince and pumpkin pie, ice cream, spice cake, fresh fruits, coffee, candy and cigars.

The navy will serve approximately the same menu except an oyster cocktail will replace the fruit cup. In addition to turkey and fpe cigars and cigarettes will top the meal.

The religious significance of this holiday will receive full observance. Army chaplains throughout the world will hold Christmas services in about 900 chapels and other quarters available to them and on warships and at naval stations many chaplains will do likewise.

Chapels will be decorated. In front lines such as in Tunisia, Guadalcanal and in the New Guinea, chaplains will do the best they can, even if a cartridge box

is their altar. There will be no midnight mass for Catholics with communion about 45 minutes after the hour. Protestants will hold Christmas Eve services and have communion on Christmas Day.

For Christmas afternoon special entertainment will be provided where possible such as movies and vaudeville. For sailors and marines, Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox will send a message to be delivered by V-mail wherever navy men are stationed.

For some of the forces overseas there undoubtedly will be no "peace on earth and goodwill toward men," but very real fighting and dying instead.

There is no army custom or policy that dictates cessation of hostilities on Christmas. It is all up to the theater commander and local conditions as to what hostilities occur. History tells of Christmas truces in certain battles. In World War I there was truce during the Christmas season in no-man's-land on some sectors. But most fighting men feel that in the hard business of war there is no room for any such sentimentality.

Soldiers are eager for such slings and many camps and hospitals will hear old familiar Christmas songs. Carolers will be sung in some parts of the world virtually around the clock as American troops are stationed in almost every time zone. Christmas morning will arrive first for our garrison at Suva, in the Phi Islands, since historic Wake Island no longer is held by the United States.

Eight hours later it will have reached those American soldiers more deserving of our prayers and sympathy than any other—the heroic United States troops still holding out against the Japanese in the Philippine jungles. About their Christmas we can only guess and hope.

It will not be a white Christmas for many of our troops overseas. The relatively small numbers in Newfoundland, Labrador, Alaska, Greenland, and Iceland are the only ones having certainty of snow. Those in England and Ireland may have, but it is doubtful.

For most of the boys abroad Christmas will come in warm climates if not the stirring heat of the jungle or the searing sun of the desert. Giant ferns or palms must substitute for fir trees.

For the boy "down under" in Australia and New Zealand Christmas will come in mid-summer. Those in the Canal Zone, Central America, Ecuador, the Galapagos Islands, Aruba, Curacao, Trinidad, Venezuela, Guiana and Surinam are so near the equator the seasons never change—it is always hot.

This is equally true for our soldiers in Liberia, the Gold Coast, Nigeria, Gabon, French Equatorial Africa, the Belgian Congo, Chad and Sierra Leone.

There are American soldiers in Palestine and it is possible that some of them may receive one of the greatest thrills possible to a Christian—a Christmas Day visit to Christ's birthplace at Bethlehem. Others are in Syria, Egypt, Iraq and Iran where many Biblical events took place.

Others of our soldiers far from home will mingle on Christmas Day with the millions of ancient India and China, where Christians are rare and detested strange to untraveled Americans are worshipped.

But with the U. S. soldiers in more than 58 countries or remote islands around the world, the army postoffice estimated that 98 per cent of mail sent outside the United States has been delivered. Since an average of two per cent is improperly addressed, that leaves only three per cent or less lost through ship sinking or other means beyond control of the A. P. O.

More than 300 pieces of furniture have been reported finished by homemakers' club members in Nelson county.

The Light of Hope for a Blacked-Out World

Our message this year is not one of "Merry Christmas" because after a year of war there are homes in which this cannot be a happy holiday. May a more spiritual Christmas reassure us that the promise inherent in the birth of Christ is the light of hope for a world blacked out by total war. As surely as it glowed through the dismal centuries of the past, that light will one day brighten the world again with mercy, justice and peace.

J. W. GALL & SON PIKEVILLE

Letcher Farmer Has Good Record

Blaine Collins, of Letcher county, who has three sons in the service and one in a defense plant, thought that he had failed in the production of sufficient food for him to qualify in the live-at-home program. Besides his labor shortage, there was a flood in that area last summer.

Upon checking, Home Agent Mary Belle Rogers found that Mr. Collins had grown 22 varieties of vegetables in his garden. He has 150 apple trees, 12 peach trees, 24 grape vines and 400 berry bushes. He also has 18 hens in his laying flock and 50 chickens for home use. Three quarts of milk are produced and used daily, and four pounds of butter weekly. Four hundred quarts of fruits and vegetables were left over from last winter and 25 gallons of sorghum and honey are on hand. There are two in the family.

Mr. Collins contributed 2,500 pounds of scrap by tearing down five old wagons. He has also bought \$1,000 worth of war bonds.

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We are proud to have done our part in this community during 1942, and equally proud to have had the hearty support of so many of its citizens. We thank you, one and all, and wish you a very Prosperous New Year. RICHMOND'S PRESTONSBURG, KY.



The holiday spirit of 1942 rules the land today. It is King of all, despite the wars of men. May we take this brief, but sincere, time to wish you the happiest Holiday Season possible.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK PRESTONSBURG, KY.

Railroads were born fighting... First, it was wilderness... savage Indians. Later, the desert... blazing heat, dust and thirst. But the railroads fought through and won. They united a nation with bands of steel... Then fought to preserve it! Today, our fight is bigger than ever before. The enemy more ruthless than wilderness or Indians. The issue greater than a stretch of track... greater than any one nation! No longer must we drop our tools to grab a rifle. Our tools and equipment themselves are weapons... Modernized weapons kept always in fighting trim... Weapons used to transport the countless essentials of this fight for freedom! And the railroads wield these tools with a vengeance! Every second of every hour. Long trainloads of troops and materials speed forward to take their parts in the conflict. Every second of every hour. The railroads are on the job... fighting... Helping to forge Victory for Democracy! CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO LINES ONE OF AMERICA'S RAILROADS All Mobilized for War AVOID UNNECESSARY TRAVEL... BUY WAR BONDS INSTEAD!



# Gubernatorial Straws in the December Wind

## THE DEMOCRATS

## THE REPUBLICANS

### NOTICE

Alta Pizanos, of Wheelwright, Ky., has filed application with the Floyd county court for permit to operate a roadhouse at Wheelwright, Ky., where either soft drinks or beer, or both, may be sold, and publishes this notice in accordance with state law.

11-17-42



Once again a Christmas! May its message of peace and happiness abide with you throughout the Yule Season of 1942, and carry its benign influence to you and yours.

**HOME-OWNERS' LAND AND MORTGAGE CO.**  
—Graham Street—  
PRESTONSBURG, KY.

### Eastern Kentucky Gives Men, Women To Serve Country

Eastern Kentucky is contributing men and women to the armed services and to war production in large numbers, according to a survey now being conducted by the Kentucky Agricultural Experiment Station in collaboration with the Bureau of Agricultural Economics of the United States Department of Agriculture. The population of a typical agricultural district in Owsley county has declined 31 per cent since the U. S. census was taken in 1940. The population of another typical district in Carter county has declined 28 per cent. These declines are accounted for by movement of young men into the fighting units, and of both men and women into war industries.

Most of the population decline in these agricultural areas has been in ages under 45. For example, in the Owsley county district the number of men between 25 and 45 declined 22 per cent; the number between 25 and 35 declined 68 per cent, and the number between 15 to 25 dropped 83 per cent. Even the number of women 24 to 34 had declined by one-third, and the number 15 to 24 by one-half. The corresponding losses in the Carter county area are approximately the same as those in Owsley county.

In both areas, a reduction of nearly 30 per cent in the number of children under 15 years old reflects the outward migration of many family groups in which the parents are under the age of 40. Representatives of the Department of Agriculture say that these figures indicate possibly the largest outward flow of population from some of the agricultural areas in Eastern Kentucky since the area was settled many generations ago.

The study is being conducted also in representative districts of Leslie, Pulaski and Martin counties, as part of an effort to appraise the manpower resources in Kentucky.

By J. HOWARD HENDERSON  
(In The Courier-Journal)

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 19.—Editor—Politician Tom Underwood said last week that Lyter Donaldson is Governor. In the past, Underwood has been waiting for some word from the Governor. It was interpreted as a final decision.

Mr. Underwood, who is chairman of the Democratic State Committee, wrote through the first half of his column as if the decision were final. But in the last part of his column he said, and made some intimation that conditions might change before the administration choice was acceptable to all elements in the administration.

Color was lent to that possibility not only by Mr. Underwood's precaution to point to the possibility, but the presence in Kentucky of J. Dan Talbot. Mr. Talbot was supposed to be in Florida, under doctor's orders. He was, by his own statement, about to take himself out of the political picture in Kentucky, prompted by his health and financial affairs he could not afford to ignore.

But Clifford Smith and Mr. Talbot were together in Louisville Wednesday. They were reported to be the strongest opposition to Mr. Underwood. Incidentally, it is more closely affiliated with them than with Mr. Donaldson. In the striving for supremacy that always goes on in any organization, Mr. Underwood has been for Mr. Talbot in any issue involving the Talbot prestige.

Meanwhile, Senator Chandler is reported anxious to put Governor Winstead to the test. That would be a part of the strategy to divide the Donaldson strength. Unless Mr. Winstead would start listening to the Winstead-Governor talk, he likely would be in the Donaldson camp rather than the Talbot or Smith camp.

The week brought no indication that Governor Johnson is interested than he has been on the nomination of his Highway Commissioner for Governor. To stop Donaldson the Smith and Talbot forces first will have to stop the Governor. If they are seriously trying to do that.

Right now there is no reason to believe that either of them would take their fight outside the factional group that includes them all, the Governor, Mr. Donaldson, Mr. Smith, Mr. Talbot, Mr. Underwood, and Mr. Humphreys. And presently there is no reason to believe they would have a Chinaman's chance of beating Mr. Donaldson in an open break with the Governor.

So, as Mr. Talbot's resignation date draws closer, Mr. Donaldson's position becomes more secure. With one man's support, Governor Johnson's, the Carroll county leader seems assured of nomination. Conversely, if the inter-outrage fight weakens the Governor's support, it would be certain for Mr. Donaldson. Mid-January, set by Talbot as his time to quit, should bring clarification of the picture.

On that score the Governor was reported ready three weeks ago to make his position public but the Donaldson forces thought would not be necessary at that time. Meanwhile, the Governor has been telling intimates where he stands.

The revenue department at Frankfort is learning how simple is the solution to seemingly complicated problems. For years and years the state has wrestled with the problem of valuation of property for local taxation.

It really was a local taxation problem, after all. Merely recognizing that and turning it back to local administration, turned the trick. On real estate taxation, for instance, the state got 50 cents on every \$100 valuation of property. Obviously the state had little interest in the receipts, but it yearly exercised a paternalistic attitude, intending that the county did not go to pot because they would not raise enough revenue for their own affairs.

Year after year it threatened huge blanket increases in assessment values in counties, imposed trifling ones, and threatened to get tough the next year. Thirty years ago the state tax authorities guessed that assessed values of property represented 60 to 70 per cent of their true values.

They followed plan, threat succeeded threat, and after 30 years the assessed values stood about 70 per cent of the actual value. To justify it, the Revenue Department estimated that its assessment of franchise-paying property was 80 per cent. But that was an arbitrary guess; the Revenue Department would have a hard time proving the accuracy of its assessment of franchise corporations' property.

Then Clyde H. Reeves, who had wrestled with the problem for six years, as Assistant Commissioner of Revenue and then as Commissioner, hit upon the idea of saying to the

countries, "You are on your own, now walk."

And the counties straightaway stood up and walked. Their assessment figures were sent to Frankfort, the highest assessment values ever put on county books. They are higher than the counties ever had even after the state imposed its blanket increases.

Why? No county was willing that its roads and schools and local government should go to pot. Faced with the problem of raising revenue for schools and roads and local government the counties turned in a creditable performance. They showed they needed no paternalistic prompting from Frankfort.

Why had they not done it before? It was the old game of passing the buck. Local tax officials could not include the taxpayers with as liberally a concept of citizenship as the taxpayers wanted to assume. The state would be sure to up the local assessment so local government functions would not come to a dead halt. Of course, out of that wide inequalities grew. The cheater put his property values as low as possible, better citizen gave a fair value, then a state-ordered blanket rate on all further penalized the honest taxpayers.

Local tax authorities placed the blame on the state. The state railed against local tax authorities. The public became more and more confused, more and more distrustful of government.

The counties will get as much revenue as formerly. A state revenue body does not displace its organs on a subject it knows little about, local property values, anyway.

But the real benefit Frankfort is giving the people will come next year. The cheater no longer knows Frankfort never could know him. Local knowledge will ferret him out. He will be brought to law. In two years there will be more equality in taxation among the citizens of a country than a state department of revenue could impose in 50 years.

Local taxation has been restored to local authorities by the Johnson administration. If left alone next year and the next, there will be no longer any need for Frankfort. Local public spirit exists among state officials, and nowhere else. It will come all right if Frankfort will leave it alone.

While the game of picking a governor goes on among the politicians who think government would collapse unless their super organization is imposed on the public, two men who would like to be governor pursue their individualistic methods of gathering votes.

County Judge L. Boone Hamilton, who broke with the dominant Democratic faction over Chandler's preliminary plan, is trying to win organization out of individual followers. He knows no man can win without an organization; but his hopes to show enough strength to become the anti-administration choice.

He takes great heart from the letters and personal pledges he receives and plans now an organization meeting at Lexington to follow the first that was held in Frankfort last month.

George Glenn Hatcher, Secretary of State, would not flirt with the anti-organization group. He does not chafe any chance to be the administration candidate. But he really believes he can build an organization that will make him the people's choice.

He and Judge Hamilton have one feat in common: they make frequent and free use of "point of view" letters to the newspapers. All of the letters are fulsome in praise of the writer's choice. One begins to wonder if Mr. Hatcher will be realistic in time to run for something he could get.

W. A. Dotson of Pike county cleared \$597.78 above feed and other cash expenses on his flock of 260 pullets this year.

Hemp did well in Carlisle county, with some yields going 22 bushels to the acre.

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By ALLAN TROUT  
(In The Courier-Journal)

Richmond, Ky., Dec. 19.—Kentucky Republicans are rarin' to go. Republican politics is boiling hot. The boys smell blood. They believe the signs point to a year Republican success in Kentucky in 1943.

The party is absorbing rejuvenated hope from three situations, as follows:

1. Leaders believe the nation-wide trend toward Republicanism is compelling, decisive and irresistible.
2. They believe the Republican National Committee will select the off-year election in Kentucky next year as a proving ground to show the rest of the country what to expect in 1944.
3. They profess to see a split forming in the Democratic party.

"Our main problem right now," said Dr. O. F. Hume, Richmond Committee man and Republican National Committeeman, "is keeping the lid on. We have a dozen men who would make splendid candidates for Governor. We have got fifteen or twenty who would make outstanding candidates for Attorney General. We have men out campaigning now, fellows who would like to announce themselves."

"But the time is not at hand. A few of us are sitting on the lid the best we can. We are holding secret meetings, making and re-talking things over. Then we want to draw everybody together at a state-wide meeting in Louisville, say around Lincoln's birthday. There, we'd like to think things out the old-fashioned way and announce a complete ticket from top to bottom." That is the strategy. Whether it will pay dividends remains to be seen. State Senator D. C. Jones, of Harlan for example has been experimenting for some time now his chances of leading the Republican ticket in 1943.

There is considerable pressure in behalf of Dr. Elmer Gabbard, Buckhorn Presbyterian preacher and educator who came within 400 votes of beating Representative Andrew J. May in the Seventh District last year.

Commonwealth's Attorney James Parks, of Lexington, is being boomed for Governor. So is Judge Simeon S. Willis, of Ashland, formerly of the Court of Appeals.

Judge Rodney Bryson, Covington, and Judge Odus Bertlemen, Newport, are mentioned most frequently when speculative eyes turn to Northern Kentucky.

Chances of Former Mayor William B. Harrison, of Louisville, are being re-weighed. He ran against the late Governor Ruby Laffoon in 1931.

Others whose political availability are under discussion include William Wallace, Lexington; Dr. W. J. Moore, Richmond; Hamilton Tapp, Louisville; State Senator Paul Basham, Hardinsburg; State Senator Ray B. Moss, Pineville; Judge Arthur E. Hopkins and J. J. Kavanaugh, both of Louisville; Tom S. Yates, Grayson, chairman of the Republican State Committee, and Don V. Dye, of Bradfordville.

Dr. Hume lives across a quiet street here from the white home of George Keen Johnson. Could this block send the next Governor to Frankfort? Several in his party would like to try it, but Dr. Hume says no.

"I have no desire for any public office now or in the future," he said. "I only want to play a small part with our Republican leaders in bringing the party back to its rightful position."

"I really have no business trying

to guide this situation now," he added, "but people come to see me and they write me letters."

"Dr. Hume, what kind of a ticket do you want the Republicans to pick?" he was asked.

"I'd like to see a ticket with every man on it running at a personal sacrifice," he replied. "I'd like to see a ticket with every man on it strong enough to run for Governor in his own right."

"What kind of a program will your ticket take to the people?"

"That is one of the most important things we are talking over at these little meetings all over Kentucky," he replied. "We are working out a sound, constructive program—one that will work and the people will like."

"We must win on our merits, not the opposition's demerits," he continued. "We don't deserve to win if not on our own merits."

"The story of Little Ken, Uncle Dan's soap, Cousin Clifford's feed, Huppy's swimming pool and Lyter's toll bridges must be told only in round Johnnies' pictures. That story must be told only as a good joke in the middle of a serious speech."

"The people of Kentucky already know about the administration's failure to invest surplus millions in government bonds, the ridiculous emergency funds, the circumvented Highway Law, the demerit at Frankfort and the multiplicity of inexcusable ailments that has afflicted the administration at Frankfort," he said.

Dr. Hume says he believes old factional differences engendered by the leadership of Judge King Swepe, Lexington, and Congressman John M. Robson, Barbourville, are being thinned out.

"I believe you will find that fear is healing," he said. "The trouble is being healed out."

Judge Swepe was the party's unsuccessful candidate against Governor A. B. Chandler in 1935 and Governor Johnson in 1939.

One new idea being tested out at the sectional conferences, Dr. Hume said, is to run John Cooper, of Somerset, as an absentee candidate for Lieutenant Governor. Cooper is now in the army. He was defeated for the nomination in 1939 by Judge Swepe.

Dr. Gabbard is almost sure of a place on the ticket, possibly as Lieutenant Governor in the event Cooper is not slated.

Some have questioned the politics of running a preacher for Governor. Dr. Hume said, "but, personally, I don't think it would be a bad idea. Governor Brister of Ohio was a preacher, and there is plenty of talk about him for President in 1944. Dr. Gabbard is a clean, able man with a conscience. He takes well with people, as Jack May can tell you."

For the first time in a long time, Dr. Hume said, the party is not worrying over campaign finances next year. He believes the chance of success will attract enough money to

stage an interesting contest in November.

In addition, he believes the Republican National Committee will take more than passing interest in the off-year chance to break Kentucky away from the Solid South, particularly in the Democrats' split over Governor Johnson's choice of Commissioner of Highways, J. Lyter Donaldson to succeed him.

"That's a juicy situation we are watching with interest," Dr. Hume said.

The Republicans are starting from scratch in Kentucky. They have not elected a Governor since Flem D. Sampson defeated J. C. W. Beckham in 1927. Their minorities in the House and Senate have been hopelessly out-voted. Today, only two Kentucky Republicans hold office in districts larger than one county. They are Representative Robson, in the Ninth Congressional District, and Mrs. Katherine W. Langley, Railroad Commissioner from the Third district.

Republican leadership has been divided in factional differences, and campaigns have been fair-heated and poorly financed. Thousands of young voters have been weaned away by the New Deal, while older voters have been softened from their old-time Republican militancy.

Dr. Hume admits the obstacle: "But the time always comes when an election is decided by the great central mass of independent votes," he said. "We believe that time will be at hand next year in Kentucky."



... and when it does come, we want it to come with all the old-fashioned trimmings that make this season so joyous.

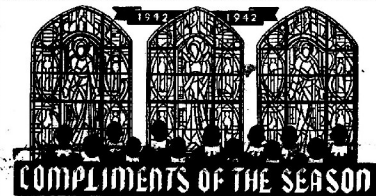
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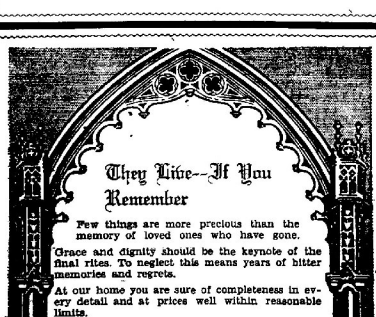
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Celebrate Silver Wedding Anniversary, Dec. 20

On Sunday evening at 8 o'clock at their home on Broadway, Dr. and Mrs. Marvin Ransdell celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. As the guests arrived they were greeted by Dr. and Mrs. Ransdell and each lady was presented a corsage of white carnations. The family table was lovely in its appointments of a gorgeous lace cloth with a centerpiece of white carnations and silver candelabra holding white candles tied with silver ribbon bows. A tiny bride and groom stood at the end of the table as symbols of the anniversary of Dr. and Mrs. Ransdell. Small tables were arranged in similar decorations. Seated at the family table were Dr. and Mrs. Ransdell, Captain and Mrs. Jay Shields, of Washington, D. C., and place cards for the absent daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Stanifer, of Aberdeen, Miss., who were unable to attend on account of defense work in which he is engaged. At small tables were Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Harlow, Judge and Mrs. E. P. Hill, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. George Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Feller, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Montaine V. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Clarke, Misses Anna Martin, Bess Stephens and Virgie McComb.

HERE FROM CRACKER

Mrs. Melvin Frazier and Mrs. Shaeffli Frazier, of Cracker, were here shopping Monday, also visiting friends.



Christmas Cheer to All

It was but yesterday that all was commonplace. But now, what a change! 'Tis the Christmas spirit of 1942! Carried away on this magic carpet of Yuletide, we enter every home to say Merry Christmas to our friends.

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Good Cheer

YES, there IS a Santa Claus. There were times during this year of 1942 when we had begun to doubt it, and no doubt YOU had begun to doubt it, but now, when the Christmas spirit steals over the land we know that Santa Claus will come again, as he has always done. And so, with this cheering thought, we wish you a Merry Christmas.

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CANTATA PRESENTED AT METHODIST CHURCH

On Sunday evening at the Methodist Church, under the direction of Mrs. Chalmers Frazier, "Kiss by Wessell" was presented to an appreciative audience. The main parts of the cantata were sung by Junior Mayo, Mrs. V. Mayo, Mrs. Melton Wilson and Miss Myra Hill, while the trio parts were sung by Mrs. R. V. Mayo, Mrs. Wille Melton and Mrs. Margaret Durham. Solos were Mesdames Carol Hale and Jane Carol Hager. Each year a cantata is presented at the church and each year a new cantata is presented. At the conclusion of the music, a White Christmas was presented to the American Red Cross to be distributed to the families who come under the Community Chest allotment. A "Watch Night" service at the Methodist Church on New Year's Eve is also announced. All Prestonsburg churches are invited to participate. The service will meet downstairs in the church at 10:30 p.m. and at 11 o'clock the service will begin. The service will continue the Rev. Gerritt said, until midnight, the service will continue. He expressed the hope that all churches will be represented at this service.

STUDENTS HOME

Among those who have arrived home from their various schools and colleges for the holidays are Misses Betty Williams, Betty Jean May, Ann and Dorothy Sue Allen, Aveline Nunmy, Judith Mergan Davidson, Barbara Mandt, Bess Stephens, and White Jane Clarke, Messrs. Freddie Cottrell, Oliver Webb, Jr., Bill Sherrill, Frank Heinze, Paul Combs, Robert Combs, Robert Rumsch, Raymond Stephens, Jack Davidson, Donald Lee Meade, Carl Oppenheimer, Lewis Wade, Herbert and Bobby Salisbury, Gordon Fox Homes.

WESLEYAN GUILD ENTERTAINS

The Wesleyan Service Guild of the Methodist Church enjoyed its Christmas party in the parlors of the church on Monday. Gifts were exchanged by the Sunshine Sister and an enjoyable time was passed playing games and stinging carols. The entertainment was directed by Mrs. Palmer Hall kept the party well entertained. Refreshments were served to Mesdames Palmer Hall, Martin Lee May, Richard Sporkoff, Victor Hale, Frank Jones, Luther Shivers, Ernest Hopkins, Thomas Hereford, William Nees, Jr., Burt Sporkoff, Eddie Worland, J. S. Kelly, Harry Ranier, Frank H. Layne, Carl Horn, Woodrow Greenwald, Christmas Club, Dick Roberts, Claybourne Stephens, Misses Carol Hale and Josephine Davidson.

RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. William A. Rose has returned from Memorial hospital, Huntington, where she has been receiving treatment for four weeks. She was accompanied home by a special nurse. Her condition remains unchanged.

AUDITOR FOR REA HERE

Floyd Dobbins, auditor for the REA, and Mrs. Dobbins were here for several days last week on business with Mr. and Mrs. Dobbins here for several weeks last summer and made many friends.

"POT-LUCK" DINNER

A delightful "pot-luck" dinner was served Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Ruff on Highland avenue, by the members of the Young Married People's Class of the Baptist Church. Each member brought a dish for the dinner and it was served buffet style. Following games and the singing of carols, an exchange of gifts was made by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Billie Goble, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Francis, Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Burchett, Dr. and Mrs. O. G. Pennington, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Moore Jr. and Mrs. Ralph Archer, Mesdames Curt Homes, Harry Sandige, James Merrill, Charles Hughes, S. B. Howard, Ethel Gross, George Cohen and daughter, Clara Cohen, Gordon Fox Homes, and Mrs. Rife.

ENTERTAINS CLASS

Mrs. W. B. Gerriott entertained her class, the Victors, at the Methodist parsonage on Monday evening. The house was beautifully decorated in the Yuletide motif. A huge Christmas tree added to the attractiveness of the party. Santa Claus gave gifts brought to the friends who attended. After games were played and carols sung, the guests were escorted to the dining room where they enjoyed refreshments served from a beautifully decorated table. Members of the class present were Dorothy Doran, Mary Hill, Helen Triplett, Emma Louise Patrick, Mattie B. Huffield, Barbara Jean May, Dallas and Denver Salmons, Bill David Craft, George Keaton, Teeny Tackett and Franklin Branham.

HOME ON FURLOUGH

Billy Goble, who is attached to the Merchant Marine, surprised his family last week with a few days' visit. Last month Billy Goble and children visited him in New York prior to his departure on a long voyage. He did not expect to return to the states for several months. This was a happy surprise for them.

IN HUNTINGTON

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Melton were in Huntington Friday visiting relatives. They were accompanied home by Mesdames E. P. Arnold and C. L. Hubstippeler, who had spent the day shopping.

HERE FROM WASHINGTON, D. C.

Mrs. David Heron, secretary to Congressman May, and Mr. Herndon arrived, a few days ago, from Washington, D. C., for a visit with her mother, Mrs. Anna Mayo.

AWAY FOR FORENIGHT

The Rev. Herbert Brink, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, will not occupy the pulpit here until after the first of the year. He and his family are visiting his parents in Cleveland, Ohio.

VISITORS HERE

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Hughes, of Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. L. Herford and son, Russell Lee of John, W. Va., Mr. and Mrs. John Webb, of Wheelwright, and Charles Webb, of Wheelwright, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Hughes of Highland avenue.

RESIGNS POSITION

On account of ill health, Miss Key Hicks, supervisor of the Prestonsburg General hospital, resigned her position, the first of the week, and returned to her home at Ashland. Miss June Hollenback has accepted her position at the hospital.

TO ARRIVE FOR HOLIDAYS

Mr. and Mrs. Charles and Mrs. Curtis Clark visit relatives in Catlettsburg and Huntington last week.

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VISITING MOTHER

Miss Zena Dare Daniel left Sunday for a visit to her mother in St. Louis. She will remain for a two-weeks visit.

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A DAUGHTER

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Sturgill at the Prestonsburg General hospital, Sunday, Dec. 13, an eight-pound daughter—Mary Karen. Mrs. Sturgill is the former Miss Mildred Baldrige, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Baldrige, of West Prestonsburg. Mr. Sturgill is a U. S. Sheriff and Mrs. B. L. Sturgill is an submarine duty with the U. S. navy.

HERE FOR CHRISTMAS

Miss Mary Cover, of Louisville, is spending Christmas here with her mother, Mrs. Pat Cover. Mrs. Cover will accompany her daughter to Louisville upon her return next week.

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Prestonsburg Drops

Tuo to Van Lear And Wayland

Van Lear defeat of the Prestonsburg Black Cats, 36-34 in a dug-out battle from start to finish Thursday night, last week, at Van Lear, and the Wayland five came here two nights later to annihilate a 42-24 licking to the Prestonsburg team.

The Van Lear-Prestonsburg game was all over with only two minutes to play. Van Lear's players formerly coached by "Fok" Branham, Prestonsburg players were cut to beat him and used only five men during the entire game. Heinz with 21 points was the game's scoring star.

Prestonsburg never threatened Wayland. Decoursey, Wayland forward, led the visitors' attack, and Heinz for the loons was runner-up in the matter of scoring with nine points.

Capelli, used only sparingly to date because of a football injury and a carbuncle, is expected to be ready to be a starter for the Cats in future games.

The scores: Van Lear (36) Pos. Pberg (34) Trumble (4) F. Heinz (21) Meade (9) F. Vaughn Phelps (15) C. Sammons (1) Clifton (8) G. Sporkoff (3) Sparks (4) G. Combs (3) Substitutes: Prestonsburg-Tackett, Capelli (2), Vaughan, Crain (1).

The Wayland second team defeated Prestonsburg's reserves, 40 to 20.

G. B. Nolan, Harlan county, harvested 80 bushels of corn per acre off six acres that had been sown to cover crops for six years.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means of expressing our appreciation to all who who assisted in this way and extended the consolation of kind words upon the death of Mrs. Amanda Messer Vaughan. We would especially thank the minister, for his comforting words and the Arnold Funeral Home for its efficient services.

MOTHER AND CHILDREN

BABE DICKS The new double babe of Mr. and Mrs. Hummer Lawson, of Lacey Creek and Maudie, Maudie was made under the patronage of the Arnold Funeral Home.

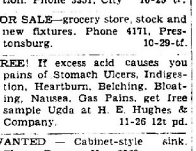
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Prestonsburg, Ky.

Christmas Greetings



Rising above the turmoil and cares of the world is the majestic story of Bethlehem. May the star that shone then still cast its light for you and all of us, revealing new pathways to happiness and achievement. Our entire organization joins with us in thanking you for your good will and patronage during 1942, and in wishing you a very Merry Christmas.

Prestonsburg General Hospital

WEST PRESTONSBURG, KY.

THE SEASON'S GREETINGS

Christmas 1942

TO OUR PATRONS AND FRIENDS:

The shadows of the old year are lengthening. Before it fades into memory we want to pause for a moment to think of the finest people in the world—our friends—of you.

For Christmas is that joyful season when our hearts are filled to overflowing with fellowship and good cheer. Smiles are brighter, laughter rings truer, handshakes more hearty—making life more pleasant for others is the order of the day.

And so may happiness and good cheer come to your bright bedside during this joyous Christmas season. May your wish and ours, and that of every good American, for Peace and Victory, be answered during the coming New Year.

Cordially yours,

The Bank Josephine

GEORGE P. ARCHER President and Cashier

Merry Christmas to All

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# NEWS FROM FLOYD COMMUNITIES

Wasted money is wasted lives. Don't waste precious lives. Every dollar you can spare should be used to buy War Bonds. Buy your ten percent every pay day.



But even if Christmas came once a month, we would hardly find words with which to thank you for your generous support. And how let us wish you all a very Merry Christmas in 1942.

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**HITE**  
Pvt. Frank Salisbury, of the army air force, stationed at Columbus, Miss., and Pfc. Edward Salisbury, of the motor transport division, stationed at Grand Junction, Colo., were guests of honor at a party given by Binone Keathley Saturday night, Dec. 9, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stephens. Dancing and games were enjoyed during the evening with Edward Salisbury and Patsy Patton winning prizes; then refreshments were served to the following: Pvt. Wm. M. Hill, of the medical corps, stationed at Camp Pines, Tenn., and his wife; Mrs. Lawrence Keathley, chaplain; Dora May Stephens, of Georgetown, Ky., co-hostess with Miss Keathley; Patsy and Joe Patton, of Garth; Carrie Lou Sharp, Patricia Adams, Betty Lou Keathley, Grace Hughes, Jackie and Jimmie Keathley, Johnnie B. Stephens, Gus and Willy Elliott, of Martin; Ann Stephens, of Hite; Harry Brookover, of Prestonsburg, and the honorees, Frank and Edward Salisbury.

**TOP THAT**  
10 BY NEW YEAR'S  
**BUY WAR BONDS**



WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH THAT YOUR CHRISTMAS STOCKING HAVE MUCH MORE IN IT THAN EVER BEFORE, BUT, AS THIS MIGHT SEEM TO BE AN EXTRA-AGANT HOPE, WE WISH THAT IT CONTAIN FAR MORE THAN YOU EXPECT. YOU HAVE STOOD BY US LOYALLY IN 1942, AND WE CANNOT TELL YOU HOW MUCH WE APPRECIATE IT.

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**LANCER**  
John Chapman, merchant here, has just returned home after a short visit in Bluefield, W. Va.  
Carl Corbin is at his home here, seriously ill. His many friends wish him a speedy recovery.  
Mr. and Mrs. Emory Burke, of Glo, were visiting relatives here Tuesday.  
Harold Simmons, of Auxier, was here on business Monday.

Miss Alia B. Stephens was the overnight guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Maggie Herald, of West Prestonsburg, Thursday.  
Mrs. Mary Gobie, who has been seriously ill at her home here for the past six weeks, is now slowly recovering.  
Pvt. J. B. Kendrick, who is in the U. S. army at Camp Swift, Texas, is home on furlough.  
A card party was given at the home of Raymond Wells Saturday night. Refreshments were served to Mary and Alia Stephens, Russell Harris, Robert Stephens, Mary Wells, Edward Stephens, Burenda Clark, Goddie Smith, Naomi Stephens, all of Lancer.

Pvt. Joel D. Gobie is at his home here on furlough.  
Miss Alva Cobble was Christmas shopping in Prestonsburg Saturday.  
Miss Stella Sizemore, of Louisville, was visiting Miss Mary E. Wells here last week.  
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Derossett were Christmas shopping in Prestonsburg last week.  
Miss Jack Harmon is visiting her sister in Louisville.  
Billie Gobie, of Auxier, is visiting relatives here.

**BETSY LAYNE**  
By JAMES BLEVINS  
**PERSONALS**  
Mrs. Lucilla Elswick, who has been with her husband, Pvt. Travis Elswick, of the U. S. army stationed in Arkansas, for the past three months is now spending the Christmas vacation with her mother, Mrs. John T. Foley, of Justell.  
Betsy Layne high school was dismissed Friday afternoon for the Christmas vacation; will resume classes Dec. 28. The annual Christmas program was presented Wednesday night in the high school gymnasium, under the direction of Miss Hale.  
Miss Genevieve Blankenship, who has been in Columbus, O., for the past summer, was visiting friends here last week. She is spending the Christmas vacation with her parents in Pikeville.

Little Albert Buford Layne, four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Layne, is recovering from a broken leg received Dec. 8 when he fell into the first-mill at his home here. The child was taken to Dr. Filanney, of Pikeville, for treatment.  
**MARRIAGES**  
Mr. Floyd R. Littleton, of Regina, announces the marriage of his daughter, Robena, 21, of Louisville, to Pfc. Rescoe Layne, Jr., of the U. S. army, and a son of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Layne, of Harold. The marriage was solemnized by the Rev. Howerton at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Robinson, on Pike street, Pikeville. Pfc. Layne has returned to his army station in Hartford, Conn., where his bride will later join him.  
After a long period of silence, I am able to announce here the marriage of Miss Leah Belle Stone and Mr. Cecil Rice, both of Betsy Layne, who were married Aug. 17. The marriage was not known to the public until this week.  
I wish now if THE TIMES will grant me permission and space, to wish every reader of the Betsy Layne column of THE TIMES a MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR, and to thank those who have made it possible for the Betsy Layne column to appear here each week.  
Approximately 75 storage cells will be built in Knox county this year.

**MAYTOWN**  
**CHRISTMAS PROGRAM**  
The Maytown Sunday School had its usual Christmas program Sunday morning, with Mrs. Wiley Jones in charge. Children presented poems and songs. Miss Peggy Jo Allen, of the high school, sang a solo. After the services the gifts were distributed from the tree, and needy families in the community cared for. The crowd was larger than usual, as all Maytown youngsters are invited to the annual treat provided by the birthday penny bank of the Sunday School.  
**SENIOR PARTY**  
Members of the Senior class, with Misses Harriet and Peggy Jo Allen, of the school, entertained many of their friends to a dance and social in the senior room, Tuesday evening of last week. The youngsters had a delightful time, topped off with delicious refreshments at a late hour.  
**"UP SHE GOES"**  
Maytown seniors, under direction of Mrs. Thomas Patrick, Jr., of the English department, presented "Up She Goes," a three-act comedy in the high school auditorium Wednesday night, with Miss Billie Marie Allen in the leading role. All the characters were well-chosen and each did his part as well as the drama which evoked much favorable comment.  
**SHOWERS BY CHURCH**  
The blind of the community are being showered this week by the Sunday School, while this coming Sunday everyone is asked to bring something to the church, morning or afternoon, for the pastor and family, who are to receive a Yuletide "pounding" by Mrs. James Allen, the chairman of the committee in charge, with Mesdames Syd Begley and Arnold Casady assisting.

**FACULTY HAS SPECIAL DINNER**  
The Maytown faculty enjoyed its annual Christmas dinner and gift exchange in the home economics room Thursday at noon, when the Home Ec girls, under the direction of their instructor, Miss Peggy Jo Allen, served a dainty meal to all attending.  
**PERSONALS**  
Miss Mary Salisbury, daughter of Mr. Lillie Salisbury, is now employed in Radford, Va.  
Herschel Begley, of Manchester, Conn., has just left for the Marines and is stationed somewhere in South Carolina, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Syd Begley, report.  
Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hayes and small son, who for the past few months have resided in Greenville, Pa., are now at home for the holidays before going on to New York for further defense work in which Mr. Hayes is engaged.

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**HUEYSVILLE**  
J. M. Whitaker has gone into business at his place opposite Smackey Bottom.  
C. C. Craft is still in the farm and stock business on the head of Jones Fork. He has quite a bunch of hogs and small pigs and the cold weather is keeping him busy keeping them from freezing.  
Willie Whitaker, of Gunlock, was visiting this place a few days ago. Mr. Whitaker has almost recovered from burns he received last summer from which he came not dying.

Gold Reed and son were visiting Hueysville Saturday on business and to meet their daughter-in-law from Tennessee.  
A. J. Coburn recently returned from Beaver Valley hospital where he underwent an operation and treatment of cuts and bruises received while on a C. & O. passenger train Nov. 14. Mr. Coburn is now able to go about the house on crutches and is expected to be out again soon.  
Word has just reached here that Linden Crager, of South Point, O., died at his home last week of cerebral hemorrhage. He was a son of John W. and Jane Baitley Crager. He was a former sawmill man in this and Madison counties. He was born in Magnolia and was 58 years old. He moved to Ohio several years ago and had been engaged in farming. He is survived by his widow, Elsie Baitley Crager, and 14 children, all of Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Conley this week are visiting his sisters, Mrs. Chick Brewer, of Leckey, and Mrs. Cynthia Martin, of Wayland. Last week they were visiting Mrs. Conley's father at Hueysville.

**DAVID**  
The David Women's Club met last Wednesday night for a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Bob Walker, with Mrs. Russell Harmon as co-hostess. The president, Mrs. Lon Hill, presided. After a short business meeting, Mrs. Loren Roberts entertained the group with games and contests. Miss Ora Howard, Mrs. Lon Hill and Mrs. S. N. Cramer being the winners.  
Christmas carols were enjoyed throughout the evening. The home was beautifully decorated to carry out the spirit of the season. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess. Each member drew a lovely Christmas present.  
Members attending were Mesdames W. E. Hess, Forester Anderson, George Burke, Jimmie Camacho, Joe Keasling, Elmer Wingo, Enno Van Gorder, Bob Walker, Russell Harmon, Paris Bartley, Odis Bussey, Loren Roberts, Stanley Crain, Pete Capelli, C. N. Cramer, Fred Collins, Mrs. Mullins, Ballard Plummer, Lou Hill, Frank Rogers, Misses Ora Howard and Blanche Garrett.

Charles Stambaugh is in the Paintsville hospital.  
Several young folks attended the game at Prestonsburg Friday night.  
Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hess and family spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mrs. Hess' parents at Van Lear.  
Stanley Crain has been ill for the past week.  
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**HAYWOOD-BLEVINS**  
Miss Billy Haywood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Haywood, became the attractive bride of Blake Blevins, of Bluefield, W. Va., Monday, Dec. 14.  
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Blaine Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Martin, is home on furlough.  
Seymour Crumpler, son of Rev. and Mrs. R. P. Crumpler, is home from Berea for the Christmas holidays.  
Harry Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Martin, is home on furlough, visiting relatives and friends.  
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**HOLIDAY GREETINGS TO ALL**  
PERCE DE GARTH... GOOD WILL TO ALL MEN

**SANDY VALLEY TIRE SERVICE**  
PRESTONSBURG, KY.



**Merry Christmas**  
WHEN storekeeper Abe Lincoln discovered he had overcharged a customer 6c he walked 6 miles to return those pennies, and earned the nickname "Honest Abe."

Integrity in little things has helped us, too—has earned for us, we believe, the complete confidence of this community, not only in 1942, but in other years. At this time we want to thank you for this confidence, and to extend to you every good wish for a Merry Christmas.  
**A. W. COX**  
DEPARTMENT STORE  
PRESTONSBURG, KY.



SHERIFF'S SALE

FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT

Plaintiff: ... Defendant: ...

By virtue of Execution No. 9211 ...

A tract or parcel of land situated in Floyd county, Ky., on Left Beaver Creek.

For the purchase price, the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing legal interest from the day of sale until paid and having the force and effect of a judgment, with a lien retained upon said property as further security.

ANNIE STUMBO, Sheriff, Floyd County, Ky. By A. C. CARTER, D.S. Cost of advertising \$10.25

SHERIFF'S SALE

FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT

Jeff Newberry, et al., (Consolidated) Plaintiffs vs. ... Defendants

By virtue of a judgment and order of sale of the Floyd Circuit Court, rendered at its October, 1942 term, in the above-styled cause, for the following sums: Thomas Field and Company, \$3,099.92, with interest at six per cent per annum from July 15, 1942, until paid.

FRANK BROWNING, et al., Plaintiffs vs. ... Defendants

TRACT NO. 1—located on the western of Right Beaver Creek, Floyd county, Ky., at Garrett, Ky. Beginning on the 9th of H. H.

Hughes in front of his store building, and running with his line 72 feet to a stone wall; thence with said stone wall, a true line 125 feet to the center of M. M. Pratt's store building, and with said wall a distance of 92 feet; thence back to the beginning, being the same property conveyed by M. M. Pratt and Ella Pratt to John Eakew and Addie Eakew by deed bearing date August 30, 1929, recorded in Deed Book 84, page 14.

Being that certain tract or parcel of land appearing on the plat of the Martin Addition to the town of Garrett, Floyd county, Ky., now on record in the office of the clerk of the Floyd county court, and designated as lots 86, 87 and 88, fronting 75 feet, thence running back to the center of Beaver Creek, being the same property conveyed to Addie Eakew by John Eakew by deed bearing date May 12, 1927, recorded in Deed Book 113, page 424, Floyd county clerk's office.

For a sufficiency thereof to produce the same so ordered to be made. For the purchase price, the purchaser must execute bond with approved surety or sureties, bearing legal interest from date of sale until paid and having the force and effect of a judgment, with a lien retained upon said property as further security.

ANNIE STUMBO, Sheriff, Floyd County, Ky. By B. L. STURGEON, D.S. Cost of advertising, \$10.75

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that by a vote of a majority of the stockholders holding a majority of the outstanding stock of the Prestonsburg Publishing Co., Prestonsburg, Kentucky, a corporation, said corporation is being dissolved as of December 31, 1942, and all persons holding claims against said corporation are requested to file the same with the undersigned on or before that date.

By NORMAN ALLEN, President 12-3-41

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Jones Fork Mining Company, a Kentucky corporation, has elected to dissolve and wind up its affairs and that a memorandum of dissolution has been filed in the County Clerk's office, Prestonsburg, Ky., Lackey, Ky., Nov. 9, 1942.

By J. S. McVEY, President 12-17-42

Frank Browning of Adair county seeded a large field of Balbo rye and found it ready for pasture one month after seeding.



Washington, D. C.

QUIET CONFIDENCE

It brought no headlines, but Chief of Staff General Marshall made the first of his most important statements in a quiet confidence. He spoke of the cooperation between Capitol Hill and the Executive Branch of the government by holding a quiet conference with key senators and representatives.

General Marshall attached great importance to this, since the army, navy and civilian population in North Africa were under the influence of Admiral Darlan. Therefore he suggested to congress that it would be very helpful if other world leaders should be invited to the conference.

Admiral Darlan had come to visit his son who was stricken with infantile paralysis. General Marshall said, then he returned to France.

General Marshall also paid high tribute to Robert Murphy, the state department's charge d'affaires in France, who spent much of his time in the office of the state department.

Another optimistic part of the war picture, the chief of staff said, was New Guinea, where he expects some real Allied progress against the Japs at Buna.

Note: Secretary of the Navy Knox is now following Marshall's cue and has invited members of the senate and house naval affairs committee to have dinner with him some evening soon. As a result of the elections, it looks as if the executive branches of the government had awakened to the fact that there was a congress.

HITLER INFLUENCE In Hitler moves in on Spain, he may accomplish at one blow what we have failed to do in nine months of diplomatic discussions with Argentina. He may force that South American country into a break with the Axis.

It was Argentina which principally gunned the works at Rio de Janeiro last January, when Admiral Sommer Welles, undersecretary of state, was trying to line up all 21 Latin-American countries behind a resolution to sever relations.

The Argentine Foreign Minister Ruiz Guinazu insisted on "neutrality" and Argentina remained on the fence. Ruiz Guinazu is a great admirer of Spain, is proud of his own Spanish blood.

So if the Germans now attack Spain, the Argentine government would almost be forced to come to the defense of the mother country by attacking relations with the attacking country.

Note: Resignation of Argentine War Minister Torazzi, a friend of the United States, is regarded here as the first important rift in the Castillo government.

COURTEOUS MRS. CORDELL HULL Mrs. Cordell Hull was leaving the Shoreham hotel one morning when she encountered Dr. Jose Richling, former minister of Uruguay. "Can I take you some where?" she offered.

"I'm going to the state department," said Richling. "Come along, I'll take you." "But are you going that way?" "No, but it doesn't matter. I have nothing to do. Anyhow, I want to see how my husband works."

CAPITAL CHAFF In spite of a peace shortage, a magnificent suite of offices in the state department is still reserved for the venerable "General of the Armies." Unfortunately Pershing has to spend all his time at the Walter Reed hospital.

The U. S. army in North Africa will consume local fruits and vegetables, not to mention lamb and mutton, produced there in large quantities, and formerly shipped to Italy, France and Germany.

Christmas Greetings (According to Regulations)

Christmas Somewhere with the AEP

A CHRISTMAS HELLO!

I undertake to forward my Christmas Greetings only after having checked with the Rules and Regulations relative to censors and censorship as are in effect here. In keeping within the restrictions my letter untrains itself as you shall read it in the subsequent paragraphs.

First of all allow me to put you all at ease by stating in clear, understandable truth that I arrived here safely as do all the people who reach here. Before I left here I was, for here, I hadn't the slightest idea that my trip would ultimately find me arriving here, from there. However, after I had left here I was, in what I felt by, and after traveling a given number of miles, was not to be continued with the number of nights I found myself arriving here and my transfer completed.

The weather here is just as it is today. In fact the weather is as it should be at this time of the year in this country. Now, that means that it is quite unlike the weather here, before I came here. Without being incontinent and divulging the exact location of my assignment, the land and air here are just as they would be in this part of the land and not to be compared with the type found in that part of the hemisphere where I was formerly.

The mention of distances is taboo but may your anxiety be relieved in the knowledge that from there to here (one way) is exactly the same as it is from here to there (one way) ... Isn't that coincidental?

Concerning my clothing ... I am obliged to bring along all that I wear here as what I wear here I have never worn there and what I wear there takes the place of what I wear here. Yes, you are correct in concluding that you people there and us people here are at present wearing clothes that is not similar.

But time here has the same kind of time that I had there, only it differs somewhat. That is to say, the time I left there was like the time it was here but it was not the same time. I mean, of course, at the same time. In other words ... the time is like the time you normally have here while the other time you would be having here at that time.

I might say that the inhabitants here understand the language they speak quite well. Their mode of dress is just like you would see if you were to see them in snapshots taken here. But no photography is permitted, so no pictures. Their homes are not like the homes I left behind but here I will remain until I go elsewhere.

Well now you know that I am where I am ... Soie and in good health. Hoping you are the same and that yours shall be a MERRY CHRISTMAS.

MERRY CHRISTMAS HAPPY NEW YEAR JIMMY

MAYTOWN (Continued from page 8)

George Allen, recently of Kingsport, Tenn., is at home to the late Clyde Patton, who was called into service last week.

Edgar Hicks of Ft. Carrabelle, Fla., is visiting his sister, Mrs. H. B. Shepherd, and Mr. Shepherd.

Pakie Hicks of the U. S. army is at home with relatives on leave. Mr. Hicks was stationed in Indiana, according to the writer's most recent information.

Mr. and Mrs. Selton Gibson of Turkey Creek, announce the arrival of a ten-pound son on Monday, Dec. 14. The babe has been named Leonard Daniel.

Mrs. E. R. May and daughter, Libby Ree, were shopping in Huntington last week.

Thomas Spence Combs, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. T. Combs,

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We compete with chain stores—a home-owned store

HALE BROS. GROCERY Prestonsburg, Ky.

recently left his studies at the University of Kentucky to enlist in the U. S. army, and is now a private at Fort Sill, Okla.

All Maytown is basking in the reflected glory of her son, Ed Sutton, Jr. whose exploits as a bombardier in Africa are gaining him much renown. Ed, long known as "Jr." to most of his pals, finished Maytown high with an excellent record, afterwards attending Berea College and the University of Alabama, where he took a course in engineering. More power and a safe return are the wishes sent him by his numerous friends. Ed was among Maytown's first volunteers.

OVER THE TOP FOR VICTORY WITH UNITED STATES WAR BONDS—STAMPS



I am a SOLDIER of the Wires

"With the approaching holidays, I am thinking more and more of the problems which confront us operators in getting Uncle Sam's wire calls through, so I decided to speak right out and ask for the help I feel sure everyone is willing to give.

"You know that we operators have a real job to do for Uncle Sam. Every day we put through countless calls from growing Army camps, humming war industries and busy government agencies—calls that we 'soldiers of the wires' know must go through—calls that speed our Nation on to victory!

"This December, war will take no holiday and Uncle Sam will be using the telephone more than ever. Therefore, we operators are asking you to help us by not making holiday greeting long distance calls this year. We urge that no such calls be made, especially on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day or New Year's Eve.

"I know it is asking a lot, but Uncle Sam surely needs these long distance lines and when he needs them—it's right now! I know we can count on your cooperation."

SOUTHERN BELL TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY INCORPORATED

WAYLAND-ESTILL

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Walter Wayland, are residing at Middle Creek.

Cpl. Whitford Bentley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Haas Bentley, of Lackey, is home on furlough.

Cpl. Orville Hanford, son of George Hanford, was home recently on furlough.

Mrs. Burgess Whitaker and baby

recently went to visit her husband at Wright Field, Dayton, O. When they arrived, however, he had been sent to an undisclosed destination. Mrs. Whitaker and baby returned Saturday.

In Barrett county, more acreage has been given to cover crops than fall than at any time in the county's history.

DR. J. A. BROWNE

OPTOMETRIST OPTICIAN

Will be in Prestonsburg on WEDNESDAY OF EACH WEEK Office Hours: 11 a. m. to 4 p. m. at Dr. John G. Archer's office, examining eyes.

NOTICE

Announcing the opening of offices in the Cooley Building

LACKEY, KY.

Specializing in Women's and Children's Diseases

STOMACH ULCERS DIABETES SINUSITIS APPENDICITIS GALL STONES RHEUMATISM HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE HEART AND NERVE DISEASES

A SERVICE YOU WILL APPRECIATE

Hours—9 to 12; 1 to 4

DR. J. E. TRIPLETT

PHONE 22-J

Advertisement for Francis Cash Store featuring a Christmas tree illustration and the text 'Findings of Joy' and 'Not just a wish for Christmas, But a wish for each day of the year, And never were greetings more hearty, Or wishes more true and sincere.'

FRANCIS CASH STORE

PRESTONSBURG, KY.

Advertisement for Thompson's Cafe with the text 'To each and all of you we say "Merry Christmas." We say it—yes—in the very same spirit that we have said it in the past, knowing that the full enjoyment of Christmas is an affair of the heart and of the spirit. Pausing for a moment in the twilight of 1942 we look forward with our friends hopefully to the future.'



A MERRY YULETIDE TO ALL

THOMPSON'S CAFE

PRESTONSBURG, KY.

Advertisement for Jack C. Spurlin featuring a Christmas tree illustration and the text 'Merry Christmas HERE'S WISHING YOU ALL THE HAPPIEST HOLIDAY SEASON' and 'GENERAL INSURANCE Prestonsburg, Ky.'

Advertisement for McDonald Lumber Co. featuring the text 'BUYERS OF HICKORY AND ASH For Information on Prices and Estimates Write or Phone R. KNOX BARNETT LACKEY, KY. Phone 20-J'

Adolph, Bertie and Hirohito—the three blind mice. Make them run with 100 percent of your income in War Bonds every pay day.



Sing a song Of Christmas Cheer— The time of joy And mirth is here!

Have a joyful toast To Victory, To peace—and Worldwide harmony!

GREETINGS FROM

WESTERN AUTO

Associate Store

PRESTONSBURG, KY.

Jalopy Round-Up On

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goes to war and gives Bertin and Tokyo a ride they'll never forget. Mr. Africa adds...

The WPA at Prestonsburg will come and get your jalopy if you call them. Telephone Prestonsburg 2104.



I pray thee then Write me as one that loves his fellow men.

Let us all write that down. Use our names, too, like Abon Ben Adhem's, may appear among the names of those "whom love of God has blessed."

A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU

HUTSINPILLER DRUG

Prestonsburg, Ky.

11 Grads Go to Dayton

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Commission, the NYA has been all-out in preparing young women and men for jobs as welders, aircraft sheet metal workers, machine operators and other specialized war occupations.

An appeal to all persons between the ages of 18 and 25 years who are not now in war work to register immediately for war production training with the NYA was issued this week at Cleveland by Robert Goodwin, Regional Director of the War Manpower Commission for Ohio, Michigan and Kentucky.

Facilities for the training of more than 8,000 new workers for war industries are now being operated by the NYA in more than two-dozen metropolitan centers of the tri-state region.

By enrolling immediately, women can be prepared to fill places on the production lines as more and more men are called into the armed forces in succeeding months.

Registration in this section for training is being handled through the United States Employment Service, Pikeville, and directly at the NYA training center, Prestonsburg.

In addition, Kaye pointed out, the NYA is also operating centers where young women and men from outlying districts may live while training for war jobs.

PRISONER HOSPITALIZED - Shot through his foot when he attempted to escape after having been arrested by Lackey policeman Irvin Stuenkel.

BUY WAR BONDS!

ABIGAIL THEATER

THURS.-FRI., DEC. 24-25

"Girl Trouble" Don Ameche, Joan Bennett. News "Everybody's War."

SATURDAY— 10:30 a. m. to 1:15 p. m. 6:30 p. m. to 8:15 p. m. "Sundown Kid" Don Barry, Linda Johnson.

SUNDAY— 3 and 10 p. m. "Scattergood Rides High" Guy Kibbee, Dorothy Moore. Comedies.

SUNDAY-MONDAY— "White Cargo" Hedy Lamarr, Walter Pidgeon. Walt Disney—"SKY TROOPER"

TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY— "Wings for the Eagle" Ann Sheridan, Dennis Morgan. News. "Monkey Doodle Doodles."

Attend our Saturday shows

TOWN-WORLD

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The Top-Kick glowered at this Casper Milquist who had venturured into The Presence with a complaint. "So you can't get to go home, eh, trooper? Well, ain't that too bad? Tell you what I'd do, rookie—I'd just take out those store teeth you're wearing and bust 'em all to hell!"

Galvanized for the nonce into a man of action, the rookie did just that—jerked out his false molars, and jumped back into them with both feet, bursting them to bits.

"Now," roared the sergeant, "you get to hell up there to headquarters and tell 'em you dropped your teeth and broke 'em! Do that on the double-quick, or I'll ride your back clear there and back!"

MARTIN GENERAL HOSPITAL NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Lavinia Turner, of Minnie, are the parents of a son born Dec. 19. Mother and babe are doing nicely.

Mr. E. B. Burton, of Martin, was admitted to the hospital Dec. 12 for medical treatment and is convalescing nicely.

Mr. Curtis Smith, of Zebulon, Ky., was admitted Dec. 16 for medical treatment and is improving nicely.

Master Ray Sexton, small son of Andrew Sexton, of Drift, was admitted recently for medical treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Patton, of Martin, are the parents of a daughter born Dec. 19. Mother and babe are at the hospital and are doing nicely.

Miss Clara Hicks, of Hoesville, was admitted Dec. 19 for medical treatment and is improving nicely.

Mrs. Frank Pittman, of Wayland, was admitted to the hospital Dec. 20 for medical treatment.

Mrs. Dow M. Hunter, of Hunter, was admitted Dec. 20 for medical treatment.

In Fayette county, a local butcher co-operated with homemakers' clubs to discuss cuts of meats and to show good and poor qualities.

Subscribe for THE TIMES.

MARTIN THEATER

"WHERE THE CROWDS GO"

FRI., DEC. 25—

"There's One Born Every Minute" Huge Herbert, Tom Brown.

SATURDAY—DOUBLE BILL—"Manila Calling" Lloyd Nolan, Carole Landis. "Bandit Trail" Tim Holt, Cliff Edwards.

SUNDAY-MONDAY— "The Black Swan" Tyrone Power, Maureen O'Hara. "This is America"

TUESDAY—"Butch Minds the Baby" Dick Foran, Virginia Bruce.

WED.-THURS.— "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch" Fay Bainter, Carolyn Lee, Hugh Herbert.

Attend our Saturday shows

See 8 Jap Ships Sunk

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He added that his sub's score is low—that one U. S. submarine craft has a record of 19 enemy ships sent to the bottom and that another has sent 17 in the same direction.

Back to that horse race and that super-deluxe job on the Jap war ship, just launched, Akers, tight-lipped about matters the Navy might not want to talk about, merely says he knows the stories are true.

Of both men Akers spoke highly. "Walters and I were pals. Commander Hurt was not afraid of anything. A square-shooting guy and the best-loved man in the Atlantic fleet, was Hurt. I first met him in Honolulu, in '38."

Out of all the din of battle Akers brings home some pleasant recollections. "The sweetest sound I ever heard," he declared, "was our first torpedo exploding against a Jap ship," even if it did sound, he explained, "like a miniature clap of thunder and us in the middle of it."

Akers has a brother, Francis, on a merchant ship's gun crew.

After the war is over? "Still in the submarine service 'for me,'" says Akers.

94 Selectees Leave

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Manton—Dewey Gresham. Martin—Ashlie Samons, Willie Samons, Pearl Tussey, Carl Crisp, Ike Lutton, Walter Moran, Orville Osley, Vernon Allen.

Cracker—Ernest Conn, Harry Conn, Maston Samons. Allen—Ray Ralph Walk (V), Frank Bailey (V).

Homer—E. Parsons. Heger Hill—Carol Hall. Printer—Edd Carver, Fred Conn, John Hiram Sparlock (V).

Lite—Robert Dean Osborne. Jump—Ester Martin. Drift—Merle Edward Ward, Guy Ward, Archie Fugate, Columbus Carroll, Russell Cecil Hobbs.

Minutie—John Collins, Kennel Moseley (V). McDowell—Lee Spradlin, Junior Bentley, Selton Stone, Elmer Patton (V).

Drift—Earl Brown, Joe Tackett (V). Fed—Troy Newsome, Tivis Newberry Jones.

Ligon—Estler Flannery, Henry Bailey (V), Meart Estel Fields, William Sherman Mlum.

Croney—Herman Hall, Willie Gayheart. Dony—Orbin Osborne. Melvins—Willie Johnson.

Halo—Frank Bentley. Bevinville—Marion Hall, Jr., Alfred Bradley Calhoun (V), Joe Morris, Edall Harris.

Weeksbury—Calvin Johnson, Curt Hall, Fred Johnson, Orland Little, Claude Blankenship, Harry O. Dutton, Homer Mullins.

Wright—Pierce Johnson, Fred Williams, Jr. Albert, Eason Hatfield, Thomas Faulkner. (V) indicates volunteer.

E. Howard Cadle Dies

At Indianapolis, Ind.

E. Howard Cadle, famed radio preacher, died Sunday morning at Indianapolis, Ind., after an illness of a few weeks.

It was reported he had requested that the Rev. B. R. Lakin, former pastor of Irene Cole Memorial Baptist Church here, and his associate for the last two years, carry on his work.

Your best investment—United States War Bonds and Stamps—and do it now!

HAY FEVER ROSE FEVER HEAD COLDS ASTHMA?

For relief of these and other ailments, try the new medicine, HUGHES DRUG STORE, PRESTONSBURG, KY.

HUGHES DRUG STORE PRESTONSBURG, KY.

Merry Christmas Greetings of Joy - 1942 Being the fine friends and acquaintances you are we would not want to miss this 1942 holiday season opportunity to send you these greetings. A Happy Christmas to You and Yours

J. B. DICK & COMPANY PRESTONSBURG, KY.

TOY SHOW 1942 Happy Holidays CHRISTMAS 1942

GOOD WILL, music, happiness, health—a foursome without a peer—our wish for you and yours as Christmas comes in this fateful year of 1942. Your kindness has meant a great deal to us, and we thank you most cordially.

UNION WHOLESALE GROCERY

LANCER, KY.

1942 Christmas

It's an old-fashioned greeting, hal-lowed by centuries of use, but we know of no other greeting to take its place, so in 1942, as in other years, we simply say to you, our friends,

MERRY CHRISTMAS SUPERIOR DRY CLEANERS PRESTONSBURG, KY.

SEASON'S GREETINGS CHRISTMAS

JUST A LINE to extend our heartfelt thanks for your kindness to us during 1942, and to wish you and yours the merriest Christmas of them all. SCOTT'S STORE PRESTONSBURG, KY.

MERRY CHRISTMAS... PEACE ON EARTH HOLIDAY GREETINGS TO EVERYONE, 1942

It would be fine if we personally could meet and greet each one of you this thought-provoking Christmas of 1942. The fact that we cannot does not keep us from saying to you here that we wish you a very Merry Christmas. Doke Griffith, Jeweler PRESTONSBURG, KY.

COAL OPERATORS, ATTENTION!

THE WAR MANPOWER COMMISSION requests all producing coal operators in Leitcher, Pike, Floyd, and Johnson counties, to attend a meeting at the Pike county courthouse, Pikeville, KY., FRIDAY, JANUARY 8, at 2:30 P. M.

All coal mining operations, large and small, are required to have a duly authorized representative present at this meeting.

W. C. STEVENS, Director for Eastern Kentucky, War Manpower Commission

YULETIDE JOY TO ALL

You take our good service for granted and we take your patronage for granted. However, we are very grateful for your patronage during 1942, and, this being Christmas, we want to tell you about it, and to wish you and yours the full joys of Yuletide.

PERRY'S GROCERY PRESTONSBURG, KY.