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Floyd County Times

PRESTONSBURG, KENTUCKY

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December 24, 1953

This Town That World... THE OLD-WAY BUTS US... AND NOW ANOTHER CHRISTMAS... This newspaper has been for 26 Christmas now with the people of Floyd County...

STILL BEARING SOMETIMES... We'd almost forgotten, but the old, old custom of looting up suddenly before a friend and calling "Christmas gifts" still survives...

IN DEFENSE OF SANTA... A Baltimore priest has felt impelled to tell the children of his parish the Big Lie to inform them, flatly, that there's no Santa Claus.

GROUP TALKS AREA PLIGHT... Labor's Role and River Canalization Discussed at Meeting Held Friday... A frank discussion of business conditions, marked by public attention...

COURT DOCKET AT NEW LOW ON VIOLENCE... Major Crime Cases For January Trial... Few, Docket Shows... The docket of the circuit court term which will convene here Monday, Jan. 4, indicates that crime is dropping to a low level in the county...

STATE TO ASK LEVEL OF 40% FOR ALL COUNTIES... On Tax Assessment; Assessors Protest... The Kentucky Tax Commission will be asking among all counties the assessment of all classes of taxable property, possibly with a floor of about 40 percent of the assessed value...

COURT HOUSE HAPPENINGS... SUITS FILED... MARRIAGE LICENSES... The court today was busy with a variety of cases...

INJURED YOUTH TAKEN TO LEXINGTON HOSPITAL... Fifteen-year-old Jimmy Hopson, of Horseville, was taken to a Lexington hospital Sunday afternoon after he and William N. Manan, 20, of Langley, were injured in the wreck of an auto at the mouth of Youngs Branch...

MARRIAGE LICENSES... John and Maudie Brown, Shelby Terry, 45, and Tava S. Black, 36, both of Langley, married Dec. 21 by the Rev. Alex Stephens...

BLOODMOBILE RETURNS SLIM... Last Visit to County This Year Nets Only Third of Blood Quota... The 1953 visits of the regional Red Cross bloodmobile to Floyd county resulted last week in a yield of only 44 pints of blood.

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JR. CHAMBER RESOLUTIONS SOLICIT HELP... Group Here Launches Movement To Get Site Of A-Plant for Valley... The recently organized Prestonburg Junior Chamber of Commerce has adopted resolutions calling on the Kentucky Agricultural and Industrial Development Board to make available to the Atomic Energy Commission full data in its possession on needs of the area...

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Spirit of Giving Grows Strong at Christmas

In Floyd county schools, churches, and homes this Yuletide week there was a holiday festiveness which brought record attendances where the celebrations were held. Operatives were produced, the public sang, and Christmas carols were sung in a score of places, and pageants depicting the flight of Mary and Joseph to Egypt were features of school and church programs...

Even the rural schools joined the festivities, probably to a greater extent this year than before. Mrs. Frankie Bern's Fourth of Middle Creek school presented two pageants, "Come-and-Worship," and "The Little Stranger."

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ATTEND FUNERAL

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Joy and Mr. and Mrs. DeChamone... Mrs. John M. Loutin.

MOVE TO PRESTONSBURG

Aaron Duff and family have moved from Hazard to the Barkins property in Graham street here.

Miss Akers, Mr. Moore Wed Here, December 21

The marriage of Miss Katharine Akers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Akers, of Lander, Ky., and Mr. Edsel Moore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edna Moore of Clark Ky., was solemnized on Monday, December 21, at 11 a.m., at the Methodist Episcopal Church here.

The double-ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. Harold Mayo before an altar of greenery flanked by baskets of white gladioli, a new cathedral candlestick holding white taper. Pre-nuptial organ music was played by Mrs. Chancie Frazier. Miss Mary Lou Layne sang "Oh, Promise Me" preceding the ceremony, and "The Lord's Prayer" following the vows.

The bride given in marriage by her father, wore a white slipper suit with long train. The fitted bodice had a high neckline with lace forming an off-shoulder effect. Fluffy pointed sleeves completed the bridal gown. Finger-tip veil of net was caught by a strand of seed pearls. She carried white rings with a glower of diamonds.

The bride's hair was styled in ribbons. Miss Charlene Akers, maid of honor, wore a light green tulle dress, ballerina length, with green net overskirt, a handsome diamond corsage net encircling her head. She carried a nosegay bouquet of white carnations. Miss Florence Conn, Lander, bridesmaid, wore a yellow tulle dress, identical to the maid of honor's, and carried a white carnation nosegay. Miss Barbara Williams, of Bell, Ky., wore a lavender tulle dress, net bodice and carried a carnation nosegay of white.

Mr. Gordon Moore, brother of the groom, served as best man. Mr. Randall Akers and Mr. Rayburn Akers serve as ushers and groomsmen. Mrs. Akers, mother of the bride, wore a grey suit, black accessories and a pink corsage. Mr. Moore is a junior at the University of Kentucky, where he is a sophomore at Eastern Kentucky State College, Richmond, where she is majoring in Home Economics.

Following a honeymoon in Florida, they will resume their studies and reside in Lexington.

A Times Want ad is a powerful salesman who works for little pay.

DR. M. J. LEETE DENTIST Room 1, over Kruger Store Telephone: Office 1811 Home 1281 PRESTONSBURG, KY.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Myrtle Widdington and Mrs. Beattie Woods visited Mrs. Jenny Slaten, Pikeville, Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Mellon, Paintsville, were here Sunday visiting his mother, Mrs. Doll Mellon.

Elmer Collins visited his mother, Mrs. C. C. Collins in Ashland last week. He was accompanied by Don, and Howard.

H. L. Ley was a business visitor in Ashland last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hill and baby, Lexington arrived home Saturday from Lexington to spend the holidays with relatives.

Rev. and Mrs. Orville Pearson and Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wall Hamilton at Dick's Cafe.

Mrs. Burnis Martin, Mrs. Nancy Hodges and Mrs. Neolus Collins, worth were in Huntington recently shopping.

Mrs. Ralph Davis spent last week in Lexington, visiting her daughter, Mrs. G. C. Collins in Ashland last week. He was accompanied by Don, and Howard.

Mrs. Nora Ann Davis, student in Loupville, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Davis, on Abbott Road.

Mrs. John R. Clark, St. Albans, Va., Mr. and Mrs. Ben Ferguson, Jr., Baylan, are here visiting Mrs. J. P. Ligon, through the holidays.

Jerry Hager, student at University of Ky., is visiting his father, J. Hager, and Mrs. Hager, at Richmond, Va. is home for the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. May.

Betsy Spurrick is home from the University of Kentucky to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Spurrick.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Ray Collins has been seriously ill at the Prestonsburg General hospital.

Mr. Wheeler Burchett and Wall Hamilton were in Charleston, W. Va., Monday, in the interest of Columbus Fuel & Carbon Co.

Woodford Howard arrived last week from Princeton University to spend the holidays with the parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Howard.

Mrs. Wall Hamilton and Miss Lexie Allen were shopping in Lexington last week.

Edna Buzar, Rubick Smiley, Sue Coble, students at Eastern State Teachers College are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Burk. Mr. and Mrs. Varney Smiley, Mr. and Mrs. James Y. Goble.

Barbara Jane Hair, Floyd Arnold Mann, and Varney Smiley Jr. students at University of Kentucky, arrived home Saturday for the Christmas vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Hardin and son John, Jr., Ft. Meade, Md. arrived this week for the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Patrick.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Layne, Ashland, will spend the week here with his sister, Mrs. Jo M. Davidson, and Mrs. Everett Sowards.

Mr. and Mrs. George Glenn Hatcher, Elizabeth Lynn and Elissa Lee, Frankfort, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hill, Lexington, Mr. and Mrs. John Bailey and family will spend Christmas holidays with Mrs. Fanny Jarrell.

Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Baldrige visited his sister, Mrs. Jesse Brown Aukler, and family in Johnson county, Sunday.

Mrs. Ruth D. Sowards, Mrs. Wall Hamilton, Mrs. Virginia Patton Hill, Mrs. Harris attended the funeral of Mrs. Mary Lee Goble Patton at Ashland, Sunday afternoon.

Val Strahan, Jr., was returned to Louisville after a two-week visit here assisting his father, who has been suffering from a dislocated vertebrae.

The Rev. Ira McMillen and sweeties had an income of less than \$200 a year.

Miss Durham Is Bride in December 5 Wedding



The Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Durham, of David, Ky., announce the marriage of their daughter, Lila Mae, to Mr. Thomas J. Durham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence D. Durham, of Dallas, Georgia.

The wedding took place December 5 at the Central Presbyterian Church, Washington, D. C. The bride wore a white-herb ballerina gown with finger-tip illusion veil. She was attended by one bridesmaid, Miss Marian Lee Kelsey, Washington, D. C.

The groom is in the U. S. Marine Corps, stationed at Quantico, Virginia. The couple plan to make their home in Washington.

CHURCH GROUP MEETS

The Missionary Society of the First Church of God, held its monthly meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mible on North Lake Drive, Monday.

Christmas carols were sung led by Mrs. Edith Kenney, with Mrs. George Brown at the piano. The president, Mrs. Foster Anderson, presided. Mrs. Henry Stephens, Jr. led this opening prayer. Mrs. Anderson told the story of "The Three Wise Men".

Mrs. Edward Music assisted by Mrs. Clifford Baldrige and Miss Peggy Music, served a Christmas plate to about 25 members and guests. Christmas presents were exchanged by the Sunshine Sisters. A beautiful suit was presented as a surprise to the pastor's wife, Mrs. Mossie Kitchen. She graciously expressed her thanks. Mrs. Dove Vaughan damaged the club with prayer.

Emergency leaves for the two sons were granted by the army on the same day, and the family is at home to account for the non-arrival of the soldier stationed in England. Inquiries made through the American Red Cross here and the Washington, D. C. office failed to disclose any fact except the granting of the "leave" but will be under the impression of Hall Ross Funeral Home.

AN OPEN LETTER TO THE KENTUCKY LEGISLATURE

The last legislature, legislated our county until law in respect to selling alcoholic liquor by separate fourth class towns vote separately from the county on this question. They did not stop at that, but proceeded to declare a lot of little towns that did not have sufficient population to be classed as fourth class towns, to be fourth class towns regardless of the fact that the population was not sufficient.

We are calling on the honorable legislature to make right this wrong for under the present set-up we will either have to vote wet or else be bothered with wet and dry elections every few years as we find that no court can review or reverse this thing. We ask the legislature to classify us according to our population, which is the only fair thing to do and it will relieve us of these burdens.

What I am saying now I am speaking for myself, but I have reason to believe that I am speaking for a multitude of others, and that we have a remedy for the situation, but we don't want to use this remedy if the legislature will act.

The remedy I am speaking of is this: we can have an election and vote the fourth class town out of existence by doing away with the Mrs. Mary Lee Goble Patton but we will wait and see what the legislature will do about it.

S. D. Osborne Martin, Ky.

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The Howards

Noah, Edith and Alcie

at home

January 1, 1954

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4 p.m. to 9 p.m.



Merry Christmas CENTER GRILL T. A. Hahner, Mgr. PRESTONSBURG, KY.

EVERY GOOD WISH FOR CHRISTMAS NASH SALES & SERVICE PRESTONSBURG, KY.

HOMES AND BUSINESS FOR SALE AT BETSY LAYNE One five room house with new bath including automatic water heater. Large combination smoke house and pump house. New jet pump including plastic pipes. Good garden. Gas and electricity in house. One six room house with new tile bath, tub and shower. Automatic water heater, cabinet sink. Beautiful clear oak floors, Rubber tile in kitchen, dining room and bath floors. Floor furnace. Brick smoke house and block pump house. Beautiful spacious lawn with plenty of shade trees. One nice four room house with running water, gas, and electricity. A modern grade "A" restaurant known as the Fountain. This building is of glazed tile and plastered. Floor furnace, shower bath. This is a real clean well established business which sells for cash. No credit headaches. All good clean stock. Real good equipment including: Soda fountain, showcases, booths, backbar, stools, counter covered with formica. Tile floor. Now if you want really good, desirable property this is your opportunity. All is within 500 yards of Betsy Layne High School. Reason for selling: The owner has already bought other interests and is leaving town. Contact WILLARD RATLIFF AT THE FOUNTAIN Betsy Layne, Ky.

Our Merry Christmas wishes ring out truer, and clearer than any other greeting we could extend to you. FRANCIS STORE PRESTONSBURG, Ky.

AT CHRISTMAS Home Appliance Co. PRESTONSBURG, Ky.

Valley Motor Car Co. CHEVROLET - OLDSMOBILE PRESTONSBURG, KY.

**HEAD TRACK THROUGH SCHOOL**  
Jimmy Howard will spend the holidays here with his mother and grandparents. Mrs. Mary Ford Howard and Mr. and Mrs. Irvine Ford at Lancaster, Jimmy is a student at Lyndon Center, Vermont.

**CONValescing FROM SURGERY**  
Ozell Sturgill, who submitted to surgery recently in Detroit, Mich., is at the home here of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Sturgill, where he is convalescing.

**Society**  
• Notes •

**EUROPEAN TOURIST WILL SPEAK TO WOMAN'S CLUB**

Mrs. Thomas Thompson will be hostess to the Women's Club January 7, at her home on Graham Street. Miss Stella Ekjas, instructor at Pikeville Junior College, will be the guest speaker. She will review her European travels last year to the club members. All members are urged to attend Mrs. John Hale, Mrs. Grover Lewis and Mrs. Marie T. Arnett will be co-hostesses.

**HOME FOR HOLIDAYS**

Among the students arriving home for the Christmas vacation are: Miss Carlos Hines, University of Kentucky; Miss Charlene Akers, Miss Nancy Sparlock, Miss Bonnie Wells, Eastern State Teachers College; Franklin Conley, Georgetown College; Julian Campbell, Morehead State College; Woodrow Buffchell, Jr., Millersburg Military Institute; Raleigh Archer, Hill School for Boys, Potts Town, Pa.; David Hereford, Morehead College; Billy Richmond, Weika, Queenin Allen; Jimmy May, James May, University of Kentucky.

**SUFFERS HEART ATTACK**

Herbert Salisbury, Sr., is a patient at Prestonsburg General hospital where he is receiving blood transfusions. Monday it was found that Mr. Salisbury was suffering from anemia. His condition has been serious all week and his many friends and relatives are most anxious about him.

**HOST TO DINNER**

J. H. Keenan was host to dinner, on Dec. 19, to co-workers in his department of the Ky. & W. Va. Forest Company, at his home on Second Avenue. Peace cards reading Charles, Wellington, Henry May, Bruce Calpin, Floyd Gamboe, James Davis, Everett Lemaster, Richard Herald, Arnold Cassidy, Milton Hensley, Ike Leewood, Herbert L. Ley, J. H. Keenan. Mrs. Keenan was assisted in serving the dinner by Mrs. H. L. Ley and Mrs. Zella H. Archer.

**SUBMITTED TO APPENDECTOMY**

Miss Madie Owens, Silverville, sister of Mrs. Nealous Collinsworth, submitted to an appendectomy recently at Pikeville hospital. She is back home and expects to return last week. Mrs. Owens is employed with Goodyear Engineers, Louisville.

**HOME FROM HOSPITAL**

Mrs. Daniel Miller is convalescing at her home on Riverside avenue, from a recent operation at the Prestonsburg General Hospital. She is doing nicely.

**ABLE TO GET OUT**

Tom Allen is able to be out again after a serious auto accident a few weeks ago, when he sustained a fracture of vertebrae. Being in a cast, he is showing some improvement.

**HOME FOR HOLIDAYS**

Miss Louise Goble arriving last week from Washington, D. C., where she is employed, to visit her mother, Mrs. Lufe Goble, during the holidays.

**SPENDING FURLOUGH HERE**

Earl Paul, 22-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Paul, is on a two-week furloUGH with his parents. He is stationed at Philadelphia, Pa., in U. S. Navy.

**TO SPEND HOLIDAYS AT LEXINGTON**

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Rimmer left Wednesday for Lexington, where they will spend the holidays with their daughter, Mrs. Richard Wood, and family. They will return home December 29th.

**MICHIGAN VISITORS**

Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Mayo, Jr., Ann Arbor, Michigan, are here visiting his mother, Mrs. W. P. Mayo, during the holidays.

**SPENDING CHRISTMAS IN VIRGINIA**

Mrs. J. R. Hurt left this week for Gate City, Va., to spend the Christmas season with her sisters.

**HOME FROM LUKE AIR FORCE BASE**

Jimmy Morell, who is stationed at Luke Air Force Base, Goendale, Arizona, arrived last week from his station to spend his furloUGH with his mother, Mrs. Frankie Moore, and Mr. Moore. Mr. Morell frequently visits Rev. and Mrs. Harold Black in Phoenix, Ariz. The Blacks formerly resided here.

**LEAVES HOSPITAL**

Harry Ranier, who submitted to an appendectomy Dec. 14, was dismissed three days later. He is convalescing nicely at his home on Davis Street.

**SUFFERED STROKE**

Andy King, father of Mrs. B. L. Sturell is critically ill at the Prestonsburg General Hospital. Mr. King suffered a stroke two weeks ago at the home of his daughter, here. Mr. and Mrs. King live at Scottsville, Ohio and had come here to spend the winter with their daughter and family.



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**SPENDING FURLOUGH AT HOME**

Julius Moser and Mrs. Moser arrived last week to spend the holiday season with his mother, Mrs. Walter Porter, at Zanesville.

**HOLIDAY VISITORS**

Prof. and Mrs. Z. S. Dickerson, Jr., and children, of Florence, Ala., are holiday guests here of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Z. S. Dickerson. He is a member of the faculty of Alabama State Teachers College at Florence.



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for the Holidays

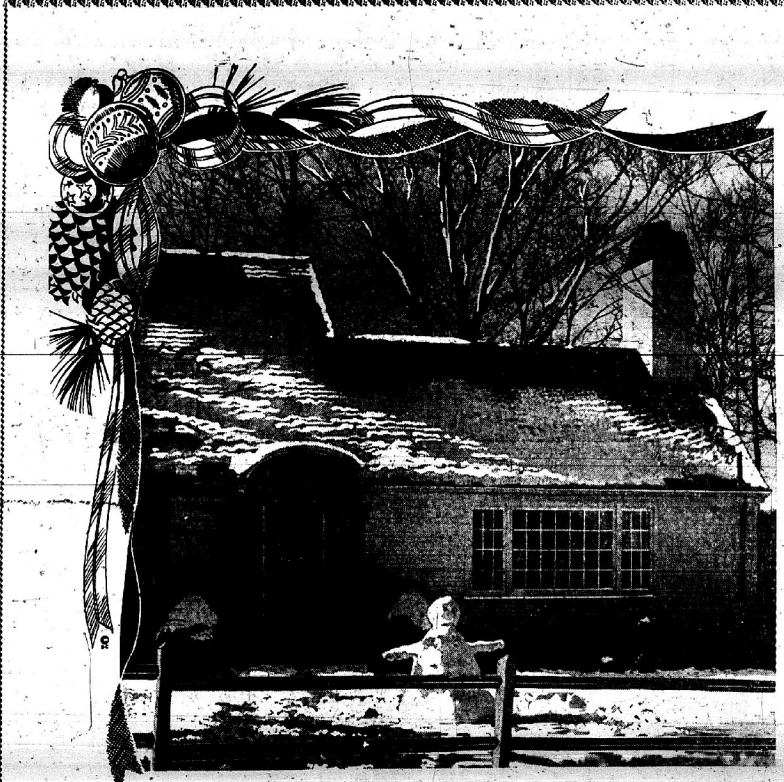
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—Polaroid 1-Minute Photo by Times  
The "singing" Christmas trees, part of the musical pageant, presented at the Betty Layne grade school.



—Polaroid 1-Minute Photo by Times  
One of the many decorated rural schools was that of the Forks of Middle Creek School. A Thanksgiving mural is seen at the top above the Christmas window.

**PRESTONSBURG METHODIST CHURCH**

December 27  
9:45 a.m. Church School (classes for all ages).  
10:45 a.m. Morning worship, sermon topic — "1953's Inventory."  
7:30 p.m. Methodist Youth Fellowship.  
7:30 p.m. Student Recognition Program. The students that are home for the holidays will have charge of the program.  
Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., Miss Woods and Miss Pugsley will have charge of the prayer service.  
New Year's Eve. A communion service will be conducted by the pastor. Those desiring to commune may come any time from 8:30 to 1:00 p.m.

The public is cordially invited to attend the services of this church. This is the "Friendly Church."

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But before new industries can be lured into the valley, he said "we must get out of the industry-mind-the idea that industry will have labor trouble. There's no real conflict between labor and management here."  
"We must convince the people who might bring business here that the public won't allow radical labor to run their businesses."

"I would be a great help, he said, if the Big Sandy were canalized because coal transportation now costs too much.  
Canalization is the valley's only real salvation, according to Marvin Music, Prestonsburg businessman. That improvement, he said, would attract industry by offering lower freight rates."

One of the big troubles, Dr. George Archer, of Prestonsburg, said is that "we have not demanded enough of our public servants. Too many people promise everything and do nothing for us."  
Dr. Archer excluded Governor Wetheby from that group, saying that the Governor "has gone to bat for us, pointing out his efforts toward developing a state park at Dewey Lake and in working out a plan for a bi-state park at the Breaks at Sandy."

"Wetheby actually has tried to do something for Eastern Kentucky," the Prestonsburg surgeon declared, "but we have got to make people realize that Eastern Kentucky is a part of the Commonwealth."  
"To succeed," he said, "we must unite our own producers, and work as a valley."

Urging an "Eastern Kentucky community concept," James W. Wine, of Pikeville stressed the possibilities of the valley, but said labor, industry and business leaders of the area must have mutual respect.

"If we consider the valley's possibilities — power, coal and labor — we would not be depressed," he said.  
The only limitation, Wine declared, is the lack of industrial water. He recommended impoundment dams and conservation reservoirs to solve the water problem.  
"We know our problems," he said, "but we have done nothing to solve them. The opportunity is there if we meet the problem, co-operatively. There is no reason for pessimism."  
Fred Francis, Prestonsburg attorney, presided at the meeting, which was attended by 15 men.

**Southern Association Approves P'Burg High For '54 Accreditation**

The Central Reviewing Committee of the Commission of Secondary Schools, Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, in its meeting, Dec. 2-4 at Memphis, Tenn., approved Prestonsburg high school for membership through the coming year.

Chalmers H. Frazer, superintendent of Prestonsburg schools, was notified this week of the committee's favorable action by Dr. Harold P. Adams, state chairman, Southern Association.

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3. The Tax Commission decided on its action partly to keep individual county tax commissioners off a political hot seat. The reason is not an increase in assessments ordered by a County tax commissioner automatically results in an increase in taxes unless the fiscal court at the same time reduces the rate. This increase in turn, brings the wrath of the tax-payer on the head of the tax commissioner, an elected official instead of the authorized taxing authority, fiscal court.

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Three thousand seven hundred forty-two weeks of unemployment were claimed by those seeking unemployment benefits in November. Glen Anderson, manager of the local employment office, said here Tuesday of this number, approximately 500 reported for claims against their status. December initial claims totaled 2,317 on Dec. 18, and it was said that at this rate the total December weeks claimed would be over 5,000. There was a total of 234 initial claims for unemployment, both interstate and intrastate, in the month up to the 18th. At this rate it was thought December's total would be exceeded. A survey indicates that 1,405 cars in Taylor county were artificially bred in 1952 and 1953.



Franklin D. Conley, speaker at Baptist Night at Christians, all-night event among prominent here, will be observed at the home of Mrs. Frank Conley of Prestonsburg, who is a student at Georgetown College, will preach the sermon. He recently named recognition at Georgetown in the role of pastor in the Shakespearean play "Hamlet and Juliet."

The youth choir under the direction of Mrs. Iva McMillen, Jr., will sing Malton's "The Lamb's Prayer." At the close of the youth service the pastor will administer the ordinance of baptism. A special invitation is extended to everyone to attend this service.

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SAURDAY, DEC. 26—DOUBLE FEATURE "Girls of Pleasure Island" Don Taylor, Leo Glenn "Vigilante Terror" Bill Elliott, Mary Ellen Kay

SUNDAY, DEC. 27—"Island in the Sky" John Wayne, Lloyd Nolan

TUESDAY, DEC. 29—FAMILY NIGHT 8:00—"Untamed Breed" Norma Talmo, Barbara Britton "Hot News" Stanley Clements, Gloria Henry

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 30—ALL SEATS 20c—"Plunder of the Sun" Glenn Ford, Diana Lynn

The entire staff wish the patrons of the Price and Ligon Theatres a very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

ARNOLD AVENUE CHURCH OF CHRIST

10:00 a. m.—Bible School. 11:00 a. m.—Morning Worship. Tom Fields' superintendent. Weekly—Lord's Supper. Morning Message, Dec. 27—"What Being With Jesus Did For Peter and John." 7:00 p. m.—Evening sermon. "God Speaks Not." An Hour of Power. Prayer and Praise. A friendly church in a friendly community cordially invites you to attend all services. Clarence Mansfield, Minister. SUBSCRIBE FOR THE TIMES

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(Continued from Page 1) furious effect. Abraham Lincoln is a lot calmer never doubted that Lincoln and children later to be ruled of nations were merely sure the spirit would scale the battlements and they would scale his way. The Lincoln statue has the Lincoln statue to put Christ back into business. Just to maintain that a special and other religious Santa-day evening. His out. A Times Want Ad is a powerful salesman who works for little pay.

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(Continued from Page 6) June Welch, Huntington; Jennie Layne, Beckley, W. Va.; Rude and Jack Layne, Lorain, Ohio. Three sisters survive: Mrs. Minnie Hatch, Harold; Mrs. Allie Marra, Amba; and Mrs. Nora Hall, in Ohio. Funeral services were conducted at the Vogel-Day Methodist Church near Harts, the Rev. Isaac Blanton, care of Suters and Wesley O. Paton officiating. Burial was in the Ferguson cemetery at Layneville, under the direction of Baker Funeral Home, Pikeville.

Special Yule Music For Thursday Telecast

A special program of appropriate Christmas music will be telecast Thursday night, December 24, by Station WBAZ-TV, at 6:30 p. m., sponsored by the Ashland Oil & Refining Company. In place of its usual "Ashland Oil Theatre," which will resume December 31. Featured on this special program will be the "Swaneau River Boys," a nationally known quartette who have recently joined the staff of Station WBAZ-TV. Company greetings to the widespread audience of this television station will be given by a management representative.

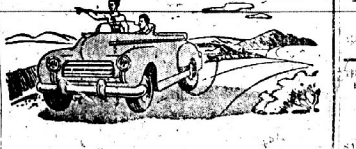
PRESTONSBURG STORES TO CLOSE SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26

Because Christmas falls on Friday this year, and our employees otherwise would have only a brief holiday, the undersigned Prestonsburg stores will be closed all day Saturday, Dec. 26, to afford employees a longer Christmas vacation.

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- The Archer Shop
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- Jones Store
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- 1946 FORD 2-Dr. Sed.
- 1947 WILLYS Jeep.

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First Service in New Community Church Here Slated Sunday Morning

First service to be held in the new Community Methodist Church in the First Addition area will be Sunday at 8:45 a. m. The Rev. Harold Harvey, pastor of the Prestonsburg Methodist Church, will deliver the sermon. The church was organized a few weeks ago as completion of the building neared. The Rev. Mr. Dorsey is pastor-in-charge. The public is invited to this first service in the church.

STRAND THEATRE

PRESTONSBURG, KY.

FRIDAY, DEC. 25—"Band Wagon" MGM Top Musical. Joe E. Brown, Bob Hope

SATURDAY, DEC. 26—"Atlantic City" "Bonny Moon"

SUNDAY, DEC. 27—"Romance of the West" Eddie Brann

MONDAY, DEC. 28—"Million-Dollar Purchase" Henry Edwards Grand Western

TUESDAY, DEC. 29—"Stag 17" William Holden, Don Taylor

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 30—"Bury Me Not on the Lone Prairie" Johnny Mack Brown

THURSDAY-FRIDAY, DEC. 31-Jan. 1—"The Quiet Man" John Wayne, Maureen O'Hara

MARTIN THEATRE

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FRIDAY, DEC. 25—"The Caddy" Bruce Nathan, Jerry Lewis. Show at 2:30, 8:15 p. m. Admission 25c and 50c.

SATURDAY, DEC. 26—"Flight to Tangier" Gene Kelly, Jack Palance, Cydric Carter

SUNDAY, DEC. 27—"Vicki" Jeanne Crain, Cooper Adams, John Peters

MONDAY, DEC. 28—"Salome" Olga Heston, Stevan Gaghan, Charles Trenor

TUESDAY, DEC. 29—"Thy Neighbor's Wife" Helen Healy, John Moore

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 30—"Killer Ape" Robert Montgomery, Carl Thurston

THURSDAY-FRIDAY, DEC. 31-Jan. 1—"Thunder over the Plains" John Wayne, Robert Rock, Bill Tucker

GOING JAN. 2—"The Nebraskan" (3D)

**"O Little Town of Bethlehem"**

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**First Golden Wedding At Hawaii Army Camp Features Floyd Couple**

KILAUEA Military Camp, Hawaii. For the first time in the history of Kilauea Camp a golden wedding anniversary was celebrated there. Mr. and Mrs. Alex L. Prater, who were the honored guests at the party held in the camp cafeteria, have been spending the week there with their son, Lt. Col. B. E. Prater, USAF, and Mrs. Prater's father, Mr. & P. Fisher, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Born and reared in Floyd county, Ky., Mr. and Mrs. Prater were married in 1903. Their first home was a log cabin near Mad Creek. They have eight children, 21 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Their children are Mrs. O. J. Sandstrom, Akron, Ohio; Elmer Prater, Ypsanti, Mo.; Capt. J. M. Prater, Quantico, Va.; Lt. Col. B. E. Prater, Hickam AFB, Md.; James Prater, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. J. Irwin, Portsmouth, Ohio; Mrs. G. Stephens, Garden Grove, Calif.; and Mrs. R. Pritzpatrick, Batavia, Ohio.

During World War II, the Praters had seven sons and sons-in-law, one daughter, and two grandchildren serving in the armed forces. Mr. and Mrs. Prater formerly resided at Luckey, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. Prater, looking far younger than their seventy years of age, presided at the dinner held in their honor. Highlight of the occasion was a six-tiered cake topped by the numerous "60" in gold. During the celebration appropriate music was played.

**NO FEE ALLOWED**  
FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 21 — The Attorney General's office ruled that circuit clerks are not entitled to a fee for collecting alimony and maintenance allowances, inasmuch as the statute makes no such provision for compensation for this service.

Assistant Attorney General M. G. Hollifield held that officers may not charge a fee for services rendered when the law has not fixed a compensation therefor. In advising the Greenup Circuit Clerk on the subject.

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BY WILMA  
The views expressed herein are not necessarily those of the paper.

We often wonder how the letter "U" got its peculiar shape. Now I find that we recur to colloquialisms and we often mispell a word intentionally or use the incorrect form for fun. The practice is a good one when one needs it by error and is not corrected by our editor. Last week we put hassel for himself, and he changed it into earth changed perpetrator, or is hant and peck typing worse than usual?

When little Jimmie Hobson started having convulsions Sunday afternoon following the car wreck, Dr. C. L. Allen ordered him to Lexington and administered to accompany him and his mother, since Mr. Hobson could not be reached at the time. More than one hundred dollars from this county have rendered this invaluable service to friends and patients, and nothing warms the heart more. Everyone is happy for Jimmie and Elard Manning, his companion, a speedy recovery. Truly, they had a narrow escape. All of us on the scene were amazed that they escaped alive.

When Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Price, of Whitesburg, gave the county and Floyd well run of its most distinguished citizens. One need not comment on their accomplishments here, but all of us should offer a loud vote of thanks to three outstanding leaders who have meant much to our section.

It is good news to find that Mr. B. P. Reed will succeed Mr. Price on the Board of Trustees of Morehead College. He is of the same caliber. His family likewise has rendered marked service to Eastern Kentucky. In many ways, his son, David Reed, of Maytown, is being kindly hooded cement blocks from Lexington, for the First Baptist Church of Martin, gratis. Not everyone will do this.

A girls' Sunday School Class in this church learned of a youngster whose heart was set on a Big gun, without hope of receiving it. So the girls engaged in to get the desired gift. Wouldn't you give a hundred dollars to see that kid's face when he receives the gun?

Churches and civic organizations, schools, etc., are busy preparing many lessons for Christmas. It is important for them to do so. That is Christ, and with CHRIST in it. It is so important that we are all aware of it. What each child that wants and provide that gives the most profitable. This makes it an excellent for both religious and dinner.

Let the kiddies collect your discarded cards and use old material. Plan a wax crayon of the color desired, melt softly over low heat, then pour in milk cards, inserting heavy tissue for back. Place in refrigerator to harden. You will have a three-dollar candle tree or charlie, also the fun of creating something. We agree with Mrs. Peter Matfield that this great joy connected with Christmas needs to be revived, the one of creating and making things.

If you want to read some good books try Prayer by Dr. Frank Laubach and Peace with God by Dr. G. C. Collins. They are available at the Christian Book Store.

It will be followed in this county by the first of the school boys. Several years ago Floyd and Pike ranked the highest of any counties in the state in parathletic education according to surveys and several times. Clinics and soil are partially responsible and so is the lack of planning facilities and in some cases at least in this state. A three-month aspect is the fact that some of our local doctors are much interested in the problem.

People are busy to note that the administration plans to reduce tax season. The room is less important than the effect.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all. Remember to help your clients back into the season. Be generous for the best people you know and express your own happiness through generosity. If you really so refuse to help them, remember these books in the street and Party O-beebee, still in a hard cover but at \$1.00. Also our thanks to the editor and editor, a special bouquet to Ella and Elizabeth Bader for their kind letter from Cookeville, Tennessee.

**TRANSPORT PERMIT RENEWALS LAGGING**

FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 21 — The State Department of Motor Transportation today reported that operators of trucks, taxicabs and buses were "rather slow" in renewing their permits for 1954 operations.

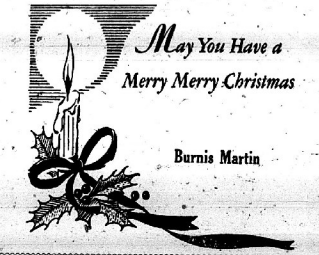
It reported permits have not been cleared by Jan. 6 operators that are not likely to continue operations.

White said that some 100 interstate operators of 1,620 trucks have obtained renewal authority. Approximately 80 of 2,292 taxicab and only 350 of more than 4,000 commercial carriers have completed renewal permits including the filing of required orders and other data required.

**NOTICE**

The undersigned banks will be closed all day Saturday, Dec. 23, 1953.

- The First National Bank, Prestonsburg, Ky.
- The Bank of Kentucky, Prestonsburg, Ky.
- The First Guaranty Bank, Martin, Ky.



**Perry Coal Company Tells Its Employees No Plans To Reopen**

Kennett Coal Company has notified 170 workers at its Jeff mine that it is not expected to be reopened. The mine near Hazard has been closed since December 1.

The workers have not received any pay for their last two weeks' work, making any profit.

The Perry Coal Company has laid off 75 workers at its Glomaw mine. A machine was installed which replaces these workers.

**SLIM MENU**

Charleston, Dec. 21 — City Jailor Henry Beasley doesn't want any inmates in jail on Christmas Day. He announced a new holiday menu in a drastic effort to keep down the number of drunks and vagrants.

The bill of fare: He is soup.

**PAINTING POPULAR**

Painting popular is so popular among housewives in Henry county that more than 60 tubes of paint were bought in a month.

**PARIS** — In a hot but brief council the police dispersed 2,500 University students in a demonstration to call the attention of the National Assembly to their demands for a bigger national budget for education. Police Moppelet the procession after a march down the Boulevard St. Michel.

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## HANGING ROCK IRON REGION HISTORICAL NOVEL LOCALE

Fifty years ago, around the turn of the century, a few old charcoal-iron-makers of the Hanging Rock region were still living, garrulous with their reminiscences. They had participated in a phase of industry now almost forgotten, and would be unremembered but for the industrial and economic historian who intrigued with the debris of old furnace men and reconstructive manner, the record of these early days in iron-making. But it remained for Clifford T. Stafford of Johnson county to interview the old furnace men and reconstruct in "The Ironmasters of Crimson Furnace" a realistic recall of these historic days. It is fictional but it has the flavor of history.

The Hanging Rock iron region embrace a section adjacent the Ohio River, below the mouth of Big Sandy and was concentrated in Carter county, Kentucky. These old crude charcoal burning furnaces are gone now the ruins, few and beaten by wind and rain, attest to the industry that was once thriving and profitable. Here in the clay hills was iron ore and blanketing the same hills was unlimited timber. The early Virginian and Pennsylvanian with funds to invest built an industry that thrived for nearly half a century.

Stafford's book deals of the industry in the 1830-40 decade. We concern ourselves here only with the vivid reconstruction of the period in and around the town of Graysburg that could have been Maysville or some other Ohio River town. The furnaces were erected at the base of a low hill so that the back side was level with the earth. This hill-side was of quarried sandstone, chiseled and fitted by hand and built to withstand high temperatures. Fireclay, mined nearby, lined the inner walls.

The furnace stack was level with the rear wall and buggy loads of charcoal, limestone and ore were wheeled over a crude track and dumped into the stack. For miles around oxen strained at the yoke and dragged mighty wagons of ore over muddy roads to feed the furnaces. In the night time the glow of the fires as the furnaces were

opened made the land eerie with red light.

"To tap a furnace," Stafford relates, "it was necessary to push in the matted-up opening at the bottom of the stack. This was a narrow hole or vertical slit pierced through the rock wall of the furnace. During the time the furnace was in blast, a great many things had been happening inside the furnace. The heat caused the oxygen in the ore to combine with the charcoal, and this caused the iron to separate and to settle toward the bottom of the furnace. When the hearth was filled, the furnace was ready to tap. A sharp iron instrument or crowbar was used to punch a hole through the sand and clay mixture, which had been placed on the floor of the furnace to hold back the hot iron until ready to release the molten metal into the sand bed. The slag was usually withdrawn when it reached the level of the cinder notch. It was usually run into a slag pit or diverted into a long, deep ditch."

Included in the rock of the hills were seven varieties of iron ore. Five of these ores were hydrated oxides. Two of the ores were mixed carbonate and oxides of iron. Some ores yielded only 18 percent iron but the better quality yielded as high as 47 percent. Stafford, who did considerable research on the matter, gives a figure of 37 percent as the average yield. The low-quality iron usually was the iron used for smelting as it was available in great quantities nearby. Two hundred bushels of charcoal were required to make a ton of pig iron.

In describing a typical furnace of the period, Stafford says: "The hilltop had been leveled and was used to stockpile the ore, limerock and charcoal, which was used as needed to charge the furnace. The furnace was also constructed with sandstone and with a large square base that tapered toward the top some sixty feet. The chimney was used for dumping the mixture of charcoal, ore and limerock into the furnace. One peculiarity of Lansing's Furnace was a double bellows which was used to blow the blast. It was a huge wood-frame bellows, covered with leather and was kept pumping air and blowing the blast through the cyphers by the turning of a water wheel. A small dam had been constructed a few feet above the furnace and the water wheel was constructed with a sluice to furnish water for turning the cyphers. The water was kept at a level to control the pumping of the bellows or to stop it entirely when necessary. The fire was kept burning hot by the air pumped from the crude arrangement of the bellows."

A description by Stafford of the general process as executed: "Ted O'Rourke the foreman mixed some different kinds of earthy substance, red or black ore, grayish-looking limestone and black charcoal. He loaded small bargies with this mixture and men pushed these little bargies loaded with this mixture to the stack of the furnace. They dumped it in and it made a rumbling sound as it fell into the interior of the rock furnace. The red hot fire beneath was kept at great heat with the blowers constantly agitating the fire to greater heat and after a while the clay furnace door was punched out, allowing the red-hot molten iron to flow out into the depression in the sand called the 'hog' and quickly spread into the 'pigs'. After cooling, the iron could be picked up like sticks and carted."

Once smelted the iron was hauled to the Ohio River, and loaded on flatboats. Loads of three, six, or eight, were floated down stream to Louisville, Cincinnati and other faraway as New Orleans. Buyers from these cities hauled the tons of the Hanging Rock section to buy the product of the furnaces.

It was a crude industry and the entire local and local of the people were a little trade town. The ironmasters of Ohio were, therefore, not at liberty to retain their independence from the law. Summary executives on a order to haul iron were common. The days later, a rapid, rapid, rapid of a railroads cut out of the flow of a covered bridge. Covered bridges dropped thirty feet.

Stafford re-creates the "scene" of Hanging Rock when hundreds of men flock into town to see the "show" of the iron. The men, dropping through the bridge, and a rope around his neck. They come in wagons, on foot and on horseback. Some walk, some ride, some on the mud of the road struck by the feet of a horse and the huge iron carts.

Clifford T. Stafford, a member of the Movement Employment Office, is a special agent in charge and federal officer. He was born in Pennsylvania in 1885 and obtained the degree of public school to some extent, and a self-education. He is an ancient stamp collector, a member of the Ashland Philatelic Society. Often he serves as superintendent of the Methodist church, He was the first quarter of Crimson Furnace, which is published by Exposition Press, New York, and is a member of the World War Veterans' Association.

## IN MEMORIAM

In memory of my niece, Mary Lou Fahnh, who died December 25, 1945.

Our precious little girl — what would I give to hold you in my arms and to look upon that smiling face to hear your laughter, or your songs, or even your footsteps upon the porch, your knock at the door, and your sweet voice calling, "Open the door."

This all meant so much to me. No one knows our heartaches or sees us weep and mourn. God only knows our feeling and He helps us carry on. God gave us little Mary Lou. God took her away. God needed her very much to fill a place up above. So sad it was to lose her. Life will never be the same. The flowers we place on her grave may wither and decay, but our love for our dear girl will never fade away. No one can write, no tongue can tell our sad and bitter loss, but God alone has helped us to bear our heavy cross. "Remembrance is a golden chain; death tries to break, but all in vain. To have to love and then to part is the greatest sorrow of one's heart. The stars are shining upon your silent grave; beneath it sleeps the one we love, and the one we could not save."

Mixed by her mother, Grandmother and uncle, and aunt.

Her aunt, Etie Strunk.

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## NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

Your 1953 Prepayment *state* school taxes are now due. On unpaid taxes, 3% penalty will be added Jan. 1, and on and after Feb. 1, 6% penalty will be added.  
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**Watch Out For Fires At Christmas Time**

FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 21 — Regardless of whether Kentuckians have a white Christmas or a red one, the important thing is to prevent a "fire-red" one. State Fire Marshal J. T. Underwood, Jr., urged today in asking Kentuckians to display extreme caution to prevent fires during the holiday season.

There are three home fires dangers which take on added importance during the holiday season: (1) matches and smoking; (2) misuse of electricity; and (3) stoves, furnaces, heaters and their pipes.

These three causes accounted for 1,786 fires in Kentucky last year and destroyed property valued at \$4,018,895, Underwood said. "The Christmas tree itself can be a dangerous hazard when not properly protected. There were 882 Christmas tree fires in the United States last year."

The fire marshal advised home owners to select a small tree and keep it outdoors until a day or two before Christmas. As far as possible, it should be set in water, and not placed near a heater, fireplace, or exit. If placed near a radiator, the radiator should be turned off.

Cotton and other flammable decorations should not be used unless they have been flameproofed by soaking in a solution of eight ounces of borax and a like amount of boric acid to a gallon of water. The same solution may be used to flameproof filling, costumes, draperies and cloth decorations which would not be damaged by water, Underwood suggested.

Underwood also urged that all lighting sets be checked thoroughly for frayed wiring and short circuits, and suggested that new lights carry an underwriters label of approval. He advised against the use of candles.

Other holiday precautions listed by him were:

—Tuck away gift wrappings as soon as presents have been unwrapped.

—Provide plenty of ashtrays for smokers, so that smoking materials may be kept away from accumulations of paper.

—In case of an open fire, see that the fire screen is in place, and combustibles kept away from the fireplace.

—Do not allow grease to accumulate in oven or boiler.

—Keep box of baking soda and liquid pot lye near the stove. Either may be used successfully to smother a grease fire.

—Be sure your furnace is operating safely.

—Do not over-load circuits with electrical gadgets.

—FEEB MAY EARLY Because of drought, most dairymen in Boyle county have had to feed hay usually reserved for winter.

**Governor Wetherby Asks Holiday Temperance**

FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 21 — Gov. Lawrence W. Wetherby has called on all citizens of Kentucky to celebrate the Christmas and New Year's seasons in a sober and sane way and has proclaimed the period from Dec. 24 to Jan. 2 a "Season of Temperance and Safety in Kentucky."

The proclamation said Christmas has become "the occasion for excesses which deny the spiritual nature of the Christmas season" and added that "such celebration endangers the public welfare in untold misery and sorrow brought about by tragedies on our highways and in our homes in the great loss of human life."

"As Governor of our state, I challenge every citizen to preserve life and limb through the proper observance of the Christmas season," Wetherby said in the proclamation.

In a statement accompanying the proclamation, the Governor pointed out that 34 persons lost their lives on Kentucky highways last year, in a period similar to the one to be covered by this year's observance.

In addition to driving while drinking, excessive speed on hazardous roads and increased traffic at the holiday period, make highway travel particularly hazardous at this time of year, Wetherby warned.

**Houses and Church Razed In Pikeville Fire Sunday; Former Trooper Overcome**

PIKEVILLE, Ky., Dec. 21 — Fire last night destroyed four houses and a church, built close together on a steep hill across the Big Sandy river from the business section here. Six families were left homeless.

Fire Chief O. W. Lawson, estimated the loss at between \$20,000 and \$30,000. The origin of the fire has not been determined.

Robert Swapp, a former State trooper, was overcome by smoke while helping firemen. He was put in an oxygen tent at Methodist Hospital, where his condition was described as fair.

Lawson said his men were hampered because there are no hydrants on that side of the river. He said 1,800 feet of hose were strung across a bridge from the business section.

With only one line, Lawson said, the firemen concentrated on trying to confine the blaze. They saved three more houses and a service station.

The families burned out last virtually all their belongings. The Pikeville Red Cross chapter began a drive today to find them homes, clothing, and something for Christmas.

**THAT BURBOR AGAIN**

INDEPENDENCE, Dec. 21 — A report was denied tonight that Margaret Truman had become engaged and brought her "fiance" home for Christmas.

The daughter of former President Truman has frequently shaken her head in rumors of romantic attachments.

The number of registered cattle in Monroe county has doubled in the past five years.

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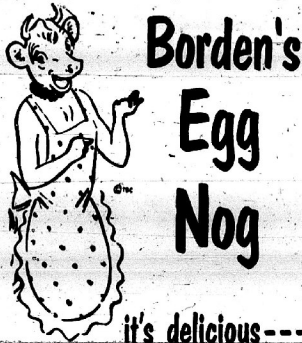
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**SHERIFF'S SALE**

FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT

T. J. Koslosky and O. A. Wieland DBA Plumber Supply Co. Plaintiffs

Vs. SHERIFF'S SALE

H. S. Bean and Frankie Bean DBA The Bean Drilling Co. Defendants

By virtue of execution No. 12354 which was issued from the Clerk's office of the Floyd Circuit Court November 18, 1953 in favor of T. J. Koslosky and O. A. Wieland doing business as Plumber Supply Co. Vs. H. S. Bean and Frankie Bean doing business as Bean Drilling Co. in the amount of \$799.23 with interest at the rate of 6% per annum from the 2nd day of July, 1952 until paid and court cost in the amount of \$30.20 I or one of my deputies will on Monday, December 29, 1953, between the hour of 10:00 o'clock P. M. at the front door of the Court-house in the City of Prestonsburg, Ky., offer at Public Auction to the highest and best bidder the following described property or so much as may be necessary to satisfy debt, interest and cost to-wit:

All the right title and interest in and to that certain tract or parcel of land lying in Floyd county, Ky. at or near Bay Layne, described as follows:

Beginning at a post in line of Mayo Trail and N. E. Corner of L. B. Hunter Linn, thence across bottom to Big Sandy River, thence 162 feet to Dr. T. J. Chandler's line, thence with Chandler's line E 2nd course to Mayo Trail, thence with the Mayo Trail to the beginning.

For a more perfect description of said property the records of the Floyd County Court Clerk's office is referred to an amended a part of this conveyance, as shown from Deed Book No. 131, Page 417.

LEVIED upon as the property of H. S. Bean and Frankie Bean.

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**SEASON'S GREETINGS**

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## TIDBITS OF KENTUCKY FOLKLORE

By GORDON WILSON, Ph.D.

Western Kentucky Teachers' College Bowling Green, Ky.

### "CHANGING VOCABULARIES"

At I have so often told in this column. I spend a large part of my time as a teacher of English in explanation of words that have changed their meaning since Chaucer or Shakespeare or Milton used them. Much of their work has gone and seems as strange to us as ancient Rome or Palestine or Greece. Even some of our earlier American writers say things that need to be explained in terms of present day usage. In ordinary, every-day vocabulary my students know only a small part of the words that were on everybody's tongue at the turn of the century. We oldersters have had to keep alive our older words and, at the same time, acquire endless new ones. Recently I have been thinking of the various spheres in which we have lost or gained a vocabulary. Here are a few of them.

Farm life. Horse-and-buggy days are over so people over that we can safely forget most of our distinctive words connected with them. Who today would expect to see a horse-drawn carriage or a harness or a hitch or a buggy? Who could give you the name of a harness or a hitch or a buggy? Are there any experts still living who would know whether the laprobe you got with your buggy was genuine or merely a flimsy imitation of something good?

City life. When did you go down to the railroad station to watch the fast train come in, not just to meet someone who was on it? Do you still run, physically and not by car, to watch the brave firemen put out a blaze? Do any of you grown-ups still congregate on the square on Halloween to show off your weird stunts? And here is one that I regret having to ask: When did you walk several miles into the country with a bag of yours people to give a genuine picnic with a campfire, wieners, and marshmallows? There's one sad that man had invented vehicles and the use of the gas. What he might have said could have lived ninety more years.

School days. The ultra-sophistication of my own students appals me. They imagine that they are having a great time and may be doing so, though they usually looked bored to death. And all the time I am telling them, and truthfully that my generation, which may seem very tiresome and dull to them, had the time as much social life as these spoiled darlings are having. And they enjoyed this social life, for they had to make most of it themselves, since there was no other kind, or no other kind that they could afford. Where is the haze of forgotten memory? Fortunately, a group of my own students, not many years ago, actually set up a hayride for the English Club; we

### OLIVE HILL MAN IS HIT-RUN VICTIM

OLIVE HILL, Ky. — Elmer Jackson, Patton, slipped from behind a bus near his home on Olive Hill-Lawton Road last night and was struck by a car.

He was taken to the hospital at Grayson Memorial Hospital.

State Trooper James Cox said Patton was struck by a hit-and-run driver whose car sidetracked the bus.

The car, identified as a reconstruction off at the scene of the accident, was a stolen car, was found in Elliott County today, police said.

## DRIFT

Mr. Roe Turner entertained to dinner Friday evening, members of their family in honor of Mr. Turner's birthday.

Tom Hewlett, who is stationed at Camp Gordon, Ga., is spending a lively fortnight with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hewlett.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Jones and baby son, Ricke, of Whiteplains, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Porter, of Lexington, were visiting to Drift, Friday and Saturday.

Cleon Jones and Doris Rhea Turner, of Pikeville College, are spending Christmas vacation with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe C. Moore and baby son, Mr. and Mrs. Billy J. Turner and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Martin were Huntington visitors, Saturday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Reed, daughter of St. Mary's hospital, in Huntington, Dec. 13.

Jimmie Reed and Larry Arrowood, of K. M. I., are spending Christmas vacation with their parents.

Robert Salyers is visiting friends in Paintsville this week.

Miss Pat, Hewlett attended the dinner in honor of the Martin ball team, Sunday night.

**DIES IN CAR CRASH**  
BELLFONTAINE, Ohio, Dec. 21 — Elmer Milo Brown, 33, died today of injuries received yesterday in a two-car crash on U. S. 33 near here. He was Logan county's 11th traffic fatality this year.

## Sweden Reaks 8th In Vehicles

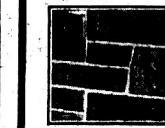
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  - 3—Print your name and address clearly on upper portion and take of mail your address pictures to Hall Brothers Funeral Home. All entries must be submitted weekly.
  - 4—Decision of judges is final. Prizes pictures become the property of the sponsor who reserves the right to publish the winning names.

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**Dec. 31 Is Deadline For Essay Entries, Chance for Prizes**

December 31 will be the deadline for entries in the Tom Wallace Soil and Water, Forest and Wildlife Conservation Award. Sponsored by The Courier-Journal, The Louisville Times and WHLAs in co-operation with the Kentucky Association of Soil Conservation Districts, the Tom Wallace competition offers \$1,000 in prizes for Kentucky and Southern Indiana farmers.

A prize of \$250 will go to the farmer who shows the most progress in establishing a conservation program on his land. Second is \$150, and third, \$100.

Entries are accepted until 5:00 p.m. on Dec. 31. The winner will be selected by the new Kentucky Soil Conservation Districts after the special Indiana district.

Farmers may enter the contest if they are re-operating with a soil district and have not won a previous Tom Wallace award.

In addition to the awards, the three top winners and their families will be guests of honor at the Annual Farm Award Luncheon in Louisville, Saturday, February 20. Here they will meet with other winners; the four additional farm incentive contests directed by the newspapers and radio-television station.

Further information on the Tom Wallace Conservation Award may be obtained from the soil conservation supervisors in each county.

**JET HAS 24 TIMES POWER OF OLD BOMBER**

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**LEXINGTON, Ky.** — Chances are that you know Dan Terrell if you've had any dealings with the University of Kentucky during the past 50 years. If you don't know him personally, you probably will recognize the name from the name and title of Daniel V. Terrell, dean of the UK College of Engineering.

Dean Terrell recently was elected president of the American Society of Civil Engineers, Society after his installation. The University staged a convocation in his honor, recognizing both his election to the high office and his years of service at UK.

He entered the University in 1907 and was graduated in 1910 with the degree of Bachelor of Civil Engineering. In 1912 he joined the instructional staff at UK, and he has been associated with the school ever since. But mere facts and figures never tell the whole story. Most of this story was told in a personal tribute given at the convocation by UK Vice President Leo K. Chamberlain. Part of it follows:

"I think of him (Dean Terrell) first as having a tremendous capacity for friendship. He has been at the University as student and teacher for almost half a century, time enough and more for some men to have alienated everyone within sight and hearing. But Dan Terrell to my knowledge, has generated no animosity, enemies during that time. On the contrary, he has had confidence and positive friendship of all who know him. And he has been able to inspire the same confidence and friendship among his professional colleagues and acquaintances throughout Kentucky and beyond its borders.

"Far from being a 'stuffed shirt,' he is as comforting and little irritating as an old shoe, equally at home in academic, professional, or political circles. He has the happy faculty of brushing aside irrelevant and getting at the fundamentals of an issue.

"Dan Terrell is intensely human. In his makeup are warmth and understanding. You would guess if you did not know that he was an inveterate fisherman, and that perhaps by twisting his arm a little you could entice him into a poker game. You would guess, if you did not know, that as a husband and father he was a greatly respected and greatly loved.

"Dan Terrell is a man of great energy. He has retained in his latter years, much of the vigor of his youth. Someone has characterized his record in life as 'the metallic sheen when a man has iron in his hair, and the sparkle that may be gray, but otherwise revealing the metal-licness of years, but there is no lead in his feet. He is still vibrant and alert and capable of stimulating leadership."

**WHEELWRIGHT**

P. T. A. MEETING

It is a tradition that the Senior class of the Wheelwright high school presents the Christmas Story to the student body, Wednesday night, December 16. This group presented its program to the Parent-Teacher Association, under the direction of Marcus Owens, Senior Home room teacher. Miss Billie Blackburn, music director, and Miss Mary Newcomb, member of the Senior class.

Preceding the program, there was a short business session. A report from the Model Room committee stated that work on the room is progressing nicely. The Finance committee, headed by H. M. Wilkinson, Sr., announced that roller skating will be started in the near future at the grade school gym. The sessions will be supervised by the Finance committee and its assistants.

Notices concerning time of opening prices, etc. will be posted around town.

Beginning in January, the P. T. A. meeting will be on the regular fourth Thursday of each month at 7 o'clock. The next meeting will be January 26 at the grade school.

**ALFRED, BECKER IN MUSIC PROGRAM**

The Wheelwright Woman's Club held its December meeting in the Community Hall with 25 members and several guests present.

Mrs. Cora Melton, chairman of the Arts, introduced Paige Alfred, a former resident of Wheelwright, and Mr. Becker, both of Huntington, W. Va., who presented a musical program of piano and violin duets as well as two piano solos by Mr. Alfred. The program consisted of the following numbers: "Sonata in G Major" by Beethoven, played by Mr. Alfred; "The Swan" by the violin; a medley of Brahms waltzes and a serenade by Olsson with Mr. Alfred at the piano; "Elizabeth" by Glazounov and "Interlude from the Poem of Love and Sea" by Ernest Chausson with Mr. Becker playing the viola and Mr. Alfred at the piano.

At the close of the program Mr. Alfred played a series of Christmas songs at the request of the audience. The program was enjoyed by all present.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses following the program.

The business meeting was held after departure of the guests. The minutes were read and the following donations in conjunction with Christmas: two baskets to be filled with food and delivered to needy families; \$28 to be sent to the veterans' hospital to be used for the purchase of cigarettes; \$3 for TB Seals.

Mr. R. L. Jones, president, announced that Ray Sayers had been elected and installed as Governor of the Seventh district and that the Wheelwright Woman's Club had won second prize for its year book at the meeting held at Drift in November.

**NO SALARY**

FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 21 — Magistrates may not be placed on a retainer salary for service on the fiscal court of the county, but are limited to a fee not in excess of \$15 a day for each day of actual attendance on fiscal court session, Assistant Attorney General Walter C. Herndon ruled.

**LOVERN APPOINTED**

FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 21 — Glenn Lovren, Owensboro, former mayor and city commissioner there and more recently city manager of Paducah, assumed office as commissioner of Welfare to replace Luther L. Goheen, who resigned Oct. 1. Governor Wetherby made the appointment. During the interim, Dr. Walter E. Watson, Frankfort, head of the Department's Division of Corrections, had held the post.

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

**ASKS FUND TO FINANCE PROGRAM**

In a meeting on December 12, 1953, the Public Relations committee of the Eastern Kentucky Education Association adopted the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the citizens of Kentucky, by an overwhelming majority voted in a recent election to amend Section 188 of the Kentucky Constitution to permit the Legislature complete discretion in the distribution of state school funds and

WHEREAS, the favorable vote was secured on a basis of the advantages provided for Kentucky Education by the proposed Foundation Program and

WHEREAS, ninety per cent of the individuals polled by the Advisory Committee on Educational Policy expressed a willingness to pay more taxes to guarantee this Foundation Program for every child in Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, the vote should be regarded as a mandate of the Legislature from the people to establish and finance a Foundation Program;

**BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED** that the Public Relations Committee of the Eastern Kentucky Education Association endorse a Foundation Program based on the recommendations of the State Advisory Committee on Educational Policy as outlined in their booklet "A Proposed Foundation Program for Education in Kentucky"; and urge the legislature to enact this program into law in the next session of the legislature;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that copies of this resolution be distributed to the school superintendents of the Eastern Kentucky District; Mr. Wendell P. Butler, Superintendent of Public Instruction; Dr. Lyman V. Gieger, President of the Kentucky Education Association; and to the Press on a State-wide basis.

The committee urges that each district through their superintendent and local Education Association hold meetings with P. T. A. Association, League of Women Voters, civic clubs and other interested groups which will endorse as State Senator and Representative their desire on this legislation.

Signed: Robert Hellard, Chairman  
Charles E. Elswick, Secretary  
Public Relations Committee  
Eastern Kentucky Education Association.

**PRESTONSBURG CHAPTER No. 182 R.A.M.**

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  - 1951 Plymouth, 2 Door Sedan.
  - 1951 Plymouth, 1 Door Sedan.
  - 1950 Ford, 2 Door Sedan.
  - 1949 Ford, 2 Door Sedan.
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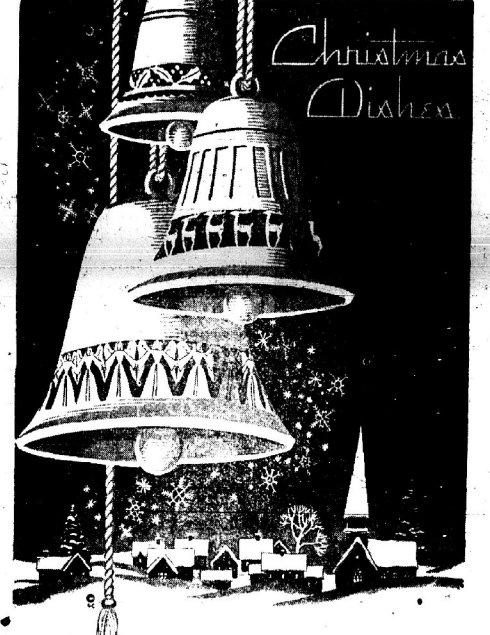
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**ALLEN**

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Selvers have with them for the holidays their sons, Darrell of Ohio University, Columbus, and A/S Edsel, with the Air Force in California. After his leave is completed he will leave for Korea.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Kane have as their house guest, her brother, Ed Allen, of Louisville.

Olga Frances Preston is spending the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Preston. She is a student at Eastern State College.

Miss Barbara Sue Allen, of Morehead College, is spending the holidays here with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Thurmond Ratliff have received news from their son, Pvt. Donald Ratliff, that he has arrived in Germany.

Mr. and Mrs. Denny Baldrige and daughter, of Michigan, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Luther Baldrige.

Mr. and Mrs. David Louder and Donald Ray were shopping in Ashland, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Potter, of Paintsville were visiting Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Gray Saturday while en route to Shelby to visit relatives.

Joe K. Howard, of Millersburg Military Institute arrived here Friday to spend the holidays with his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gray and children, of Sloan, and Mrs. Jilly Stambaugh, of Paintsville, were visiting Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Frazier and Jack Gray, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Adams, of Michigan, arrived here Saturday for the holidays. Mrs. Adams, who is ill, was rushed on to the Beaver Valley hospital in Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sexton and children, Pam and James, were at Rentro Valley over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. George Laven and daughter, Tommy Carol, were visiting relatives in Jenkins, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Willard Kinzer, and son Terry, who has been confined to his home with jaundice, received treatment at the Paintsville hospital.

The W.S.C. of the Methodist church presented a Christmas program in the church, Sunday night. Programs follows: Call to Worship and Scripture, Nellie Laferty; solo, "O Holy Night," Sweet Little Jesus Boy; Tracy Clapp, prayers, Flora Gray, Maude Gooding, Ten Carr, Meditation, Nancy Louder, talks, Ira Carr, Lucy Kinzer, Rose Mary Osborn. Others taking part were: Mrs. Euna Laven, Mrs. G. G. Axner, Mrs. Rebecca Harmon, Mrs. Pearl Kinzer, Mrs. Charles Callison. A film, "The Greatest Gift" was shown at the close of the program. At the Sunday school hour gifts were exchanged and each received a treat.

Mrs. G. L. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Sexton attended the Eastern Star lodge in "Prestonsburg," Monday night of last week.

Mrs. L. C. Gray is confined to her home with a twisted neck and captured blood vessel of the left eye.

**RAY R. ALLEN**

Public Accountant

Martin Theatre Bldg.

Phone 2118 - Martin, Ky.

**SHERIFF'S SALE**

**FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT**

W. W. Cooley, as executor of the estate of E. F. Arnold, deceased and Dick Burchett, Plaintiffs VS. / JUDGMENT AND ORDER OF SALE

Mar Spradlin, Defendant

Pursuant to judgment and order of sale rendered by the Judge of the Floyd Circuit Court in the above styled action ordering and directing me as Sheriff of Floyd County, Kentucky to advertise and sell the property levied upon under attachment from said court of which said judgment amounts to \$302.96 with interest at the rate of 6% per annum from March 12 1952 until paid and cost of 1% of one of my deposits will on Monday, December 28, 1953 between the hour of 10:00 A.M. and 1:00 o'clock P. M. at the front door of the Courthouse in the City of Prestonsburg, Ky. after all public outcry to the highest and best bidder the following described property, to-wit:

All the right, title and interest of Mar Spradlin in and to that certain tract or parcel of land situated on Towns Creek, Floyd County, Ky., bounded and described as follows: "Beginning at an X on a rock in the branch, a corner of Lots Nos. 2 and 3; thence down the branch S 79 33 W 180 feet to a stake witnessed by a beech bearing S 59 W 25 feet, S 70 W 200 feet to a beech; thence crossing the creek and up the drain with the line of Morgan Layne N 13 E 514 feet to a stake in a drain, N 2 E 142 feet to a stake, N 9 30 W 22 feet to a chestnut on the point; thence up the point N 79 45 E 130 feet to a black oak, N 47 E 200 feet, N 36 45 E 900 feet to a chestnut on a ridge, S 89 E 130 feet, S 73 E 377 feet to a stake in Mud Lick Gap, S 34 W 475 feet, S 42 W 190 feet, S 31 30 W 388 feet to a beech, S 86 W 195 feet, S 10 W 197 25 feet to a hickory on a point, S 39 36 W 157 feet to a beech on a point, S 46 36 W 187 feet to the beginning."

For further reference being the same property conveyed to the defendant, Mar Spradlin, by Robert Damron and Lavada Damron, his wife by deed dated August 30, 1942, which is duly recorded in Deed Book No. 121, Page 157, Floyd County Court records.

LEVIED UPON at the property of Mar Spradlin.

TERMS OF SALE: Said property will be sold on a credit of six and twelve months will bond approved by sufficient surety having the force and effect of a regular bond and bearing interest at the rate of 6% per annum from date of sale until paid.

Witness my hand this 25th day of December, 1953.

A. B. MEADE, Sheriff, Floyd County Ky. Adv. Cost \$23.32

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Mrs. G. L. Gray is confined to her home with a twisted neck and captured blood vessel of the left eye.

**NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the partnership between Byron M. Thompson and George M. Hile, doing business under the firm name of Thompson-Hile Adjustment Service, in the Strand Theatre Building of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, has this day been dissolved by mutual agreement, and Byron M. Thompson Adjustment Service succeeds the firm of Thompson-Hile Adjustment Service, in said business, and all accounts due said firm have become due from then on and Byron M. Thompson, who desires to announce to his friends that he will continue to do business at the present location.

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**UK Professor Is Poorer Today Than Before War**

The low economic status of its faculty and staff members is the most vital of all the issues facing the University of Kentucky today, President H. L. Donovan reported to the board of trustees recently.

"In spite of a number of small increases during the last decade, the professor today finds himself poorer in terms of purchasing power than he was at the beginning of the Second World War," Dr. Donovan said. "He is compelled to eat cheaper food, wear his old clothes longer, take longer to pay for his home, if he is fortunate enough to have one, or do what a number of professors at the University have decided to do—live under sub-standard conditions."

"Many men seek jobs that pay more in industry or government or at other universities. A study of our turnover in personnel at the University is alarming; no business could prosper if it changed employees at the rate the University is compelled to do."

"The quality of a university does not depend primarily on the excellence of its building and equipment but upon the character and quality of its professors. The faculty makes a university; there is no substitute for great teachers. No man can do his best work if he is constantly under economic pressure and I fear this is the case with many of our teachers."

Kentucky cannot afford to have its university deteriorate. This is certain to happen unless the state takes measures to improve the financial status of the professors."

**Notice to Taxpayers**

Effective Jan. 1, 1954, a penalty of 2% will be added to all county and state taxes that are unpaid during the period from Jan. 1 to Jan. 15. No taxes will be collected and to save yourselves this added cost you should make your tax payments not later than Dec. 31.

A. B. Meade, Sheriff, Floyd County, Ky. 12-17-53

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**FPC. BOLEN IN 45th DIV.**  
4th DIV. FORBIA—Pfc. Norman H. Bolen, 21, whose wife, Donna, and parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bolen, live in Garret, Ky., will spend Christmas north of the 45th parallel in Korea.

Stationed with the 45th Infantry Division, he will mark the festive season with special religious service, Christmas trees and decorations and the traditional feasts on Christmas and New Year Day.

Bolen, a mechanic in the 700th Ordnance Battalion, has served in Korea, since August. Before entering the Army in October 1952, he was employed by Aircraft in Lima, Ohio.

### EXPECT GOOD PASTURE

Rye wheat and barley have been sown well in Crittendon county, with farmers expecting good spring pasture.

# MARTIN HELPS FLOYD RECORD

**Other County Fives Lose To Outside Competition During Last Week's Play**

Except for Martin's 91-80 victory over the Paintsville Tigers, Floyd county basketball teams fared badly at the hands of out-of-county fives last week.

Prestonsburg lost to the same Tigers last Wednesday night, 60 to 47. Wheelwright was trounced by Pikeville, 87 to 82; Auxier lost to Pikeville College Academy, 62-39, and Elkhorn City defeated Garret, 70-52.

The Martin high school team continued to lead Floyd teams with a 11-1 season record. In addition to its win over Paintsville, the Purple Flash defeated Wayland last week, 74-52.

Available lineups of last week's games follow:

Martin (74)	Poe, Wayland (82)
F. Stury (11)	Edwards (5)
Stephens (4)	Wallace (4)
Thompson (1)	H. Hall (10)
H. Stephens (11)	Ogden (9)
Hardwick (1)	Bates (5)
Martin (12)	E. Hall (5)
Saltbury (11)	Coleman (10)
Click (2)	E. Stone (4)
Bradley (5)	
Lambert (18)	
Smith (8)	
Martin	10 35 33 74
Wayland	13 18 28 53
Martin (86)	Poe (96)
F. Stury (14)	Mattif (13)
V. Stevens (2)	Spradlin (25)
H. Stephens (10)	Huston (7)
J. Conley (3)	Pratt (12)
B. Martin (17)	H. Hall (4)
H. Stephens (4)	C. Hall (6)
P. S. Stury (11)	Williams (9)
B. Lambert (15)	
A. Smith (11)	
Martin	22 50 68 86
Paintsville	16 32 44 68

### NOTICE OF SALE

The Floyd County Board of Education will receive bids from prospective purchasers until its meeting on Dec. 29 at 10:00 a.m. at the County Board of Education, Court House, Prestonsburg, Ky. Items hereby offered for sale may be seen by contacting Forrest Johnson, County Board of Education mechanic, at Allen, Ky.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Virgil O. Turner, Sup't.  
Floyd County Schools  
12-17-53.

To our friends — serving you has been a real pleasure — "Merry Christmas, everyone!"

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# BASKETBALL CHATTER

By GORDON MOORE

The basketball officials are accused of many things and now that the various teams are in mid-season form, they will be subjected to many more. To the unhardened workers we devote the following:

If he's brand new at officiating he lacks experience.

If he's been officiating all his life he's in a rut.

If he knows the rules, he's studied all his life.

If he's never read the rule book, he's consulted an official.

If he changes sides between games, he's trying to be a fashion plate.

If he thinks about the boys and cheers, he's a bum.

If he seldom admits a mistake, he's arrogant.

If he ever admits a mistake he ought to go back to digging ditches.

If he plays an occasional game in his actions, he's a comedian.

If he never condescends to the rule book, he's a pig.

If he tries to dilute with regularity, he's a hypocrite.

If he shies at lectures, he's a heelhead.

If he hands out plenty of information, he has no standards.

If he hands out several decisions, he's a joker.

If he says "excuse me," he's unoriginal.

If he acts aloof without signal, he's a mumbler.

If he sticks to his specialty, he's got a one-track mind.

If he turns to the crowd, he's a show-off.

If he can't identify blocking and charging, he isn't human.

If he listens to the howls of the crowd, he's illiterate.

If he weeps at another job, he's greedy.

If he does nothing else, he's a soccer.

If he's young, he needs more seasoning.

If he's old, he's seen better days.

If he sets his name in the newspaper, he's publicity mad.

If he never appears in the public prints, he's so much deadwood.

If he's on good terms with the coaches, he's hypocritical.

If he doesn't overflow the mails to the principals, HE DOESN'T GET ANY GAMES.

### LAST WEEKS SCORES

Pikeville 87, Wheelwright 60.
Betsy Layne 87, Auxier 51.
Pikeville Academy 42, Auxier 38.
Elkhorn City 70, Garret 56.
McDowell 87, Wheelwright 42.
Betsy Layne 86, Maytown 85.
Martin 74, Wayland 62.
Garret 86, Betsy Layne 59.
Martin 88, Paintsville 61.

### Standings Through December 21

Team	W	L
Martin	11	1
Prestonsburg	1	2
Betsy Layne	5	3
Garret	11	4
Wayland	1	3
McDowell	4	6
Wheelwright	4	6
Maytown	6	7
Auxier	2	8

### COMPLETES BASIC TRAINING

CAMP PICKETT, Virginia, Dec. 1 — Pvt. Woodrow Cole, son of Mr. and Mrs. Abram Cole, Martin, Ky., completed basic training recently at the Medical Replacement Training Center here.

# FOUR FLOYD TEAMS WILL PLAY AT PIKE

**Betsy Layne In Opeper With Wayland Wasps In Invitational Play**

Four Floyd county basketball teams will help heighten the athletic interest of the holiday season by taking part in the fourth annual high school invitational tournament at Pikeville, Dec. 28-31.

Betsy Layne 15-3 will meet Wayland 15-3 in the opening game of the team tournament at 2:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 28. At 9:15 p.m. the same day, the Wheelwright Panthers will lounge with host Pikeville in the fourth game of the opening round.

Prestonsburg's Black Cats, who drew a first-round bye, are matched with Castletown in the quarter-finals at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Other first-round games are: Phelps vs. Salyersville at 8 p.m.; Pikeville Academy vs. Warfield at 5 p.m.

Virgie and Meade Memorial will meet Tuesday at 5 p.m., having drawn first-round byes.

John Campbell's Wayland Wasps won the first Pikeville Invitational in 1950. Officials for the coming tournament are Looney, Perrell and Burke.

# Needy of This County Paid \$14,127 by State In Month of November

FRANKFORD, Ky., Dec. 21 — Needy residents of Floyd County received \$14,127 during November under three public assistance programs. Aaron Bull, director of the Division of Public Assistance, reported today.

The reports listed these expenditures:

Old Age Assistance, \$23,236; Aid to Dependent Children \$20,973; and Aid to the Needy Blind \$1,818.

To the three categories of aid, \$3,122,628 was distributed in Kentucky in November, about \$50,000 less than October payments. Old Age Association payments totaled \$1,841,570 or an average of \$34.95 for each case; Aid to Dependent Children payments amounted to \$1,080,321 or an average of \$62.94 for each family, and \$24,538 went to the Needy Blind, for an average check of \$68.88.

# BETTY LAMARR WILL WED TEXAS OIL MAN

NEW YORK, Dec. 21 — Actress Betty Lamarr and Texas oil man W. Howard Lee obtained a marriage license today.

Miss Lamarr, who has been married four times, gave her age as 39. Lee, of Houston, Tex., is 46.

No time or place for the wedding was specified in the couple's application for a license.

Miss Lamarr has been married to Fritz Mandell, film director Gene Markey, British actor John Loder and Ted Stauffer. Lee formerly was married to Helen Torrabbie.

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1950 CHEVROLET 1 Door Sedan	\$ 795
1948 CHEVROLET Club Coupe	\$450
1946 OLDSMOBILE Club Coupe	\$ 295
1946 FORD 2 Door	\$ 395
1942 FLYMOUTH Sedan	\$ 195

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**MASTER COMMISSIONER'S SALE**  
FLOYD CIRCUIT COURT  
15551

W. W. Cooley, Executor, et al., Plaintiff  
vs. NOTICE OF SALE  
City Elkhorn Coal Co., Defendant

By virtue of a judgment and order of sale of the Floyd Circuit Court rendered and entered at the October term, 1953, in the above styled cause I shall proceed to offer for sale at the Courthouse door in Prestonsburg, Kentucky, to the highest and best bidder, at public auction, on the 28th day of December, 1953, at 10 o'clock, A. M., same being the first day of the regular term of the Floyd County Court, upon a credit of 6 and 12 months, the following described property, to-wit:

A parcel of land located on the waters of Big Sandy River, within the corporate limits of the City of Prestonsburg, Kentucky, and being lot No. 63 in the Arnold and Spradlin Addition to Prestonsburg, Kentucky; Also another parcel of land in said Arnold and Spradlin Addition fronting 38 feet on Highland Avenue and running back a distance of 100 feet on an alley.

One Chevrolet Pickup truck license No. T-40839, 1952;

One Willys Jeep pickup, license No. T-40844, 1952;

One two Ton Ford truck, license T-40526;

One mine tippie supplies and mining equipment located on the waters of Abbott Creek near Bonanza, Ky.

One coal ramp and loaded and railroad track in West Prestonsburg, Ky.

All of the right, title and interest of W. J. Fitzpatrick in and to a tract of land located on the waters of Mare Creek in Floyd County, Kentucky, bounded on the North by the lands of M. S. Layne heirs; on the East by the lands of M. H. Nunnery and Ike Davis; on the South by the lands of Ben Maynard, Nora Maynard and Shuler Coyle; on the West by the lands of R. E. Stanley heirs, Ben Maynard, Morgan Layne and Shuler Coyle.

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 a further security. Bidders will be prepared to comply promptly with these terms.

Given under my hand, this 7th day of December, 1953.

J. B. CLARK  
Master Commissioner  
Floyd Circuit Court.  
Cost of Advertising \$22.50.  
12-10-53.

**RIFLE BLAST KILLS YOUTH**  
Coroner's Jury Absolves Aged Lawrence-Co. Man For Killing Noah Curtis

LOUISA, Ky., Dec. 21 — A 70-year-old farmer who killed a 20-year-old neighbor youth has been freed by a coroner's jury which ruled the death "justifiable homicide."

The fatal shooting occurred after the victim, Noah Carl Curtis, twice forced his way into the home of Leo Skaggs at Terryville, Ky.

Skaggs and his wife, Mrs. Dora Skaggs, also about 70, told this story to Coroner L. Byron Vora and the jury:

They were getting ready for bed about 6 p.m. yesterday when they heard a pounding at the door. As Mrs. Skaggs was trying to open the door, Curtis jumped through a window screen. The couple succeeded in getting Curtis, who had been drinking, out of the house.

In a few moments, Curtis came through the window again and attacked Skaggs, who by this time had taken his rifle, off the wall. Skaggs was knocked down in the scuffle and fired twice at Curtis from the floor. One bullet bounced off Curtis' big belt buckle, but the second shot struck him in the head wounding him fatally.

The coroner said Curtis had been drinking with two companions and had gotten into a fight with them. He went into the Skaggs' house, Young said, to get a gun.

The other two youths, Conrad Waller and Lloyd Williams, face charges of disturbing the peace.

Terryville, where the Skaggs live alone, is a small community 28 miles west of here.

**REWARD**

I will pay a reward of \$100, in addition to the standing reward of \$100 offered by the Floyd County Board of Education, for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons who broke and entered the Wheelwright gym building and lunch room on the night of Dec. 12 or the morning of Dec. 13, 1953.

Wayne Hatfield, Principal  
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12-17-53

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**PFC. FRAZIER IN CAVALRY**

1st. CAV. DIV. Japan — Pfc. Claude Frazier, Jr., 25, son of Mrs. Josephine H. Wallen, Prestonsburg, Ky., is now serving with the 1st Cavalry Division in Japan.


In the Far East since World War II, the 1st Cavalry was rushed to Korea during the early months of the fighting and saw heavy action before returning to Japan late in 1947 for security duty.

Private First Class Frazier, a Rifleman, was previously stationed in Korea with the 2d Infantry Division. He holds the Korean and UN Service Ribbons. The Prestonsburg soldier entered the Army in 1947.

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**Former Auxier Woman Heart Attack Victim At Detroit Hospital**

Funeral rites for Mrs. Mary Patton, widow of Alex Patton, of Auxier, who died suddenly Dec. 15 at a Detroit, Mich., hospital, were conducted Sunday afternoon from the Auxier Methodist Church.

Mrs. Patton was stricken at her home in Detroit, where she had resided the last year. News of her sudden passing came as a shock to many Floyd county relatives and friends.

She was a daughter of James Gobbe and the late Florence Wells Gobbe. Her husband died Feb. 9, 1943. Mrs. Patton had been a member of the Freewill Baptist Church 35 years.

She leaves two sons, Darwin Patton, Auxier, an employee here of the First National Bank, and Donald Patton, of Detroit, and two daughters, Mrs. Florence Hall, Detroit, and Mrs. Margaret Beina, Sacramento, California. Three grandchildren and five sisters also survive. Funeral Free Goble, both of Auxier, Ted Gobbe, Springfield, O., Mrs. George Wells, Mrs. Opal McKenzie and Mrs. Herman Perry, all of Auxier, Mrs. Henry Rose, Lanesville, and Mrs. Wayne Robinson, Springfield, Ohio.

The funeral was conducted by the Rev. W. H. Horn and burial in the family cemetery at Auxier was under the direction of the Jones Funeral Home.

**NEW LOADINGS**  
LOWEST SINCE APRIL

ROANOKE, Va. — 21 — Norfolk and Western Railway coal loadings totaled 14,800 cars last week, the lowest point since the week ending April 3 for a full holiday-free week. The breakdown by days was Monday, 2,754; Tuesday, 3,346; Wednesday, 3,124; Thursday, 2,969; and Friday, 2,557.

Robert Thomas, James Stone community Knox county, shipped 100 pounds of tobacco from a little farm east-tenants of an acre.

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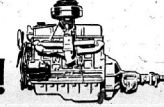
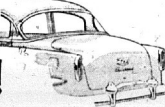


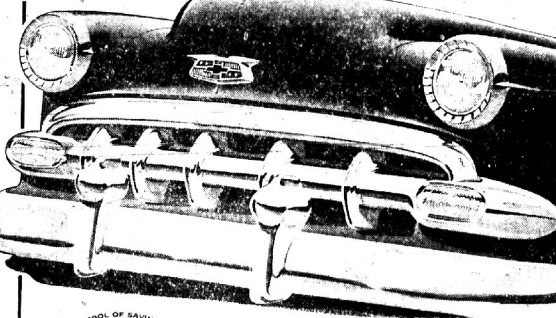
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