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## ROMANCE.

### First News of A Wedding

That Occurred Last August is Now Given to the Public.

The Big Sandy News considers itself fortunate in being able to give the world its first knowledge of an interesting event that occurred last August, in which a Big Sandy girl played one of the leading parts.

On August 11th, 1907, Thomas C. Linger, of Findlay, Ohio, and Miss Alice Peters, of near Louisa, were united in marriage at Windsor, Canada. Rev. Robert Hicks, a Methodist minister, performed the ceremony.

This was the culmination of a acquaintance that began at Parkersburg, W. Va., ten years ago, when these young people were attending a business college. After leaving school they kept up a correspondence for six years. Miss Peters was in California much of the time, having gone there to visit her sister, and afterward taking employment there. She had developed into a very competent stenographer and book-keeper and good positions were always open to her. In the meantime Mr. Linger was also progressing in a business way. He had engaged in business for himself and was successful. In 1904 he opened a house in Findlay, Ohio, under the name of the Ohio Hay and Grain Company. Just previous to this Miss Peters had returned from California for a visit to her parents and other Louisa relatives. Mr. Linger asked Miss Peters if she would go to Findlay and help him get the new office started in the event he could not secure a book-keeper promptly. When she answered favorably we suspect he did not look further for a book-keeper, because he wired for her to come at once. She went, and has ever since been a most valuable assistant to him. The business has grown to a volume of \$60,000 per month.

On the morning of August 11th, which was Sunday, Mr. Linger and Miss Peters quietly boarded a train and went to Toledo. From there they went at once to Windsor, Canada, and were married. The same evening they were back at Findlay. Not even the office employees know to this day that they were out of Findlay on that Sunday.

The secret of that day has been so well kept that Mrs. Linger is known to them as Miss Peters. In fact, they are not yet ready to announce the marriage at Findlay. The News is privileged to give out the first information to relatives and friends in this vicinity.

Miss Peters is a young lady who has been much admired here for her many good qualities. She has more than average ability and a great deal of energy. She is attractive in person and manner, and wins respect wherever she goes. Her husband is to be congratulated for having secured such a desirable helpmate.

The very best wishes of all Louisa friends and relatives are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Linger.

Mrs. Linger is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John N. Peters, a highly respected couple who live four miles east of Louisa. Mr. Peters is a farmer and

man.

**A New Schedule.**  
It is said that a new schedule goes into effect on the C. & O. next Sunday and that several important changes will be made. Among these is said to be the abolishment of the Sunday train on the Big Sandy division. This will be done, so it is said, because of the small passenger traffic on that train. The public has understood all along that the Sunday train was remunerative, but the road seems to believe otherwise.

President Stevens declared a short time ago, so the News is informed, that he would put a vestibular train on this division. If he has one to spare the people of this section are certainly entitled to it. The passenger business is a big one, and the traveling public should be made as comfortable as possible. Passengers would certainly appreciate a vestibular train.

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## Watson-Tanner.

The marriage ceremony uniting Miss Martha Elizabeth Watson, of Asland and Mr. Lawrence M. Tanner, of this city, was quietly performed at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William L. Watson, at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon by the Rev. W. C. Condit, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Asland.

The bride wore a traveling suit of green broadcloth, with hat to match. Miss Bertha Watson was bride-maid and Mr. Chester Watson, of Lexington, was best man.

The bride is a pretty and attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. L. Watson. Mr. Tanner is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Tanner, of 302 South Mill Street. Mr. Tanner has been in the employ of the United States Government as railway postal clerk for several years. For the last two years he has been running on Chesapeake & Ohio trains Nos. 21 and 22, between Frankfort and Asland.

Immediately after the ceremony the happy couple departed on the Chesapeake & Ohio train for Washington City and other Eastern points. They will make their home in Asland—Lexington Leader.

Mrs. Tanner is a niece of Mrs. F. L. Stewart and Dr. M. G. Watson, of this place, where she has been a frequent guest.

## NEW BUILDING

Will Be Erected in Louisa Next Spring By Dr. Burgess.

Dr. T. D. Burgess, of Matewan, W. Va. has decided to build a three-story business house on the lot recently purchased from J. Q. Lackey. It will be constructed of concrete blocks. The building will be 27x50 feet. The first floor will be fitted for merchandising purposes, and will be for rent. It will be quite a handsome building.

The building now on the site will be moved to the rear of the lot and put into condition for use. Work will begin in the spring.

Dr. Burgess will also improve his residence on Lock Avenue by building a wide veranda entirely across the front and along the east side.

## R. T. Burns Sick.

The News regrets to chronicle the continued indisposition of Mr. R. T. Burns. He made a strong speech in Court last Thursday and went to bed very tired. Early the next morning he had a severe chill and the family physician was called to his bedside. He became somewhat better, remaining so until Tuesday morning, when he had another chill. Today Mr. Burns is better, but it is quite probable that he will not be able to attend court again during his present condition.

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## NATIVE TALENT

### Solved The Big Problem Of Clearing Our Land Titles.

The people of the Big Sandy Valley whose signal victory over the "Land Grantors" was the occasion of great rejoicing should be, and doubtless are, proud of the fact that the lawyers who so readily espoused their cause and who so valiantly fought the great battle to a triumphant close are natives of the soil. Every one of them is a Big Sandlian, and every one of them is proud of his birth. John F. Hager, John W. M. Stewart, Taylor Vinson—the Big Three—big in body, heart and brain. Early in life these men chose the law for a profession, and each rapidly went to the front, and to-day all three are eminent and distinguished in their vocation. Honor, fame and more substantial reward have come to them and are justly theirs.

A very important feature in the work of these men was the framing of the act passed by the Legislature of Kentucky and which made it possible to clear the titles to the vast areas of land in question.

Appeals by the "grantors" would be made and fought on the ground that these acts were unconstitutional. This point was made before the Court of Appeals, but such was the learning and skill shown in the framing of the acts that there was no leak, no loophole, no weak point through which they could be successfully attacked.

And, by the way, it is well enough to say that the people are greatly indebted to Senator M. G. Watson for his able work in behalf of the measure when it was before the Legislature.

Through their efforts hundreds of people in at least four counties are secure in their homes, and these people should never—and will never—forget them.

And the people of Louisa should feel a pardonable pride in the fact that in the old Masonic Academy, forty years ago, these men, John Hager, John Stewart and Taylor Vinson, received the instruction which laid the foundation for their success in after life.

The "boys" have not forgotten it, and often speak of it in terms of grateful appreciation.

## Bid Was Accepted.

The bid of J. C. Thomas for work to be done on the Louisa dam received the endorsement of Major Warren, Engineer in charge of the Ohio and Big Sandy.

This is practically the acceptance of the bid of \$62,000, and Mr. Thomas is now engaged in pushing his preparations for an early beginning of the work. It will give employment to many men, and Mr. Thomas always uses as much local labor as he can obtain.

## A Six O'Clock Dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Snyder entertained handsomely with a six o'clock dinner last Tuesday evening. The guests were Judge and Mrs. Hannah, Rev. and Mrs. O. F. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. D. Wallace, Sr., Mrs. J. J. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Hughes and Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Conley.

## Medical Society.

The News is informed by the Secretary, Dr. Fred Marcum, that the Lawrence County Medical Society will hold its next meeting in Louisa on the 3rd Monday in February. Several papers will be read and there is some important business to attend to. A full attendance is earnestly requested.

Jas. H. Goble, a prosperous farmer, of Minnesota, who was born and reared on the Sandy near Warfield, and who has been absent from this part of the country for more than a quarter of a century, passed through this city on his way to visit his old home place.

The trustees of the public school at Russesville have secured a building to take the place of the one destroyed by fire some weeks ago. Mrs. Sam Pichlesmer, the teacher, went out last Tuesday and resumed her duties as teacher.

## UP SANDY.

### Items Gathered From The Counties Along The Valley.

Hall vs. Frick Company, Floyd, affirmed in Court of Appeals.

John Dotson has been appointed postmaster at Tadelia, Pike county.

Morgan Gayheart, 21, and Miss Annie Kinney, 21, both of Pike county, were married in Ironton on Wednesday.

Prof. Shaw, teacher of expression at the Paintsville Seminary quietly wended his way to Columbus, Ohio, last week and got married to a handsome young lady of that city. O. Shaw!

The Johnson Republican primary cannot be held earlier than Nov. 4. In the meantime the county committee is to be recognized and the candidates will have plenty of time to figure out the situation.

Sergeant, Ky., Jan. 26.—The little two-year-old son of Robert Combs of near Whitesburg, was fatally burned today by its clothes catching fire from an open grate. It is not expected to survive the day.

Elijah Wright, well known in Pike county, having been in considerable trouble there, shot and killed Wm. Siphers in Dickinson county, Virginia, near the Pike county line, Saturday and is in jail at Clintwood.

On the morning of the 18th, inst. the large store of D. C. Polly at the Forks of the River, burned. The loss in goods was nearly \$4,000, besides the building, which was a good one. He had no insurance on either. Origin of fire unknown.

Victor, the nine year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Auxler, of Lewis Gap, near Paintsville, died on Thursday morning after an illness of less than a week. Another son is at the point of death. The boys were stricken with spinal trouble.

His friends throughout the district have started a movement to have John M. Sargaves, of Paintsville, selected as one of the delegates from the Tenth Congressional District to the National Democratic Convention which meets in Denver, Col., in July of this year to select a nominee for President.

Something up to date. A prayer social was held at the Christian Church, Saturday night, conducted by Rev. R. B. Neal, at the close of which elegant refreshments, consisting of sandwiches, pickles, etc., were served by the ladies. Rev. Neal certainly knows how to do things, and the ladies of the Christian Church will surely co-operate with him in his undertaking.—Pikeville Item.

John McDyer, of Asland, one of the best known civil engineers in Eastern Kentucky, was invited by our county officials to meet them here yesterday, to locate the proposed bridge over the Big Sandy River at this place. He is now here, accompanied by his son, Cecil (who, by the way, was named for the late "Uncle Cob" Cecil), and by George T. Burris, of the Tri-State Contract & Bridge Company. This means we are to have the long-felt want, a bridge across the river.—Pikeville Item.

Sergeant, Ky., Jan. 26.—United States Deputy Marshal W. B. Adlington and posse, of Wise, Va., made an important moonshine raid in the Pound Gap section of Wise county, above here yesterday, cutting up and destroying six pioneer mammoth "mountain dew" stills with all fixtures. Five of the moonshiners were arrested and taken to the Wise jail. During the raid the officers were fired upon presumably by the moonshiners. This was one of the most important moonshine raids made in that section in years.

## A New Boat.

The trim little steamer, "Enquirer," owned by Capt. J. C. Hopkins, James Bunyon and Harrison Maynard, has made her initial trip on the waters of the Ohio and Big Sandy.

Several Buchanan people attended church at Kavanaugh Sunday. Miss Belle McSorley was the guest of Miss Reba Pritchard Sunday.

Miss Beale Turman spent Sunday with Miss Lizette Crabtree. Naugh.

Wm. C. Burton, of Lawrence county, and Mrs. Alice Rice, of Zella, Ky., were married Tuesday at the county clerk's office in Catlettsburg. Squire Jack Arthur officiated.

## The Fifteenth Anniversary.

The friends of John Gartin, and they are many, will be interested in the following from a Chicago paper of recent date. Dr. and Mrs. Funk ar sister and brother-in-law of Mr. Gartin:

On Saturday evening, Jan. 18, Dr. and Mrs. L. L. Funk entertained about 65 of their friends at their new home, 4115 Prairie avenue, in celebration of their fifteenth anniversary of their marriage. During the evening entertainment was furnished by Chas. M. Fahnstock, violinist; Miss Edna Dunlap, violinist; Mrs. Grace Ettlinger, in her sweet manner and voice charmed all. Misses Caria and Paulina Schramm, although only 15 and 16 years of age, played not only the most difficult pieces of old masters but their own compositions as well. Miss Pauline Funk did some fancy dancing. The refreshments were served by Miss Pauline and Master Paul Funk and their little friends.

## Paintsville Wants It.

Paintsville entertained so handsomely in honor of the C. & O. railroad that it is now reaching out for the Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows in 1909. For that occasion it promises a \$25,000 hotel, water works, electric lights and all the "trimmings". Well, Louisa has no bid for the August—or is it October?—gathering, and, really, we should be glad to have the big Three Links pow wow held in this valley, and shall be glad to see Paintsville have the honor of having the Grand Lodge of Kentucky for its guest.

## The Court.

Circuit Court will probably last through the term. Many civil cases have been tried. The suit brought by some of the heirs of Dr. Murray to break his will was dismissed by the Court. The plaintiff has leave to re-docket.

Two cases, Ben Blankenship vs. the C. & O., and Dave Marcum vs. the same, were passed until to-morrow. David Boggs, James Vinson and W. J. Vaughan were named as Jury Commissioners and are now selecting juries for the next term.

## CADMUS.

Brother Cassidy preached an interesting sermon here Sunday to a large crowd.

Bew Haws was married to Miss Della Belcher recently.

Jimmie Jordan was married to the Widow Manerva Woods, recently.

Miss Rosa Ekers made a trip to Osie this week.

Mrs. Pet Marcum was calling on her daughter, Mrs. Bertha Harmon.

Willie Roberts went to see his daughter at Culbertson this week.

Mrs. Dora Chadwick and little daughter Thelma, were calling on hom folks Sunday.

Maud Crank, of Fallsburg, was visiting Miss Rosa Ekers the past week.

Laura Belcher is going to Portsmouth.

Claude Stewart has gone into the dry goods business.

Tim Chadwick is buying fur.

Heber Riffe is going to school this winter at Louisa.

## Guess Who.

## KAVANAUGH.

Rev. J. H. Moore and J. M. Hicks preached at Kavanaugh Chapel Sunday.

Cleveland Davis came home from Louisa Sunday calling on friends.

Miss Florence and James Pigg, of Catlettsburg, spent Sunday with their aunt, Mrs. Russell Thompson.

William Remmele was calling on the merchants of this place Saturday.

Mrs. Lefe Compton, of Asland, was visiting home folks last week.

Mrs. James McSorley went to Burges to see her daughter, Mrs. Charley Chadwick.

Mrs. James Pigg came up to see her father at Ft. Gay, who is very sick.

Sam Tarman went to Catlettsburg this morning.

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## DEADLOCK

### Continues at Frankfort.

### J. C. C. Mayo Receives Compulsory Vote for United States Senator.

The joint session for the election of a United States Senator to succeed James B. McCreary again resulted in a deadlock and witnessed the second defection from the Beckham ranks in two days. It came as a thunderclap to nearly all the members and spectators when the name of W. W. Hopkins, Democratic Representative from the district composed of Floyd, Knott and Letcher counties, was reached on the roll call. Representative Hopkins, who has on every preceding ballot voted for Gov. Beckham, in a loud voice cast his vote for John C. Mayo, of Paintsville, one of the best known Democrats in Eastern Kentucky.

The vote was greeted with cheers from every section of the hall. Representative W. F. Klair, of Lexington, again voted for John R. Allen, the Lexington lawyer, who also received the votes of Representatives Lillard, McKnight and Mueller.

Beckham and Bradley each receiving fifty-seven votes on the ballot taken. It required 62 votes to elect. John R. Allen received seven votes, the highest number yet received by an outsider. The vote of the joint ballot was as follows:

Beckham . . . . . 57  
Bradley . . . . . 57  
John R. Allen . . . . . 7  
J. C. C. Mayo . . . . . 1

The vote of the Senators resulted: Beckham 18; Bradley 15; John R. Allen 3.

Senators Campbell, Charlton and McNutt voted for John R. Allen. Representatives Klair, McKnight, Lillard and Mueller also voted for John R. Allen, the Lexington lawyer.

The vote of the Representatives resulted: Beckham, 39; Bradley 32; John R. Allen, 4; J. C. C. Mayo, 1. We are informed that Mr. Mayo visited Mr. Hopkins, immediately after hearing of his action, and advised him to vote for Beckham.

## OSIE.

Geo. Shepard, of Webbville, passed through here recently, en route to his saw mill on Blaine.

Sam Rose has gone to Paintsville where he will take charge of timber job.

The farmers in this locality are preparing to put in new ground and to farm generally in an extensive way.

Attorney Jobe of Morgan was through here recently on business pertaining to his profession.

Thomas Murphy, a good citizen of Yatesville, passed through here first of the week.

Mrs. Josie Rose was visiting her parents last week.

Covey Adams has moved his store from Midway to near his home, and the postoffice has been moved to Mrs. Purn Burton's.

Fred Jobe and wife were visiting at Browning recently.

John Howell was here last week.

Robt. Chaffins has moved to the place recently vacated by John Blankenship.

H. H. Jobe, (newly married) has gone to housekeeping.

Enos Derifield, of head of Morgan, was here one day last week trading some mules.

Lisha Jobe is down with typhoid fever. This is now the only case of fever in our midst.

Ira Adams and Willie and Vennie Jobe have returned from the mines.

Lindsey Jobe was (and frequently is) calling on Miss Carrie Jordan recently.

Beckham Hughes, who underwent an operation some time ago, is about well again.

Silas Jobe's little boy, who was suffering with nervous spinal disease, is also greatly improved.

Kay Adams has moved to Middle fork of Twin at Kay Chaffins on Blaine.

Mrs. Nancy after and daughter were calling on Mrs. Hughes a few days ago.

Mrs. W. M. Watson, of Overah, was here last week on business.

J. S. T.