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Extension to Elkhorn Will be Made.

The Clinchfield Road Has Arranged to Finance the Project and Work Will Start Soon.

Directors of the Carolina Clinchfield and Ohio Railway will meet tomorrow in the office of Mark W. Potter, president of the road, to consider arrangements in connection with the financing of the extension of the line from Dante, Va., to Elkhorn City, Ky.

The amount of money required is likely to be relatively large. It is said, because of the mountainous character of the country through which the extension is to be pushed. The banking firm of Blair & Co., it is understood, is working out the details of the proposed financial operations.

The object of the extension to Elkhorn City is to get in touch with the Chesapeake and Ohio railway, and through that system obtain an outlet to the North and quick transportation of fruit and farm products.

The Clinchfield runs through the Blue Ridge mountains and that section of the South which has figured so prominently in the news recently by reason of it being the home of the Akins, of courthouse murder notoriety.

It controls almost 300,000 acres of coal lands in the vicinity of Elkhorn City, Ky., and Dante Va., from which latter place it runs south to Spartanburg, S. C.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

New York, March 29.—The extension of the "Clinchfield Route," from Dante, Va., to Elkhorn City, Ky., is to cost about \$4,000,000. It was announced today. As the extension is said to be only about 43 miles in length, this means that the per mile cost will be about \$100,000. The enormous expense is due to the fact that the character of the country through which the road is to be constructed is mountainous. Similar conditions confronted the building of the original line from Dante, Va., to Spartanburg, S. C., with the result that the cost for some portions of the route through the Blue Ridge Mountains, at a grade of only about 2 per cent, amounted, it is said, to \$200,000 per mile.

Financial arrangements for the new work have been completed. Construction work is to be started immediately after the engineers have handed in their formal report. Three routes have been surveyed. The only question is which is the best.

The proposed extension of the line will increase the company's net earnings, it is estimated, by \$1,250,000 and facilitate transportation of farm products to the North over the Chesapeake and Ohio and Louisville and Nashville, with which it will connect.

KILLING NEAR ASHLAND.

On Tuesday morning Reuben Ball, manager of the A. C. & I. Mines at No. 8, shot and instantly killed Fred Jarrall. Jarrall and his wife had attacked Ball, Jarrall striking him with a piece of iron, fracturing his skull. The parties had fallen out over an account.

Reuben Ball was formerly of this county and is a son of Squire William Ball, of the Dry Ridge neighborhood.

FLOYD COUNTY FATALITY.

On Friday last while Mr. Morgan Clark, of Floyd county, was cutting down a tree it fell upon him inflicting injuries which caused his death a short time afterwards. He was alone when the accident occurred and when discovered he was dead. Mr. Clark lived about a mile from Harold, a station on the C. & O., and on Mud creek, about a mile above its mouth. He was 75 years old and left a wife and several grown children. Mr. Clark was a veteran of the Civil War.

No Pensions Until August.

No pensions will be paid to Confederate soldiers or widows of soldiers until August. Under the law granting pensions to the old soldiers their claims for pensions must be passed on by the county court of the county in which the applicant lives and then must be approved by the pension board at Frankfort.

This board is composed of the Governor, the Auditor and the Secretary of State. The application blanks, which must be filled out by the applicants for pensions, will be sent out by Commissioner Stone Tuesday. Claims will be paid after this year in February, May, August and November.

April Means Death for Seven.

Seven men are condemned to die in the Eddyville penitentiary in April, and a double electrocution is set for April 19.

Willard Richardson, who killed James Violett in Carlisle county, a few weeks ago, and James Ellis who killed Squire Beatty and Constable Heath in a courtroom at Burnside, Ky., are the condemned for that date.

Others are Charles and James Smith, negroes, from Mason county; Cal Miracle, who killed a man and woman in Bell county; Ewing Bowling, who killed a white man and negro woman in Breathitt county; and John Bowman, a Lebanon negro who killed a woman.

YOUTHFUL MARRIAGES.

Four Young Students Matriculate Into Matrimony.

Married, Wednesday, at the residence of the bride's mother, this city, by the Rev. S. F. Reynolds, Miss Maud Burton, aged 15, to Mr. Wayne Vinson, aged 18. The bride is the daughter of William Burton, deceased, and the groom is a son of Lafayette Vinson, of Glen Hays, W. Va. Immediately after the ceremony the newlyweds went to the home of the groom's parents.

The bride is a very pretty and popular girl, and the groom is a promising young man.

The people of our little village were justly surprised Tuesday when they learned that two of the students of the academy—the boy a factotum-boarder, and the girl a day scholar—had taken advantage of Monday as a holiday and formulated their plans for an elopement, which they put in effect on Monday night. Archie Conley, aged 15, and Miss Estelle Coldron, aged 16, were the contracting parties, and they carried out the scheme on schedule time.—Hazel Green Herald.

HER ANNIVERSARY.

Thursday, March 28, was the anniversary of Mrs. J. W. Yates birth and she celebrated so memorable an event in a most delightful way. Prompted by the native instinct of a Louisa woman, Mrs. Yates prepared a dinner for the occasion—one which will be long remembered by all who partook of the delicious repast. She had invited all the ministers of the city to be her guests. These excellent judges of the good things of life declare that the feast was truly a superb one.

In the afternoon her fellow members of the Baptist Ladies Aid Society came in a body, and they, too, were the recipients of a gracious hospitality. The hostess has many visitors of the very pleasant day.

New Marshal for Prestonsburg.

Upon the resignation of Mr. Tom Blackburn from the Office of City Marshal, the City Council met and elected Mr. Jake Clarke.

This is a hard office to fill here, especially. We hope every citizen will join in and help our officers bring about a respectable state in the conduct of the thoughtless. Some people think that if they are not disturbing somebody or if they are not acting out of the ordinary they will not receive their portion of recognition.—Monitor.

THE OIL FIELD

Will Soon Have New Wells, and Tests on Others.

Just at this writing there is not much news from the oil field in this county, but before this week closes there should be some important information.

As we go to press the Burnt House well on the Venora lease at Busseyville is about ready to be shot. This is the well that has made the best showing of any of the wells in its natural condition. Those interested are very hopeful of the result of this shot.

The Poteet well on the Garred Hughes farm is down to the Berea sand and will be completed to-day. Drilling on the Burgess-Garred well on the Moffat farm is going along nicely.

Sam Spencer will complete the Holt-Shannon well in a short time.

Reports from the well on the John Prince farm are encouraging. This is the well that the Wayne Oil company took over from a Catlettsburg company, who failed to complete it.

The Hamilton-Roberts company reported to be about ready to drill a well on its leases, west of Busseyville.

The Venora company's well No. 4 is in the Berea sand and the drilling should be completed within a few hours.

THE GLORIOUS EASTER.

This gladdest Sunday of all the year, will be celebrated at the M. E. Church with all that is appropriate. In the morning Dr. Hanford will preach on Death Robbed of its Sting. At night he will deliver the final lecture-sermon on Paradise Lost. The special theme will be, After The Fall. In it will be found a key to the facts of history. Get the key as you may be able to unlock the ages. You are welcome.

THE PASTOR.

QUORUM BUT NO CHAIRMAN.

The city council met in regular monthly session Tuesday night, all the members present. Rather a singular condition was developed. It was intended to consider an ordinance concerning the gas question, but the six councilmen were equally divided regarding it. Mayor Burns, who is ex-officio chairman of the board, was absent, and the law requires that a member of the board shall preside in his absence. To elect a chairman pro tem Tuesday night would give one of the factions a voting majority, so, while the members disagreed on the question to be considered they agreed to adjourn without transacting any business.

Belonged To The Junior Order.

Ed. A. Wellman, whose death was recently chronicled in this paper, was a member of the Junior Order United American Mechanic. On Thursday his mother received from the Order, through C. E. Hensley, \$250 insurance benefit. Mr. Wellman had paid into the benefit fund seventy-five cents.

STATE BOARD RAISED US.

The State Board of Equalization has raised the assessment of the following counties in this section: Boyd, 15 per cent of farm lands and 5 per cent on town lots; Floyd, 6 per cent on land; Johnson, 3 per cent on lands; Lawrence, 5 per cent on lands and 5 per cent on town lots; Magoffin, 10 per cent on lands, 10 per cent in lots; Martin, 5 per cent on lands, and Morgan, 8 per cent on lands.

Quarts Must Be Quarts.

Growers of strawberries and like fruits are interested in the outcome of an order issued by the pure food department of the State Board of Health that boxes must contain the full measure represented by the size of them. According to the order a quart must be a quart, or sold according to the quantity under that.

Death of Former Louisan.

Columbus C. Botner, a native of this county, died at his home in Clinton, Indiana, March 2nd of apoplexy, dying four hours after he was stricken. He was 70 years of age. He is survived by a widow and several grown children. Mr. Botner was the son of Capt. O. D. Botner, of this city, who is now in the 94th year of his age. His wife was a daughter of the late David Borders, of Georges creek, this county.

HAS LONG ARMS.

Ben Hatten, a well known young man of Boyd county, Kentucky who was in Huntington yesterday, claims to have the longest arms of any man in the country. With his arms extended Hatten measures 89 inches from finger tip to finger tip, and he won \$50 there yesterday on a wager that he had the longest arm length.

With the ends of his thumbs of each hand touching Hatten can span 16 1-2 inches, and in this respect he also claims to hold the record. He is six feet, two inches tall weighs 195 pounds, and is an athletic giant.—Herald Dispatch.

BOB TAYLOR DEAD.

Tennessee's Famous Senator Dies from an Operation.

Senator Robert L. Taylor, of Tennessee, died in Washington Sunday evening, following an operation performed last Thursday for gall stones. He had been three times Governor of his native State, Congressman and Senator.

This simple announcement will carry sorrow to the hearts of thousands. "The Apostle of Sunshine" was known and loved all over the country as the prince of platform speakers. He has spoken to millions of people, always winning the plaudits of the multitudes who heard him. He could sway an audience as probably no other American ever moved them, and always for good. His matchless word pictures, once heard were never forgotten. Those whose good fortune it was to hear "Bob" Taylor when he spoke here not long ago will never forget him.

This gem from that wonderful collection of jewels—who that heard it can ever forget it!

"Not long ago I wandered back to the scenes of my boyhood on my father's old farm on the bank of the river in the beautiful land of my native Tennessee mountains. I strayed once more through the pathless woods with my rifle on my shoulder. I sat on the old familiar logs amid the falling leaves of autumn, and heard the squirrels bark and shake the branches as they jumped from tree to tree. I heard the plaintive song of the whelp-poor-will and the drumming of a pheasant and the hoot of a wise old owl way over in Sleepy Hollow. I heard the tinkling of bells on the distant hills sweetly mingling with the happy chorus of the song birds in their evening serenade. Every living creature seemed to be chanting a hymn of praise to its God just as they used to long ago; and as I sat there on that old familiar spot and listened to the weird, wild harmony, I was rapt into a reverie. A vision of the happy past opened before me. I thought I was a boy again and played around the cabins of the old plantation and heard the old-time darkies laugh and sing and play the fiddle as they used to long ago.

"Shouldering my rifle I wandered my way to take one more look at the old homestead on the bank of the river. Silence was there. The voices of the happy long ago were hushed forever. The old-time darkies were sleeping on the hill close by the spot where my father sleeps. The moss-covered bucket was gone from the well. The old home where I was born was silent and deserted. As I peered through the dusty window pane and looked upon the desolate hearthstone that once glowed with the light of love and happiness. I thought my mother came back across the flood of vanished years and sang there again the sweet old songs she used to sing in the happy long ago."

NOT DEAD YET.

Congressman Fields Says He's Alive, and He Ought to Know.

Olive Hill, Ky., April 2nd 1911. Editor Big Sandy News, Louisa, Ky.

My Dear Sir:

I am informed that it is the general impression in some sections of Lawrence county that I am dead as a result of my recent operation in a Louisville hospital. I should be very glad indeed if the NEWS would kindly correct same. I am very much alive and feel more like living than I have for many months. I returned to my home on Friday last week and am improving very rapidly. I expect to be able to resume my duties at Washington within a few days.

Thanking you in advance for the favor above mentioned, I remain,

Yours very truly,

W. J. FIELDS.

NOTICE TO TEACHERS.

The Census Blanks for 1912 have been sent out together with a copy of the Boundary lines of each school Sub-District and all changes have been noted on opposite side of sheet containing the original Boundary.

Each trustee should be careful to write a new boundary line for his District which will include all changes and copy it in the trustee's record book so that it will remain as a permanent record in the District as required by Law, and furnish a copy for this office.

Remember, that in giving the ages of children in year Census Report, you must give their ages as they will be on the first day of July, not what they are at present. For instance a child born June 25, 1902, should be listed as Ten (10) years old, instead of nine (9), although at the time of taking the Census in April, it would only be nine years of age.

I have received a letter from the State Agricultural Dept. stating that ten bushels of Boone county white seed corn has been ordered shipped for the boys who enter the corn growing contest, which will be here in a few days for distribution.

I would like for 30 or 40 more boys to send in their names and enter the contest.

JAY O'DANIEL Supt.

AN EASTER BAZAAR.

The ladies of the M. E. Church will hold an Easter Bazaar for the sale of "white goods" and refreshments at the Brunswick hotel next Saturday, April 6. This is their first appeal to the public in three years, and they reasonably expect the public to patronize them liberally. Their offerings will be pretty to see, nice to wear and good to eat.

PIONEER WOMAN DEAD.

Mrs. Chloe Anne Lawson, widow of Dr. George Lawson, died in Williamson last Saturday as the result of injuries received by a fall of old age. She leaves many relatives and descendants, several of whom reside in this State.

THE GOOD OLD POPLAR.

By legislative enactment the "tulip" has been declared the State tree. How many people know that by tulip is meant the poplar? Yet, the poplar, once so plentiful in Eastern Kentucky, is, botanically, the tulip tree.

PIKE COUNTY MAN KILLED.

Hazel Coleman, of the head of Johns creek, was killed Tuesday, March 19, being dragged by a runaway horse. He died Tuesday night at 10 o'clock, and was buried Thursday.

PAID IN FULL.

The depositors in the late Bank of Willard have been paid in full. This was the State bank that failed about a year ago at Willard, Carter county.

Children Burned in Boone Co., W. Va.

Two little children, belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Wheatley, on Big Creek in this county, were burned to death Monday morning. One of them was a little over two years old and the other nearly a year. The youngest one died in a few minutes after the accident and the other toward night. The mother had laid them on a pallet in front of the fire, and went out for a few minutes. There was a coal oil can in the room and it is supposed that the oldest child poured some on the fire, and the flames set them on fire. The funeral was held Tuesday and the two little ones were buried in the same coffin. The afflicted family have the sympathy of the entire community in their sad bereavement.—Danville Progress.

FIELDS SEEKS INDORSEMENT.

Washington, March 23.—Through his office here, Representative W. J. Fields, of the Ninth Kentucky district, to-day announced his candidacy for re-election.

The Congressman expects to be strong enough to return to Washington in a few days, according to his brother, Austin Fields. It was recently reported that W. A. Young, of Morehead, had thought of seeking the Democratic nomination for Congressman from the Ninth district, but that Mr. Young's announcement would depend upon the plans of Mr. Fields.

CAPT. Wm. H. BARTRAM.

Death Comes to One of Our Oldest Citizens.

Capt. William Bartram, one of the oldest and best known citizens of Lawrence county, died at the residence of his son-in-law, James B. Peters, this city, on Sunday last, after a long period of ill health. On Monday afternoon a brief religious service was held at the house by the Rev. Dr. Thomas Hanford, of the M. E. Church, after which the body was taken by N. & W. train to Clifton, the home of the deceased, for interment. About a month ago Capt. Bartram left his home to go to Catlettsburg, but when he arrived in Louisa he was too sick to continue his journey and went to the home of his daughter, where he remained until his death. The direct cause of death as given by Capt. Bartram's physician and relative, Dr. L. H. York, was valvular disease of the heart. Capt. Bartram was born near the mouth of Rockcastle creek in October, 1833, and was therefore in the 79th year of his age. He is survived by a widow, who was his second wife, four children, Mrs. J. B. Peters, of Louisa; Mrs. Sam Frasher and Mrs. Sam Maynard, and William Bartram, all of Clifton. A brother and a sister also survive, Lindsey Bartram, who lives in the west, and Mrs. L. G. Chatfield, of Catlettsburg, who attended the funeral and interment.

Capt. Bartram's first wife was a daughter of the late Squire William Ratcliff. Late in life he married a daughter of Lindsay Sammons. He was a Federal soldier, earning his title as Captain of Company F., 14th Kentucky infantry. He was for years one of the leading timber men of this region. He was a sober, industrious, law-abiding citizen, of quiet demeanor, one who will be greatly missed in the neighborhood where he lived for more than three quarters of a century.

TOOK AN APPEAL.

In the Police Court last Monday judgment was awarded to the plaintiffs in the suits against the gas company to recover for alleged overcharges for gas furnished during the month of February. Mr. J. W. M. Stewart, representing the gas company, took an appeal, and says he will, if necessary, carry the cases to the Supreme Court of the United States.

CHEAPER FARE TO CINCINNATI.

The C. & O. is selling round trip tickets from Louisa, to Cincinnati for \$7.00. The fare one way is \$4.20.