HAMBONE'S MEDITATIONS

KENTUCKY NEWS BRIEFS

A new Baptist church, which cost $75,000, was dedicated at Lebanon Sunday.

The new $100,000 gymnasium at Georgetown College will be formally dedicated on January 15.

Carl J. Lucas, of Covington, was shot and killed by his wife, Mrs. Florence Lucas, from whom he was estranged.

R. E. L. Stewart, prohibition agent, was seriously wounded in a battle with moonshiners near Ashland Saturday.

Mrs. Roberta Collier Elkin, wife of R. L. Elkin, editor of the Lancaster Central Record, died at her home in Lancaster Monday.

S. M. Roff, banker of Mayslick, suffered two broken ribs when his car struck a telephone pole near Flemingsburg last Friday.

Edward Wimplat, 7 years old, was accidentally shot and killed by an older brother while hunting near New Haven Monday.

A new paint and lacquer plant to cost $450,000 and provide employment for 7,500 men, will be constructed in Louisville.

The Senate last week confirmed the re-appointment of Sawyer Smith as United States District Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky.

Loose leaf warehouses in Kentucky reported total sales of 289,080 pounds of tobacco in November at an average price of $16.19 per hundred pounds.

Adrian Tucker, 18, was badly burned when a suit in which he was impersonating Santa Claus ignited in a toy store at Maysville Saturday morning.

Mrs. Henry McDonald, of Danville, was seriously burned when a tub of gasoline in which she was washing some clothes suddenly burst into flames.

The Sandy Hook Bank at Sandy Hook, Elliott county, last week closed its doors and placed its affairs in the hands of the State Banking Commissioner.

William A. Baldwin, 43, railroad car inspector, was instantly killed when he was crushed between two cars while making a coupling at Louisville last week.

Mrs. Etta Alford, of Winchester, was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary on a charge of selling whisky in the Clark circuit court last week. It was her second offense.

Roscoe Cross, of Mayfield, student at the University of Kentucky, has been chosen for the Rhodes scholarship from Kentucky, according to announcement made Monday.

Mrs. Sue Ella Sweeney, 30 years old, member of a prominent family, was accidentally shot and killed by her brother-in-law, Albert Welch, while hunting in Hancock county Saturday.

Dr. E. Y. Mullins, for the past twenty-six years president of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, has declined the pastorate of a large Baptist church in the East.

Wallace W. Mitchell, cashier of the Farmers and Traders Bank at Paris, and former sheriff of Bourbon county, has resigned his position with the bank to become effective January 1.

Artis Owen, Clark county farmer, was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary in the Clark circuit court at Winchester Saturday on a statutory offense against his sixteen year old daughter.

Governor Fields last week offered $500 reward for the arrest and conviction of unknown persons who murdered Mary Vickery, 14 years old, whose body, in unrecognizable shape, was found near Harlan recently.

C. L. Helm, whose home is in West Virginia, suffered the loss of his leg when his foot slipped and was drawn into the gears of a crane with which he was unloading cars of crushed stone at Maysville Saturday.

Crazed with moonshine whisky, Bernard Taylor, negro, ran amuck in Lexington Sunday afternoon, shot Perry Jenkins, negro, 60 years old, and was finally captured by a posse of twelve policemen.

Pearl W. Smith, 50 years old, who conducted a county store in Woodford county, blew off the top of his head with a shotgun at his home last week. He left a note saying ill health prompted the tragedy.

E. M. Montgomery, of Pendleton county, was arrested on a warrant sworn to by Dr. H. C. Clark, county health officer, charging him with sending his child to school and refusing to have it vaccinated.

Preston Brown, a native of Lexington, who enlisted in the army as a private in 1894, has just been promoted to the rank of Major-General. He will be stationed at Boston in command of the first army area.

Governor Fields has announced that he will fight the government plan to designate interstate roads as "U. S. Highways" and give them numbers as this would cause the Midland Trail and Dixie Highway to lose their identity.

A tobacco barn located on the farm of D. G. Taylor, in Bourbon county, in which it is said 35,000 pounds of tobacco were stored, was destroyed by fire last week. The loss, estimated at $10,000, was partially covered by insurance.

Four bandits in a high powered automobile kidnapped Walter Decker of Covington, a jewelry salesman, in the downtown section of Cincinnati last Friday morning and robbed him of $6,065 in money and a $200 diamond ring.

Transforming the roof of his home into an aerial fortress, an armed maniac held three platoons of police at bay for more than an hour at Louisville last Thursday and was captured only after he had been shot down by a policeman.

Following an argument with his wife, Charles Kohler shot her four times at their home in Louisville, walked into another room and shot himself through the chest. Mrs. Kohler will recover, but her husband has slight chance.

Rosa Thurman, 17 years old, ended her life by firing a load from a shotgun into her abdomen at her home in Albany, Clinton county. The only cause given for her act was that she had been whipped by her mother a short time before for fighting with a younger sister.

Homer Wilson, former superintendent of a high school in Garrard county, was acquitted by a jury in the Garrard circuit court last week on a charge of killing his cousin, Louis Wilson, last September. Prof. Wilson, who is a graduate of the University of Kentucky, pleaded self defense.

Dr. X. M. Sayre and his son, X. S. Sayre, of Lexington, father and brother of J. C. Sayre, who died November 29 in a cell in the Lexington police station, have offered a reward of $1,000 for the arrest and conviction of any person who may have struck Mr. Sayre, causing an abrasion on the head.

Losing control of his car while driving in Maysville Friday night, William Lingenfelser collided with another automobile and then struck Dr. C. L. Choller, who was walking along the street, knocking him through a fence into Limestone creek forty feet below. Dr. Choller was seriously injured. Lingenfelser was arrested on a charge of reckless driving.

Charles Jackson, 24, was seriously burned when his clothing caught fire from a cigarette at a filling station in Paris Saturday. The accident occurred when the gasoline hose slipped out of the tank of a truck which Jackson was filling, spraying his clothing. The cigarette immediately set fire to his clothing and the man was covered with the blaze. His recovery is doubtful.

RESULTS THAT LAST

Proven By Carlisle People

Thousands of kidney sufferers have tried remedy after remedy with only temporary benefit. That's mighty discouraging! But one kidney remedy has earned a reputation for lasting results and there's plenty of proof right here in Carlisle.

Read the experience of one who used Doan's Pills years ago and now makes her endorsement even stronger.

Mrs. E. A. Thomas, 490 E. Main St., Carlisle, says: "I had severe backaches. I had dizzy spells and often had to grasp something for fear of falling. My kidneys were weak and I felt tired and nervous. After using Doan's Pills, my kidneys were regulated and all other troubles left."

Mrs. Thomas gave the above statement Nov. 16, 1920 and on May 2, 1924, she added: "I haven't had a sign of kidney trouble since Doan's cured me." X

60c, at all dealers. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.

A silver wire one-twelfth of an inch in diameter will support a weight of 188 pounds.

There are at present about 15,000,000 persons of foreign birth in the United States.

Blood flows through the bones of very young children almost as freely as through the veins.

Specially Assorted Candies

Packed in beautiful "Christmas" Boxes of varied designs, these delicious Bonbons, Chocolates with cream and nut centers, as well as candied Fruits, comprise a collection of Candies especially fitting for gift giving.

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LOWNEY'S
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50c to $8.00

Gatewood's Confectionery

PUBLIC SALE

Of Stock, Feed, Farming Implements, Etc.

As I am going to move, I will offer for sale on the Ross Allen farm, two miles from Moorefield and four miles from Carlisle, on the Carlisle and Sharpsburg pike, on

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22

at 10 o'clock a. m., the following described property:

1 work mule, 4 years old
1 bay work horse, 9 years old
10 Duroc brood sows, to farrow in March
1 good Duroc boar
30 Duroc shoats, weigh 40 to 70 lbs
2 tons baled hay, mixed clover and timothy
2 to 3 tons loose hay
1 stack of millet
1 McCormick mower
1 hay rake 2 potent diggers
2 two-horse wagons with new beds
2 double shovel plows
1 breaking plow 1 hillside plow
1 riding cultivator
1 five-tooth cultivator
1 2-horse sled 1 cutting box
2 sets good work harness with leather tugs
2 sets work harness, piping and chains
2 good fifth chains

Bridles, halters, harness, garden hoes, grubbing hoes, pitchforks picks, shovels, sledge hammers, cross cut saw, step-ladder, some household and kitchen furniture and other articles too numerous to mention.

Terms liberal.

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To break up a cold overnight or to cut short an attack of grippe, influenza, sore throat or tonsillitis, physicians and druggists are now recommending Calotabs, the purified and refined calomel compound tablet that gives you the effects of calomel and salts combined, without the unpleasant effects of either.

One or two Calotabs at bed-time with a swallow of water,—that's all. No salts, no nausea nor the slightest interference with your eating, work or pleasure. Next morning your cold has vanished, your system is thoroughly purified and you are feeling fine with a hearty appetite for breakfast. Eat what you please,—no danger.

Get a family package, containing full directions, only 35 cents. At any drug store. (adv)

LITTLE SPINOGRAPHS

Do not ask the way of a blind man.

Surely one would be foolish to ask someone what he thought about Chiropractic if he had never heard of the science of health.

Ask the man or woman who has gotten results — HEALTH — when other methods failed.

W. G. COWAN
Chiropractor
Carlisle, Ky.

WARNING NOTICE

Our farm, known as the Clay farm, is posted against hunting of any kind, with guns or dogs. All trespassing is forbidden and both hunting and trespassing will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

BLUE LICK CATTLE COMPANY.
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AN ORDINANCE

Providing for the establishment of a Single Comprehensive Telephone Service by the Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Company in the City of Carlisle under the Franchise Rights acquired by it previously to September 1, 1924; fixing a Schedule of Exchange Rates to be charged by said Company after the establishment of said Service and providing for the Revision of such Rates in the Future; providing for the Supervision by the City of the Construction and Maintenance of the Property of said Company, and requiring the surrender by said Company of the Franchise heretofore acquired by the Nicholas Home Telephone Company in the City of Carlisle.

WHEREAS, The Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Company, which owns and operates telephone properties in the City of Carlisle under franchise rights acquired by it previously to September 1, 1924, did on said date purchase all the telephone properties of the Nicholas Home Telephone Company in the City of Carlisle, including all franchise rights heretofore acquired by said Nicholas Home Telephone Company in the City of Carlisle, and

WHEREAS, Said Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Company is now operating under and by virtue of said franchise of the Nicholas Home Telephone Company the properties formerly belonging to the Nicholas Home Telephone Company as a separate telephone system, and

WHEREAS, Such duplicate telephone service results in waste and inconvenience and the public interest demands that there be a single, comprehensive telephone system in the City of Carlisle,

Now, therefore, the City Council of the City of Carlisle do ordain as follows:

Section 1. The Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Company shall promptly enter upon the work of connecting the physical properties heretofore belonging to the Nicholas Home Telephone Company with those heretofore belonging to itself, in the most approved and efficient manner and shall diligently prosecute same to completion so as to render to the inhabitants of the City of Carlisle a single comprehensive telephone service of approved and efficient character.

Section 2. The single comprehensive telephone service contemplated in the previous section of this ordinance shall begin to be rendered within sixty days after its adoption and its acceptance by said Company, or as soon thereafter as practicable.

Section 3. Until the work of connecting said properties shall have been completed, or until the Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Company shall be prepared to render, and shall render, a comprehensive and efficient single telephone service, said Company shall operate the properties formerly belonging to the Nicholas Home Telephone Company as a separate system from the system formerly belonging to and operated by itself and shall render to the inhabitants of the City of Carlisle the same service formerly rendered by the Nicholas Home Telephone Company, and this shall be done in all respects in the same way and to the same extent as the said Nicholas Home Telephone Company would be required to do had it continued to own and operate its telephone system, and the rates to be charged for the exchange telephone rendered by each such system shall be and remain precisely as they now are.

Section 4. When the single comprehensive telephone service contemplated in this ordinance shall have been established and put into operation, the Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Company shall have the right to charge for its exchange service within the City of Carlisle rendered by and over its single comprehensive telephone system to all subscribers to its service the following rates, payable in advance before the tenth day of the month, viz:

Business Individual Line	$3.00
Business 2-party Line	2.50
Residence Individual Line	1.90
Residence 2-party Line	1.65
Residence 4-party Line	1.50
Business Extension Stations	1.25
Residence Extension Stations	.75

A discount of 25 cents allowed, except in extension station rates, for payment in advance at Company's office.

Foregoing rates applicable within present corporate limits, and subject to the Company's General Exchange Tariff on file at its office at Carlisle and with the Kentucky Railroad Commission.

Within a reasonable time after the single comprehensive telephone system contemplated in this ordinance shall have been established and put in operation, the Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Company shall begin and diligently continue the work of installing and putting into operation a new common battery central office equipment, said new equipment to be put into service by January 1, 1927, or as soon thereafter as is practicable.

Twelve months after said new common battery central office equipment shall have been installed and put into service, the following schedule of rates shall apply:

Business Individual Line $4.00 per mo
Business 2-party Line, $3.50 per mo.
Business Extension, $1.25 per mo.
Res. Individual Line, $2.25 per mo
Res. 2-party Line, $2.00 per mo.
Res. 4-party Line, $1.75 per mo
Res. Extension, $1.00 per mo.

Service Connection Charges

1. **Instrumentalities Not In Place:** Individual or party line service, each main or extension station $3.50
Private Branch Exchange Service, each trunkline or station $3.50
2. **Instrumentalities In Place:** Where service is established by use of instrumentalities already in place on the applicant's premises, provided no change is made in the type or location of such instrumentalities, except changes necessary because of a change in the class or grade of service:
Each main station $1.50
Each extension station ....no charge

Foregoing rates applicable within present corporate limits, and subject to the Company's General Exchange Tariff on file at its office at Carlisle and with Kentucky Railroad Commission.

Said latter rates shall continue and be in force for a period of two (2) years, and thereafter until further action by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Carlisle; provided, however, that said Company shall at all times, after said period of two (2) years, have the right to charge such rates as will yield a fair and reasonable return upon the fair value of the property used or useful in furnishing said exchange service, and to that end, such rates shall be revised from time to time upon instance of said Company, or of said City.

Any changes in said rates proposed by said Company shall be filed with the Mayor and City Council of the City of Carlisle for its consideration and left on file for sixty (60) days. If, within that period, the same shall have been approved, or shall not have been acted on by the Mayor and City Council in whole or in part, the whole or part so approved, or so not acted upon, shall take effect as proposed; however, said Mayor and City Council shall have the right by resolution duly passed within such sixty day period, to extend the time for acting upon such proposed change in rates for an additional period to be fixed by it of not exceeding ninety (90) additional days, and in such case, the Mayor and City Council shall forthwith give said Company fifteen (15) days' notice of having ordered such extension, and shall thereafter afford to said Company a fair hearing with reference to changes in rates proposed by said Company. At the conclusion of such hearing, and in any event, on or before the expiration of such extended period, the Mayor and the City Council shall either approve the proposed changes, or make such order as may be reasonable, disapproving such proposed changes, and either requiring said Company to make no changes, or fixing and prescribing what changes said Company shall make and what rates it shall charge, and the proposed change or changes in rates insofar as same are contrary to such order of the Mayor and City Council shall not take effect until such order be thereafter rescinded, or modified by the Mayor and City Council or enjoined or set aside by a court of competent jurisdiction.

Any changes in rates proposed by the Mayor and City Council shall be made only after reasonable notice to the Company and a full and fair hearing.

Section 5. Nothing in this ordinance shall be deemed to barter or impair the police powers of the City of Carlisle to supervise the construction and maintenance of the property of the said Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Company along, over, under and across the streets and public places in said City.

Section 6. This ordinance shall become effective from the date of its passage, provided the Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Company, within thirty (30) days thereafter, shall file with the City Clerk of the City of Carlisle a writing duly executed by its President, or a Vice-President, accepting the terms and provisions of this ordinance.

The Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Company shall also, within thirty (30) days after the passage of this ordinance file with said authority its surrender of any and all franchise rights or authority to own, maintain and operate lines of telephone in the City of Carlisle, heretofore acquired by the Nicholas Home Telephone Company in said City, and thereafter all of the telephone properties of the Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Company in the City of Carlisle shall be owned and operated by it under its own franchise free and clear of all duties and obligations arising, or that might arise, under the terms of the said franchise or franchises of the Nicholas Home Telephone Company.

Passed December 7, 1925.

PAUL D. DARNALL, Mayor
S. C. VAUGHN, City Clerk.

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The extraordinary Borozone treatment for flesh wounds, cuts, sores, galls, burns and scalds is just as effective in the stable as in the home. Horse flesh heals with remarkable speed under its powerful influence. The treatment is the same for animals as for humans. First wash out infectious germs with liquid Borozone, and the Borozone Powder completes the healing process. Price (liquid) 30c, 60c and $1.20. Powder 30c and 60c. Sold by THE CARLISLE DRUG CO.

POSTED

Our farms are posted against hunting with dogs or guns. Hunters of all kinds are warned to stay off the lands and trespassers will be prosecuted.

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S. T. STONE
MRS. L. H. PETERSON
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(Additional names to notice to run during hunting season will be published for 50 cents.)

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Worms and parasites in the intestines of children undermine health and so weaken their vitality that they are unable to resist the diseases so fatal to child life. The safe course is to give a few doses of White's Cream Vermifuge. It destroys and expels the worms without the slightest injury to the health or activity of the child. Price 35c. Sold by

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NICHOLAS CIRCUIT COURT

Sarah A. Everman's Admr.,
Et Al., Plaintiff
Vs. Call for Claims
George Everman, Et Al, Defendant

All persons having claims against the estate of Sarah Everman, deceased are hereby notified to file same with the undersigned Master Commissioner of The Nicholas Circuit Court.

Said claims must be properly proved as required by Section No. 3870 of Kentucky Statutes.

Persons failing to file claims properly proved as required by law will be barred from participating in the distribution of the proceeds of said estate.

Given under my hand this the 16th day of December 1925.

U. M. Swinford M. C. N. C. C.
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AN EXHILARATING EFFECT

A bottle of Herbine on the shelf at home is like having a doctor in the house all the time. It gives instant relief when the digestion gets out of order or the bowels fail to act. One or two doses is all that is necessary to start things moving and restore that fine feeling of exhilaration and buoyancy of spirits which belongs only to perfect health. Price 60c. Sold by

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Seventy-seven farms are still under cultivation within the city limits of St. Louis.

An Illinois farmer had a corn yield of 100 bushels per acre from forty acres.

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Royal Palm	
Lv Lexington	9:05 A.M.
Ar Chattanooga	[illegible]
Ar Atlanta (C.T.)	8:15 P.M.
Ar Jacksonville (E.T.)	7:20 A.M.
Ar St. Augustine	8:20 A.M.
Ar Palm Beach	5:22 P.M.
Ar Miami	9:00 P.M.
Ar Sarasota	6:45 P.M.

Club Lounge Car, Observation Sleeping Car and Sleeping Cars to Jacksonville, Palm Beach, Miami and Sarasota.

Ohio Special	
Lv Lexington	11:55 A.M.
Ar Chattanooga	6:45 P.M.
Ar Atlanta (C.T.)	11:00 P.M.
Ar Macon (C.T.)	3:10 A.M.
Ar Valdosta	8:00 A.M.
Ar Jacksonville	11:55 A.M.

Observation Car, Sleeping Cars and Coaches to Jacksonville. Connections made in Union Passenger Station, Jacksonville, for all points in Florida.

PONCE DE LEON	
Lv Lexington	9:06 P.M.
Ar Chattanooga	3:45 A.M.
Ar Atlanta (C.T.)	8:15 A.M.
Ar Jacksonville (E.T.)	7:25 P.M.
Ar St. Augustine	8:30 P.M.
Ar West Palm Beach	6:30 A.M.
Ar Miami	9:10 A.M.
Ar Fort Myers	12:30 P.M.

Observation Car, Sleeping Cars and Coaches to Jacksonville. Through Sleeping Cars to St. Augustine, Palm Beach, Miami and Fort Myers.

Suwanee River Special	
Lv Lexington	12:10 A.M.
Ar Chattanooga	7:00 A.M.
Ar Atlanta (C.T.)	12:50 P.M.
Ar Tampa (C.T.)	6:15 A.M.
Ar Clearwater	7:35 A.M.
Ar St. Petersburg	8:25 A.M.
Ar Bradenton	7:55 A.M.
Ar Sarasota	8:25 A.M.

Through Sleeping Cars and Coaches to Tampa, Clearwater, Belleair and St. Petersburg. Through Sleeping Cars to Bradenton and Sarasota.

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Runabout - $260 Touring Car $290 Coupe - - $520 Tudor Sedan $580
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"The Store for All People"

STILL, selections are exceptional at Pogue's—for gift-shoppers. Each day stocks are added to; new things arrive.

Complete your Christmas shopping now—for further delay will bring you nearer to that last minute Christmas rush.

If you want some suggestions for gifts—If you want somebody to go with you to help you select things—If you want somebody to do your shopping for you—
Ask Jane Alden

She shops *with* you or *for* you. Telephone or write to her—or come in to see her. She'll give you the most friendly kind of advice and help.

All purchases sent free of charge

The H. & S. POGUE Co.
Corner of Fourth Street and Race Street

How Pogue's Serve You

Gift Wrapping
Christmas gifts of all kinds will be boxed, wrapped, tied and sealed for you—all ready for Christmas giving.

The Check Room
To save you the bother of carrying bundles while you shop, the Check Room is conveniently located near the entrance on the first floor, where you may check your bundles free of charge.

Parking Space
Knowing the endless bother of looking for a place to park, we've arranged to take care of Pogue patrons in the *Auto Hotel Garage*. Three hours free parking space for customers who drive their own cars!

Resting Place
The Rest Room and Writing Room on the sixth floor, makes a convenient place for appointments.

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392 CHILDREN ARE EXAMINED HERE

School Students and Babies Weighed and Measured At Clinics Here

MANY DEFECTS FOUND

Much interest was shown in the child health conference held at the court house last Friday. Twenty-eight pre-school children and three school children, with their interested parents, were in attedance. Drs. O. S. Kash, B. F. Reynolds, J. F. Bailey and C. W. Kash gave generously of their time in conducting the examinations. Mrs. A. T. Gardner, Mrs. Will Clark and Mrs. Nelle Rankin served faithfully in aiding Miss Hauswald to measure and weigh the children.

Each mother was eager to see whether she was succeeding or failing and how to attain better results. The following children were guided along the road to health:

Annie Laurie Riley, Elizabeth A. Clark, George Snelling, Robert C. Crattie, M. R. Burton, James A. Ockerman, Mary Jean Ockerman, Frances K. Henry, Helen D. Blake, Everett Ray Shrout, Morgan Stone, Maude Gillispie, Louvalia J. Miller, Paul Robert Neal, Marie Shrout, Eva Mae Myers, Ethel R. Herrington, Helen Linville, Helen J. Henry, Frank Mathias, Margaret T. Marshall, Pauline Linville, Billy Brothers, Pouline Frederick, Jane Alexander, Bobby Harper, Jane Harper, Jean Howard.

All of the students of the city school were examined, measured and weighed by Miss Florence L. Hauswald last week. She was assisted in the work by Drs. O. S. Kash, C. W. Kash, B. F. Reynolds, J. F. Bailey, T. P. Scott, A. T. Gardner, S. F. Hutchings and G. T. Cowan. The following statistics were given out following the examination:

364 children were examined, 93 per cent of them showing one or more glaring defects. Only 18 of them, or 7 per cent, showed apparent defects.

51 of them or 15 per cent showed abnormal tonsils. 71 or 20 per cent, had tonsils that should receive the immediate attention of the family physician. These were the tonsils that had three or four plus marks after them.

247 or 68 per cent needed dental cleaning. 279 or 77 per cent needed extractions or cavities filled. Attention to the teeth in early childhood means better health and less expenses later in life.

128 or 35 per cent were 7 per cent or more underweight and need attention to the correction of their defects so they may be free to gain, and attention to sufficient rest and food in proper balance.

59 or 16 per cent had eye strain. If glasses are put on early before physical damage is done, the eye is often strengthened and the glasses may be left off later as the child

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Two Racetracks Lose $120,000

Dade Park And Raceland Lost Heavy Sums During Past Year, Secretary Of Association Says

The Dade Park and Raceland race tracks have not paid their license fees to the State and cannot do so, because they have not the funds with which to pay them, according to Thomas B. Cromwell, secretary of the Tri-State Fair and Racing Associatoin. The two tracks lost more than $120,000 during the last season, he declared.

The unpaid license fees due from the Dade Park and Raceland tracks become a lien on their property, W. H. Shanks, State Auditor, said at Frankfort Monday, adding that he "had no fear but what they would be collected."

Although without immediate access to his records, Mr. Shanks said he recalled having received letters from the two tracks a few days before the license fees became due, stating that they were without funds to pay them.

"They now will have to pay the fees with a penalty added, which, as I recall, is 20 per cent, in addition to interest of 6 per cent," the Auditor said.

TO ENLARGE HOSPITAL

Another Story To Be Added To Good Samaritan Hospital At Lexington

In order to prepare to take care of the crippled children that will be brought to the Crippled Children's Hospital now being erected near the Good Samaritan Hospital in Lexington by Oleika Temple Shriners, the management of the Methodist hospital will soon start an addition of an entire floor over the present three floors of the hospital, and the work will be started as soon as the specifications are completed, according to announcement made last week.

Best Baby In Texas

Little Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Mathias is Winner

Betty Ruth, the three year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. M. Mathias, of Amarillo, Texas, was the winner of the baby contest at the Tri-State Fair held recently at Amarillo, Texas. She had an average of 97.8 per cent, which was the highest of any baby at the fair.

Betty Ruth was born while Mr. and Mrs. Mathias were residents of Carlisle. She is the youngest of their three daughters.

Carlisle School Remains As AA

Local High Continued As Member Of Southern Association At Meeting Held Last Week

The Carlisle high school was continued as a Class AA and Southern Association high school at the annual meeting of the Southern Association of Secondary Schools at Charleston, S. C., last week. A number of Kentucky high schools were added to the list, and four high schools of the state were dropped because they failed to keep up their standard of work.

The standards of the association were raised at this meeting and it may be necessary for the Carlisle high school to make some additions next year so as to remain on the class AA list.

This is the local school's second year as a member of the association, as the class AA rating was granted in December, 1924.

New License Tags To Cost $18,000

Owners Slow In Securing Plates Which Must Be Bought Before The First Of January.

Motorists continue to be slow in appearing at the office of County Clerk Westfall to obtain their license tags for 1926. Only a few more than 200 have been issued to date. Unless there is a material increase in the number of automobile owners who obtain their tags during the coming week many will be unable to obtain their tags before January 1, the time limit set by law.

During 1925, approximately 1200 tags were issued for motor vehicles here, and about the same number will be required for the automobiles of Carlisle and Nicholas county during the coming year. Automobile owners of the county will pay approximately $18,000 for new license plates, it is estimated.

RESTRAINING ORDER ISSUED

Pool Acts To Prevent Mack Ritchie From "Dumping" Crop

Circuit Clerk L. S. Hughes last week issued an order restraining Mack Ritchie, tenant on the farm of E. S. Hollar, from selling his tobacco outside of the pool. The petition asking for the restraining order was filed by I. B. Ross, local attorney for the Burley Tobacco Growers Cooperative Marketing Association.

Ritchie is not a member of the association, but Mr. Hollar, on whose land the crop was grown, is a member. About 8,000 pounds of leaf was produced by Mr. Ritchie, the petition declares.

Schools Close For Holidays

City And Rural Schools Close With Interesting Programs. To Re-open On January 4

The Carlisle city schools and the rural schools of the county closed Wednesday afternoon for the Christmas holidays.

An enjoyable program, in which most of the grades of the school took part, was given Wednesday afternoon in the city school auditorium. Most of the rural schools also gave programs preceding the closing.

The students of city schools will have a holiday of ten days, school being resumed on Monday, January 4. Most of the rural schools will re-open on this date, but some of them will re-open on Monday, December 28.

BIG STILL CAPTURED

Largest Outfit Yet Discovered Captured In Bourbon County

A negro registering as Burley Hausey was arrested by Sheriff M. Peale Collier and deputies on a farm near Centerville, Bourbon county, last Friday on a charge of possessing liquor. The officers found a copper still with an approximate capacity of 192 gallons, the largest ever seen in Bourbon county. 18 barrels of barley mash, a supply of ingredients used in the manufacture of whisky and 19 gallons of liquor were found.

ALLEGED CHICKEN THIEVES CAPTURED

Ed and Hugh Hunter Pursue Men Who Robbed Chicken House, Capturing One

2 OTHERS IMPLICATED

A midnight automobile race beginning near Blue Licks and terminating near Carlisle, during which the pursuers fired a number of shots at the machine in front, the final halting of the machine containing the fugitives, the recovery of twenty-six stolen chickens and the landing of one man in jail were the highlights in an episode rivaling a movie thriller, which occurred in this county Saturday night.

About midnight Saturday, Ed Hunter, who resides near Blue Lick Springs, was awakened by sounds originating in his chicken house. He arose, dressed and called to his brother, Hugh. While they were dressing three men were seen to load a Ford touring car, parked in front of the Hunter home, with chickens. Before the owners of the chickens got to the door the car had disappeared. Siezing a shotgun and pistol, the Hunters started in pursuit of the thieves. Several unsuccessful efforts were made to head them off, and Hugh Hunter fired the shotgun into the air several times to frighten the men and cause them to stop without success.

The alleged thefts turned their car onto the Carlisle pike from the Maysville pike and when they reached the city limits turned out the Lower Jackstown road. About the time they reached the railroad the Hunter machine passed them, drove ahead a short distance and the occupants alighted. Armed with the shotgun and pistol the Hunter brothers halted the fugitives. Three men were in the machine, and surrendered. The stolen chickens and a lot of tools from a shop at the Hunter home were found in the tonneau of the car.

Two of the men asked to go to the store of George Westfall, a short distance away, on some pretext, and when near the store ran, making their escape.

The other man was held until the arrival of Sheriff James F. Gaunce and Deputy Sheriff L. B. Burton. He was registered as William Nace giving his home as Maysville. Nace who is about 25 years old, gave the names of the other two men as Charley and Bob Mitchell, also of Maysville. Warrants charging them with chickens stealing were sent to Maysville authorities.

1,250,000 Lbs. Delivered Here

Pool Receiving Plants Closed Down Yesterday Afternoon And Will Reopen Next Monday

Up until Saturday night of last week, 1,250,000 pounds of tobacco had been delivered to the receiving plants of the Burley Tobacco Growers Cooperative Marketing Association in Carlisle, and receipts this week are expected to bring the total to more than a million and a half pounds. While the average advance paid was not announced, it is said to approximate 12 cents per pound.

The warehouses here and all through the Burley district closed down Wednesday afternoon and will remain closed until Monday, December 28. The redryer will also be closed during this time.

All tobacco received here to date has been redryed in the pool's redryer, as well as receipts at Mt. Olivet, which has been hauled here.

"Jake" Illegal After Jan. 1st

Jamaica Ginger Will Be Dispensed Only On Prescription After First Of New Year

Local druggists have been notified by the office of W. O. Mays, prohibition administrator for Kentucky and Tennessee, that on and after January 1, 1926, jamaica ginger will be classed as an intoxicating liquor and can be dispensed only on a prescription.

The recent ruling as to jamaica ginger or "jake," as it is known in bootleg circles, was made by treasury officials who notified all prohibition administrators throughout the country.

The new regulation provides that to obtain jamaica ginger, a purchaser must obtain a prescription drawn along the same lines as those necessary to obtain whisky. Any druggist or storekeeper selling jamaica ginger, without a prescription will under the new regulation be liable to indictment and prosecution under the national prohibition laws. The ruling will be effective throughout the United States beginning January 1.

All Aglow

Wears Two Shoes For First Time

Miss Rena Belle McFarland Returns From Louisville, Where She Has Been Eleven Weeks

Wearing two slippers for the first time in her life, Rena Belle McFarland, 17-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clint McFarland, of the Cane Run vicinity, returned Tuesday from Louisville, where she has been in a hospital for the past eleven weeks under the charge of the Kentucky Crippled Children's Commission.

When Miss McFarland was about 10 months old, her foot was horribly burned, causing her to be a cripple all of her life. In the last few years she had suffered considerably as a result of the burns received in childhood. Her foot and leg failed to develop, causing her to hobble along.

Several months ago when the Commission held a clinic at Cynthiana, the girl was taken there and examined. She was told that the foot could be amputated and she could wear an artificial leg. She readily consented to this and her parents agreed to the operation.

Eleven weeks ago Miss McFarland was taken to Louisville by Innes B. Ross, chairman for Nicholas county of the commission. Her foot was amputated a short time later and has recovered sufficiently for her to wear an artificial leg. Funds for the purchase of the leg were secured through subscriptions solicited by Miss Jimmie Henry, who became interested in the girl. The artificial leg cost $125.

Tuesday Mr. Ross went to Louisville and accompanied the girl home. While just learning to walk on the artificial leg, Miss McFarland is able to walk better than ever before in her life and is delighted. No child in Nicholas county will have a happier Christmas than she.

All expenses of the operation and care in the hospital were born by the Crippled Children's Commission.

BUILDING NEW SCHOOL

Children Of Cassiday Creek District To Have Holiday

The Nicholas County Board of Education, at a meeting last week, decided to close the Cassiday Creek school until a new building has been constructed to replace the structure destroyed by fire recently. It was at first planned to hold school in an old church in that locality, but the church building was found to be in bad repair.

The students of the school will have the full seven months term, however, as the time lost now will be made up when school is resumed. Bids for the construction of the building were opened yesterday afternoon. A one-room building will be constructed on the site of the burned school. Work will be started at once.

The fire worked a considerable hardship on parents of the students, as practically all school books were destroyed.

GEN. MITCHELL GUILTY

Court Martial Suspends Him From Army For Five Years

A verdict of guilty on all eight specifications and the general charge, coupled with a suspension of five years from "rank, command and duty" in the army, was found last Thursday night against Colonel William Mitchell by the court martial at Washington which has been conducting his trial for insubordination since October 28.

The military record of the accused during the world war "probably saved him from a more severe sentence." That was indicated by the court when it announced that the finding is thus lenient."

M. C. Caddell, who owns several large farms in Mercer county, has planted a five-acre fruit orchard, mostly apples and peaches, which he has dedicated to the Lord. It is said he intends the entire proceeds of this orchard to go towards good works, most of it to be distributed through the Baptist church.

Senior High Divides Games

Girls Win, While Boys Lose To Bourbon County High Friday Night, Juniors Lose

The Carlisle Senior High basket ball teams divided a double-header with Bourbon County High here last Friday night, the local girls winning by a score of 14 to 5, and Millersburg boys winning 19 to 15.

The games were below the average, being very slow. Neither team displayed much form.

In the girls' game, Miss McConnaughhay, of Millersburg, was the outstanding star. Craycraft was the best for the visiting boys, while Cook starred for Carlisle.

Both the boys and girls of Junior High lost to Mt. Sterling Junior High Friday night at Mt. Sterling.

Following were the line-ups:

Girls—Carlisle: Burgess (7), F; Feeback (2), F; Tilton (2), C; Veach, G; Thompson (1), G. Millersburg: McConnaughhay (5), F; Bodkin, F; Auxier, C; Whitaker, G; Wagoner, G. Subs., Carlisle, Clark for Feeback.

Boys—Carlisle: Cook (9), F; Parker (2), F; Hutchings, C; Burrow, (1), G; Hughes, G. Subs., Feeback, ells, Parker, Shaw, Bernett: Millersburg: Craycraft (12), F; Mattox (4), F; Bodkins, (2), C; Dennis, G; Tollman, G. Subs., J. Dennis.

The annual C. H. S.—Alumni Christmas clash will be staged on Tuesday night, December 29. A very strong line-up of former students will play against the Musketeers. The former stars for the alumni will probably include Joe Frank Conley, Marshall Reddell, Frank Scott, John Hutchings, George Insko, Sterling Kerns and A. R. Fisher.

THREE FIREMEN INJURED

Engine Hits Apparatus At Lexington Hurling Off Occupants

Three firemen were injured at Lexington last Wednesday night when an L. & N. railroad engine struck the ladder wagon from the central station at the crossing of South Upper and Water streets as the wagon was answering an alarm.

The injured men are Dave Regan, who received a broken ankle, Hal Murphy, who also received a broken ankle, and Edward Carroll, who was only slightly injured.

Regan, who has been a member of the fire department for several years, is a brother of B. B. Regan, of The Mercury force.

$8,000 WHISKY CARGO

Studebaker Automobile Captured In Falmouth Last Week

More than 150 quart bottles of whisky and champagne, and four 10-gallon copper tanks filled with liquor, together with a Studebaker automobile specially fixed for booze running, was captured by J. O. Perrin, chief of police of Falmouth last week. Two men, giving their names as Campbell, were arrested and are being held in jail. The liquor was valued at $10,000. The arrest of the men occurred after they had killed a dog in Pendleton county. The owner of the dog telephoned the officials to stop the car and make them pay for the dog. When the car was stopped the odor of whisky was evident, which caused their arrest.

POWELL GIVEN FIVE YEARS

Winchester Man Sentenced For Attempted Attack On Orphan Girl

After deliberating for an hour, the jury in the case of George Powell, former taxicab driver, of Winchester, charged with unlawfully detaining a female, returned a verdict of guilty and fixed his punishment at five years in the penitentiary. A jury was unable to agree at a former trial.

Powell was indicted last September after an episode on August 29 in which Zelma Lewis, a student at Berea College, was attacked. George Bowman, 20, was sentenced to be hanged in connection with the same case.

55,162,000 POUNDS SOLD IN DECEMBER

Part Of 1923, 1924 And 1925 Crops Sold By Pool To Different Buyers

MORE SALES PENDING

What should be very cheering Christmas news to the members of the Burley Tobacco Growers' Cooperative Association was the announcement made by President and General Manager James C. Stone, Friday that he had sold since the first of this month 55,162,000 pounds of tobacco out of the 1923 and 1924 and 1925 crops, mostly from the 1923 and 1924 crops. Mr. Stone further stated that all of these sales were at Association prices and that the deliveries of the old tobacco would commence at once and that of the new crop as same is delivered.

It will, of course, take some time to sample and deliver this much tobacco, but the satisfying thing for the members to know is that it has been sold and will be delivered and settled for as soon as it is possible to do so.

Further good news for the members is the statement from President Stone that negotiations for additional large sales are pending and expected to be closed before, or shortly after, the first of the year.

The above mentioned sales were made to sundry buyers, large and small and each sale closed to the full satisfaction of both buyers and the Association. Mr. Stone feels very happy over the situation and success of the Association and announced that the business and prospects of the Association all were more satisfactory and hopeful than at any time since its organization.

All this good news should certainly make the holidays happy days for the members and business interests of the Burley district.

RESIGNATION IS ASKED

Centre College Students Demand Removal Of Dr. R. Ames Montgomery

At a meeting of the board of trustees of Centre College held in Louisville last week, a petition was presented signed by students requesting the resignation of Dr. R. Ames Montgomery, president of the institution, and W. Hickman Carter business manager.

The fact that the petition has been circulating among the students has been rumored in Danville for two weeks. Seventy-six per cent of the students at Centre signed the petition.

Elected Member Of Booster Club

Miss Snapp To Represent Nicholas County At State Normal School At Richmond

Miss Christine Snapp, a student in the Eastern Kentucky State Teachers College, Richmond, has been honored by being selected by the other Nicholas county students as a member of the "Booster Club."

The Club was recently organized and is composed of only one member from each county that is represented in the school. It is one of the biggest and most active organizations in the school, and has many definite aims in view for the year. The principal one at present is to build up a bigger and finer student body and further promote the general progress of the school.

Other people now in school from Nicholas county are: Misses Jimmie Clay, Alice Clavell, Jennie Norvell. It is expected many more will go to Eastern the next semester which opens January 25, 1926.

Mountain Bad Man Is Killed

Willie Fleming Makes Last Stand Against Posse In Pike County Monday Morning

Willie Fleming, who in past bewilder with the law had won for himself the soubriquet of one of Eastern Kentucky's "bad men," of the mountains, Monday made what is probably his last stand against law enforcement. He comes from a family in which violent deaths have been the rule.

Sheriff J. M. Johnson, of Pike county, with a posse of ten men, went to the home of Fleming Monday to arrest him on a charge of murder. Fleming, heavily armed, refused to surrender and a gun battle ensued, in which Fleming was fatally wounded. None of the posse was injured.

An order for 1,000 all-steel drop bottom coal cars of gondola type was placed by the L. & N. Railroad Co. last week. The cost will be $1,800,000 and delivery will be made in March and April of next year.

To Ask 5c Gas Tax

Highway Commission Will Ask Increase of Two Cents

The State Highway Commission will ask the coming Kentucky Legislature to pass a law levying a tax of five cents a gallon on gasoline, an increase of two cents over the present price. W. C. Montgomery, chairman of the commission, announced last week that he would ask the legislature to pass this as an "emergency tax" until July 1, 1928, to put the Highway Department on a "cash basis."

Ross Chairman Of Wilson Drive

This Week Set Apart To Secure This County's Quota Of $150 For Memorial Fund

Innes B. Ross has been designated chairman for Nicholas county to solicit Nicholas county's quota of $150 for the Woodrow Wilson memorial fund and has set apart this week in which to secure the amount.

Mr. Ross has selected the following to accept subscriptions: H. M. Potts, cashier Deposit bank; Harry Kennedy, cashier Farmers bank; Henry L. Carter, cashier First National bank; J. H. Wilson, cashier Moorefield Deposit bank; K. B. Trimble, East Union; H. T. Barlow, Headquarters; Ed Colliver, Sprout; I. C. Taylor, Barterville; S. T. Cameron, Myers, and C. C. Conyers, Ellisville.

All citizens of the county are urged to see one of these solicitors and make a contribution at once.

Local Merchant Gets Cold Check

Smooth Stranger Gives Check Which Is Worthless To Local Merchant On Nicholasville Bank

On October 25, a check was given to a local merchant, purporting to be a signed by J. R. Brown, District Supt., payable to J. D. Warren, for $17.90, and endorsed by a man supposed to be J. R. Warren. Brown was supposed to be Dist. Supt. for the Commercial Telegraph and Telephone District 233, YR.

The check, which was numbered 986, was given on a Nicholasville Bank. When the check was returned marked "no funds," U. M. Swinford, attorney for the local merchant, wrote to the bank and received the following reply:

"The check referred to is a fake. Some four or five like checks were passed in the same manner. We never had an account of this kind and we do not know any of the parties whose names appear on these checks."

A man registering as Leslie Darrell, charged with giving two forged checks to Carlisle merchants, was arrested by Peter B. Thiel, Sheriff of Kenton county, at Covington Saturday and returned here for trial.

Darrell, it is alleged, forged the name of T. M. Curtis to two checks of $10 each, one of which was given to the C. C. Cole Co. and the other to the Brayfield Dry Goods Co. in payment for merchandise.

The alleged offense occurred in July of this year. Darrell, said to be a native of this county, has been living in Covington for several months.

Christmas Week One Of Activity

Merchants And Parents Glad It Is About All Over As St. Nicholas' Annual Visit Nears

Merchants of Carlisle have enjoyed a large holiday trade this week and their stocks of merchandise have been greatly reduced. The stores and windows have been especially attractive this year.

The week has been one of hustle and bustle for mothers, too. The rigging up of the Christmas tree and other preparations for the annual visit of St. Nicholas, preparations for the Christmas dinner, etc., have taxed their strength to the utmost.

Many social affairs and entertainments have been arranged for the holidays, affording enjoyment for the younger folk all during the week.

90 DAYS FOR RICH WOMAN

Mrs. Arthur Skirvin was put in jail in Stanford for refusing to sign a peace bond. She and her sister had some trouble with negro tenants and ordered them off of their 800-acre farm. The negroes had them arrested and at the trial a peace bond was issued against the women. Her sister, Miss Hackley, signed the bond, but Mrs. Skirvin refused and the judge sent her to jail for 90 days. Mrs. Skirvin ordered some clothes and some reading matter, saying she would stay with them a while.—Harrodsburg Herald.

CHRISTMAS TREE TO BE HELD TODAY

Hundreds of Little Children To Receive Presents Here This Afternoon

CHILDREN WELCOMED

The hearts of hundreds of children of Carlisle and Nicholas county will be gladdened at the Community Christmas Tree to be held in the court house yard this afternoon, preceding the visit of Santa Claus by a few hours. The exercises will begin about 3 o'clock.

A program of songs and a short talk will be made before the gifts are made. Then hundreds of little stockings filled with candy, nuts and fruit will be distributed among the children.

Arrangements have been made to give stockings to about 800 children. A committee from the Woman's Club made and filled the stockings.

The big tree was put up in the court house yard Monday and is very attractive.

The following persons contributed to the tree:

An Ohio subscriber	$10.00
Robert Harper	$5.00
Mrs. Minnie Roberts, Florida	$1.00
Harry E. Day, Louisville	$1.00
Mrs. Mary Johnson	$2.00
Miss Nancy K. Price	$1.00
George C. Myers	$2.00
Carlisle Mercury	$2.00
Frank C. Powell	$1.00
A. Friend	$1.00
J. T. Hinds	$1.00
Al Peters	$1.00
Mrs. Mamie Cain	$1.00
I. B. Ross	$2.00
Judge C. B. Thomas	$1.00
Joe Mathias	$1.00
Rev. W. J. Gammon	$1.00
Geo. W. Taylor	$1.00
A. Friend	$1.00
M. R. Burton	$1.00
Mrs. Ella Norvell	$1.00
Mrs. Gus Emert	$1.00
Sam K. Veach	$1.00
Ed Metcalfe	$1.00
Mrs. C. L. Linville	$1.00
Miss Nancy Laughlin	$1.00
Warren Fisher, Jr.	.50
Omer Berry	$1.00
Paul Darnall	$1.00
Wm. Howard	$1.50
J. E. Palmer	$1.00
Name withheld	$1.00
Geo. D. Scott	$1.00
Anna B. Thomas	$1.00
Henry Carter	$1.00
W. F. Clark	$1.00
Stanley Blake	$1.00
A. Friend	$1.00
Mrs. Geo. W. Taylor	$1.00
Miss Nellie Crump	$1.00
Mrs. W. P. Tune	$1.00

The tree was decorated and the current furnished free by the Kentucky Utilities Company.

The Carlisle Drug Company donated a large assortment of toys for the tree.

The Carlisle Drug Co. donated a large lot of toys.

W. T. Sistrunk & Co. donated a box of oranges.

P. O. Department Shows Big Deficit

Receipts Nearly $50,000,000 Below Expenditures In Last Fiscal Year, New Reports

General economies and increasing efficiency were reported last week by Postmaster General Harry S. New in his annual statement to the President, but there was a large deficit, due principally, he said, to salary increases.

Sending his annual accounting to President Coolidge, the postmaster general placed the operating deficit at $49,453,000 for the fiscal year of 1925, compared with $24,362,491 for the previous year. Responsibility for this deficit he laid on congress for failure to heed the postoffice department's recommendations for the rate increases which would meet the salary raises.

The present increased postage rates voted by congress, Mr. New said, have netted less than half the total of the salary increases.

Steadily increasing efficiency and economy in the postal service has been shown since 1921, the postmaster-general said. The growth of the service as shown by postal revenues was 4.65 per cent over the previous year, while in 1924 the increase was 7.53 per cent. Total revenues were $599,591,477, or $26,642,699 more than in 1924. Expenditures, together with undischarged liabilities, amounted to $649,044,567.

The humble postage stamp accounted for the largest portion of the revenues. Each person in the country spent on an average of $4.69 for postage during the year and the total thus received was $537,501,340.93, or 89.64 per cent of the total postal revenues.

The heavy hauling law which prescribes a penalty for operators of overloaded trucks and wagons in Kentucky, became effective December 15 and will continue until April 1.