CLASSIFIED

FOR SALE

FOR SALE—I will sell at public auction at the court house door Monday, November 9, at 2 o'clock, 50 shocks of corn in shock. M. G. Flynn. 11*

FOR SALE—Hall's medium size office safe, in good condition. Apply to Mrs. Ursula Graeter. 11*

FOR SALE—Ford roadster, fair shape, for sale or trade. Hamm & Hester. 11*

FOR SALE—1922 Model Ford Coupe, in good condition. Main Street Garage. 11*

FOR SALE—Ford coupe, first class shape, for sale or trade. Hamm & Hester. 11*

FOR SALE—Two shotguns, 12 and 16 gauge; three room house. Apply to Clarence Jones. Phone 121. 11*

FOR SALE—Globe range, in good condition. Call at Mercury office or phone 198.

FOR SALE—One good Ford roadster, good condition, starter. See or at Harvey's Garage.

FOR SALE—Residence property on College Hill. Apply to Bob Hays. 7-23 tf

FOR SALE—If sold at once, a 7 room house, including screen and storm and side porch and bath. Bruce street. Apply to Mrs. Claude Walker. 10-5 tf

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Several nice rooms on Greater Ind. Mrs. Ursula Graeter. 11*

FOR RENT—5 room house, water and bath. Call No. 16. 11*

FOR RENT—5 room house, furnace and bath. Call No. 10.

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STRAYED OR STOLEN—Small black mare, star in forehead. Parties having information concerning the mare will please call Ernest Harris, Route #15, Stanfordville. Reward for return.

LOST—A valuable element in your soul that may be replaced by having the rush on your farm pulverized and spreading the lime on your fields. You may now have limestone fertilizer ground right on your own farm at a reasonable rate per ton. See Fisher Henry. Call phone 26, or 198, or leave word at Mercury office.

MISCELLANEOUS

Fittings in the latest style corsets at Mrs Ryan, Friday, at Kirkland's.

Butcher knives, sausage mills and lard presses for hog killing. Wm. Howard & Son.

Prices have advanced out of stock, and we will share the loss. Pick out what you need now. Buy them now from Boston & Curtis.

RATS REDUCED — Beginning Thursday, November 5, rats will be reduced. Now is the time to get you a pretty worker by Dr. Hess. 11*

Oil and 22 gallon feed kettles. Howard & Son.

Are you tired working for the other fellow? If so, I can advise you regarding a profitable and permanent business of your own. Write Fisher Henry's Products for farm and home, or see me personally at R. C. Galbreath, Carlisle, Ky. 11*

Shoe shining parlor at the Carlisle Pool Co. Ladies and gentlemen's shoes shined. Your patronage solicited now. Ray Farris, porter. Call phone 198.

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Phone No. 20

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CITY TAXES DUE—City taxes for 1925 are now due and payable at the First National Bank. W. H. Pettit, City Treasurer. 7-9 tf

Dr. Hess' Poultry Food is the best egg producer on the market. If you have not tried it, call and get sample package. Boston & Curtis.

LONG FARM LOANS—5 per cent on good land.
SEE C. U. Bramblett.
9-16 tf

Just received a fresh supply of saffron. It is guaranteed to clean up the worms and put your stock in shape. Try it. Get any size package from Boston & Curtis.

WANTED

Miss Ryan, Gossard Corsetiere, will be at E. T. Kirkland's store all day Friday, November 6. Fittings in the latest style corsets.

SALESMEN WANTED—Salary and commission to men who can sell Sherp Powders. Big Mineral to farmers. Warner Remedy Company, 705 W. Van Buren, Chicago, Ill.

NOTICES

Fittings in the latest style corsets by Miss Ryan, Friday, at Kirkland's.

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.
CLAY FARM
J. J. BARE
CHARLES LINVILLE

ATTENTION HOLDERS OF "REDRYER" NOTES

The one years interest on the notes of the Eastern District Warehouse Corporation, executed to the various individuals is now in the hands of the Deposit Bank of Carlisle, Ky.

Parties holding such notes should present them to the bank and receive interest.
Deposit Bank of Carlisle, Ky.
Trustee.

TO THE VOTERS

We wish to express our sincere appreciation of the confidence expressed in us by choosing us as your officers for the next four years. We will endeavor to perform the duties of our respective offices in a manner that will be satisfactory to you.
Paul D. Dutrall
L. B. Barton

The Nicholas County Midway Club will hold a food sale at Sexton's Cash Store on Saturday, November 14. 11*

NOTICE—Do not pull or molest my fodder. Will appreciate it.
Joe Clay, Superintendent of Streets. 11-5 3t

No hunting allowed for birds, rabbits, with dogs or guns on my premises. Anyone found doing so will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. No fox hunting allowed.
Thomas H. Alexander. 11*

Just received a carload of Weber wagons. Price right. S. T. Barlow & Son. 8-6 tf

NOTICE—All persons knowing themselves indebted to me by note or account will please come forward and settle.
Dr. W. H. Gritton.
10-22 3t*

NOTICE—A Limestone Pulverizer, operated by this county by Fisher Henry, may be seen at work on the farm of C. L. Layson near Millersburg.

There will be a pie and box supper at the Myers school house in connection with the entertainment on Saturday night, November 7.
10-29 2t

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MIRANDA

Mrs. Lindsay McCracken, of Paris, visited Mr. and Mrs. Sam Orange Sunday.

Mrs. Pickett Blake has been confined to her home several days the past week with cold and other troubles.

C. C. Kalkendoffer, of Potts, visited his daughter, Mrs. Frank Scott, Sunday.

Miss Clarine George was quiet ill the past week but is some better.

The following children were reported unable to attend school the week from illness: Lonnie Hutchings, Lucille and W. R. Hutchings, Dorothy Edwards and Sherman Scott.

Chester Tapp and wife spent Saturday with Chas. Dixon and wife.

AENEY'S MILL

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mitchell and son spent the past week with Mrs. Mac Bryant.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Selby were Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Selby.

Messrs. Homer Hopkins, Hurston Simpson and Charles Schaffer, of Norwood, Ohio, spent the week end with their parents.

Miss Gladys Bellar, of Flora, Ill., spent Sunday with Mrs. Lloyd Selby.

Mrs. James Maffett, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Maffett, and Miss Mildred Hickmon, of Hazen, were Sunday with Mrs. Alfa Hickmon.

BARTERVILLE

Mrs. Charlie Ritchie visited Mrs. Hales Morris Monday.

Pearl Mc Cormick spent Sunday with Mrs. Nora Ritchie.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Hedges were Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hedges.

Mrs. Thomas Morris visited her grandmother, Mrs. Nora Ritchie, Monday. Mrs. Webster is very ill. Mrs. Morris remained with her a while.

Mr. Tony Dotson moved to Mrs. Hedges' farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Mccord spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Tony Bonney.

BARLFOOT

Mrs. Alice Coy and Raymond Coy were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bishop.

Herbert Wagoner, of near Leading Hill, and Orville Fuller, of near Barterville, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Fuller.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Livengood had as their Sunday guests Mr. and Mrs. Clark Eggers, Earl Jenkins and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Livengood and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Livengood are entertaining company on the arrival of a daughter.

BANTA HONOR ROLL

First Grade—Georgia Fretwell, Winslow Raney.
Second Grade—Geneva Raney, Fourth Grade—Otis Curtis, Lloyd Duncan.
Fifth Grade—Laura Mae Curtis, Sarah Curtis, Charles Hodges.
Seventh Grade—Bonnie Fretwell.

SALTWELL HONOR ROLL

Spelling Contest—Agnes Addington Bell Dean; honor, Mary Bell Dean, Lucille Luther Shaw, Charles Allison.
Second Grade—Honor, Hazel Dean.
Third Grade—Honor, Georgia Allison, Stewart M. Gasner.
Fourth Grade—Special honor, Catherine Allison; honor, Eugene Earlywine, H. A. Gasner.
Sixth Grade—Special honor, Tompa Gasner; honor, Lelia E. Mattox, Woodrow Gasner.
Seventh Grade—Honor, Virginia Allison.

Tonye Xerxa, teacher.

25 and 20 gallon gilled kettles. Wm. Howard & Son.

BALD HILL SCHOOL

First Grade—Special honor, Mildred Smart.
Second Grade—Special honor, Jessie Mae Miller.
Fourth Grade—Honor, Julian Caswell.

Myrtle B. Parsons, teacher.

The Sophomore class of the Carlisle high school will give a box supper in the young Lynch room Friday night, November 6, at 7:30 o'clock. The proceeds will be used for the Parent-Teacher Association to purchase shrubbery for the city school grounds. The public is cordially invited.

There will be a pie supper at the Hookstown school house Saturday night, November 7. 11*

ELL CREEK

Mrs. Clifton Strawder spent one day the past week with her sister, Mrs. Jesse Dickson, of Stone Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Purcell and little son and Herman Purcell and brother spent the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Watkins, of Cincinnati.

Mrs. Roberta Ray spent Sunday with Miss Clarine Courtney, of near Ewing.

Mr. John Lest and two sons, Leroy and Willie, spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Kelley Lest.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Kelley Lest, on the 27th, a daughter, Frances Nevine.

Little Virgil Lest spent a few days the past week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Lest.

OAKLAND MILL

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Shaw and two sons visited Mr. and Mrs. Sam Purcell Saturday night and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Atkins visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Purcell Sunday.

Mrs. Ida Purcell visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe Purcell and family Sunday.

Remember prayer meeting every Thursday night.

Rev. R. L. Vanderpool will preach at Mount Horeb Sunday, Nov. 8.

Those on the sick list are Dave McGowan and E. T. Easton.

HEADQUARTERS

Rev. K. N. Early, of Cynthiana, preached at Sunday morning and night.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones and family, of Cincinnati, and G. M. Jones spent Sunday with Homer Ward.

Strawder Smith moved to Carlisle the past week and has taken a position with the A. and P. Store at Paris.

Lloyd Smith, who has been ill the past three weeks with blood poison, is reported in his right arm, is about well around.

There was an explosion in the Wasson store Monday, when a bucket of gasoline was thrown into the stove. The bursting can shot upward, barely missing the ceiling. It is supposed there was powder in the can.

Mrs. Lee Miller, of Millersburg, spent a week with Claude Lang, spent a week with Claude Smith and family.

Orville and Erwine Fuller, of Barterville, spent Monday with their sister, Mrs. Andy Butler.

CANE RUN

Mrs. John Clark and Mrs. Thomas Mitchell spent one day the past week with Mrs. Stonie Smoot.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Green and son, of Bagdad, spent several days here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Gray had as their guests Monday: Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Green and son, Mr. H. M. Griffin and son, Mrs. C. F. Davis and three children, Mrs. Frank Davis and daughter and little J. W. Dearley.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Bramblett spent from Saturday until Sunday with relatives at Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Nash Ratliff and son spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Martin, of Stanton.

JORDAN

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Hawkins, of Bethel, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Leo Kerns.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jones and daughter, Allene, have returned to their home in Indiana after a few days with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Jones.

Mrs. Grobel Gilvin and daughter, Mrs. Ed Mitchell and children, Coleman and Elizabeth, spent a few days the past week with J. A. Jones of Morehead.

Mr. and Mrs. Asbury Gooding spent the week end with Ruth Kerns.

The P. T. A. met Friday afternoon at the Jordan school house, every mother's program by the children of the school. After the program refreshments were served. All reported a nice time. There were several visitors present.

ELLISVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Galbraith and son spent one day the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Hargis McClanahan and family.

Mrs. Ida Butler spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil McClanahan.

Mrs Virginia McClanahan spent the week end with Miss Jessie Clark Pyles, of Ewing.

Several from here attended the Hallowe'en carnival at Carlisle Saturday night.

Little Miss Edith Prather has been ill with diphtheria.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Murray and daughter and Miss Ruth Murray spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Hargis McClanahan.

BARTERVILLE

The Hallowe'en party given at the school house Saturday evening from 6 to 8 was attended by a nice, cold crowd. The two Linville boys received the prizes for the best costumes, and Baby Green received the lucky prize.

The following is the honor roll for the second month:
Junior—Special honor, Frank Greene; honor, Sue Bratcher.
Sophomore—Honor, Elma Hollar, Anna B. Selby.
Freshman—Edith Sparks, Belma Ritchie, Ruby Greene, Christie Greene.
Eighth Grade—Erma Dotson, Ervine Greene, Herman Hollar.
Seventh Grade—Annie Laura Dotson, Pearl Fretwell.
Sixth Grade—Eugene Fretwell, Lee Roundtree, Ada Greene, Ethel Caswell.
Fifth Grade—Eugene Platt, Gladys Roundtree, Gertrude Hollar.
Third Grade—Robert Stapp, Hazel Raney, Thelma Jackson.
Second Grade—Ledford Greene, Pearl Greene.
First Grade—Trella Stapp, Sterling Jackson, Merle Thomas, Christine Ritchie, Arvoid Jackson, Robert Scott, Robert Linville, daymond Stapp.

LOCUST GROVE

Mrs. Clark Shoot spent several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson.

Mrs. Otis Sapp had as her guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Philip Sapp, of Carlisle, Mr. and Mrs. Rous Sapp and daughter, Frances, and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sapp and little daughter Ruth.

Mrs. Ollie Bay Cannon spent the week end with Colleen Parris.

Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Caldwell and Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Caldwell, Jr., and little son, Charles Edward, spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Clint McFarland.

Mrs. Clint McFarland and little son, Charles Edward, spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Clay Hamilton, of near Carlisle.

Mrs. Millie Herndon has returned to her home in Birmingham, Ala., after several weeks visit with her brother, Mr. Mary Booth, and other relatives in the county.

Mrs. Booth spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Chas Dixon.

Miss Fanny Stone spent the week end with her sister, Mrs. Ollie Sellers.

Horners are dried wood from dead trees in making their nest.

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Over 100 Hand Made Rugs, Hooked Rugs, Braided Rugs, Crocheted Rugs, Single Tongue Rugs, made "Down East," in New England and personally collected by Mrs. Anna Chandler Goff in summer while vacationing.

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COFFEE	Peerless 47c, Jewel 39c, Golden Santos	33c
LARD	Pure Hog lb	19c
POTATOES	EARLY OHIO 10 pounds	58c
FLOUR	COUNTRY CLUB Pancake 5 lb Sack	27c

Soap, Van Camps 3 bars	10c
Crackers, Fresh Butter	14c
Peas, Country Club	19c
Bananas, Big Fully Ripe Fruit	6c
Cheese, Head Rice pound	09c
Baking Powder, White Cap 1-lb. can; 25c; 2-small cans	04c
Cereal, Arcadia 2 lb. can	53c
Cal... Marshmallow pound	22c
Candy, Peanut Brittle pound	15c
Corn, Country Club 2 cans	14c
Tea, Ambrosia can	6c
Bread, White or Rye 1 1-2 lb. loaf	09c
Raisins, Seeded 15-oz. pkg.	08c
Cereal, Arcadia 2 lb. can	1...

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Down go prices on high-grade canned goods at The Quaker Maid! Crack your cupboard—stock up!

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Lima Beans 2 No. 2 Cans 29c, 6 Cans 85c. Worth 20¢ a can!

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HIGH GRADE
Sour Kraut Cash in on this bargain! 3 Big Cans 28c, 6 Cans 55c

RING OF SUSSEX
New Canned Peas 1925 Pack
Choice Quality 3 No. 2 Cans 31c, 6 Cans 60c
TENDER SWEET, PEAS IT'S A RAVING OF IS PER CENT!
Fancy Sifted Peas 3 cans 49c 6 cans 95c
Extra Fancy Sifted Peas 3 No. 2 Cans 69c, 6 cans $1.36
Hand Picked Tomatoes Excellent Quality
2 No. 3 Cans 27c, 3 No. 2 Cans 26c
6 Cans 80c. 12 Cans $1.00
It has been many months since you were offered Tomatoes at these prices—Lay in your winter's supply now.

Blue Label Karo Syrup
5 Pound Pail 25c, 10 Pound Pail 47c
THE WORLD'S FINEST COFFEES—NOW AT THESE PRICES.
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Red Circle Coffee Pound, 47c
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RADIOS
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Let us repair your Ford curtains.

Neighbors

By ROBERT STEAD

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CHAPTER XI

That great phantom of doubt crept slowly in upon me. I resolved to fight it, but its very intangibility left me defenseless. I would not believe it. Why should Jess Bayard, of all men, be so interested in me? I argued it, my fingers closed on space. When I challenged Jess's whole-hearted attitude she bent into tears and asked what proof was there that it was not given. And it was because she could not answer that my doubts multiplied. Jess Bayard, the idol of the Jessie Lake country, the desirable woman, the rich woman, would have believed her.

Nothing happened, however, and the days wore on until one forenoon we were in the corral breaking a bronco across the creek from Fourteen and Two.

We rode down to the creek to let the beast sit down. "Say, but I can't stay!" he explained. "Jess is a bit of a boss. Just come over to Two to tell me about it. I'll be back in the evening—but on his horse—you know the big one—I have pole on so many style-of-me's there that if I know what a right-hand rein is I'm a wonder. I don't you think?—but at any rate it has come loose so Jake posted over to borrow a left-hand monkey wrench with which to tighten it. It seems he can't get at it with an ordinary monkey wrench; must have a left-hand one. It hadn't such a thing about the place, so I'm going over to get it."

I grinned understandingly into Jake's serene the adjective, ladies—and he went out like chin and managed in a way that showed he was worried some to be alone.

"It will be all right, won't it?" said I, trying to keep my tone and manner knowing nothing about it.

"Well, it may be," said it may not be said, he. "If we're lucky nothing will occur, and if we're not—"

"And in case you're unlucky?" I queried.

"Then the horse will fall out of the idea of a mess I would be in over and borrow the necessary tools from you. It took quite a while to hit upon the right one, I assure you."

"Yes," I said, "I noticed, were with me at the time and from a corner where he was out of the range of Spoff's glasses it was something to see an improvised trash signal.

"Trash signal, he no doubt," Jack said, looking out of our window in the direction of Jake's homestead. "Can't see a thing. His shack may be hurried in this time. Perhaps Jake and Bella Dunn are already on their way to the manse."

"Oh, surely, surely!" exclaimed Jean with a gasp. "Surely it hasn't happened!"

"Quite possible," her brother insisted, with the firmness of one who is cognizant but worse would have when what may happen. And the worst of it is we haven't a left-hand monkey wrench in the place."

"You haven't?" said Spoof, plainly concerned. "I say, that's rather rotten."

"Isn't it? Your best chance is Burke. Burke has quite a number of tools, and, besides, he's an ingenious fogger. No doubt he will be able to fix you up."

Bramblett had already drawn a rig of hot tea, and Spoof drank it while he listened.

"Ah, that's better," said he, as she sank the empty cup from his hand. "Wonderful how a cup of tea bucks a fellow up, isn't it? Now I must get along. Fancy old Jake on his back under the store building trying to get in place with his fingers!"

"Or with Bella Dunn's darning needle," Jack suggested. "Burke will fix you up all right," and we waved him away.

It was one of those gray winter days, and he looked out of sight in a few moments. I noticed that Jean's eyes followed Spoof until the mist had completely hid him. Then she turned quickly to Jack and me.

"If there is any danger, don't you think you should go to Jake's at once?" she said.

"Not a chance," her brother assured her. "But I'll give a dollar to be at Jake's now."

"Is he?" she asked.

"Because, little Miss Innocence, of two facts. First, there is no such thing as a replication nut, and second, there is no such thing as a left-hand monkey wrench."

"Yet Jake came for it—he told Spoof—"

"Exactly. That's why he told him. For a moment Jess's fate was a puzzle to her and she looked inquiringly at Jack's little comedy. But suddenly her eyes blazed with a light such as I had seen in them only once before, and then, as now, it was for Spoof that light had burned.

"So you said him out on a day like this," she said, speaking slowly and with a scorn that was almost cheap—"you sent him out on a day like this, when the untracked snow, hunting for something that doesn't exist. He may get lost, overwhelmed, I may send help—"

"Oh, come now, sister, don't take it so seriously. It is just a joke."

"It will be no joke if Spoof is lost on the prairies," she returned; "no joke for any of us. For example, there will be no more warm mail and watching, the spray of misty diamonds from the snow-plow—and—and—"

"Spoof will not be lost," I said, "not likely. I heard Spoof say at length, and of a sudden I was back on Fourteen, and in the midst of a world which had the stamp of freedom. Also an uncanny way of ripping up the floor, lunchrooms, shelves—everything." Then, to my impotent annoyance, he began mocking Jack Dunn's power to the lamb.

"If this time passes," she explained, in the midst of his recital, "that Spoof will not be lost, I shall be—I shall be—" She stamped her foot and shook a plaster, as she sometimes did in the throes of temper, and I could see further from—I mocking. I must do it, a—I shall be—I shall be—"

"Still, the gosh's over worked your horse badly," Jack broke in. "I might have put your horse in it to rest him."

"Allured," said Spoof. "But he was born in his theme during which the wooden wall against which I leaned shook with the vibration of his footsteps.

"I have told the naked state the Last the stranger, drank the fireman to the Last the Last the Last