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A CAUSE WORTH WHILE

Kentucky holds second place in saving mothers at the time of childbirth. Minnesota alone is ahead of her. Mother and child health programs have been carried out in every county of the State by the Bureau of Maternal and Child Health of our State Board of Health. Much work has been done in the prevention of blindness among babies and the number of crippled, tubercular and frail children has been greatly reduced. In counties where no doctor is available at the time of childbirth, the Bureau has held classes and clinics for the training of midwives. The death rate of mothers and babies has been greatly lowered, as shown by the United States census.

This work has been carried on by funds from both the Federal and State governments under provisions of the Sheppard-Towner Act. The Federal government supplying $26,000 and the State government $21,000. This Act terminates July 1, of this year.

Unless the people of Kentucky make individual contributions to this cause, the work must stop, results already accomplished will be lost.

The 1929 Legislature voted unanimously an appropriation of $47,000 to carry on this work. Governor Sampson vetoed it. Having had the efforts of their representatives thus thwarted, Kentuckians, The Mercury is sure, will respond all the more readily, when called upon to keep alive a work that reflects in its motive the very essence of Christian charity.

The week of June 16th has been set aside to raise the necessary funds. Nicholas county must do her part.

A Kentucky candidate for jailer announces through his county paper: "All I can say is that if elected I will take care of you and not mistreat you." There's cheap insurance for you—a four-year term policy providing bed and board in the event of a certain contingency not unusual these days of many laws—and with but a single premium to be paid. Holium, the stencil phase, and the dotted line. One must look ahead.

BISHOP'S CANNON'S URGE

Bishop Cannon serves notice that Smith and Raskob must go. Out of the party for you? says the czar-like Cannon in effect.

Those who will agree with him that the withdrawal from leadership of Mr. Raskob and Governor Smith would possibly make for party harmony, will resent his assumption of the powers of a party dictator.

The good bishop, it seems to us, deriving as he did during the campaign any prejudice against the religious faith of Governor Smith and basing his objection to the candidate and Mr. Raskob upon their "wetness," overestimates his ability to dictate successfully even to that wing of the Democratic party that "went Republican."

Bishop Cannon's excessive zeal for the cause of Prohibition leads him to believe that dry sentiment swept Virginia, Carolina, Texas and Florida into the Republican camp. These States may be dry, but they are not Blue dry.

To hold his candidate, the good bishop must add the flame of religious prejudice to his "dry" tinder.

A STEAM IN THE WIND

John W. Davis, Democrat, was elected to Congress in the special election held last Saturday in the Third district. Mr. Moore's majority over his Republican opponent, was cut from a thousand or more. The Third district is always close, though normally Democratic. In the Hoover landslide Charles W. Roark, Republican, had defeated Mr. Moore, by four thousand votes, dying, however, without taking the oath of office.

The election conceded a straw in the Kentucky political wind, which has been watched with interest by both parties. This week there are chills of course in the lower claiming that the colored brother could not be gotten to the polls in a special election. Not a particularly good alibi and one furnished on the eve of the moment evidently for the Republicans were planning their faith in that Hoover majority in 1928.

The result indicates that The Mercury has not been far wrong in its contention that Kentucky did not "go Republican" last fall by that enormous and freakish majority. It went "for Hoover" to some extent, but, belonging overwhelmingly, and by reason of a mistaken and sedulously cultivated prejudice, "against" Alfred E. Smith.

IN DEFENSE OF SHARPSBURG

"There should be inspiration," says the Louisville Times, in discussing the careers of Major General Henry T. Allen and Rear Admiral Hugh Rodman, "for young Kentuckians in the record of the lives of two Kentuckians, both from minor centers of population, one from the mountains—at least from the foothills—who are in Louisville today."

As Rear Admiral Rodman, if memory serves us, is a native of Frankfort, in the river hills, not assuredly not the mountains or foothills. The Times must refer to Sharpsburg, General Allen's native town.

Personally this writer shouldn't like to refer to Sharpsburg and environs as "the mountains," or even "the foothills," though the fertile "Bethel Ridge" does slant a bit and the hills of course, but the entire end of the county and around Owensville, Springs do jut up a trifle. It might not be healthy, or at least pleasant, following such comments to sojourn in this community of lovely and fertile blue grass farms.

"MOSQUITO KILLING DAY."

Carlisle's local Minchausen of the Sheers, "Cap" Fulton, says he brought the first mosquitos to Robertson county from South America. From the parlors of Mt. Olivet, the property of his two pet mosquitos spread throughout Kentucky, according to Fulton, and these United States.

Possibly it is the love these needle-bill pests feel for their sponsor that makes Carlisle the roosting place for some trillion decillion descendants of that precious pair that our local chronicler reared to young manhood and young womanhood back in the gay and naughty nineties. On the other hand it may be the open sewers.

Anyhow, here they are, swarms of em, shoals of em. They hold singing school nightly and pursue their drilling operations without respect to age, race or previous condition of servitude.

The author of all this evil says he feels no attachment for the offspring of his erstwhile "pets." In fact he amuses himself slicing off their bills with a razor, when custom is slack. "I'm dogone sorry I ever brought the dogone things to this country!" says Fulton. And so say all of us, who slap and scratch of nights.

So The Mercury feels that it can declare war on these pestiferous insects with impunity, and following in the footsteps of the late Green Keller, whose "Hat Killing Days" was famous throughout Kentucky, inaugurate a series of Mosquito Killing Days.

Here's how it is being done in other towns. Certain days are set on which every householder pours a quart or more of kerosene (just plain coal oil) in his kitchen sink. The combined quarts coat the sewers, destroy the mosquitos being hatched and thin the ranks of the singing marauders. In Carlisle there's the town creek, of course, but the street oiling will help take care of that. It's the open sewer that incubates the mosquito, not forgetting the rain barrel, the sagging gutter, or any pool of stagnant water.

A local issue to every all the sewers in now open may not be voted here; the cost would have to be assessed against the property holder. But there's no more painful than living in a nest of mosquitos in some instances. The wound being in the pocket-book and hence most painful. So let's do the next best thing and pour oil on the mosquito-troubled waters.

The interest and co-operation of the Mayor and the City Fathers is earnestly invoked by The Mercury in making its Mosquito Killing Day a reality and ridding Carlisle of the descendants of that precious pair that our Minchausen of the Sheers brought back with him from South America, whither he had gone to "paint a barn."

THE "BORE" OF BOB LUCAS

"It was a patently political appointment," says Time, weekly newsmagazine, of the appointment of Robert H. Lucas to be Commissioner of Internal Revenue, "but far from scandalous."

As giving the viewpoint, presumably of Washington, Time's further comment on the Lucas appointment is interesting:

"It was a patently political appointment but far from scandalous. A product of Louisville, Commissioner Lucas, now 41, was elected city police court prosecutor in 1917, his first public office. Blackhaired, handsome, alert, the young man managed to embarrass the higher court officials of the time.

"This year, many had been the translations of Kentucky Republicans in trying to select what they consider their just patronage reward for carrying their State for the Hoover-Curtis ticket. They tried and failed to appease Mr. Alben T. Herr, Vice Chairman of the Republican National Committee, plus the Hoover Cabinet secretaryship of the Interior. Kentucky's Republican Senator Frederic Moseley Burkett Jr. produced a candidate for Attorney General, but both offices went to other men. Kentucky's patronage demands descended to an appeal to President Hoover to appoint a Negro physician of Lexington as Minister to Liberia.

"The President was told that the very life-breath of Republicanism in Kentucky depended upon the Lucas appointment as Commissioner of Internal Revenue. President Hoover reluctantly acquiesced. Good mass though Kentucky's Lucas might prove to be, he did not, at face value, represent the big-bore, experienced businessman that had been prescribed by Treasury chiefs and first-class Senators to administer the vital tax-collecting branch of the Government."

Doubtless Mr. Lucas is of sufficient bore to hold his own with the rest of them—there are more 410 gauges than 10 gauges in Washington anyhow—but in any event he and the Kentucky Republicans have "knocked a persimmon," a patronage plum, as reward for "carrying the State" at last. And just in time, for if we read the political signs of the times aright, it may soon be apparent that the "reward" should have gone to Kentucky Democrats.

Mabel Walker Willebrandt, sealed, whose "to-your-pulpits!" was a rallying cry for those who feared and hated the religion of Alfred E. Smith in the late presidential campaign, has resigned. After the manner of Texas Guinan, whose lack of regard for the jealous Mabel is notorious, the Cincinnati Democrat observes: "Give the little girl a hand." Why not give it to Mr. Hoover. One may almost hear his polite sigh of relief.

RISKING EXCOMMUNICATION

To accept now the present day still unwashed and still unregenerate Democratic leadership would be to brand as utterly mistaken and unwarranted, though the approved gentleman seems to regard himself, at least, as one whose infallibility of judgment may not be questioned save at the risk of party excommunication.

"Cotty told his wife, 'You be gone,' says the Elizabethtown News.

To which she probably re-scent-fully replied, "Like I are I gain!"

AIMED AT BULLSEYE.

(Louisville Times)

Governor Sampson, who handpicked the commission and the favored publishers might have smiled covertly over the suit filed not long ago to invalidate the freak free textbook law; but they will look seriously at the petition of State Superintendent of Public Instruction Barksdale to have the recent adoptions nullified.

As The Times observed some days ago, then that suit did not reach the spot. Even if the freak free textbook law had been declared null, the adoptions would stand, the contracts were unimpaired. The only difference to the scheming hidders was that they would sell to the parents instead of to the State.

But if the adoptions should fail to hold up under pressure of court proceedings, the contracts go by the board. That of course is what counts. The freak free book selection will be canceled and the schools, the taxpayers, the parents in city and country will have another deal.

Fortunately there seem to be ample grounds for throwing out the hybrid or bastard law. The suit filed by Superintendent Bell presents to the court some alleged facts of material illegality. As a member of the commission, by virtue of his office and not by Film Plain choice, Mr. Bell can further enlighten the public concerning the quaint, even naive immoralities leading up to the Governor's haste to obtain a signature for one dotted line while the others were held back. The incubator or sitting prex scale arrangement for books ordered "slight unless" should afford enlightening discussion in court.

"THE BLUEBIRD AN' PHOEBE ARE SMARTEN'N WE DO"

(C. L. M. in Christian Science Monitor)

The rapid development of aviation during the last two decades seems to give to think man's desire to conquer the air a comparatively recent ambition. However, even a superficial perusal of historical records discloses that men have been trying to fly for several centuries. Trowbridge's Yankee boy, Darius Green, seems to have voiced the sentiments of all the ages, for

"Darius was clearly of the opinion,
"That the air was also man's dominion
"And that with paddle or fan or pinion
"We soon or late shall navigate
"The azure as now we sail the sea.

And his arguments seemed sound enough. In plain and simple language they are given thus:

"The birds can fly, an' why can't I
"Must we give in," says he with a grin
"I'm the bluebird an' phoebe are
smarter'n we be?
"Just fold our hands, and see the
swallier
"An' blackbird an' catbird beat us
bother?
"Does the lettle chatterin', sassy wren,
"No bigger'n my thumb, know more
than men?

Darius refers scornfully to Deadhead and Jeerus, with their wings affixed with wax but winner "o' luther er outhar" or other" brought Darius no better fortune than Dondahs. There were many who tried. One of the earliest attempts on record was that of Simon, a magician, in 66 A. D. His actempt ended disastrously when in Constantinople, during the reign of Emperor Caminsha, a certain Simon experimented, using the theory of the lettled plane. He descended from a high tower in an oblique course relying on air resistance to help him. It was said of him that "His robe, very long and very large, and of which the sleeves were extended on an outer frame, preserved him from sudden falling."

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In the thirteenth century, Roger Bacon suggested the idea of using the man to sit in the middle of the wings. In the fifteenth century, Giovanni B. Danti used the poet's venturi wings with which he flew to quite a height, but the frame bent and he fell. In 1670 Francis Lana invented a combination balloon and sails. Another man's invention had wings attached to his back, a parachute over his head, and a basket of food suspended from his waist. All these attempts were lampooned, ridiculed, burlesqued, and treated with mockery not only on the stage, but by the public generally. The experimenters might well have echoed Darius again:

"Wal, I like fightin' well enough—
He said, "but the ain't sich a thunderin' sight
O' fun in it 'when ye come to light."

That there were those who had faith that man would eventually win is evidenced by the words of Bishop Wilkins in 1651. Said he: "It will yet be as usual to hear a man rail for his wings when he is going on a journey, as it is now to hear him call for his boots."

In spite of ridicule and disaster, man's aspirations continued skyward, and in the eighteenth century there were some notable developments. It was in France that the Montgolfier brothers added the finishing touch to the story of flying. They took up the balloon idea in the proper way, and gave the fire carried the hot air into the bag and distributed it. They sent up many balloons by this method. One notable exhibition being at Versailles in 1783, in the presence of Louis XVI and a large crowd of notables.

At first the balloons were sent up alone, but it was not long after, even as soon as the air bag cooled. Then animals were sent up, and finally one ventured to ascend. They could keep the balloon aloft as long as they kept the fire going under it. At this stage interest in ballooning became quite active. Dukes and Princes and professors became balloonists. Scientific men began to make measurements and Benjamin Franklin's name appears on one report. Someone asked Franklin, "Of what use is a balloon?" He replied, "Of what use is a new-born babe?"

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The new idea continued to grow. Hydrogen gas had been discovered in England, and Professor Charles decided to use this in inflate his balloon. He sent up the balloon at the Champde-Mars and it was carried away in successful ascension. The descent was a different story. The balloon, losing the leakage accumulated, had frequent explosions. It struck the earth out in the country, and as the rustics had never seen a balloon, they were terrified. The cure of the parish was obliged to walk bodily up to the big bag to reassure his flock. This gave him courage to attack the monster with pitchforks, scythes, scores, and the silk balloon was completely demolished. When Professor Charles went in search of it, not a fragment was to be found. For the benefit of future experiments, the Government was obliged to send out an explanation of the phenomenon, and "care the people that, as the 'big black floating moon' would not injure them, they need not injure it."

Experiments were also made in England. There used to be a stone at Colliers End, parish of Standon, Hertfordshire, on which was inscribed a tribute to Vincent Lunardi of Lucca, Tuscany, who, on Sept. 15, 1784, traveled in the air from London to that place, being in the air two hours and fifteen minutes, an achievement deemed worthy of a monument!

The parachute is closely associated with the balloon. It was first used for descent by a Frenchman in 1797, but his demonstration was not entirely satisfactory. It is said that the first one to use a parachute in an emergency was by a man named Kuparanta at Warsaw in 1808.

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It was a natural step from the balloon to the airplane. The first idea was "to row in the air," and the early trials of this type were equipped with sails and oars, and later paddle wheels. Mr. Charles Dupuis, who in 1863 invented the modern type was built by Paul Hachette in Paris in 1872. These early models could not, however, develop speed, and it was a young Frenchman, Baptiste Chalmont, who in 1898 began to construct durables that answered the aviation world.

There were all lighter-than-air machines. Could heavier-than-air machines be made to rise? Again man began to study the birds. The man who, it is said, gave the airplane its first real start was Otto Lilienthal, a German. He watched the eagle, the sea gull, even the little fledglings. He decided that the wings of his plane must be curved, like the wings of the bird. He made many experiments, his wings really being "gliders," and his work was invaluable in the development of aviation. Others followed him, and then came the Wright brothers. Later history needs no repeating.

With all the recent boasted accomplishments in the air, man still has something to learn from the bird. The bird can still teach man much when it comes to descending and landing. When an airplane can land securely, firmly, easily, on the ridgepole of a house, or without needing a ten-acre landing field, then man can give the bird an equal term. Until then it must be admitted that "the bluebird an' phoebe are smarter'n we be."

LISTEN TO THE TREES

(Christian Science Monitor)

That trees have voices is a notion held by many nature lovers. "All trees have tongues," said Lord Bacon, and Saint Gene B. Porter, "all trees are harps in winter . . . branches being the strings, and the winds the musicians." Lowell, in his Appleby Grove, "Hearkening the trees, and there he dreamed, We are told, to the ancient oracles ever rustling in the trees." Longfellow, in his Hiawatha, "Heard the voice of the trees," he said; "the surprises of their movements, their variety of form and even the strangeness of their attraction to the light revealed to me the language of forests." Those have some listened to the trees, interpreting the utterance according to mood or fancy.

Nor is the music all one. Here, as elsewhere in nature, is variety found. Different trees have different voices—that of the oak differs from that of the pine; that of the fir is different from that of the beech. The same tree listen.

30 Years Ago

Thursday, June 8, 1899

H. B. Bryson appointed division deputy revenue collector to succeed M. T. Teager and begins his work.

H. L. Pumphrey resigns as City Marshal to engage in the slave and hoop business with George R. Secrest.

Sam T. Howe and Miss Stella Ratliff leave for Oxford, Ohio, to witness the marriage of Miss Amanda Ratliff from Oxford College.

John W. Myers and Samuel Owings engage partnership on their building. Mr. Owings taking the room by Gilkinson's confectionery.

Married—Miss Emma Linthecom and Mr. Alex Terry, both of the county, on the 1st.—Miss Ida Morris and Mr. Charles Mann, both of the county, on the 1st.

Mrs. Abner Henry sustains broken collar bone and other bruises which are cut and bruised when their horse becomes frightened and runs away near residence of John G. Blair.

Joseph W. Dalzell, chairman, calls convention of Democrats of the county to be held in court house in Carlisle on Saturday, June 17, to select delegates to a convention at Louisville.

Dr. Andy McIntire and son, Roy, held up by two negro men near Henry-ville while they were enroute from Myers Station. Dr. McIntire fells one of the negroes with whip handle and they escape.

Died—Mr. Benjamin Gilford, 72, at his home near Rose Hill on the 2nd.—Mrs. Brown died at her home near Crayton on the 1st.—This was the third death in the family in four months, her husband and daughter having preceded her.

At a meeting of the city council Monday night, J. A. Krenkle resigned as councilman and W. I. Dotson was elected to fill the vacancy. C. C. Dunn elected to fill vacancy caused by resignation of A. L. Pumphrey. Marshal and L. W. Campbell elected street superintendent to succeed Mr. Dunn.

42 YEARS AGO

Thursday, June 9, 1887

Died—Infant of Mr. and Mrs. James Fretback at their home in the county on the 5th.

J. W. B. Lee opens men's furnishings store in Webster's old stand next door to the Farmers Bank.

Bus line between Carlisle and Blue Licks started Monday with Al Maloy in charge of the line for James Conners.

Mann & Robertson dispose of their tobacco purchases of the past season at 3c per lb., rents per pound, realizing a nice profit.

City Council appoints H. M. Harris, W. W. Howard and M. J. Archdeacon members of committee to supervise city assessor's books.

Mrs. Joseph Dalzell suffers painful injuries at her home in the county last week when she is attacked and hooked by an infuriated cow.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. John Miller of the county, on the 1st, a son.—To Mr. and Mrs. Martin Ritchie, of the county, on the 5th a daughter.

Rev. Edmonds, pastor of Carlisle Christian church, to deliver address on occasion of a sale convention of Christian churches at Eminence next week.

Partnership of James Archdeacon and Matt Archdeacon, dissolved. Matt Archdeacon retiring. Matt Archdeacon will open harness shop.

POEMS THAT WE LIKE

THE CLASSIC

(Dorothy Whipple Pry)

Spring is a classic
It is of such supreme vitality
That it is always young,
It is always modern,
It is always lovely.

It has no other reason for being
Than its thrilling, vital
And matchless beauty
Its attractiveness always
The ravages of time.

Spring is ever young.

One sure way to avoid automobile accidents on Sunday is to stay at home says the Cynthiana Democrat.

Spring has come in song of their own strange histories and ancient associations with man. The yew tree has a song of "old, unhappy, far-off things." Out of its wood the archers bows, their bows and arrows. Out of the ancient oaks of the New Forest came the timbers for the Agincourt bow, which fought at Trafalgar, were built. The oaks there seem to sing of ships and seafaring as well as of the days when the oak was a sacred tree, and when the sacred grove was the place of worship. For trees have been linked with religion more deeply and intimately than is perhaps generally known.

Some hear the trees singing of all the things that are made of trees, of all that comes out of the wood. Then the trees have their seasonal songs, a spring and autumn and winter voice. They have indeed many things to say to us, and it is worth while to learn to listen.

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KENTUCKY

It is reported that 400 new automobiles have been sold in Cynthiana since January 1.

The 37th annual convention of the Kentucky Bankers Association will be held in Paducah June 2 and 21.

Albert Browning, 46, merchant in Sharpsburg for many years, died at his home last week following a long illness.

Memorials to soldiers of the world war were dedicated at Lexington, Louisville and Paducah last Thursday.

Diplomas were awarded to 193 graduates at the annual commencement exercises of Berea College held Monday.

Mrs. Lyde Gahan has announced as a candidate for the Republican nomination for County Judge of Greenup county.

The one hundredth anniversary of Trinity Episcopal church in Danville was observed with special ceremonies Sunday.

According to a rumor current in Maysville, an Eastern syndicate is planning to establish a new theatre in that place.

Six persons were arrested by prohibition officers in a series of raids in Maysville and vicinity Saturday night and Sunday.

The new auditorium at Eastern State Teachers College was dedicated with a seating capacity of 2,500, will be completed by fall.

Mary Salem, 14 year old school girl, was drowned in Troublesome creek in Perry county Saturday while swimming with companions.

Dependent over ill health, Willard McCloud, 2, Clark county farmer, shot and probably fatally wounded himself at his home Sunday night.

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563 persons registered for first summer term of the Eastern Teachers College at Richmond on the opening day for registration Monday.

Eastland, suburb of Maysville, was annexed to the city of Maysville at a meeting of the Maysville council Monday night by a vote of 9 to 3.

When officers went to the home of Joe Gilland in Pulaski county Saturday they found three 8-gallon stills in operation. Gilland was arrested.

At the common school commencement exercises held at Paris last Friday, certificates were awarded 244 graduates to enter high school.

Dr. F. A. Herbert, well known Millersburg veterinarian, died at the Good Samaritan hospital in Lexington last week following a long illness.

Six white men and three negro men were given penitentiary sentences during the term of the Montgomery circuit court which ended last week.

Fifty-five students of Kentucky Wesleyan College at Winchester were awarded diplomas at commencement exercises of the school held Tuesday.

Mrs. Millie Freeman, 95 years old, of Waverly, Madison county, died last week as the result of a fall three weeks ago in which she fractured her hip.

John P. Hassell, Louisville, was re-elected as chairman of the state board of charities and corrections at a meeting of the members at Frankfort Friday.

Thirty thousand Catholics Sunday engaged in the third annual celebration by the Louisville diocese of the feast of Corpus Christi, held at Louisville.

Leslie B. Richardson, 21, proprietor of a garage at Hardyville, Barren county, was killed instantly when he accidentally touched a high tension wire.

The J. F. Hardyman Company, Maysville, was awarded the contract for the construction of four school buildings at Maysville at a cost of $147,000.

Vandals visited the Calvary Catholic cemetery in Ashland one night the past week and more than sixty monuments were turned over, some of them being smashed.

In federal court at Catlettsburg last week, Judge A. M. J. Cochran imposed sentences on 105 prisoners, most of which were for violations of the prohibition laws.

James C. Royse, 48 years old, Adair county farmer, was killed instantly Friday during a storm when a cedar tree under which he had taken shelter was struck by lightning.

At the military field day at the University of Kentucky last week J. Dunn C. Finley, of Madisonville, was chosen as the outstanding military student, the highest honor conferred.

A 30-gallon still was captured by Bath county officers on the farm of Howard Snodgrass near Crosslanding. Snodgrass and Russell Toy were arrested by the officers.

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Maine, of Breckinridge county, last week celebrated their sixty-fifth wedding anniversary, the state highway commission, expressed the opinion that his appointment as collector of internal revenue for Kentucky to succeed Robert H. Lucas would be made this week.

Major E. S. Holburn, member of the State Highway Commission, is being tipped by leading Republicans to succeed Robert H. Lucas as Collector of Internal Revenue for Kentucky.

James B. Williams, Somerset, Democrat, Friday retired as commissioner of securities. John B. Ashcraft, Republican, present state inspector and examiner, is tipped to succeed him.

D. T. Clark, chief of police of Ashland, was acquitted by a jury in the Boyd circuit court Monday after his trial on a charge of accepting a bribe for police protection of bootleggers.

After being reprimanded by his mother, because he did not assist in garden planting, James Oakley, 11-year old, shot and killed himself at the Oakley home near Madisonville Friday.

Following a misunderstanding with a girl with whom he had been keeping company, Everett McGinney, 18, stepped outside the door of her home at Mt. Vernon and shot and killed himself.

The Court of Appeals last Friday held invalid the city manager act passed by the 1928 general assembly, authorizing cities of the second class to adopt the city manager form of government.

The Bank of Taylorville, Spencer county, was robbed Friday night of one of its board of directors and search is being made for Edwin A. Reid, missing cashier, reported to be $4,000 short in his accounts.

Bush W. Allin, Harrodsburg, has practiced without license in selling insurance agencies and will accept the post of State Insurance commissioner in a few days, according to announcement from Frankfort.

After commissioning about every Republican in Kentucky who voted for him as a Colonel on his staff, Governor Sampson Friday started a new crop when he created four aides-de-camp with the rank of Major.

The 121st annual commencement of Transylvania College and the 64th of the College of the Bible were held jointly in Lexington yesterday. There were 47 graduates of the college and eight from the Bible college.

Mrs. Martha Presley, 15 years old, filed suit in the Mason circuit court at Maysville last week asking divorce from her husband, Sherman Presley, 22, whom she married last year. She alleges cruel and inhuman treatment.

John Hasty, of Garrard county, was sentenced to 20 years in the Ohio penitentiary following his trial in Cincinnati Friday on a charge of assisting in the kidnaping and robbery of Benjamin Harrison, cashier of a bank.

Snyder McCarty, of Bath county, suffered the loss of three fingers and toes and bruises about the body when an automobile he was driving turned over on the Maysville-Mt. Sterling road near Sharpsburg last Thursday.

Outstanding interest bearing warrants against the State at the close of business on May 31 amounted to $8,916,887.75, an increase of $1,085,35 in a month, the report of Mrs. Emma Guy Crowell, state comptroller, revealed.

A $300,000 bond issue election held in Boyd county was held illegal by the court of appeals Friday on the ground that Boyd county did not sign the order calling for the election until eleven days after the election.

Miss Catherine Arnold, of Danville, was crowned "Miss Kentucky" Friday afternoon in contest with representatives of Kentucky cities in select a representative for the state at Pageant of Pulchritude at Galveston, Texas, June 9 to 12.

Three negro boys, who during the past six months have victimized a number of Richmond merchants by giving cold and forged checks, were sent to the Reform School by Judge McDougle in the Madison juvenile court last week.

Mrs. John Zimmerman, of near Richmond, was painfully injured when fractured skull and her husband received cuts and bruises when Mr. Zimmerman lost control of his automobile while attempting to pass another car in Paris Sunday.

Memorial services commemorating the 121st anniversary of the birth of Jefferson Davis, soldier, constitutionalist, statesman and president of the Confederate States of America, were held at the Confederate lot in the Lexington cemetery Monday.

Brooding for eight years over the death of his wife and daughter, who were shot and killed by his son-in-law who then suicided, S. H. Durham, 36, Christian county farmer, ended his life in a restaurant at Hopkinsville Friday by swallowing poison.

Several hours after the postoffice at Greenville, Muhlenberg county, had been robbed of approximately $60, two men, J. C. Acklem, 28, and George Cornell, 19, both of Williamstown, were arrested by a postoffice inspector and Lexington officers and confessed to the robbery.

Rev. William "Snakey Bill" Moore, Negro preacher, rehabilitated member of the Baptist church for more than half a century, died at his home in Floyd county last week at the reported age of 102 years. He was the father of 21 children, having been married three times.

An indictment charging murder was returned at Georgetown Monday against Frank Parker, who has been held in jail since March 3 for the slaying of his father, R. W. Parker, in a barn on the elder Parker's farm. After the indictment was returned Parker admitted the murder and claimed self defense.

Richard Hudnall, 38, of Lexington, was probably fatally injured and Capt. Walter Hall, 43, of Calgary, Canada, was badly injured when an automobile in which they were returning from the bound show in Fayette county skidded swiped an interurban car in Lexington Sunday afternoon.

The Madison county grand jury, which for the past three weeks has been investigating the alleged misspending of money on the roads of Madison county, Friday reported that its exhaustive investigation revealed that no money had been wasted or illegally spent on the roads.

The Congressional reapportionment bill, under the terms of which Kentucky would lose two Congressmen, passed the Senate last week and has been sent to the House. If the bill becomes a law the state will either have to be redistricted or all Congressmen elected by the state at large.

Two women prisoners in the Frankfort reformatory, Grace Bowder, Breathitt county bank robber, and Cora Grammer, Harlan county murderer, made their escape from the reformatory Monday afternoon after knocking down a matron and taking her keys, but were captured a short time later.

D. Y. Dunn, for the past two years principal of the Greendale school in Fayette county, was named county superintendent of schools of Fayette county at a meeting of the board of education in Lexington Saturday. He was named to succeed Miss Mattie Dalton, who resigned effective July 1.

Prof. McHenry Rhoads, former state superintendent of public instruction and professor of education at the University of Kentucky, will represent the University and the state of Kentucky at the World's Federation of Educational Associations to be held in Geneva, Switzerland, July 5 to August 17.

Three men made an unsuccessful attempt to rob the postoffice at Salt Lick, Bath county, early Monday morning, but the noise of blasting the safe awakened E. L. Kercheval, who lives nearby. Mr. Kercheval and Van Green district game warden, pursued the three men in an automobile from Salt Lick to Mt. Sterling, where the robbers eluded them.

"They tried to crustify me! or the Smoke Screen of the Cumberlands," is the title written, according to Hainley, a former Congressman from the Tenth district, says he has written. "The book was written, according to Hainley, to show that he was the victim of a frame up when sentenced to the Atlanta penitentiary for two years for conspiracy to violate the prohibition laws.

Eleven students in the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Kentucky have made straight "A" average for the first semester, 1928-29 according to a report from the office of Paul P. Boyd, dean of this college. The fact that a student secured all A's is indicative that he or she made the highest grades possible in all subjects, and is a very worthy achievement.

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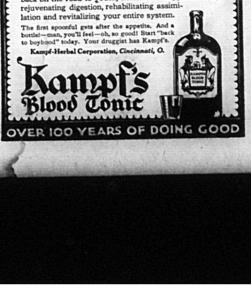

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