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Gutenburg Sure Started Something

To one who has stood and swum over the melancholy-ness of a "Cincinnati Cylinder," or a "Country Campbell," and remembers the involved operation, viewed as a boy, of "jerking" a Washington Hand Press, the jingle brought in this week by a subscriber, and which we are going to quote presently, may have the same thrilling swing for you that it has for us.

Sometimes we think that nearly everyone at some period in his life, has succumbed for a time to the lure of types and ink. Every now and then some old fellow comes in, who says he was "devil" in The Mercury office away back in the umpty-umpties, or "kicked the press" one afternoon, or shot Advance prints on the old impressing stones in the days when it wasn't considered necessary for one to be transported "East of Suez" for the purpose of raising a thirst or throwing a "knighthood." Law! how we wander away from our subject.

Spend a few years around a print shop and you'll be convinced that a cylinder press and a mule are sisters under the skin,in obstinate and vily cantankerousness. When this writer bought The Mercury eighteen years ago, he inherited with other appurtenances thereto an ancient Cincinnati Cylinder—same press in fact—but fallen at that time into the sere and yellow leaf, as it were. But it still had enough life in it to be obstinate, and with the balky exercise required of it there it. constituted the more contumacious of a pair which could draw tears down Pluto's cheek." It had a vibrating roller that persisted in getting out of time and unless one sat down beside it and held the steel roller core and pushed it back into shape as the press ran, the darn gadget would ram into the side of the press frame and spring it out like the leaning tower of Pisa.

Some two hours spent weekly fondling the cold steel end of a vibrating roller was never conducive to our ease, to a sweet Christian frame of mind. It did promote sleep afterward though, and the absence of a sweet Christian disposition is noted less in a print shop, one imagines, than any place on top of earth. In any event, we saw a junk man hammer the old villain to bits without a sentimental qualm and took his nine dollars and moved a Country Campbell in with high hopes and some anxiety as to what a gasoline engine would do to its spidery frame.

That Country Campbell was intended for African twin-mule drive the one, then t'other; by its inventors and none of us knew how to figure speed of pulleys. Someone suggested that stepping the size down on the driver pulley fastened on the fly wheel would run it slower. So we stepped her down and turned on the power. Three belts whined by the entire staff. Just saved it as it started for the window. Then we reversed the operation and with a rattle and bang we were off, until a few years ago, when we found a printer in worse fix than we were at the time—he having gone entirely broke—and so bought a somewhat venerable, but enormous and sturdy Huber, endowed with two-revolution speed and lots of woodgoods. On this ancestor of "the Mishle, fair time and some 1,500 impressions may be made per hour, depending upon the pressman's attitude at the time toward Mr. Hoover's "noble experiment." Once when he —the pressman, not Mr. Hoover—attempted to feed some two hundred sheets at once into its innards, the Huber rebelled, but such a ration is too much to be expected even of an 8-ton behemoth.

Sometimes we look longingly at the pictures of perfecting presses, which feed from a roll and fold their product They are supposed to be "within reach" of the country shop, but for us, our countrymen, the reach would compromise a stupendous stretch, what with the exigencies of Hoover Prosperity, so called, nevertything. Printers are always wanting a new press and always doing without one. We remember Enoch Grehan quipped with his usual charming impertinence, the apalling inadequacy on occasion of the birth of a son to this writer, that "what Warren really wanted was a new cylinder press."

Oh, yes, the jingle a subscriber brought in. Well, perhaps you'll understand, now that you know about the Cincinnati, Cylinder and the Country Campbell, why reading it gives us the feeling the owner of a 1914 model T flivver must have as he looks at a Rolls Royce slipping down the road. To quote:

"When old Gutenburg, inventor, of the printing press, the mentor
Of the clumsy-fingered type in a sleepy German town,
Used to spread the sheets of vellum on the forma and
pliably tell 'em
That the art was then perfected, as he pressed the
platen down.—
He had not the faintest notion of the rhythmical commotion,
Of the brabble and the clamor and the unremitting roar
Of the mighty triple-decker, while the steel rods whirl and
flicker,
And the papers ready folded fall in thousands on the
floor."

Our subscriber appends a note, giving specifications of the Double Octuple Hoe, which could print an edition while old Gutenburg was spreading his vellum, toot! Height 19½ feet, length 46 feet, weight 175 tons, revolutions 300 per minute, paper used per hour 18 tons, or a strip 2 feet wide and 216 miles long. Production per hour 20,000 eight-page folded newspapers. Old Gutenburg sure started something.

Whoosey! If we had one of those. Well, if we did, we couldn't stop the blasted thing quickly enough, once started, to prevent printing about twenty-six issues. We country bumpkins are not so far ahead of Gutenburg after all.

Our $350,000,000 Birds

According to the Bureau of Biological Survey, Department of Agriculture, wild life conservation is worth a billion dollars a year to this country. The figure includes meat and fur production, fish production, hunters' expenditures and license fees, a percentage of tourist expenditures credited to the drawing power of wild life, and the destruction of harmful insects by birds.

It will be amazing to many people to learn that the destruction of harmful insects by birds is rated as worth one hundred million dollars more to the country than any of the other items listed above, being placed at $350,000,000 annually.

And yet boys and men kill song birds, useless cats are kept as pets or mousers, of detestable worth, to kill thousands of these most important allies of man in his battle against the insect hordes, and we go heedlessly on, totally oblivious of the fact that when bird life disappears, as it finally will under modern conditions, unless a concerted effort is made to protect and conserve it, man will have tampered again, tragically, with a balance of nature.

The individual farmer, and the town gardener as well, can attract bird life to his farm or back yard by spreading a little grain in protected covers for quail, by lumps of suet nailed to trees, or traps protected from the snow and kept supplied with grain, crumbs or scraps from our tables during the winter. Follow this, if you live in town, with a bird bath, where our feathered allies may drink and bathe and next spring you will be surprised at the increase in the nesting of birds about your premises.

A properly built martin box is worth many times its cost to any gardener. Aside from the pleasure of having a colony of these graceful swallows coming back to you each spring, they catch and destroy an enormous number of insects. To be sure of a martin colony it is best to see that the box is at least twenty feet from any tree, that the box is about 16 feet from the ground and the rooms approximately 6 inches square. An inverted tin cone nailed around the pole will keep cats from the young birds. Full specifications for martin boxes may be secured from the government, but if you make one without such advice, be sure you give adequate ventilation and don't use a tin roof to bake the young birds.

Your efforts to conserve the bird life about you may seem trifling, but it will contribute its part to a movement of national scope and importance and in addition you will discover that attracting song birds to nest and feed about your home is a most satisfying pleasure and costs practically nothing.

It Really Doesn't Seem Fair

In an advertisement carried by the L. & N. Railroad elsewhere in this issue, the statement is made that "over 22 per cent, or $403,000,000, of the net revenues of the United States railroads in 1929 was paid into the public treasuries in the form of taxes."

Bringing the matter closer home and out of the realm of enormous figures, the L. & N. Railroad Company pays every Christian county, city and school taxes in Nicholas county of approximately $17,000. Such a taxpayer, if it were a local factory, let us say, would come in for a nice lot of publicity regarding its value to the school and city solely as a taxpayer. But who thinks of the amount paid into these treasuries by a railroad? It is accepted as a matter of fact and given no thought by the tax-paying public.

In addition to the taxes paid by United States Railroads $850,000,000 of the gross receipts are spent to maintain their own private roadways. Quite a lofty sum and the tax- paying public is not called upon to contribute a cent to this roadway. Few of us think of that fact either.

Again to quote from the L. & N. advertisement, which appears in another column:

"Compare these amounts with those paid by busses and trucks engaged in common-carrier and in private in competition with the railroads. Unlike the railroads, they do not contribute adequately in taxes to the support of our courts, schools, and other public institutions. They do not share properly in the cost of construction and upkeep of the highways on which they select their class of traffic and assess their own rates, and are virtually free from the exacting requirements as to supervision of their operations, etc., now imposed on the railroads by government and state authorities.

Such a situation is manifestly unfair and unjust and unless corrected will seriously impair one of the nation's most vital instruments of progress. Common equity demands that the thoughtful consideration of the public be given to these problems so that efficient railroad transportation may be sustained. All the railroads want or can reasonably ask for is a field of endeavor that affords equal opportunity for all."

The Mercury holds no brief for the railroads. Doubtless there was an epoch in the history of most of them when they were as crude and heartless in their methods as the raw pioneer land through which they flung out their tentacles of steel. Old prejudices die out slowly and possibly this constitutes one reason why no attempt has been made to correct a situation, that, if we are impartial in our judgments, we must admit is not fair.

What is to be done with the railroads suggest. Motor transportation, motor freight has come to stay to what has any disparity in the taxes assessed by counties, municipalities and school districts upon common carriers is a question to be solved by State Legislatures. "All that the railroads want or can reasonably ask for is a field of endeavor that affords equal opportunity for all," is the conclusion of this informative advertisement by the L. & N. That is a fair request.

"Equal rights to all; special privileges to none" is the accepted slogan of the best thought and practice in national Democracy. To deny the application of this theory of government in the case of the railroads, is, it seems to us, palpably unfair.

When the late Kin Hubbard wrote: "I wonder if the Mediterranean fly would be interested in spinach," he voiced the hope of generations from the nursery to the wheel chair.

An unidentified "Harlan Law" joins Bobby Locke' "John M. Peters" as an important and contributing Republican. From the sound of the name, must be one of the mountain Laws.

NOISE EAT NOISE!

(Christian Science Monitor)

Aviation may invoke the method of the Gingham Dog and the Calico Cat in order to modulate its raucous voice. According to the rhyme, they ate each other up. According to a report made by M. D. Hart to the research committee of the British Air Ministry, airplane noises may do the same thing.

But Mr. Hart carries classic allusions no further. One might expect him to divide noises, like Gaul, into three parts. He doesn't. He divides each noise in two. He finds that similar notes, under certain conditions, will cancel each other. He proposes to have narrow exhaust pipes of unequal length which will emit two tones in alternate phase, interfering with each other and making the noise practically noiseless. Propellers would be designed to produce two sounds which block themselves out.

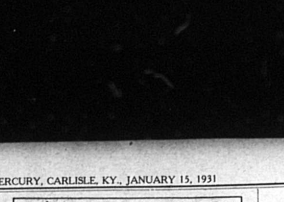
If the theory can be developed to a practical point, it holds possibilities far beyond its application to aviation. Thus noises in alternate phase may silence railroads, subways, motorcars and mouth of the daily din. Perhaps the rattle of the milkman's bottles may be tuned to silence Junior's nocturnal outcry. The only difficulty is that if the system gets out of joint, the noise is fully as great as before. Sleepy fathers thus may awaken to the words: "John, dear, the baby's out of phase again!"

SWEET HARVESTING

(Catherine Tynan)

When skies are blue and days are bright
A kitchen gardens my delight,
Set round with rows of decent box
And blowsy girls of hollyhocks.

Sweet herbs in plenty, blue borage
And the delicious mint and sage,
Rosemary, marjoram and rue.
And thyme to scent the winter through.



Dr. Funkhouser is head of the Department of Zoology, University of Kentucky, and dean of the Graduate School. During the past few seasons he has conducted archaeological explorations in many parts of Kentucky.

THE ICE AGE

Many thousands of years ago, great ice masses came down from the north and reached that part of North America which is now Kentucky. The reason for this strange phenomenon is not entirely understood but it is certain that on at least five different occasions these enormous glaciers swept down from the polar regions, plowing great furrows in the earth's surface, grinding off the hilltops, digging deep valleys and lake beds and at last melting to leave the rocks and debris which they contained at the spot at which they melted. These glacial periods lasted for several thousand years each and between them were equally long interglacial periods. Recent discoveries by Dr. W. H. Jillson, State Geologist, would indicate that some of the earlier glacial invasions penetrated for a considerable distance into Kentucky but in the later glacial periods these enormous masses of ice did not disturb the state to any great extent but melted along the Ohio River region and then slowly disappeared northward.

Immediately after the last ice age, which is supposed to have ended about twenty-five thousand years ago, there must have been a most marvelous and interesting assemblage of land animals in Kentucky. Certain northern forms had been driven southward by the advancing ice as is indicated by the discovery in the Breck Smith Cave in the Blue Grass Region of the remains of a polar bear. The enormous numbers of herbivorous animals are evidenced by the tons of bones of these forms which have been found in such localities as Big Bone Lick and Blue Lick Springs where for centuries the great herds came for salt and where their bones were trampled into the swampy soil.

The ancient flesh-eating animals, attracted by the abundance of prey, followed the herbivorous forms and there was assured of unlimited food. There is no lack of evidence regarding these animals. Bones of the mastodon and of the mammoth, teeth and tusks of the mastodon, and bones and impressions of many other animals of which are now native of this region, have been found in abundance in Kentucky. The Indians and later the early settlers were impressed with the "big bones" which they discovered in this State As early as 1729 the French explorer de Longvil remarked on the interesting material seen at Big Bone Lick in Boone County and in 1751 Christopher Gist found a mastodon's tooth as a curiosity from this locality. Since then many complete skeletons have been secured from such repositories for the museums of this country but unfortunately none have been kept in Kentucky.

Some of the species of Pleistocene mammals actually received on the soil of the state are of such interest as to deserve special mention. One of the most remarkable of these was the Megalonyx, a giant ground sloth which was discovered and named by Thomas Jefferson. Another was a boar beaver, as big as a bear, the jaws and teeth of which have been found in the mountains of eastern Kentucky. Remains of an ancient tapir have been found in Bexit county, the skeleton of a prehistoric horse was discovered at Big Bone Lick, Rockcastle county has yielded fragments of the peccary, and bones of an extinct caribou are known from Boone county. All these animals represent the prehistoric life of the Ice Age.

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30 Years Ago

Thursday, January 17, 1901

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Murray, of the county, a son.

Carlisle Telephone Company sells plant to Cumberlind Telephone Company for $1,800.

Lizzie Mann completes census of Carlisle and reports that there are 81 widows in the town.

Mr. and Mrs. Hartly James leave for Butler, where Mr. James will become operator for the L. & N. Railroad Co.

Died—Mrs. Della T. Butler, 24, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Templeman, of Chattanooga, Tenn. Burial of Carlisle.

Miss Ollie Robertson leaves for several weeks tour throughout the East with the Kentucky Colonels, a musical organization.

Most of Nicholas county's tobacco crop has been sold at prices ranging from 4 to 10 cents, with an average of about 7 cents per pound.

New Blue Lick Company organized with following officers: P. B. Lindsay, president; Boone Ingles, vice president; Frank C. Taylor, secretary, and G. E. Smith, treasurer.

Married—Miss Mary F. Price and Mr. Fred Hall, both of the county on the 10th.—Miss Mollie J. King and Mr. James A. Sumrall, both of the county, on the 16th.—Miss Ira Bowles and Mr. Jesse Lawrence, both of the county on the 10th.

53 YEARS AGO

Thursday, January 17, 1878

Meat house of Nathan Young, near Carlisle, containing meat of ten large hogs burned on the 12th of its contents. Saturday afternoon.

A. J. Banta & Son rebuild livery stable destroyed by fire. Will run in connection with fit. Cloud hotel, owned by Mr. Banta.

L. F. Mann, chairman of the board of trustees, calls mass meeting of citizens to be held at court house tonight to discuss proposition of buying a fire engine.

Moorefield correspondence: "The bottom has dropped out of our affairs and also the egg market, and D. Swope accepted as one of the basic corporations of our national Democracy. To deny the application of this theory of government in the case of the railroads, is, it seems to us, palpably unfair.

Report of state auditor shows valuation of all property in the Nicholas county for taxation this year is $2,-114,390. The average value of the property in the county is $14.67.

Jake and Fred Graeter buy lot on corner of Front and Second streets from Jeremy Steward for $1,500 and will erect a modern building for a bakery grocery, confectionery and lunch rooms.

Married—Miss Lula Jones, of Bourbon, and Mr. J. Henry Miller, of Nicholas, on the 10th.—Miss Mary Body and Mr. James H. Payne, both of the county, on the 10th.—Miss Mollie Barnes, of Mason county, and Mr. P. Dickerson, of Nicholas, the 15th.

A LADY OF THE OLD SOUTH

A soft step on the stair, the rustle of silk, a warning word outside, "Look out for dat lower step, mistress—dere," and Miss Nancy entered the room.

No, I am wrong. She became a part of it; as much so as the andirons and the easy-chairs and the old-fashioned mantlepieces, the snowy curtains and the rustling of the wood fire when she gave me the slightest dip of a curtsy and laid her dainty, wrinkled hand in mine, and said in the sweetest possible voice how glad she was to see me after so many years, and how grateful she felt for all my kindness to her dear colored. Then she sank into a quaint rocking-chair that Chad had brought down, behind her, nestled her feet on a low stool that mysteriously appeared from under the table, and took her knitting from her retinule.

She had changed somewhat since I last saw her, but only as would an old bit of precious stuff that grew the more mellow and harmonious in tone as it grew the older. She had the same silky gray hair—a trifle whiter, perhaps; the same fresh, tender complexion, with the same delicate smiles; the same slight, graceful figure.

While she sat and talked to me of her journey I had time to enjoy again the quaintness of her dress—the fashions of forty years before. Her soft gray silk, with up-and-down stripe spotted with sprigs of flowers, the lace cap, with its frill of narrow pink ribbons and two wide pink strings that fell over the shoulders, and the handkerchief of India mull folded across the breast and fastened with an amethyst pin . . . When she moved she wafted towards you a perfume of sweet lavender—the very smell that you remember came from your own mother's old-fashioned dress drawer when she let you stand on tiptoe to see her pretty things. Then you kissed her and once I did—her cheek was as soft as a child's and fragrant with rose-water.—P. Hopkinson Smith, in "Colonel Carter and Other Tales of the South."

Driver: Taxi, sir?
Heveler: Mush obliged—was Judy wonderin' what it was?

"Don't you love driving on a moonlight night like this?"
"Why, no, but I thought I'd wait till we got farther out in the country."

The man who asks: "Is it hot enough for you?" has been succeeded by the fellow who wails: "Did you ever see anything like these hard times?"

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

THE MOOREFIELD DEPOSIT BANK

doing business at the town of Moorefield, County of Nicholas, State of Kentucky, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1930.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts (including rediscounts, foreign bills, exchange drafts, bonds sold with bank's indorsement and mortgages in hands of trustees to secure bond issues	$101,955.04
Bonds other than U. S. securities	31,000.00
Overdrafts, unsecured	295.46
Due from State Banks	26,733.80
Actual cash on hand	3,233.71
Banking house	1,200.00
Total	184,557.81

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock Paid In	$ 15,000.00
Surplus	24,000.00
Various reserves (including dividends declared and unpaid	1,270.90
Deposits subject to check	64,326.11
Deposits on which interest is paid including certificates of deposit	79,960.80
Total items	144,286.91
Total	184,557.81

STATE OF KENTUCKY } Sct.
County of Nicholas

We, M. D. Judge and J. E. Wilson, President and Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

M. D. Judge, President
J. E. Wilson, Cashier

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of Jan., 1931. Clarine Beasonds, Notary Public. My Commission expires Dec. 12, 1931.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

THE DEPOSIT BANK OF CARLISLE, KENTUCKY

doing business at the town of Carlisle, County of Nicholas State of Kentucky, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1930.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts (including rediscounts, foreign bills, exchange drafts, bonds sold with bank's indorsement and mortgages in hands of trustees to secure bond issues	$275,915.44
Other bonds owned	85,188.75
Overdrafts, unsecured	1,152.77
Due from State Banks	72,601.14
Due from National Banks	28,937.25
Total items	101,538.52
Actual cash on hand	9,726.43
Exchange for clearing	6,016.84
Total items	15,743.27
Banking House	12,500.00
Furnitiire and Fixtures	2,000.00
Total	504,038.85

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock Paid In	$ 75,000.00
Surplus	50,000.00
Undivided profits	966.94
Deposits subject to check	357,721.87
Deposits on which interest is paid including certificates of deposit	83,650.00
Universal Trust Funds	1,800.00
Total items	443,171.87
Bills payable	25,000.00
Total	504,038.85

STATE OF KENTUCKY } Sct.
County of Nicholas

We, Innes B. Ross and Henry M. Potts, President and Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Innes B. Ross, President
Henry M. Potts, Cashier

Correct—Attest: Forrest Dalsell, Taylor Mathers, Paul D. Darnall, Directors.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of January, 1931.
Jimmie Henry, Notary Public. (My Commission expires January 2, 1934.)

CHARTER NO. 5059 RESERVE DISTRICT NO. 4

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CARLISLE

in the state of Kentucky, at the close of business on December 31st, 1930.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	$187,285.39
Overdrafts	268.66
United States Government securities owned	2,000.00
Other bonds, stocks and securities owned	104,270.53
Banking house $4,500.00; furniture and fixtures $500.00	5,000.00
Real estate owned other than banking house	1,172.50
Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank	23,127.13
Cash and due from banks	295,510.79
Total	418,054.86

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	25,000.00
Surplus	30,000.00
Undivided profits—net	4,681.06
Due to banks, including certified and cashier's checks outstanding	2,222.05
Demand deposits	337,922.25
Time deposits	17,900.00
Total	418,054.86

STATE OF KENTUCKY, County of Nicholas, ss:

I, Henry T. Carter, Cashier of the above-named bank, do, solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Henry T. Carter, Cashier

Correct—Attest: H. T. Leton, I. Pickrell King, J. M. Berry, Directors.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of January, 1931. Jimmie Henry, Notary Public. My commission expires January 2, 1934.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

THE FARMERS BANK OF CARLISLE, KENTUCKY

doing business at the town of Carlisle, County of Nicholas, State of Kentucky, at the close of business on the 31st day of December, 1930.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts(including rediscounts, foreign bills, exchange, drafts, bonds sold with bank's indorsement and mortgages in hands of trustees to secure bond issues	$157,340.94
U. S. Government Securities Owned	3,500.00
Other bonds	118,366.25
Total Items	119,816.25
Overdrafts, unsecured	1,539.16
Due from State Banks	121.27
Due from national banks	24,178.74
Total items	24,300.31
Actual cash on hand	6,368.12
Cash items	86.14
Total items	6,352.57
Furniture and Fixtures	8,000.00
Furniture Fixtures	800.00
Other real estate	5,112.08
Total	322,961.31

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock Paid In	$ 41,600.00
Surplus	10,000.00
Undivided profits	6,737.45
Less current expenses, interest, taxes, etc paid	513.95
Deposits subject to check	106,270.01
Deposits on which interest is paid including certificates of deposit	135,828.90
Total items	242,197.91
Bills Payable	15,000.00
Total	322,961.31

STATE OF KENTUCKY } Sct.
County of Nicholas

We, C. W. Mathers and Harry Kennedy, President and Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

C. W. Mathers, President
Harry Kennedy, Cashier

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of January, 1931. Henry T. Carter, Notary Public. (My commission expires April 11th, 1934.)

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THE OLD RELIABLE L&N

Over 22% or $403,000,000, of the net revenue from the operation of the United States railroads in 1929 was paid into the public treasuries in the form of taxes.

In addition, 13.6% or $855,000,000, of the gross receipts of the railroads was spent to maintain their own private roadways in order that the public might travel in greater comfort and ship with greater safety.

These huge sums were exclusive of the interest on the heavy investment in these properties—roadway, rails, ties, buildings, etc.—that the railroads built at their own expense.

Compare these amounts with those paid by busses and trucks engaged in common-carrier service directly in competition with the railroads. Unlike the railroads, they do not contribute adequately in taxes to the support of our courts, schools, and other public institutions. They do not share properly in the cost of construction and upkeep of the highways on which they select their class of traffic and assess their own rates, and are virtually free from the exacting requirements as to supervision of their operations, etc., now imposed on the railroads by government and state authorities.

Such a situation is manifestly unfair and unjust and unless corrected will seriously impair one of the nation's most vital instruments of progress. Common equity demands that the thoughtful consideration of the public be given to these problems so that efficient railroad transportation may be sustained. All the railroads want or can reasonably ask for is a field of endeavor that affords equal opportunity for all.

The Railroads Must Earn To Spend

L&N LOUISVILLE & NASHVILLE R.R.

NEWS OF KENTUCKY

Three sets of twins were born in Ashland last week within a period of 35 hours.

The Midland Trail is being, reconstructed from Ball Lick to the Rowan county line.

Governor Sampson Friday approved the parole of 75 prisoners in the Frankfort reformatory.

Frank Overbacker, retired Louisville manufacturer, committed suicide at his home in Louisville Thursday.

Dr. Tillman J. Robb, 49, well known Mason county physician and farmer, died at his home at Lewsburg Friday.

Bath county's taxable assessment for this year is approximately $9,300,-000, which is $500,000 lower than last year.

Raymond Connell has been elected city attorney of Paris to fill the vacancy caused by the death of John B. Williams.

George E. Evans, 74, executive vice president of the L. & N. Railroad Company, died at his home at Louisville last week.

Lawrence Piercy, former Lexington policeman, was fined $50 and costs on a charge of beating Mrs. Mayme Trisler in Lexington.

Edward Chevalier, 27, former merchant policeman at Covington, arrested last week, signed a confession admitting nine robberies.

Mrs. Lee Crase, 30, was shot and perhaps fatally wounded Monday at her home in Magoffin county by Anse Danover, 30, a neighbor.

The state parole board met at the Kentucky Houses of Reform Thursday and recommended the parole of 90 inmates of the institution.

Miss Mary Virginia Wills, of Ashland, was announced as winner of the annual beauty contest at the University of Kentucky when she Monday night.

Zack Moreland, 65, under indictment on a statutory charge, saved his fay from the State county jail at Georgetown last Thursday night.

Mrs. Henry Thomas, 52, shot and killed her self at her home at Hebbardsville, Anderson county, Monday. She had been an invalid for two years.

Liabilities of the Louisville Herald-Post total $4,314,453.04 and assets total $1,833,907.10, according to a schedule filed at Louisville last week.

The body of John Trops, 53, was found in Barren river at Bowling Green Thursday. Trops, suffering with a nervous breakdown, left his home Friday.

Judge A. M. J. Cochran opened federal court at Lexington Monday morning. Approximately 100 cases are scheduled for trial during the term.

James Covington, 56, merchant at Ashland, McCreary county, was called to the door of his home Friday night and shot to death by an unknown person.

Testifying at a bankrupt proceeding of Louisville, Ben Bassett Monday that responsibility for closing his bank in Lafayette with directors and "hostile outside influences."

Edward Rehle, 38, was fatally burned at Louisville early Thursday when his bed clothing was ignited by fire, said to have been caused by the explosion of a still.

A valuation of $184,646 was placed by commissioners on the site for the new federal building and postoffice at the corner of Limestone and Barr streets in Lexington.

William Hanley, 36, who pleaded guilty to the killing of Joe Deakins at Catlettsburg in July, 1928, was given a death sentence by a jury in the Boyd circuit court Monday.

Fourteen mechanics were forced to jump out of windows Saturday when fire enveloped the large frame garage of Louis des Cognets and Company in Lexington, causing $16,000 damage.

The first mid-year graduation exercises in the history of the University of Kentucky will be held on Friday January 30, when approximately 150 seniors will be given their diplomas.

L. G. Davidson, 48, cashier of the National Bank of Cynthiana, died Monday at the Good Samaritan hospital in Lexington of peritonitis, following an operation for appendicitis.

While funeral services were being held at her home in Washington county for Mrs. Dora Hardin, 70, who died from influenza, her 10-year-old daughter succumbed to the same disease.

William M. Wright, owner of the Calumet Farm near Lexington, was elected president of the Kentucky Trotting Horse Breeders Association at a meeting of the directors at Lexington.

Mary Elizabeth McClintock, 16, inmate at an orphanage in Lexington was seriously burned Saturday morning when her dress ignited from an open grate before which she was standing.

Floyd Hinkle 32, was asphyxiated by smoke originating in his room at his home in Williamstown Thursday. The fire caused about $600 damage to the home. Riddle was found dead by firemen.

Dr. J. S. Buckner, 86, retired physician and Confederate veteran, suffered a fractured hip his when he tripped over a rug and fell at the home of his daughter in Harrodsburg Friday.

Ralney T. Wells, president of Murray State Teachers College, was elected president of the Association of Kentucky Colleges and Secondary Schools at a meeting in Lexington last week.

The total valuation of Mason county property for taxable purposes was placed at $22,977,907 in the report of Frank Coultryde, Tax Commissioner This is practically the same as last year's assessment.

Announcement was made at Catlettsburg Saturday of the consolidation of the Kentucky National and the Farmers and Merchants banks. The combined banks will have capital of $150,000.

Dr. J. H. Hickman, 79, Mayor of Owensboro for four terms and formerly one of the wealthiest residents of Daviess county, shot and killed himself at the home of his son-in-law in Owensboro Friday.

William T. Bean, widely known Montgomery county horseman, suffered a fractured hip and other injuries when an automobile ran into his car at a point on his farm on the Winchester road.

The Department of Justice at Washington last week gave its official approval to the abstracts for the 1,250 acre site at Richmond on which a new fair is to be established on the Lexington pike near Lexington.

Dorsey Stamper, 35, of Mt. Sterling was arrested in Newport Thursday on a charge of stealing an automobile. Stamper is said to have wrecked the Cincinnati car selling an automobile which was stolen in Cynthiana.

Miss Edith Miller, 19, of Jessamine county, student at the University of Kentucky, was critically injured Monday when struck by an automobile in which she was riding collided with another automobile near Lexington.

O. A. Stump, serving his second term as Commonwealth's Attorney, pleaded on trial at Paris on January 7 afternoon in disbarment proceedings in which Mr. Stump is charged in 16 counts of misuse of his official power.

The city manager form of municipal government carried by a majority of six votes in Newport in the election last November, a recount of the ballots by the Campbell circuit court revealed, Judge A. M. Caldwell said Friday. The election was contested.

Melvin Fraser, 50, postmaster at Cracker, Floyd county, and Tom Combs, a bystander, were shot and both seriously wounded by a bandit who attempted to hold up the postoffice and general store. The bandit escaped. He was identified, when both men were shot, as Fraser's brother-in-law, who had recently separated from his wife.

George Foster, 60-year-old farmer, was killed instantly by a shot fired by Marion Friday in a manslaughter charge in connection with the killing of Ivril Pritts, 25, who attacked Foster when he refused to take a drink with him.

The State Livestock Sanitary Board has notified officials of Clark county that the movement of cattle from that county for breeding and dairy purposes will be prohibited unless the cattle are inspected for bovine tuberculosis.

John Kloecker, 62, president of the Dixie Portland Company and the Dixie Realty and Products Company in Louisville, died at his home Saturday afternoon when he fell through an opening in the company's plant a distance of 30 feet.

Newton Bright, Commissioner of Agriculture, reported Monday that Kentucky warehouses sold a total of 112,997,899 pounds of tobacco during the month of December for a total of $18,497,307.26, an average of $14.72 per hundred pounds, or $14.72.

Curtis Brown, 21-year-old Morgan county farmer, was shot and killed by Marion Whitt, 50, at the post office and general store at Wrigley, Morgan county, following an argument over an account which Brown is alleged to have owed her son.

Following a quarrel over a dog, Ernest Cummins was shot and seriously wounded by Dolsey Bennett, 8, Negro child prodigy preacher at Covington Saturday. After the quarrel Bennett went to his home and secured a small calibre rifle and returned. While the Cummins boy had the rifle the girl pulled the trigger.

Miss Hattie Jones, 25 years old, was given a sentence of 15 years in the state reformatory for a 2 to 21 in the Floyd circuit court at Prestonsburg Saturday on a charge of shooting to death her father, Frank Jones, on last September, when the latter objected to his daughter taking an automobile ride with a young man.

Missing $12 in money and a fountain pen after two men had left her home after looking at some rooms for rent, Mrs. W. H. Nugent, of Lexington, pursued the two men, overtook them and held them until the arrival of police. The money was recovered. The men who registered as Arthur Franklin, 32, Portland, Oregon, and Leo Thompson, 23, Milwaukee, Wis., were given fines of $10 and costs and each sentenced to 30 days in jail.

BETTER MILK COWS NEEDED

The present low average of the Nation's dairy cows is a serious handicap to consumers as well as to producers of dairy products, says the Bureau of Dairy Industry, United States Department of Agriculture. Because of the low production per cow, many dairy farmers are working for a very low wage and are actually feeding their cows at a loss. With fewer cows and a higher average production per cow the net profits of the average dairy farm could be greatly increased. It is estimated that the average yearly production per cow of the 22,500,000 milk cows in the United States is 4,600 pounds of milk containing 180 pounds of butterfat.

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