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year will pass among. The year 1940 has been no feast of roses for our farmers. Even where payments by the government, the farmer who made a profit last year from his soil is an unsoul. The low price of tobacco and the cross acreages have reduced the income of the farmer to such an extent that he is fortunate if his books balance on January 1.

But now we have a New Year. What it will bring, only the Divine Power that controls our destinies knows. We know that multiplied thousands of our young men will be called from their homes and their jobs for a year of service for their country. Although this training may probably not only preparedness, the boys will, nevertheless, face the readjustment necessary upon their return home.

Always we live in hope of a better year. And here's wishing every reader of The Mercury and every other citizen of the county a healthy, peaceful, prosperous and happy New Year.

## Learning The Obvious.

If the most of life is getting along with people, intelligence is only one of the sides of personality which make the task easy or otherwise. In fact, there is considerable evidence to support the view that too much mental dexterity in the very young makes for an ambulance in character, which becomes a later burden rather than an asset to the possessor.

Columbia Teachers College offers some new evidence in point. There, in 1922, a group of geniuses, averaging 7 years in age, were set apart for special training. Thirty years after they were remembered and asked to speak for themselves, on the advantages or disadvantages of segregation. None so far has set the world on fire.

Some have attained a moderate which one of them described as "high-grade mediocrity." Some acquired the inferiority complex that goes with being hooted at as a grind and apple polisher. Some confess to feelings of failure in later life because they could not adjust themselves to others less gifted. This they have absorbed since, if at all, not through their intelligences but their young hides. Few would have lent themselves to the experiment, knowing in 1922 what they know now.

This appears to support the institutions of ordinary sense. The child of several in a family, held up to the rest as something special, can hardly avoid becoming insufferable. If the special attribute is a precocious intelligence, this still is but one of the tools of character, which in the complete sense is a slow growth, fostered no more by intellectual activity than hard contact with the world.

The way to learn to live with others is not to live apart, the authors of the Columbia plan are inclined now to believe. Most persons should have thought so, if the Columbia experiment never had been held.

## U. S. Families Smaller.

For the first time American families in 1940 are reported to have shrunk to an average size of less than four persons. This trend toward smaller families, of long standing, would be more acutely alarming if the phenomenon had not become by now so familiar. "Race suicide" was discovered by Theodore Roosevelt more than three decades ago, and he denounced it with characteristic vigor. But families kept right on shrinking, from an average of 4.9 persons in 1890 to 3.8 in 1940, as just revealed by the Census Bureau at Washington.

It is obvious this decline must bring with it far-reaching social changes, although to sociologists the direction of interest is the other way around. It is social changes that make families are blamed by them as the cause for the diminution of the family. These changes include the urbanization and industrialization of the country, consequent crowded living conditions and lessened security.

But crowded and insecure populations have raised large families in the past in many parts of the world. Some other subtle influence must underlie the phenomenon, the most common guess as to its nature being something to do with a heightened standard of living. Perhaps it is true that as people gain in opportunity to live more pleasurable lives they rely less on the simple pleasures of the family. At least this is as good a guess as any advanced by the sociologists.

## Rainbow Of Hope.

Plans are being formulated for the observance of the 60th anniversary of the world-encircling religious organization of young people called the Society for Christian Endeavor. Congratulations and offers of support and cooperation are being received from religious leaders, educators, public officials and influential citizens generally, as the society's celebration of the "Rainbow Jubilee" is planned.

The principle of the movement met immediate acceptance when it was instituted in a New England church congregation in 1881. Its aim was as limitless as the spirit of Christianity, yet requirement for membership was but a sincere try, a Christian endeavor. "No earned young person, desirous of improvement, could refuse the fellowship the society offered.

In four years the movement, spreading from church to church, became a national organization. Within ten years it had linked up churches of many denominations throughout North America. By 1895 it had become of world-wide significance and had organized the "World's Christian Endeavor Union" which convenes every four years.

The meetings regularly held afford religious and social privileges for your people and instruction in character building and the duties of citizenship. The value of such an institution to the community and the nation is beyond estimate.

## Confidence In Governor Johnson.

Elsewhere on this page is published an editorial from the Lexington Herald in which confidence is expressed that Governor Johnson will remove the stigma of political inefficiency in the operation of the state institutions.

Knowing Keen Johnson as we do, The Mercury heartily agrees with the editorial. Few promises were made by Governor Johnson in his campaign utterances and even fewer have been made by him since that time. And the Governor has never been accused of breaking a promise. One of his promises, made repeatedly, was that he would carry to completion the rehabilitation program for the mentally ill started by Governor Chandler.

Governor Johnson has three more years in which to complete the program. His first year in office was more or less devoted to stabilization of the financial and business efficiency of the state government. His major effort during the remaining three years of his administration, we believe, will be to carry to completion the rehabilitation of the state institutions. We believe that this phase of the state's business will receive more attention than any other during the coming three years.

It is inconceivable that Governor Johnson would tolerate the employment of drunkards, fathends and loafers to care for the mentally ill and those incarcerated in the penal institutions. We have faith in the Governor to carry out the promises he made during his campaign, and will maintain that confidence until he has done something to shake it.

## A Christian Community.

The Mercury reiterates its oft-made observation that no community the size of Nicholas county in the entire land responds more promptly and more generously to any humanitarian appeal.

The Christmas season just passed again brings this to mind. At the Christmas tree held at the armory, every child who came was presented with a sack of candy and a toy. In addition, sacks and toys were sent to scores of children in the county who were unable to be present. Through the generosity of the citizens of Carlisle, more than 800 toys were contributed to the Boy Scouts, who distributed these articles at the Armory. The Carlisle Woman's Club gave away approximately sixty-five beautiful new dolls, which were purchased, dressed and wrapped by the individual members of the club. Many a little girl went away from the Armory last Tuesday afternoon carrying the first real doll she had ever owned in all of her life, and the happy faces of all of these little children amply repaid the Woman's Club, the Boy Scouts and the American Legion and Auxiliary for what, ever expenditure of money and effort was expended to make these gifts possible.

Even the colored children were not forgotten. Sacks were turned over to the two churches in Henryville and were distributed among the children of the colored village.

The local Future Farmers, as a part of their "Lend's Acre" project, distributed 180 baskets of fruit. Various Carlisle churches distributed baskets of food contributed in the "white gifts" programs, and hundreds of individuals sent food and clothing to their less fortunate neighbors.

Truly the Christmas spirit and the Christian spirit prevails in this community.

## The Old Year Passes.

The year 1940 just ended has been a hectic one throughout the world. The beginning of the New Year finds most of the major nations of the Old World still deadlocked in a struggle that seems futile. No end to the awful holocaust appears in sight.

In our own land, the year will go down in history as one of the record-breaking precedents. Because of the struggle in Europe, we have seen our armed forced expanded to the greatest number in all peace-time history; we have seen our nation's industry geared to a war-time fever in its plans for national defense. We have seen the electorate of our nation choose a man for a third term as President for the first time in the history of the nation.

In our own state and community the old

# 50 YEARS AGO

**Thursday, January 8, 1891**

John G. Powell takes position as bookkeeper at W. B. Ratliff's grocery.

Died—Mr. Thomas Myers, 85, at his home near Parks Hill on Sec. 3.

Postoffice to be established at Jackstown with J. P. Wasson as postmaster.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Club last night, George R. Martin was elected city assessor.

R. S. Beck and Max Meckfessel have rented formerly occupied by J. W. B. Lee and will open a boot and shoe store within a few days.

Married—Miss Evelyn H. Amos, of Mason county, and Mr. Malcolm Lindsey, of this county, on the 1st.—Miss Lola W. Finch and Mr. William H. McMahan, both of this county, on the 7th.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. William Crawford, of this city, on December 29th, a daughter.—To Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Mauzer, of Carlisle, on the 6th, a son.—To Mr. and Mrs. Walter Smith, of Jackstown, a son.

**40 YEARS AGO**

**Thursday, January 10, 1901**

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Allison, of Barefoot, on December 30th, a son.

Cumberland Telephone Company has an office in the home of the Carlisle Telephone Co. for $5.00 per month.

Married—Miss Nellie A. Frisbee and Mr. Henry L. Flora, both of Pleasant Valley, on the 9th.

Postmaster Bryson contracts for new fixtures for the postoffice. The new boxes will be keyless and will be opened by means of a combination.

Farmers Bank elects following officers: President, W. F. Kenney; cashier, T. H. Pickrell; directors, H. Pieper, W. T. Buckler and John R. Conley.

T. C. Collins sells his adjoining the old postoffice to Mrs. Mary Hamilton and son, Master, and they will erect a business building on it in the spring.

Deposit Bank elects following officers: President, Hanson Kennedy; cashier, John N. Rose; directors, B. A. Thompson, William Dinsmore, Hanson Kennedy, William Laysom, S. W. Mathers and W. B. Ratliff.

Died—Gracie, 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Florence at their home near Barefoot.—Lindsay Lee, young son of Mr. and Mrs. William Lane, at their home near Ellisville.

**20 YEARS AGO**

**Thursday, January 6, 1921**

A. F. Hoffman organizing orchestra in the Carlisle high school.

George Fishback sells his residence on West Main street to Green Feeback for $5,900.

85 persons buried in Carlisle cemetery during past year, a decrease of nine from last year.

Grocers of Carlisle form protective association and agree not to extend credit to anyone who owes another grocer.

New city council, in meeting Monday night, imposes occupations license on all businesses operating in Carlisle.

After one row of tobacco had been sold at the Peoples Warehouse Monday morning at prices ranging from 50 cents a hundred to 48 cents a pound, growers became indignant and stopped the sales.

Married—Miss Sarepta Hostetter and Mr. Everett D. Hunt, both of the county, on December 29th.—Miss Louise Hunt and Mr. Harvey McFarland, both of the county.

Died—Mr. Joseph Gillispie, 54, of the Jackstown section, at St. Joseph's hospital in Lexington.—Mrs. D. H. Warren, formerly of Carlisle, at her home in Lexington on December 25th.—Mr. A. J. Hopkins, 56, at his home near Ellisville on the 2nd.—Mr. Henry Clay Metcalfe, Confederate veteran, former Carlisle postmaster and prominent Carlisle business man, at his home in Carlisle on the 1st.

## AN INESCAPABLE RESPONSIBILITY

(Lexington Herald)

When Gov. Keen Johnson removed Miss Margaret Wolf as state commissioner of welfare and named A. W. Frost, of Louisville, to the position, he surrendered every possible chance in the coming year to avoid any responsibility for any blame in connection with the management and direction of the state's institutions.

In every comment that it has made on the Johnson administration, The Herald has flatly refused to try to pin, there and whitewash on the lamentable tragedy of those institutions.

For three or twenty years, in urging and debating details of the state's affairs, a minority has been found to differ from the opinion expressed by Editor Howard Henderson. Courier Journal political writer, or more times that it has almost become a habit and a pleasure to do so.

In a recent issue Mr. Henderson refers to the charges made by Dr. J. C. Wilson, retiring director of hospitals and mental hygiene that political changes had blighted the state's institutions by the governor, by Mr. Donaldson and by Finance Director J. Dan Talbott.

Mr. Henderson comments:

"If the charge is true, it is a suitable situation for 4,000 unfortunate men and women. Governor Johnson has a financial record. Governor Johnson may make. He would need the five years to forget the shame he will feel if when his term is done, he finds hearts that he has put drunken and cruel men in authority over 4,000 persons who could not protect themselves. Governor Johnson and Mr. Donaldson have good intentions."

The Herald absolutely agrees with the 100 per cent insofar as the necessity for property protection is concerned.

In the past year considerable improvement has been made in the physical plants of the institutions in Lexington. $7 Green, dole approximately $181,000 has been spent in a way not only but vitally necessary, and at the Eastern State hospital an amount nearly a large has been spent on repair.

No matter what repairs are made, however, the record of hundreds of insane men, women, or even millions, spent in buildings and repairs will be fully discredited if a single act of cruelty or inhumanity.

The whole sentiment of the entire people of Kentucky is perfectly clear on this score. They do not wish to see politics played in the institutions, either one way or another. They do not wish to see an administration use the institutions for spoils with which to discredit itself or to see them used by those unfriendly with an administration to discredit it from the inside.

In the opinion of The Herald the practice of obtaining political recommendations from applicants for positions in the institutions ought to be publicly discontinued and abandoned forever.

The institutions ought to be turned over to the director and, under his direction, should be managed by the superintendents and these superintendents ought to be backed up and supported and if they fail they ought to be replaced.

We can not believe that Lyter Donaldson is maintaining strict and rigid rules in the highway commission with almost relentless discipline and yet intends to use the hospitals, the humanitarian charge of the state, for a dumping ground. We do not think Keen Johnson, will tolerate cruelty to patients or bums on the institutions' payrolls. We do not think Mr. Frost, business manager of the religious publication for which the most intrepid reformers in the state of Kentucky are the principal contributors, would resign to serve as a "front" for drunkards, fathends and loafers.

But we agree with Howard Henderson that unless the administration now fairly soon can remove these institutions from all blame it will suffer so greatly therefrom that the reduction in the state debt and the addition of new buildings will not divert attention from this failure. Governor Johnson will have no excuses. Not a soul connected with the administration can escape a share of the responsibility.

**Gems For Your Scrap Book.**

To think we are able to almost to be so; to determine upon attainment; to frequently attainment itself; earnest resolution has often seemed to have about it almost a savor of omnipotence.—Emiles.

If the action be of worth that I take in hand, neither shall an ill accident discourage me, nor a good one make me careless.—Owen Feltham.

The members of our entire staff join in wishing you happiness and good fortune in the New Year.

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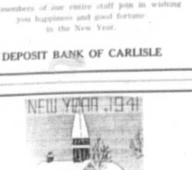


Good wishes for the coming year! We shall endeavor, as in years past, to serve you to the best of our ability. Your continued patronage will be appreciated, as always!

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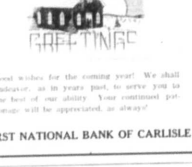


May happiness and good health come to you in abundance . . . may prosperity smile on you . . . may contentment be with you all through 1941. That's our New Year wish to you!

FARMER'S BANK OF CARLISLE

May 1941 bring much to you in health, happiness and prosperity. If 1941 is the best year you've ever had, it will be the fulfillment of our wish for you!

D. M. CURRY, County Judge

Here's hoping that your hopes will be realized. Here's a good cheer . . . may you enjoy it throughout '41. Here's to friendships . . . may we continue to enjoy them!

SMITH'S SERVICE STATION



# NEWS OF KENTUCKY

Five hundred cases of influenza have been reported at Corbin.

Carl Robinson, 35, died at his home at Lexington after a month's illness with tuberculosis.

Charles Morrison, 43, was shot and killed by his brother, William, 47, at the former's home in Kenton county Sunday.

Jesse Tucker, 18, farm hand living near Hillsdale in Bracken county, shot and killed himself at his home last Wednesday.

A four-months-old girl was injured when two automobiles collided near Owensboro.

Albert Brown, 63, WPA foreman and father of Powell county Sheriff Dellman Brown, shot and killed his son-in-law, Roy Frymer, 32, at Stanton.

Shirley Durham, 18 months old, died at her home in Bell county after eating a number of tablets for heart ailment found on the floor at her home.

Chester Carlisle, 35, was burned to death when he was trapped in the second floor of his burning home in Augusta. His wife, his father and an uncle were rescued.

Mrs. G. B. Thomas, 34, bride of two weeks, ended her life at Painsville by drinking poison. Her husband said she was homesick for Chicago, her former home.

The new $100,000 courthouse at Greenup, replacing the court house destroyed in the 1937 flood, has been completed and was occupied Monday.

Lexington police Friday reported seizure of 10,000 marijuana weed to make 10,000 "muggles" cigarettes as five negroes were jailed on charges of possessing the weed.

Mrs. Clara Payne, 63, of Lexington, died of a heart attack Saturday night in an ambulance enroute to a Lexington hospital. Her husband died 12 days before of a similar attack.

Judge William H. Rees, of Mayseville, a member of the Court of Appeals since 1936, will become its chief justice for the second time when the winter term begins January 6.

Nineteen calves, weighing about 600 pounds each, were stolen Saturday night from the farm of R. H. Anderson in Scott county. Sixteen of the calves were Hereford and the other three black calves.

Hardy Adams, 16, was wounded critically Thursday night in the crossfire while his father exchanged shots with two men whose automobile had damaged a fence on the Adams farm in Johnson county.

Announcement was made Thursday that Henderson county has been selected as the site for a new $11,000,000 ammonia plant employing 500 persons as a part of the National Defense program.

The body of Calvin Crosthwaite, 19, of Morehead, student at Morehead State Teachers College, was found in a bathtub at his home Saturday. He had apparently been overcome by gas fumes.

The Civil Aeronautics Authority has approved a 591-acre tract of land opposite Kentucky race track on the Versailles pike near Lexington as the site for a $787,500 first-class commercial airport.

Henry Lacey, 28, and Dennie Nickell, 23, both of Morgan county, were killed and another passenger was injured when the car in which they were riding crashed into a bridge near West Liberty Thursday.

Will Ed Nelson, 27, negro, was shot and critically wounded at Mt. Sterling last Thursday morning while in custody of three officers who were escorting him to jail on a charge of shooting and wounding. Ike Smathers, 26, negro, who was wounded by Nelson a short time before, opened fire with a shotgun at close range, the charge striking Nelson in the neck.

Samuel Sansbury, 55, Owensboro attorney, was killed Friday by the accidental discharge of a rifle at the home of his sister. Sansbury went to the basement in the home to tend the furnace and was followed by two nieces. As the children followed, they knocked over a rifle which was leaning against the basement door and the discharge struck him in the neck.

567 marriage licenses were issued in Mason county last year, an increase of 233 over 1939.

The city of Cynthiana has purchased a new electric fire siren for use of the fire department.

Samuel G. Bokan, 51, musician, died at his home in Louisville Monday.

Dr. W. H. Hord, retired Mayfield physician, suffered a stroke of paralysis Sunday and is in a critical condition.

The bonded indebtedness of the owned toll bridges will be reduced to $6,585,000 by payment of $1,139,000 on January 1.

Miss Alice E. Gore, 69, a teacher in the Louisville public schools for 49 years, died at her home in Louisville Saturday.

Edward Armstrong, 48, negro, who weighed 502 pounds, died at a Louisville hospital Friday of a heart attack.

Dr. Ogden M. Edwards, 71, proprietor of Walnut Hall Farm, famous trotting horse nursery near Lexington, died Saturday at his home in Pittsburgh.

Mrs. Roy Bradford, of near Beatorville, Bracken county, was seriously wounded when a shotgun which her 15-year-old son was handling discharged accidentally.

M. G. (Mike) Sullivan, former state commander of the American Legion, suffered a stroke at his home in Frankfort Sunday and is in a critical condition.

Kentucky's 1941 federal income tax returns will triple those of past years because of the new state J. D. Rankin, income tax division head, said Monday.

Decision in the pension appeal filed by judges of the court of appeals was delayed Monday because of the illness of Judge Joseph P. Goodenough, of Covington, member of the special court appointed to hear the suit.

Clyde Buchanan, Jr., 15, who was arrested and held in jail in Louisville in connection with the fatal wounding of a Deputy Sheriff, was released from jail Christmas morning. His father, who fled after the shooting, was killed by a posse.

Approximately 200 Mason county tobacco growers met Saturday at Mayville Saturday, approved a petition to be presented to Governor Johnson requesting the Governor to call a special session of the legislature to take action on the low price of tobacco.

## THE FARM AND HOME

In order that contour cultivation may be most effective in controlling erosion, the rows should be established which run true contour. In a small field one guide row often is enough. Winter is a good time to stake out contours.

Ewes may develop trouble called pregnancy disease after a sudden drop in temperature, a cold rain or a snowstorm. It will pay to keep ewes in good feeding and for shelter for such emergencies.

In buying ready-made dresses, see that the hems are wide enough to permit adjustments. Tall women especially should not overlook this point. There also should be ample provision for lengthening the sleeves.

Wheat custard: Beat 2 eggs add 4 tablespoons of sugar and 2 cups of milk and salt. Then add 3/4 of a cup of cooked wheat, 3/4 of a cup of raisins and a little salt. Set in baking dish in a pan of water and bake in a moderate oven until firm.

Home-made sausage is usually three-fourths lean meat, and one-fourth fat meat. For mild sausage, use 1 1/2 ounces of salt, 1/2 of an ounce of black pepper and 1/4 of an ounce or less of sage, finely ground sage to 6 pounds of meat.

Poultry raisers who range flocks in fenced fields often follow this order of rotation: first year, poultry range; second year, corn or tobacco or garden; third year, small grain followed by grass; fourth year, meadow or pasture.

Perseverance
Less good from genius we may find
Than that from perseverance flowing;
So have good grist at hand to grind,
And keep the mill a-going.
—Thomas Dunn English

## Changed Basis For Filing Individual Federal Returns

The Revenue Act of 1940 has made important changes with respect to the liability of individuals for the filing of income tax returns. Individuals should ascertain from the following circumstances are required to file returns covering the calendar year 1940.

Single individuals, or married individuals not living with husband or wife, having a gross income of $800.00 or more.

Married individuals living together having a combined gross income of $2,000.00 or more.

The net income is no longer to be used in determining the liability for the filing of a Federal income tax return. The liability of a citizen or resident of the United States to file a return is dependent upon his status as a married or single person, and the amount of his gross income. Therefore, every citizen or resident of the United States will be required to file a return for the taxable year 1940 if his gross income in 1940, regardless of the amount of his net income, comes within the amount specified above for his particular status. A return must be filed even though, by reason of allowable deductions from gross income and of allowable credits against net income, it develops that no tax is due.

Form 1040 should be used for gross income of not more than $5,000 derived from salaries, wages, interest, dividends and annuities. Form 1040 should be used for gross income from salaries, wages, interest, dividends, and annuities of more than $5,000, or if any part of your income is derived from other than salaries, wages, interest, dividends, or annuities, Form 1040 should be used in computing the amount of your income. While returns must be filed on or before March 15, 1941, with the collector of internal revenue for the district in which you reside, it is urged that they be filed as soon as possible after January 1.

If in doubt as to your liability for the filing of a return and if your employer has no blank return forms available, make request of the collector of internal revenue for the district in which you reside, or of any deputy collector stationed in your vicinity, for the 1940 individual income tax return and the printed instructions accompanying the form.

Failure of individuals, under the circumstances outlined above, to file returns will subject them to the imposition of the penalties prescribed by law.

## Guard Call Is Made Definite For Jan. 17

Tentative up to now, January 17 was set Friday by President Roosevelt as the date for induction of the Kentucky National Guard, including Louisville's 138th Field Artillery Regiment, into federal service.

The President's executive order, calling the thirty-five thousand Guard units to report between January 7 and 17, inclusive, summoned the 38th Division, which includes Kentucky, Indiana and West Virginia, to Camp Shelby, Miss., for January 17. The 106th Coast Artillery Battalion, Kentucky, was set for January 6.

The 103rd Coast Artillery Battalion, the only other troops in Kentucky, will be called in February.

## Kentucky Banks Make 137,000 Loans In 1940

Sixteen per cent of Kentucky's commercial banks made more than 137,000 loans totaling $156,000,000 to business firms and individuals throughout the state during the first six months of 1940, according to the semi-annual survey of bank lending activity made by the American Bankers Association.

## FROM OUR READERS

Camp Hospital
Camp Edwards
Falmouth, Mass.
Dec. 30, 1940

The Carlisle Mercury,
Carlisle, Ky.

Gentlemen:

Just a line to let you know how much I enjoy receiving the Carlisle Mercury every week. When I get it on Saturday it's just like talking to an old friend from home.

I'm wondering if you couldn't find a small space some where in your paper to tack in a small item about myself. It might interest some of my Carlisle and Paris friends and of course I'd also get a "kick" out of seeing my name in print in the old home town paper. You might say something like this—

Pvt. Carl Franklin Watkins, formerly from Paris, Kentucky, who has been in the United States Army for a year and a half and is now stationed at The Camp Hospital, Camp Edwards, Falmouth, Massachusetts, spent the Christmas holidays with friends, Dr. and Mrs. B. N. Cameron, Boston, Mass.

Thanking you and wishing you and the home town folks the happiest New Year ever, I am,

A Carlisle Mercury reader,
Pvt. C. F. Watkins

## Four Persons Lynched In Nation Last Year

Four persons were lynched in the United States during the year 1940, according to the annual report of Tuskegee Institute. This is one more than the number lynched in 1939, but less than the number in 1938, and four less than the number lynched during each of the years 1937 and 1936.

There were 22 reports of instances in which officers of the law prevented lynchings. In 21 instances persons were removed from jails and in one instance an armed force, was used to prevent lynching. Four white men, two negro women and 22 negro men were saved from the hands of mobs.

Of the persons lynched, one was white and three were negroes. Two lynchings occurred in Georgia, one in Alabama and one in Tennessee. The offenses charged were wife beating and murder, assault, 1; attempted rape, 1; attempting to qualify to vote, 1; altercation with white man, 1.

The A. B. A. loan survey was participated in by 66 Kentucky banks, or 16.1 per cent of the 411 commercial banks in the state.

These 66 banks reported that they made between January 1 and June 30, 1940, 10,111 loans totaling $67,111,528; 72,459 renewals of loans totaling $65,[illegible]; 1,675 new mortgage loans totaling $3,642,724.

The survey showed that business firms in the state used only half of the "confirmed open lines of credit" maintained for their use on the books of banks. A total of twelve banks in the larger centers of the state reported that they carried on their books $49,677,000 in "open lines of credit" offered to and kept available for regular borrowers for use as needed by them. Of this amount $24,837,000 or 50 per cent was used.

The average number of new loans made per bank during the six months period under review was 966 and the average size of loan was $1,063.

The average number of loans renewed per bank was 1,098 and the average renewal was for $1,182.

The average number of new mortgage loans made per bank was 25 and the average new mortgage loan was for $3,175.

Say you saw it in The Mercury

May Every Hour Be Happy In 1941

We're glad to see the New Year for a lot of reasons . . . but the best of all is that it's another opportunity to greet our friends again and wish them the best of everything in 1941.

THE VARIETY STORE

## LONGER DAYS

(Christian Science Monitor)

The midnight of the year is past. And, as the rain falls on the just and on the unjust, so the lengthening afternoons bless alike the earnest who know why the light lingers and the child who knows only that he can stay later at his play.

We call them longer days. We know, though, that they hold no more opportunity than those we call short. We know they can be as awfully wasted "I have lost a day," sighs one of the classical writers—not a long day or a short one, but a day.

We do not dread the added darkness Winter brings. We can find compensations in many all seasonal conditions. The rain that drives us indoors makes music on the roof. Warm sunshine teaches us the practical friendliness of trees. Shorter daylight is longer firelight. But we welcome instinctively the turn of darkness' tide.

We are, after all, children of earth. We want to know. We want to see clearly. Night envelops us in quiet hiding. But we do not accept its superficial peace without reserve. The caveman drew a circle of fitful firelight in the primeval gloom. We moderns build highways of light from city to glowing city. We do not fear darkness as did some superstitious ancestors. We try to master it, and in some measure succeed. But when the days begin to lengthen we grow glad, feeling ourselves in step again with the rhythm of the planets.

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