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The Local Option Election.

There are two alternatives a newspaper has when a public issue arises. It may take the lead and express an editorial opinion or it may sit on the sidelines and confine its activities to the mere recording of the facts as they unfold.

There is coming to Nicholas county the issue of local option. In fact, it is already here. It arrived one night when a petition, signed by 421 registered voters, was filed with the county clerk, asking that an election be held on the proposition of local whiskey and beer sales within these boundaries.

It is not the purpose of the Mercury to dictate to any person how he shall vote on this question. We feel that it is an issue which can best be worked out in the conscience and the heart of the individual. And there are arguments on both sides.

There is no doubt that alcohol, as a beverage, has caused much suffering. For even the most ardent foe of local option to deny that is the height of the ridiculous. We have but to look around us to see the broken men and women who have succumbed to the liquor habit, casting aside self respect and the respect of their fellow men and women. Nobody will deny that the excessive use of liquor is evil, just as excesses in most matters are harmful.

There is little doubt in our minds that a world free from whiskey would be a better world.

We doubt that many persons will argue the fact that whiskey, in itself, is anything but bad.

However, the proposition to be voted upon by the residents of this county is not the proposition of whether whiskey is good or bad.

What we are about to do in October is to vote on the question of whether or not to increase the cause of temperance and decrease drunkeness by prohibiting the sale of alcoholic beverages legally within the county and bounds of Nicholas county. Even the most ardent proponent of local option will agree to that, we believe, and every good citizen will cast his vote for a measure which would bring that about.

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Under the present system, there has grown the evil of the road house, and we submit that this is one of the principal cancerous growths which has mushroomed since repeal.

Into these places, the youth of the land has flocked by night and has been exposed to temptations which should not be tolerated in a Christian nation. For this, the unscrupulous persons who have operated many such establishments are in part-to blame.

But more responsible is the liquor industry itself, which has failed sadly in its duty to police its own back yard and to see to it that its retail outlets were living up to the law of the land and also to the law of decency. If prohibition returns, the liquor industry will have only itself to blame because of the manner in which it handled the script which was given it to read back in 1933.

There is also the argument of the dry forces that many dispensary owners will sell, and sell, and sell whiskey to persons who have no business buying whiskey. This is a valid argument. There are too many men engaged in the liquor business who will take the bread money of a man's family after the man gets intoxicated and is willing to spend it for liquor. This, too, is an element which the liquor industry cannot answer, except to say that the bootlegger would get no differently, but there is a difference in the dry favor, here.

In almost every county local option election which has been held this year in Kentucky, the argument has been presented by the dry group that the American forces at Pearl Harbor were stupid from liquor on the fatal morning of December 7, when Japan struck without warning. That argument will be used here, we suspect, and if it is true, then it offers a sad commentary on the liquor industry in times of war.

The main arguments for the proponents of local option, then, are that liquor is an evil and should be removed, a statement that cannot be refuted; that the roadhouse menace is corrupting our youth, another assertion that cannot be successfully contradicted; that the liquor dealers themselves have shown no scruples in dealing with inebriates, a statement that holds true in a great many instances, and that it has already done enough damage in this war, beginning with excessive use at Pearl Harbor when we were crippled almost to the death because we were unprepared.

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These arguments will be met by the opponents of local option with the statement that bootlegging will return on the day that legal whiskey disappears from Nicholas county.

We think that there can be no doubt of this. If any person who would disagree will hark back to the days of prohibition, we think he will find little cause for optimism as regards the bootlegging problem once dispensaries are closed. There will be clouds of smoke rising from many hollows as one-man distilleries are set up, and there will be many loads of liquor rumored to be "in here" here in the dark of nights. To think differently is to refuse to meet the facts squarely.

The wets will come forth with the issue of revenue which will be transferred from the state and federal treasury to the pocket of some bootlegger. Personally, we feel that this issue is hardly pertinent IF the sale of whiskey will be decreased. No nation can pay its bills through drinking, and with state and federal taxes upon, practically everything we buy, a certain percentage is going to find its way back into governmental coffers.

The wets will come forth with the argument that local option is not the way in which to banish liquor from our county. They will assert that it will only lower the quality of the liquor consumed, and that the quantity will not be affected. We doubt this as far as quantity is concerned, but have no illusions as to the quality argument.

The wets will say that such a prohibition will hurt business in Carlisle; that many a farmer who comes to trade here and who likes to sit down with a cold bottle of beer after he has done his business will take his custom to some other city where the beer will be provided over the counter.

And the wets will say that it is not fair to vote a prohibition upon the home county of some three hundred boys who are now serving in the armed forces and who have no chance to exercise their franchise in the matter. They will point out the bitterness of many soldiers in the First World War who returned to find a national prohibition had been voted in their absence.

These, then, are the chief arguments which will be advanced by each faction.

If The Mercury could be convinced that we could do away with the drys and their and all of its attendant sorrows, by voting for local option, then it would advocate editorially that persons vote dry and close it all whiskey from the confines of Nicholas. But we are not convinced that such is the case. And we intend to stay neutral in the matter, printing the facts as they happen, and accepting advertisements and statements from each side, if the latter measures up to our standards of news.

We feel that it is a matter which the average citizen should think over—think over deeply—and pray over before he casts his ballot.

The Mercury does not intend to editorialize in this matter again, unless developments make it necessary. The happenings as they will be found in full in the news columns of this newspaper.

The Blue Licks Celebration.

Fitting indeed is it that a throng should assemble at the Blue Licks State Park on yesterday to rededicate the ground where was fought the last battle of the War for American Independence.

It is fitting because once again we are engaged in a War for Independence, this time on a scale that is world wide. But our freedom hangs in the balance no matter if the front is shifted from our own immediate section to all parts of the globe.

Yesterday, the group at Blue Licks Park turned its eyes backward to speak of the heroism of Boone and of Kenton and of Todd and the rest of that gallant little band which fought its way from a treacherous ambush.

And while they spoke, men whose stature is not less than that of those fabled heroes of the past were waging war upon a treacherous and evil foe on a dozen fronts.

Blue Licks ended a war which was fought 160 years ago. But the Freedoms for which that war was waged are still endangered.

The fight that is being carried on today is one which will insure that the doughty patriots of the Revolution pioneered a freedom that will endure.

"An Editor's Random Thoughts"

Editor's Note—For several years readers throughout the State have asked for reprints of the brilliant editorials upon Nature by the late Warren R. Fisher. With this in mind, and, believing that many would enjoy again his editorials, we are presenting reprints under the head used by Mr. Fisher so many times, "An Editor's Random Thoughts." We will try to pick each week one editorial by Mr. Fisher which we believe you will read again with joy, one in which you will find all the beauty of Kentuckiana.

Our "Mountains."

Leaving the "if-it-hadn't been-for" and the "I-told-you-so" and the usual primary postmortems, which, already beginning to swirl in the stale atmosphere of tobacco smoke Saturday night, were "going strong" Sunday morning, we got loaded the old car to the gunwales, so to speak, and headed eastward for our "mountains." And even there the " lection" followed.

"Did you hear how the race for senator came out in Clark?" The voice came clearly down the creek to where we stood, unused as the natives, to hear the less vicious soldering of a female wren, whose home in the vine-covered bank just below the less vicious soldering of the Confederate soldiers. The voice continued and we left the little visitor, who with quick beak inspected by, darted after us with a parting curse in bird language, and strolled back toward the group about the car where the odor of bacon and coffee mingled with wood smoke to form a perfume delectable which may not be purchased in bottles.

He had ridden up and hitched his mule a few moments before, had learned our names and made known his had satisfied his yearnings for news political and as we approached seemed to be touching lightly and rapidly, but resolutely with quick thrusts and others where the scarcity of labor, the rising prosperities of the farmers, the general "unemployment" of the present generation. The man was a veritable local encyclopedia, and his attractive gift of words seemed inexhaustible. But he was interesting, for from the personal and political affairs of the youth of today he now drifted his verbal barrage from the present and political past, not distant, and hence rose-tinted, fields of the past.

He told us how his grandfather, at the age of fourteen, with a companion of the same age, had "run away" from their homes in the Carolinas and made it afoot through, building them a shanty "about a mile" down their creek, and how when "great-grandfather," who had a "chance" of money and "reduced pride" it necessary. The happenings as they will be found in full in the news columns of this newspaper.

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Dispelling The Fog

When a Democratic spokesman in the regular course of the campaign, and in other serious nationist votes and speeches of a Republican candidate for Congress, he is reproached by the opposition for bringing politics into the war effort.

The argument is that while the Republicans in the Senate and House of Representatives opposed the war preparedness measures recommended by the President prior to Pearl Harbor, they were now all in full support of the war effort, both militarily and theoretically at least in full support of the Commander-in-Chief. Therefore, the latter Congressional record should not be cited in campaign arguments. Such, for example, is the fanciful invective employed by the Republicans is that the Democrats are trying to smear the Republicans with "rubber stamps" who, instead of being subservient to the executive, merely registered what they were told to do. Exercise, regardless of its import or consequences.

Of course, it would be expecting too much if we looked for consistency in partisan politics, but it is rather puzzling to figure out that while it is evil for Democrats to hark back to the Republican record on Lend-lease, the selective service, arming merchantmen against submarine attacks, making it possible to furnish the enemies of Nazi land with war materiel and the various other measures" which, at least, put us in a position to fight the war in which we are now engaged. That arraignment is implied when they accuse the Democratic Senators and Representatives of subordinating their high office to mere chemical dictation.

Where would we be today, if the Republican philosophy had prevailed—if we had no huge army, no combat troops in Africa, British, Russian and Chinese had been obliged to depend on their own resources to battle the enemy of all civilization?

It's What Was Done, Not Why

The G. O. P. organs of publicity tell us that their Congress men were sincere in their be

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WOODEN SAILING SHIPS

When Undersecretary of Commerce Wayne C. Taylor was flying from the Inter-America conference, he remarked:

"Our toughest problem is shipping. We have to find something that will give us the most cargo space, using the least strategic materials. That's the formula."

Then he looked out of the plane window and saw a tiny sailing vessel below. "You may laugh," he said, "but we may even come to that."

That was last January. What Taylor had said on an impulse stuck in his mind. At Rio he talked it over with Brazilians who were worried about moving their coffee crop. He was sure he had the answer to the submarine campaign—ships requiring no critical materials, ships that would coast along in shallow waters and keep alive the trade among the Americas.

But he struck a snag in Washington. The Maritime commission was not interested. Skeptics said it was a reversion to the "horse-and-buggy days" of the sea. Three times Taylor worked up his project in revised forms, but each time it failed to click.

Then he tried another tack. He published an account of the project in a trade weekly of the department of commerce. Immediately it struck fire. Boat builders all over the country wanted to take part in the enterprise. Official interest was kindled.

Result was that RFC allocated $10,000,000, with which the Rockefeller Coffee Corp. is given an option to build and acquire wooden sailing vessels for inter-American trade.

Three designs have been completed, one for a shallow draft vessel and one for a heavy sea vessel. Yards will be located on the Latin American coasts, and contracts are being let.

There will be an initial batch of 200-ton sailing ships, making long and short voyages, with auxiliary engines when necessary, but saving fuel by using coastal wind currents. Trade winds that cross the Caribbean famous as the dogs of Chapter ships.

VICE PRESIDENT'S RECREATION

On a hot August evening when residents of the Wardman Park hotel had fans turned at full speed they looked with surprise to see four figures come out on the tennis court. They looked a second time. It was the vice president and a couple of friends out for a set of doubles.

Henry Wallace took off a pair of shoes, threw them into a corner, and trotted out onto the court in white shorts and a white sports shirt. It was eight o'clock as the game began.

Wearing no hat or eyeshade, and playing the racket in his left hand, Wallace entered into the game with the spirit of a high school boy. It was not tennis of professional quality, but it was high class amateur. Frequently the vice president returned eight or ten times in a single exchange. When Wallace was at the net, he made five returns in succession, finally won the point.

At 9:03 the set ended. Wallace retreated to the corner of the court, pulled on his slacks, headed back to his apartment for a shower.

Other apartment dwellers, still sitting in front of the fans, sighed and shook their heads in wonderment.

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MERRY-GO-ROUND

€ Red Cross Boss Norman Davis remarked on the "excellent service" when he lunched at the local Red Cross canteen for service men the other day. But he didn't know that his waitress was Mrs. Jed Johnson, wife of the congressman from Oklahoma.

€ Popular, white-thatched Representative Joseph J. ("Judge") Mansfield of Texas gets around in a wheel chair faster than most people walk, was telling colleagues in the House about a opponent in his district "who's always trying to make people believe I am 80." Remarked GOP Representative Charles A. Eaton of New Jersey: "Shucks, Judge, you'd just be getting started at 80."

€ Greatest pals of Rumania's exiled King Carol and the Titian-haired Madame Lupescu in Mexico City are U. S. Ambassador George Messersmith and wife. The Messersmiths got to know the couple when they came to Cuba while Messersmith was ambassador there. In Mexico City they played bridge together frequently.

€ Ex-Ambassador Josephus Daniels, now editor of the Raleigh News and Observer, is writing more punchy editorials at 80 than most editors at 40.

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NO BOASTER

The division's signal company from Rhode Island has a young buck private who has a great future as a liar.

The other morning, while on K.P. duty, he offered to bet the mess sergeant $5 that he could eat two goodsized watermelons in ten minutes flat. The sergeant was suspicious.

"What makes you think you can?" he parried.

"Because," was the reply, "I just polished off two when you weren't looking."

50 YEARS AGO

Alex Herndon opens restaurant near depot in room adjoining R. E. Mann's grocery.

Passenger train kills mare belonging to James A. Fisher at the Elm street crossing Tuesday.

Kentucky legislature passes "local option" bill, which gives counties the right to vote on prohibition.

Sheriff Firm Henry purchases 33 steel booths and 11 ballot boxes for $300 for use in county elections.

Mr. and Mrs. Green Cheatham of Shackelford county, Texas, arrive for visit with their children in this county.

W. A. Fowler sustains painful injuries when his horse becomes frightened at the train and upsets the buggy.

Ed Rice, Jno F. Morgan, Jno. W. Poe and J. E. Berry attended Democratic convention at Cattletsburg Monday.

Died—Mrs. Samuel Tune, 50, at her home in this city on the 22nd—Mr. James Laughlin, 55, at his home near Blue Licks on the 22rd.

25 Knights of Pythias from Carlisle and Moorefield, accompanied by the Carlisle Band, leave K. of P. City to attend the National K. of P. encampment.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Crawford of Mayesville, on the 16th, a daughter—To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Moore, of Myers, on the 19th, a daughter.

40 YEARS AGO

Dr. W. D. Howe, well known Moorefield physician, will move to Covington next week to reside.

Dr. H. M. Scudder returns from Winona Lake, Indiana, where he attended a national conference of church workers.

Gen. R. Martin leaves for Harlan county to survey the land purchased by G. W. Brandhott. He will be gone several weeks.

Col. Thomas Owens, 67, oldest member of the Carlisle bar, Confederate Veteran and politician, dies suddenly at his home in this city on the 21th.

G. F. Smith and son, Owen, failed to settle with Mich. on account of the critical illness of Mrs. Smith, who has been under treatment there.

19 dogs killed by poisoning in Carlisle in the last few days. Several citizens slam paper offering $50. reward for the arrest of the person who put out the poison.

Following Carlisle merchants of New York purchasing goods for their respective stores: Mrs. G. M. Brooks, G. L. Heyman, S. M. Waugh and Miss Amelia Lee.

J. L. Donnell and son take four premiums on their horses at the Maysville fair and Fuller and Whitley take sweepstake premium on their stallion, King Roland.

Died—Mrs. Lige Claypoole, 65, a native of this county, at her home in Robertson county—Mrs. Elizabeth Mitchelltree, 81, at her home near Barterville on the 21st.

20 YEARS AGO

Married—Miss Myrtle Harney and Mr. Erman Fuller, at Paris last Saturday—Miss Ruth Hicks and Mr. William E. Arnold, at Lexington last week.

Miss Frances Elizabeth Veach received first premium at the Ewing fair for the best dressed doll.

As Miss Ruth Crump was crossing High street one morning last week she fell, sustaining a fractured hip and other painful injuries.

NEWS OF KENTUCKY

Registered bulls will be given to thirty-two young Kentucky farmers next week as part of a program to relieve cattle breeding problems resulting from the war, the department of agriculture announced.

Five children were placed in the county home at Wurtland, because their parents left them alone for "weeks at a time" to work in an Ohio canning factory, Sheriff Earl McKenzie, Greenup, said.

The Kentucky Holstein Club will hold its annual show during the 4-H Club District and Fayette County Future Farmers Fair at Lexington August 1820, Fayette County Agricultural Agent J. Ed Parker, Jr., said.

L. D. Green of Hikatoo Tribe No. 5, Louisville, was inducted as Great Sachem and J. P. Benedict of Cherokee Tribe No. 4, Louisville, was installed as Great Junior Sagamore at the 45th annual session of the Improved Order of Red Men of Middlesboro. Lon Robertson of Middlesboro is the retiring Great Sachem.

The Kentucky Department of Welfare announced title to the 161.233 acre farm adjoining the Eastern State Hospital, Lexington, through a deed filed in the county clerk's office.

The men must go back to work under the War Labor Board will consider the dispute between 275 members of the carpenters and joiners union and thirteen lumber mills in the Louisville area, Chester B. Ralston, Cincinnati, federal conciliator, said.

Herschel Watson, 39, Crittenden county, will be arraigned before U. S. Commissioner A. E. Boyd at Paducah on a charge of sabotage in connection with the dynamiting of the Babb dispensary mine near Salem, Deputy U. S. Marshal James Humphries said.

Assistant Attorney General Guy Herdman advised Cora Crabtree, McCreary county court clerk, that it was her duty to attend sessions of the county court, that she or her clerk should make memoranda of orders entered and prepare the docket for the court. The advice followed a request from Clerk Crabtree inquiring about the duties of her office.

With no new cases reported since August 1, infantile paralysis is "definitely on the decline in Kentucky," Dr. Fred W. Candill of the state board of health reported. Six deaths from the disease in the state have been reported this year.

Rep. Joe B. Bates told the Democratic Women's Club that the WPA, the NYPA and the Federal Farm Program were serving valuable purposes in wartime and said of Senator A. B. "Happy" Chandler: "Happy's no glamor boy. He's a good old work horse and we need him."

A gift of $10,000 from retired Supreme Court Justice James B. McReynolds for improvement of the Centre College home economics department was announced by President Robert L. McLeod.

The semi-weekly Mt. Sterling Advocate will be published weekly for the duration of the war and is discontinuing carrier service, Publisher J. W. Hedden announced.

Kentucky and Indiana farm leaders and congressmen will witness a demonstration of synthetic rubber manufacture at an all-day conference Monday at Joseph E. Seagram and Sons, Inc.

Because two fiscal court commissioners refused to sign notes to borrow money so long as Clarence Towler remains as head of the Mason county road department, the department will cease operating today. Employes announced they would not continue work without prospect of pay.

In the fourth major tire robbery here in six months, burglars stripped 12 new cars at the Newport Auto Sales Company and hauled away loot valued at $280 in a company truck.

McCracken county residents are to vote October 3 on whether the area outside Paducah will be dry, County Judge Brady M. Stewart announced.

Gov. Keen Johnson has set August 28 as the date of the execution of Otis Peter Smith, Louisville negro convicted of murder, and announced that the scheduled execution of Henry Murrell, negro, of Nicholasville, which had been scheduled for Monday, was cancelled automatically when a warden's court at the Eddyville penitentiary judged him insane.

Herschel Watson, 39, Crittenden county miner, waived examining trial and was held to the federal grand jury on charges of violating the federal sabotage act. He is accused of dynamiting the Babb fluorspar mine in Livingston county last Friday.

The secretary of state's office released names of 106 prisoners paroled from the LaGrange and Eddyville state prisons between July 9 and July 14. None of them was paroled to the army or navy. Executive secretary to the director of probation and parole, said, but some were released to farm and war jobs. A few of the prisoners paroled for army duty is to be released soon.

Transfer of groups of farm workers from one section of the state to another has been started to alleviate the farm labor shortage, R. W. Ramey of the federal employment service reported, citing transportation of 130 men recruited in mountain sections to Shelby county.

Because she was unable to obtain help to run the farm and to can, Mrs. Irvine Holliger returned a purchase certificate which would have entitled her to an extra 13 pounds of sugar, prompting OPA State Director George H. Goodman to write her: "Tell our people felt and acted about the situation the way you felt and acted, it would go a long way toward brimming about more quickly and thoroughly the ultimate victory which we all know is going to be ours."

Fresh opposition to parking meters the city plans to install along two blocks of the business district arose when City Judge H. E. Ball, Middlesboro, declared he would not impose fines for refusal to pay for parking "unless compelled to do so by higher courts." An injunction suit at preventing installation of the meters, obtained by protesting citizens, recently was dissolved by Circuit Judge J. S. Forester.

Among "new" vegetables grown by members of homemakers' clubs in McLean county are Chinese cabbage, Bibb lettuce and Brussel Sprouts. The cool, late spring, followed by rains, produced the best gardens seen in the county in years.

A display of rugs made by members of homemakers' clubs in Mason county attracted wide attention. Sixty rugs were made in three clubs. Household reading groups have been formed in the county for the exchange of books.

Members of homemakers' clubs in Hart county report making at home a total of 673 pounds of toilet soap, 2,712 pounds of hand lotion and 232 ounces of tooth powder. One woman reported making 120 pounds of soap.

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LESSON TEXT—Genesis 28:10-22.
GOLDEN TEXT—I am with thee, and will keep thee in all places whithersoever thou goest.—Genesis 28:15.

GIBBERISH

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but I can see the colored folk get a lot more enjoyment from this life than do their white brothers.

Notwithstanding the letter from the unnamed colored woman who wrote me and said that I wasn't a friend of her race, I think that I have some very good friends among the residents of Henryville.

Then there was the lady here in town who recently ordered a seven months' subscription to the Readers Digest. With the seven months subscription she was to receive an "anthology." She was tickled pink over getting all of this for one buck, and a very good offer it was, too. (No advertisement intended).

But there must have been one little item that she didn't understand. Because after telling a friend about all of the reading material she was about to receive, she suddenly looked puzzled about the whole thing.

"What," she asked her friend who had been listening to her, "is an anthology, anyway?"

Off the record—That nice looking woman who wrote me and said who came out of the courtroom the other day, paused in the hallway, and calmly filled up her pipe and started to smoke.

They have been trying a fence case over in county court for the past week, off and on. They have had two parties listen to it all the way through and each time it took a day, or most of a day. Neither jury has been able to agree about the matter, which boils down pretty much into a good, old-fashioned neighborly fuss.

They had a killin' case down in Owen county one time, I remember, and the jury was out for three days. They kept coming back in to tell the judge that they couldn't agree on the matter, and finally the news got around that it stood 11 for conviction, one for acquittal. And that was the way it ended, the jury hung tight as a wedge, 11 to one.

The one fellow who had held out for acquittal was asked about it some time later.

"It would have been all right," he answered, "if I hadn't been dealing with 11 of the stubbornest so and sos in Owen county."

And then I heard about a young preacher who had a deacon that wanted to be the leading spokesman in the church. At every assembly, big or little, the deacon was always there on his feet, doing the talking and boring most everybody else to death.

Finally, they had a prayer meeting and the young preacher gave the deacon a chapter of Scripture to read, hoping that he would then put himself to sleep. It was one of those Old Testament chapters which start with somebody begetting somebody, and then goes on that way, tracing them down through the generations.

The deacon started to read, and after he had read about six of the "begats" he saw that there wasn't going to be much variation, and so, when he came to the "Amen," he continued that way through the rest of the chapter."

Then he spoke of other things.

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Speaking of other things, there is some grass up on our street that needs cuttin'. If a certain young attorney who shall be nameless would spend less time fox hunting and promoting dances, there'd be more before clipping going on in this county.

Wasted money is wasted lives. Don't waste precious lives. Every dollar you can spare should be used to buy War Bonds. Buy your ten percent every pay day.

ROSE HILL

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Ritchie and daughter were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Stephenson.

The Saltzell and Rose Hill Societies of Christian Service met with Mrs. Hettie Small last Wednesday for an all day meeting.

Mrs. Hanson Purcell visited Mrs. Sam Day last week.

Little Joan Mysner spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mysner.

Miss Hope Pyramn is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Pyramn.

Mrs. Woolrow Bibbey and Miss Trennon Ritchie attended the zone meeting at Cassidy last week.

EAST UNION

(Mrs. Raymond House, Cor.)

Mr. and Mrs. George House and daughter spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. W. W. House.

Miss Geneva Wasson of Little Rock is visiting Miss Annabel Henry.

Misses Geneva Wasson and Annabel Henry visited Miss Vivian Trimble Friday afternoon.

Mrs. R. B. Trimble and daughter were in Lexington shopping one day last week.

Mrs. Stella Mingee, Mrs. Bertwood and son visited Miss Lily Burns of Paris, visited Mrs. W. W. House and Ruth House, Wednesday afternoon.

John A. Wallace of Camp Niantic Conn., is spending a few days with his wife and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Ratliff of Lexington, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lynam.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bing and Mr. and Mrs. Vern'e Heizer are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Sam Heizer.

Ruth House spent Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Raymond House.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stephensen and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Stephenson and daughter spent Sunday with relatives in Mason county.

Mrs. Victor Kookendoffer who submitted to an operation at Lexington, is convalescing and hopes to be home soon.

Mr. Henry Brambrett who was a patient at the Johnson hospital a few days, returned home Friday and is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Wasson and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. W. House.

Mr. Clay Estes and Edward Suarez of Cincinnati, were the Sunday visitors of Mr. Ed Swartz.

James Wilson of Lexington, spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond House.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wasson spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Henry and daughter.

Edwin and Nancye Alice Wasson are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond House.

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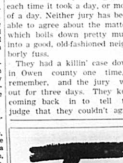

Invest In America! Buy War Bond Now!

FOLKS: As we mark our Company's thirtieth birthday this week we like to think of the amazing list of comforts, conveniences and health safeguards that electricity has brought to millions of American people in the last three decades. And frankly we're proud of the part our organization has had in bringing these advantages to thousands of Kentucky families.

REMEMBER WHEN!—In August, 1912, practically all domestic customers used electricity for lighting only. Still years in the future were electric refrigerators, ranges, vacuum cleaners, washing machines, flatirons, food-mixers, sweet heaters, heating pads, clocks, radios, etc.

Each city and town was supplied from a local power house. Smaller communities had only dusk-to-dawn service. On moonlight nights there were no street lights. If equipment broke down the service was off indefinitely.

EXPANDING SERVICE—Our Company began with service to eight towns. Today we supply 648 communities including 218 that never before had service) from several large power plants interconnected by more than 2,500 miles of transmission lines. We started with 2,045 customers. Today we have 121,000—including 24 R.E.A. Co-operatives, and 4 lines to T.V.A.

MUCH LOWER RATES—Customers paid from 25 to 20 cents a kilowatt hour for electricity in 1912. Today our average domestic service rate is 3.9 cents. In other words, kilowatts cost about 500% more then and they weren't very dependable. Our 1912 annual payroll for 56 employes was $41,065. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1942, it was $2,072,973 for some 1,200 employes. Our tax expense in 1912 was $7,170. Last year it was $2,509,867. Our first year's coal bill was $42,283. Last year it was over $1,133,851—and we paid out nearly $5,000,000 for other materials and expenses.

YOUR NEIGHBORS—Our Company is operated, owned and controlled largely by small-town Kentuckians—your friends, neighbors and lodge brothers. It's been our steady aim to give better service at lower cost every year. We like to feel that we do our share for the State's progress and for the civic welfare of every town we serve. Right now, we're working to help win the war. After victory, we'll offer you more comforts and conveniences through electric service than ever—modern living at its best.

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Only in the United States under a system of free enterprise where man can engage in a business of his choosing and this business has the freedom to grow with the growing needs of the people, can all the services and conveniences you now enjoy be made possible. This American system is worth fighting for.

Kentucky Utilities Company
F. J. HARDESTY, Manager