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Thursday, April 23, 1942

Some person attempted to steal Bruce Morford's car last week where it was parked in front of his home on North street. The thieves had trouble getting it started, they could not get the ignition on. They battered the switch considerably.

Deputy Sheriff John Anderson believed he had set some sort of record here this week when he sold a tag for a French poodle belonging to E. O. Browning. The dog is 17 years old—the oldest on the book this year.

Thieves who were called accommodating took a car belonging to Woody Mynear, of near Carlisle, Friday night and then parked it outside the office of the Nicholas county sheriff about 11 o'clock Saturday morning. The machine was not damaged, officers said.

... wound. He was a native of Nicholas County.

Thursday, April 27, 1922

Incendiarism was suspected as the Ingels building in Millersburg was raised by fire.

Carlisle high school baseball team defeated both Mt. Sterling and Paris. Paris was downed 26 to 4 and Mt. Sterling by 8 to 5.

Henry Harper was recorded as one of the best students in the University of Kentucky Engineering College.

Governor Morrow issued proclamation calling upon citizens to observe the 100th birthday anniversary of Ulysses S. Grant.

Fifty-three new suits were on file as circuit court prepared to convene.

A LITTLE YAPPIN'

by Nellie Crump

Friends Around the Block.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Beatty Jr. ...

... me are Florida, Ohio, West Virginia, Indiana, Illinois, Colorado and Missouri, flanked by six others from various corner of Kentucky. It's just like Christmas! I am always delighted to hear from friends, old and new, although it keeps my nose to the grindstone answering them.

One letter is of interest to most everyone in Nicholas County, so I will tell you a few of the things (not all) Gladys Maffett had to say. She is away out there in Colorado where she has been located for quite a while. She said that on Sunday, April 15, members of her family stretched out in their back yard in Denver getting "a real sunburn as they looked miles away at mountain peaks white with snow"—and dreamed of Kentucky. Time is two hours slower in Colorado, by the way. Gladys said so. I did not figure it out, oh no.

Of special interest—Peggy has another baby girl, Leslie Gaye, one month old. The letter closes with this statement: "See you in October."

— Yap —

A Small World After All.

Another letter looking out at me from this scrambled heap of paper is from another Carlisle girl, Mrs. Ross F. McClanahan (Kathleen Paris) of Xenia, Ohio, who has written several times lately. It is so interesting I would like to use all of it, but space forbids. Here are some of the most delightful places visited on the family's vacation with relatives at Punta Gorda, Florida. The family, besides the young parents, consists of two small children, Jeff and Tammy, who are about IT in capital letters as seen by Mrs. Lillian Ferguson, their grandmother.

I wish I could picture the scenes as told by Kathleen of their visit to Thos. A. Edison's home and laboratory, Bok Tower, Cypress Gardens, 40-acre Sand Mountain 215 feet high, many Colleges, including Eastern State at Richmond, Ky., where she likely learned some of the adjectives she uses in describing the trip.

The way home included Great Smoky Mountains, Cherokee ...

— Yap —

They Dream of Kentucky.

Farm and Home

By: Wm. T. Straw, County Agent; Mason Morrison, Ass't County Agent; Margie H. Wilson, Home Agent

Automobiles and Alfalfa Have a Lot in Common

... to get a stand by making that corn drill operate correctly. Then drive around the barn lot to see for sure exactly how the corn drops. If it drops properly in the barn lot it should also drop the same way in the field provided you drive the same speed both places. However, if you drive slowly in the barn lot and much faster in the field, you certainly will not get good sults. Most present-day corn planters are made to give good results. Most present-day corn speeds but they will not drop the corn accurately at high speeds.

Metallic Zinc Paint For Rusty Metal Roofs

Research shows that metallic zinc paint is the best one-coat material for restoring rusty metal roofs. Loose rust should be brushed off but it is not necessary to get off all the rust. Use a new brush for applying the paint as an old stubby brush may spread the paint too thin in spots. A good coat of metallic zinc paint will add a good many years additional life to most old and rusty metal roofs.

Reminders

Remove bloom from strawberries set this spring.

Get those back rubbers all set for the beef cattle.

Top-dress alfalfa after the first cutting.

Prune spring flowering shrubs after blooming.

Plant sweet corn and snap beans every two weeks.

Plant field corn by May 15, if possible. 8 to 10 thousand corn stalks per acre will not make a big yield.

On home orchards use general purpose sprays.

Some farmers are still using dangerous gasoline in the farm shop to clean machinery. Don't ...

Check That Corn Drill

BUSY RAILROAD STATION

... the real meaning of recent developments and what might be expected and or anticipated in the immediate future. This is true both in domestic and international affairs.

However, although when this letter is printed the Easter season will have passed, I am hopeful that there has been a moment that has come to each of us wherein we have been able to take account of our own selves — and have been given opportunity to meditate in the presence of the God of our conscience and our understanding, not for the purpose of escaping the burdens of the day's responsibilities but rather to seek his aid in directing us toward their proper solution for ourselves and the generations to follow.

VISITORS FROM THE DISTRICT

Mrs. J. B. Shannon, Phyllis Shannon, Winstead Buckner, Jerry Kenney Webber, Alice Woodford Reynolds, Anne T. Baldwin and Mrs. Brooks C. Buckner, Paris; Virginia Lee Klasen, Robert V. Klasen, Lexington; Patsy P. Ratliff, Sharpsburg.

TODAY'S THOUGHT FROM THE PAST

"He ruled by time, the wisest counselor of all." Plutarch (A. D. 46-120).

Washington Reports

BY YOUR CONGRESSMAN JOHN WATTS

THE EASTER PARADE . . . S.

OBSERVATIONS OF TRAVELERS

In Kentucky

1750 - 1850

By Sam E. Allen

Chapter III (Cont.) The Countryside

The often quoted Thomas Ashe of England visited Kentucky in 1806 and mentioned the climate with an attack on the unhealthy conditions of Lexington, Frankfort, and Louisville. Ashe, in his preface to his work, stated that the western part of America had become very interesting from every point of view, had been little known, and had been misrepresented by the few writers on the subject. He explained that his work was designed expressly to give the English a better understanding of conditions in America before they decided to emigrate. Several journals and leters on America, published shortly after the Ashe publication, took Ashe to task for many of his rash observations. However, none criticized his account of the climate in Kentucky:

"A spring, summer and fall fever regularly visits the town of Lexington, and every settlement of the state; and at the moment (1806), I was in Lexington, a malignant disease raged with such violence at the town of Frankfort, but twenty-four miles distant, that all intercourse between that town and country were suspended and cut off. Louisville, another town on the Ohio, lost all of its original settlers in the period of ten years; and every other portion of the state are affected with periodical complaints."

Other travelers as late as 1818, had a fear of health conditions in Louisville. The English farmer, Thomas Hulme, with strong radical tendencies and in earnest sympathy with democratic institutions as he found them in America, refused on June 13, 1818, to stay in Louisville because of the stagnant waters near the city. He proceeded to Shippingport, the little settlement below the Falls of the Ohio, and there visited for several days.

Had all the travelers from Great Britain who visited America during the early decades of the nineteenth century been of so discriminating a temperament as the Scotsman, James Flint, Americans might have lacked that sentiveness that arose from unjust and flippant portrayal and criticism of American manners. Coming to the United States to observe conditions, he depicts them with candor and goodwill, while confessing favorable preconception owing to a personal liking for democratic institutions. He does not omit the shadows in his pictures, but he presents them with such dispassionate fairness that the sting of criticism is removed. This scientific economist had come to America for research material, and his letters present a remarkable study of life in America in the beginning of its new era at the close of the second war with England. As a resident of Jeffersonville, Indiana, just across the Ohio from Louisville, he visited in Kentucky for several months and made a systematic observation of the political, social, and economic life of the West with Kentucky as the main theme. In one of his letters in 1818, he revealed that the inhabitants in the neighborhood of the Falls had been visited by attacks of bilious fever and ague. A considerable number of persons had been carried off by the former of these complaints, and the convalescents from both were much debilitated. A surmise had appeared in the Louisville newspaper that many of the poor people had suffered from the want of medical assistance and hazarded the sharp opinion that a number had died in cases where reasonable care might have been efficacious.

(To Be Continued Next Issue)

For the first time in history, Americans are eating more beef and veal per capita than the traditionally hearty beefeaters of Australia. They're eating 86.4 pounds per year, while we're up to over 92 pounds, USDA estimates.

Agriculture offers thousands of jobs in hundreds of careers, many of them almost unknown a few years ago.

SPRING IS HERE . . . In Paris, a cold wave gripped the city as Spring arrived, making the unclad statue near the Eiffel Tower seem colder than ever to passers-by.

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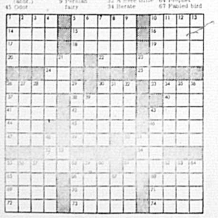

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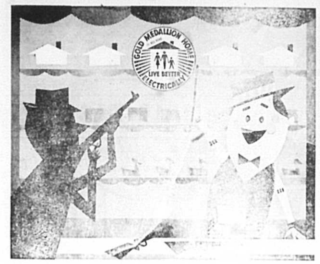

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HONORED—Two local businessmen were recognized at the F.F.A. banquet held at Nicholas County high school recently. Namely Glenn Grear, center, and Jimmy Carter, right, elected honorary members of the Nicholas County Chapter Future Farmers of America.

LEAPS TO DEATH

(Continued from page 1)

his foot . . . I yelled for him not to jump and he said he wasn't going to . . . I started running down a parking ramp to get help when I heard him hit the street," Withrow said.

An unidentified parking attendant witnessed the leap, Withrow said, adding that Ham shouted that it was too late and "just jumped."

Ham fell, face first, into Hernando Alley which separates the hotel and the W. H. Roland Company. Coroner Chester Hager said he died instantly.

While hundreds of Easter shoppers watched policemen and firemen carry the retired University of Illinois professor out of the alley, investigators began searching his effects in room 744, which was rented about 11 a.m.

Hager said Ham went to the hotel shortly before 11 o'clock and "seemed restless" when renting the room. He checked in at 10:53 a.m., went to the room where he removed his glasses and hat and opened a small suitcase.

The evidence indicated that Ham sat quietly in a chair until he opened the window and jumped, Hager said.

The officer quoted Ham's son, Willard D. Ham, of 1227 Lakewood Drive, a professor ... of law at the University of Kentucky, as saying that his father had been despondent as Easter approached.

His wife, Mrs. Martha Ham, died on Easter Sunday, 1961. The son also told officials that his father had sold the family home at 1860 North Limestone Street last February and moved to an apartment on Duke Road.

Ham was a native of Carlisle, the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Ham. He was educated in the Carlisle public schools, and received his bachelors degree from the University of Kentucky in 1905. He later received his master's degree from Cornell University and taught at Cornell for eight years.

Prior to his retirement in 1949, Ham taught at the University of Illinois. He was also the co-author of a standard engineering textbook, "Mechanics of Machinery," and many other published engineering articles. Ham maintained membership in the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and Tau Beta Pi, national engineering honorary.

Survivors, besides his son, include a brother, Frank Ham, and a sister, Mrs. Clarence Ham..., both of Carlisle, and two grandchildren, Scott Haines and Forrest Cleave Ham, Lexington.

Funeral services were conducted at 10 a.m. Monday at the W. R. Milward Mortuary—Broadway, by the Rev. Steadman Bagby. Burial in the Lexington Cemetery.

Henry Clay Thomas

Henry Clay Thomas, 79, died at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday at his home in Owingsville after a long illness. He was a member of the Owingsville Christian Church.

Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Sarah Foley Thomas; two sons, Henry Thomas, Sharpsburg, Route 1, and Roger M. Thomas, Morehead; three daughters, ...

17 small lakes in planning or construction

FRANKFORT, April — Gov. Bert Combs' Lake Development Committee now has 17 small lake projects in the planning or construction stage, committee Chairman J. O. Matlick, State commissioner of conservation, reported today.

Matlick said he believes that by utilizing highway fills as dams, "it may be possible to build as many as 50 lakes within the next two years. Water impounded will not only serve as recreational areas but can also be used for municipal, industrial and agricultural purposes."

The Lake Development Committee, with close cooperation between the Conservation and Highway departments, now has seven lakes under construction or in the planning stage utilizing highway fill as dams. Three non-highway dams are under construction and eight others are in the planning stage.

The lake at Campbellsville, shown on the accompany map, was built by the Highway De...

Grant County near Corinth, 100 acres. Contract let, construction to start this spring.

Nicholas County near Carlisle, 100 acres. Being designed.

Wolfe County near Campton, 25 acres. Being designed.

Magoffin County near Salyersville, 40 acres. ...

Woods Creek, Laurel County near London, 600 acres. In ... planning stage.

Nelson County near Bardstown, 200 acres. Being designed. Work will start this summer. ...

Grayson County near Clarkson, 15 acres. Being designed. Water will be impounded by the Western Kentucky Turnpike.

Breckinridge County near Hardinsburg, on Kentucky 261, this lake is about 70 per cent complete and completion is expected about July 1.

Breckinridge County near Cloverport, 25 acres. ...

Hopkins County near Dawson Springs, 500 acres. The dam for the Piney Creek Lake project is about 90 per cent complete. ... about 50 per cent complete.

Madison County near Richmond, 250 acres. In initial planning stage.

Clay County near Manchester, 300 acres. In initial planning stage.

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