

Obituaries

OSCAR FLORENCE

Oscar "Ock" Florence, 79, a native of Nicholas county and resident of Sycamore Hill in Carlisle died at the Nicholas County Hospital, Wednesday, Feb. 17, 1977 after a brief illness. He was a member of the Irvingville Baptist Church at Morning Clay and was a retired farmer.

He is survived by two brothers, L.C. Florence of Lexington, Woodrow Florence of Harrison county; two sisters, Rose Franklin of Nicholas county; Sereida Doubt of Carlisle; two sisters and one nephew.

Funeral services were held at the Whaley Funeral Home, Cynthiana, on Sunday, Feb. 20 by Rev. Roy Chamberlin. Burial in Republican Cemetery. Pallbearers were Brunker Harney, Robert Smith, Jessie Ritchie, Roy Neal Florence, William J. Ritchie and J.C. Harney.

FRANK BARKLEY DOUGLAS

Frank Barkley Douglas, 55, husband of Jeanne Pruitt Douglas, died at the VA Hospital Wednesday, Feb. 23, 1977. He was a native of Fayette county, a son of the late Leroy and Carrie James Douglas. He was a bookkeeper, served in the Navy in WWII, and was a member of the Baptist Church.

Survivors besides his wife, are two daughters: Miss Carrie Lee Douglas, Omack, Va.; Mrs. Harvey McDonald, Winchester; 19 sisters, Mrs. Dave Clark, Youngtown, Ohio; Mrs. Floyd Burris and Mrs. Howard Branel, both of Carlisle; Mrs. Herbert Whitaker, LaMarque, Texas; Mrs. Kay Christian and Mrs. Jerry Moore, both of Lexington; Mrs. Manfred Crawley, Woodford county; Mrs. Winfred Scott, Tampa, Fla.; Mrs. George Dupuy, Miami, Fla.; Mrs. Bob Hoar, Los Angeles, Calif.; two grandchildren.

Services were conducted at 3 p.m. Friday, Feb. 25 at Kerr Brothers Funeral Home, Lexington, by Rev. Eugene White. Burial in Athens Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Royce and Ronald Crawley, Leonard Lee and William Christian, Howard and Harold Branel.

JAMES HOWARD JACKSON

James Howard Jackson, 63, a retired farmer and former resident of Nicholas county, died in the VA Hospital in Dayton, Ohio, Wednesday, Feb. 23, 1977 after a long illness.

He was a native of Lexington and a son of the late James A. and Martha Kingsolver Jackson. He was a member of the V.F.W., American Legion and served with the U.S. Army during World War II.

He is survived by a brother, William E. Jackson; two sisters, Mrs. Harry Russell Sr. and Mrs. Emma J. Sweeney, all of Lexington.

Services were conducted at 1:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 25 at the W. W. Milward Mortuary-Broadway in Lexington by Rev. Harold E. Tackett. Burial in Lexington Cemetery.

MRS. LUCILLE CORNWALL

Mrs. Lucille Cornwall died Thursday, Feb. 24, 1977 at a hospital in Redford, Mich.

She was a native of Cleveland, Tenn. She had made her home since 1975 with her only daughter, Mrs. Damon Huffmaster and Mr. Huffmaster, 28711 Student Ave., Redford, Mich. She had many friends in Nicholas county where she had resided for 15 years. She had operated a nursing home for a number

of years.

Besides Mrs. Huffmaster, she is survived by a son Frank, also of Michigan.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, Feb. 26 at 2 p.m. in Cleveland, Tenn. Burial in Sunset Memorial Gardens, Cleveland, Tenn.

LOYD EARLYWINE

Lloyd Earlywine, 66, died Sunday morning, Feb. 27, 1977 at the Nicholas County Hospital.

He was a native of Fleming county, a lifelong resident of Nicholas county, and a member of the Blue Licks Christian Church and the Blue Licks Lodge No. 495.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Fred Jones and Mrs. Joyce Ruark, both of Nicholas county; five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Tuesday, March 1 at the Mathers-Shearer Chapel, by the Rev. Sam Corra and Rev. Eugene White. Burial in Carlisle Cemetery.

Masonic services were held at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 28.

Pallbearers were Oshorn Anderson, Nelson Fryman, Stanley Hamon, Roy Wagner, Yeak Allison, and Carl Letcher.

MRS. HOWARD WARNER SR.

Mrs. Mary Bronagren Warner died Monday, Feb. 28, 1977 at the Nicholas County Hospital after a lengthy illness.

A native of Nicholas county, she was the daughter of the late John and Lula Vice Bronagren. She was a member of the Mt. Zion Christian Church.

She is survived by her husband, Howard Warner Sr.; a son, Howard Warner Jr.; Corinth; two sisters, Mrs. Noble Hopkins, Paris; Mrs. Stanley Lyons, Mayslick; two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m. today (Thursday, March 3) at Mathers-Shearer Chapel by Rev. Eugene White. Burial will be in Longview Cemetery, Bethel.

MRS. MARY JANE WATKINS-RASH

Mrs. Mary Jane Blake Watkins-Rash, 73, of Cincinnati, Ohio died Tuesday, March 1, 1977 at South Memorial Hospital in Covington.

A former resident of Carlisle, she was the daughter of the late Jacob and Mary Frances Hodges Blake. She was the widow of William Lewis Rash.

Survivors include a son, Charles Watkins; four daughters, Mrs. Louis Margaret Helfrich, Mrs. Melvin (Jean) White, Mrs. Bruce (Ramona) Blake, Mrs. Charles (Shirley) Brown; one sister, Annabelle McEachern; one

brother, Jasper Blake; 19 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren, all of Cincinnati.

Services will be conducted at 11:30 a.m. today (Thursday, March 3) at the funeral home, 4011 Hamilton Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio by Rev. N.R. Wierwille. Burial in Winchester Cemetery at 1:30 p.m.

Kentucky reflections

ETERNAL
by George Street Boone

Governor Carroll's indignation at the court approval of a fee of some \$12,000 for the attorneys in the highway workers' back-pay case surprised many people.

The ruling by Judge Henry Meigs of the Franklin Circuit Court vindicating the 225 fired highway workers is a valuable underwriting of Kentucky's merit system law. The demonstration that a state law can protect state employees from wholesale firing without proper cause is salutary. Perhaps, however, Governor Carroll feels a bit like Tom Sawyer when Aunt Polly mistakenly thumped him on his head with her dandle for stealing sugar. It was Louis Mum rather than Julian who was the culprit, but Julian's fate gets the lick.

The Governor questions that part of the \$12 million settlement that grants \$12,000 to the successful attorney. While the fee is substantial, consideration of the case appears to justify a fee in this range.

The suit growing out of the firing in 1975 was filed as a class action in 1975. Governor Carroll entrusted the defense to James Elden, a highly competent and respected attorney from a top Lexington law firm. Judge Elden has served on the highest state court, been reviser of the statutes and a professor in the U.K. Law School. He is widely regarded as a wise and scholarly lawyer as well as well-versed in political affairs. That Mr. Elden was employed rather than the defense being left to the Attorney General indicates that the Governor intended to mount a determined effort to test the claims.

Unless Mr. Pritchard had been willing to risk suit on the chance of payment from the sums recovered, probably few of the 225 fired employees would have risked their own funds to challenge the might of the state. Their rights might well have gone unvindicated.

The expenses of preparing to prove that each of the 225 employees was illegally fired was no small task. The investigation of the record to establish the basis for each claim was opposed by the efforts of skilled attorneys. The case was filed in 1971 and judgment rendered in 1977. For seven years the plaintiffs' attorneys had carried this case, paid investigators, secretaries, rent, office expenses, on the hope that they would ultimately win.

The \$12,000 fee would appear to be on 25% contingency, less than the usual fee. The average fee in each worker's case is less than \$100 for seven years' effective representation against a highly skilled defense.

Citizens owe gratitude to those lawyers who will take difficult and unglorified dependent child.

The earned income credit may be used to help pay Federal taxes owed on the worker as a refund check. However, any money received because of the credit does not count as income when the person is considered for Federally-funded public assistance programs, the IRS said.

Gov. extends auto license deadline until March 15

FRANKFORT—Gov. Julian Carroll, citing the extreme hardship caused by the winter's severe weather, signed an executive order Friday which extends by two weeks the deadline by which Kentuckians must acquire the 1977-78 decals for their auto license plates.

The current deadline is midnight Tuesday, March 1. The Governor's action extends the deadline until midnight, Tuesday, March 15.

Gov. Carroll pointed to another critical consideration. "The economic injury that the bad winter has brought in terms of higher fuel costs to families who can least afford it, and loss of income because of unemployment, has made the \$1.25 cost of a new license an especially difficult burden at this time. Hopefully, the two-week deadline extension will help."

Many Kentucky county clerks have cited extreme delay situations in which only half the auto owners in some counties have bought their decals to date.

Latest burley

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night, Feb. 25, the results of the vote will be known sometime today. March 3. Five days must elapse to allow for the tabulation in the eight states.

The mail balloting is being conducted by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service (ASCS) in each burley producing county. The results will be turned in to the USDA in Washington and announced from there March 3 or 4.

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