

OPINION

Heaven Is A Lot Like Kentucky

Cassidy's Harvest

The Indiana shot (Joshua) Bennett and (Mathias) Spahr pretty dead, and then sprung upon (Michael) Cassidy.

Early November 1784. Close to the confluence of Plum Lick Creek and Ned Boone's Creek...

From his hiding place, under the rods of a barbed thorn tree along the edge of Ned Boone's Creek...

His jaw, cheek, left or right socket and several areas of his skull were fractured. Vicious impacts from a Shawnee war club had done that.

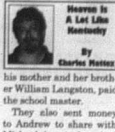
Then one of the warriors had hit him from behind with his own musket, holding it by the barrel and swinging it like he was chopping wood...

Even as he sank to his knees he blindly swung that tomahawk and kept them at bay until he rolled into the darkness and then jumped to his feet and ran.

One of the warriors threw their own tomahawk, which struck him in the back and cracked two ribs.

He thought instead of Ireland and his life up to this point.

At 14-years of age, with his father recently departed, he and his older brother Andrew had lived in a Dublin boarding school, thanks to the small sum



Michael Cassidy told Andrew the next day of his plans to stow away on the ship The Maryland Merchant...

He thought about the Battles of Mud Fort, Germantown, Brandywine, Monmouth, Trenton, Valley Forge and Yorktown.

After that day, he began taking scalp and other trophies of war.

The long trip across the ocean was hard. When the ship arrived in Baltimore, Michael was sold into seven years of indentured servitude to cover his passage fee.

He fought and won, and he was promoted to Captain John Holder's Defeat in Aug. 1782 near the confluence of the Licking River and Battle Run Branch.

When his new friend Captain John Fleming was wounded and surging toward the British trenches at Yorktown there he learned that his brother Andrew was a surgeon in the British Army.

He thought of all those terrible fights he'd endured during the Revolutionary War.

Andrew, but he found nothing but misery and often had to fight his own scalp.

With the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown the war in the east ended and Cassidy went with his old Marlborough neighbors The Beckley Men westward to Kentucky and eventually to Captain John Strode's Station.

He imagined now that he would die in this place he'd so sacred by his place he'd so sacred by his place he'd so sacred by his place.

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Now as his blood flowed burn the Shawnee village on the ground northern raid of 1782.

The sounds of the begrow weaker with each breath. And then mercifully, he thought of his own evil deeds, and he thought of the horrible things he had done when he had led

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NEWS

Fiscal court aids canines

By Charles Mattox News Reporter

Man's best friend continues to have a little brighter future now, thanks to a private donation from a friend of NCAWS.

Nicholas County Fiscal Court officials opened a dialogue with Animal Control Officer Tammy Williams.

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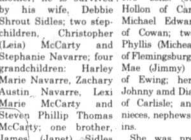
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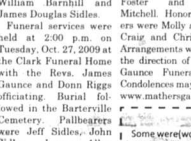
OBITUARIES



Phillip Sidles, 83, of Carlisle, died Sunday, Oct. 24, 2009.



Carolyn Holton Sopp, 65, of Cowan, wife of Bonnie Wayne Sopp, passed away Thursday, Oct. 22, 2009.



Dale 'LD' Carter, 76, of Nicholas County passed away Thursday, Oct. 22, 2009.



Richard Riggs, 81, passed away on Sunday Oct. 18, 2009 at his home in Georgetown.

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