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TERMS METED TO DEFENDANTS IN COURT THIS WEEK

Term Of One Year Given Mercer Man Held On Charge Of Chicken Stealing In County

GRAND JURY TO MEET AGAIN ON NEXT WEDNESDAY

Trio Given Six Months On Charge Of Stealing Tire; Another Gets Term For Tool Theft.

After a rest from last Thursday, Judge Kendrick S. Alcorn reconvened October term of Mercer Circuit Court Tuesday morning, and cases have been heard each day this week.

In addition to sentences imposed last week by juries in the court, more have been meted out this week. Lige Preston was sentenced to serve four months in jail on a charge of petit larceny. Preston was held in connection with the alleged theft of tools from a W. P. A. project in the county.

Amos Sallee, Albert Devine and Paul Votaw were each sentenced to six months in jail on a charge of petit larceny. The trio was convicted of the alleged theft of an automobile tire.

Bill D. Lunsford, of the Braxton section of the county, was sentenced by a jury Thursday morning to serve one year in the state reformatory on a charge of chicken stealing. Willie Jones, colored, was tried on a similar charge Tuesday but a jury could not agree on a verdict and was dismissed by Judge Alcorn. His case will be retried at the next term of court.

The grand jury met Tuesday of this week and adjourned until Wednesday of next week. Several cases of minor importance on the civil docket have been settled by the court.

W. C. T. U. HAS FULL PROGRAM SESSION

Mrs. Leona Sims, newly elected president of the W. C. T. U., presided at the meeting last Wednesday afternoon at the Baptist church. The work of the children in the Loyal Temperance Legion, or the L. T. L., was explained by Mrs. I. C. James, Sr., the sponsor. Mrs. Charles Mathis reviewed the activities of the Youth Temperance Council, or the Y. C. T., of which she is director. Mrs. Erroll Draffen and Mrs. Andrew Alexander furnished the music. Miss Anna Vaughn gave the devotional. Mrs. Sims explained the "5-year 5-point campaign" which will close in 1937 on the Frances Willard Booth anniversary, she being the founder of the W. C. T. U.

DRAMATIC DEPARTMENT HAS BENEFIT BRIDGE

The Dramatic Department of The Harrodsburg Woman's Club sponsored a very successful benefit bridge for the Library Tuesday afternoon at the Library. There were twenty tables and very delightful refreshments were served. Mrs. Hugh Crozer is chairman of the department.

ON BUSINESS AND PLEASURE TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Priest leave Saturday night to spend next week in Chicago as guests of their son, Mr. Francis Priest, and family. Mr. Priest, who is vice president of the Illinois Typesetting Company, will also attend a meeting of the board of directors.

HARRODSBURG GREENHOUSES MAKE IMPROVEMENTS

Christman and Son are making extensive improvements and enlargements at their plant on North College street. Among the important additions is a 100x19 foot unit to their greenhouses. With a growing business they feel justified in their expansion.

NEW PROVIDENCE CHURCH

New Providence church is planning for special evangelistic services to begin Monday, Oct. 19. Rev. D. T. Brandenburg, of the Pleasant Grove church will conduct the service. There will be but one service each day, every evening at seven o'clock.

More Dog Tags Sold To Date Than In '35

The dog business is growing in Mercer County.

At least, records in the office of Sheriff Oscar Sanders show that dog owners number more in 1936 to date than in the whole year of 1935. A recent check showed that to Monday, October 12th, 1,515 licenses had been purchased by canine owners, with twelve kennel licenses issued.

During the year of 1935, the records show that 1,483 license tags were sold, and ten kennel licenses.

C. W. BELL RECEIVES NEWS OF SISTER'S ILLNESS

C. W. Bell received news last week that his only sister, Mrs. W. H. Gibbs of Shelbyville, had been stricken with paralysis. A later message brought word that she was resting easier.

BARKLEY TO SPEAK IN CLOSING WEEK CAMPAIGN

United States Senator Alben W. Barkley, who has been speaking under auspices of the Democratic National Committee in various States where the issue was deemed doubtful, will spend the closing week of the campaign in Kentucky. It was announced Monday at Democratic State campaign headquarters. Senator Barkley is expected to make at least one speech in each of the nine Congressional Districts.

Gov. Bibb Graves, of Alabama, who was scheduled to speak in Danville Wednesday night, could not reach the state in time to fulfill the engagement, which was filled by Lieut. Gov. Keen Johnson.

STATE POLICE INVADE MERCER

Sergeant John Harbison And Force Of Ten Patrolmen Spend Saturday In Mercer.

A squadron of ten state policemen, under Sergeant John Harbison, of Harrodsburg, spent Saturday in Mercer County checking motorists and seeing that they were complying with the new auto drivers license law.

A state patrolman was placed on every road leading into Harrodsburg and every driver was stopped and questioned as to whether or not he had purchased drivers license. This same procedure has been going on in practically every county in the state since the new law went into effect August 1st.

Presence of the officers brought about a sharp increase in business in the office of Circuit Clerk P. B. Smalley, and a throng jammed his office all day Saturday in quest of their drivers ducats. Motorists who did not have the tags were not arrested by the visiting officers but their names were taken and they were instructed to go directly to the circuit clerk's office and purchase license. A re-check was made by Sergeant Harbison and his force at the close of the day with the records in the clerk's office.

Clerk Smalley reported Monday that the Saturday sale of licenses totaled 244, while 18 more were sold Monday morning, making the total 262 for the week-end. According to figures, the week-end sale brought the total number of drivers' license sold to date in Mercer County to 3,338.

Motorists who have not yet purchased their tags are warned to do so for a second visit in the future by state officers is expected and those being unable to produce their license next time will probably be haled into court.

LOCAL PASTOR AT CHURCH MEETING

Rev. T. Hassell Bowen And Family In Kansas City This Week At Church Convention.

Rev. T. Hassell Bowen, pastor of the Harrodsburg Christian Church, and family, left Monday morning for Kansas City where Rev. Bowen will attend the National Convention of The Christian Church, being held there this week.

Rev. Bowen is a member of several important committees at the convention, being a member of the Nominating Committee for national officers and also a member of the Board of Christian Union.

The Harrodsburg pastor will return to this city Friday and will occupy his pulpit Sunday morning as usual.

PROMINENT PEOPLE

GUESTS HERE

Mr. and Mrs. George L. Bryson, of Washington, D. C., are with relatives and friends here. Mr. Bryson left Monday night to join President Roosevelt's train at Chicago and has caught of the train from that point to Detroit thence to Cincinnati. Mr. Bryson says he was three hours constantly telephoning every station from Washington to Chicago then to Detroit and balance of route to Cincinnati. Mr. Bryson is general passenger agent for the Canadian Railway and knows every arrangement for the President's trip even to the smallest detail after leaving Chicago on into Cincinnati where Mr. Bryson leaves the Presidential train. Mr. Bryson will return to Harrodsburg after the trip and join his wife.

MR. AND MRS. PRINDLE HERE DURING WEEKEND

Mr. and Mrs. George Prindle, of Chicago, were visitors here during the week end. Mr. Prindle was the head engineer at the water plant during the installation of the new system. Mr. and Mrs. Prindle are on a tour of Kentucky towns in which he has worked.

ADDITION TO HOME

An attractive addition has just been completed on Mr. Howard Terhune's home on the VanArsdale pike. The addition is quite an improvement. Patterson and Lewis, Hustonville, were the contractors.

Mercer Delegation Plans Protest On Phone Rates

Resolutions Adopted Attacking Fairness Of Toll Charge At C. C. Meeting.

Swinging into line with other cities in Central Kentucky, directors of the Mercer County Chamber of Commerce Monday night took initial steps to combat the new rate schedule, which includes exchange toll charges, of the Southern Bell Telephone Company which takes effect November 1st.

The directors adopted resolutions attacking fairness of the plan, and President Buford VanArsdale named a committee of five to work out a plan of attack. The committee is composed of Mayor H. T. Adams, Commissioner Tom Squifflet, Editor D. M. Hutton, County Judge Chas. T. Corn and Mr. Walter Coleman, the latter representing Burgin.

It was decided at the meeting that the committee would join with other cities of the Kentucky Municipal League in a meeting to be held in the ballroom of the Capitol Hotel at Frankfort, Monday morning, following which a group will go before the Public Service Commission to seek a new hearing on the case.

The resolutions, presented by Mr. Hutton, are as follows:

MUCH ACTIVITY IN LAND, STOCK SALES

Auctioneer Hatchett Reports Many Sales Of Farms Last Week; Demand Is Great.

Evidence that there is a big demand for farm land and city property is seen from the activity of Auctioneer W. P. Hatchett, this city, last week. Auctioneer Hatchett reports that he made the following sales last week:

The farm of Mr. Ralph Royalty to Amos Hood, 88 acres, price, \$3,000 cash.

Heirs of Mrs. J. R. Freeman, 60 acres to Frank Hungate for \$3,000 cash.

Farm of 210 acre belonging to Cardwell Arnold to Russell Kays, of Jackson, Ky., for \$6,030.

The Lawrence Catlett farm in Washington County to Robertson Adkerson for \$4,125. In this sale, personal property all sold well, plug horses ranging from \$34 to \$77.50; cows, \$35 to \$90; Jersey heifers, \$18 to \$54 per head; sheep, \$6.75 to \$9.10 per head; alfalfa hay, \$22.50 to \$28 per ton; corn, \$5 per barrel.

Purchases announced by Hatchett & Walker include the James Currens farm on the Lexington pike; Judge Allen's home on Lynden Avenue; Ike Gaither farm of 101 acres on the Phillips County road.

DELEGATE TO G. O. P. MEET TURNS TO MR. ROOSEVELT

Ralph B. Strassburger, publisher of the Norristown (Pa.) Times-Herald and a delegate to the Republican National Convention held in Cleveland in June, announced this week in an editorial that he would vote for President Roosevelt.

"As a lifelong Republican I have arrived at this decision only after most careful consideration," his signed editorial said. "I am convinced that President Roosevelt has brought this country back to a stable prosperity which should endure for many years to come."

WILLIAM REED, JR., ACCEPTS PLACE WITH NATIONAL LIFE

Mr. William Reed, Jr., has accepted a position with the National Life and Accident Insurance, Nashville, Tenn. Mr. Reed will be located in Stanford, Ky., and is taking the place of Mr. Edwin Teater who has been transferred to this city. Mr. Teater takes the place of Mr. Jack Zody, who is now with the New York Life Insurance.

BURGIN P. T. A. SPEAKER

Rev. Joe E. Edwards, pastor of the Methodist church, will be the speaker at the meeting of the Burgin P. T. A. at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 21. The membership committee of this year has worked hard and the enrollment is more than twice that of the past year. A large attendance is expected and after the program there will be a social hour.

ATTRACTIVE NEW SIGN

An attractive new neon electric sign has been put up at The Midway Lunch sign by proprietor Bill Mathews. Always willing to contribute to the betterment of his community, Bill is recognized as a volunteer of the genius calibre as well as a first rate restaurateur. The new sign will tend to brighten up things on the lower end of Main street.

Whereas, it has come to the notice of the Mercer Chamber of Commerce, an organization incorporated for the better interest of the citizens of the county, that the Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Company, which serves our county with telephone communication, has been acted upon by the Public Service Commission and ordered to make certain reductions in rates:

Therefore be It Resolved:

First: That we challenge the fairness of this act.

Second: That such reduction was rendered of no account by the door they opened by which the company will collect in tolls thousands of dollars in excess of the pitiful offering of a palliative in rental rate in some instances.

Third: That this move will at once deprive hundreds of persons of the use of a telephone and force others to a very restricted use of that almost indispensable instrument.

Fourth: That it is the judgment of this body that it is the duty of the City Commissioners and Fiscal Court to ask the Public Service Commission to review their act and grant a much lower rate for rental and a free service throughout the county as now exists.

Respectfully submitted, Mercer Chamber of Commerce. (Signed by Members of the Committee.)

QUILT SHOW IS GREAT SUCCESS

Enthusiasm Greeted Large And Beautiful Display; Nice Sum Acquired For Scholarship.

The most beautiful quilt show ever seen in this city was the private collection of Mrs. Jennie Shays, of Cincinnati, which she loaned the local group of the Daughters College Association for an exhibition to add to the fund for a scholarship at the Kentucky Female Orphan School at Midway. This scholarship is a memorial to the late Dr. John Augustus Williams, founder of the noted college, and its president for a long period of years. The small door fee charged went entirely to the scholarship fund and over \$60 was realized.

While a guest at Beaumont Inn, Mrs. Shays became interested in the work of the Daughters College Association to endow the scholarship, through hearing Mrs. Glave Goddard, an association member, speak on the effort to aid orphan girls to acquire an education and also to create a memorial to the president of the college. Mrs. Shays donated the use of her collection of beautiful quilts and several friends for whom she had made quilts added them, so that over 100 were in the exhibition. The most artistic patterns and exquisite blending of colors were used, while the workmanship in each was faultless. Many new and lovely designs were enhanced by the perfect handwork in construction and quilting. It was difficult for those who attended the show to select one quilt more beautiful than the others, and the votes covered a variety of quilts in the display. The exhibition not only aided the good work of creating the scholarship which still lacks a few hundred dollars being complete, but it gave a fresh and enthusiastic impetus to the art of quilt making in this community.

NAVAL RECRUITS

Finis E. Gaskin and Allen Jones have been accepted for service in the U. S. Navy and will be enrolled October 26. Being accepted for enlistment, these recruits are to be sent to the U. S. Navy Training Station, at Norfolk, Va., where they will undergo intensive training for three months. Upon completion of this training, they are then sent either to one of the various trade schools for further training, or direct to sea on one of our many warships.

KEEPS TWO-CENT PIECE FOR LUCK

Harvey Whitenack possesses a queer old coin dated 1868 which he plowed up on his place at Mayo in a field where an old house had been torn down. The coin is a 2-cent piece, one side imprinted with the denomination and the reverse side bearing a shield like the stamp on a nickel.

FACULTY PARTY MONDAY

Faculties of the Harrodsburg high and graded schools enjoyed a get-together social evening Monday at the lodge of Dr. and Mrs. C. B. VanArsdale on Lake Herrington.

DR. BALLARD ATTENDS STATE MEDICAL MEET

Dr. R. T. Ballard has returned from Paducah where he attended the annual meeting of the Kentucky State Medical Association.

CONGRESSMAN GREGORY DIES AT MAYFIELD HOME

Congressman William Voris Gregory, 58, who was up for re-election in November for his sixth term as a member of the Kentucky delegation in the House of Representatives at Washington, died at his home in Mayfield Saturday. He had suffered for some time from a kidney ailment and had recently returned from the Mayo Clinic.

Funeral services were held Monday morning at 10 o'clock at the Presbyterian Church in Mayfield. Congressman Fred Vinson, Virgil Chapman, Brent Spence and John Rolison attended as representatives of the House, having been appointed by Speaker Bankhead.

DEMOCRATS LEAD IN REGISTRATION

Majority Of 2 To 1 Seen For F. D. R. As Registration Deadline Is Passed; Other Figures Given.

Mercer County is definitely in the Democratic ranks by approximately two to one, according to registration figures obtained at the County Clerk's office following closing of registration for the November election last Saturday, the deadline.

Figures show that there are 4,397 voters registered Democratic, while 2,184 are registered under the Log Cabin, a majority of 2,213 for the Democrats. However, the Democratic majority is not expected to be that large since many who are registered Democratic will vote the Republican ticket in November and then vote Democratic in the county election next August. Observers predict that Mercer will give the Democratic ticket a majority of approximately 1,500 votes in the November election.

Since the August primary, a total of 1,759 voters registered, of which 1,037 were Democrats and 527 Republicans. The remaining 125 of the total number are registered as either Independents or Prohibitionists, attaches of the clerk's office reported. The total independent registration in the county is approximately 150, while there are some Prohibitionists.

Figures from twenty-eight counties in the state which have reported registration results to Democratic headquarters in Louisville give the Democrats a majority of 45,148. Of the 25 counties reporting, eight give a Republican majority. The count throughout the state is far from complete, however.

Democratic leaders predict a large Democratic majority in registration.

ICE CREAM LEVY STUDIED BY JUDGE

Judge W. B. Ardery, of Franklin Court, Takes Validity Of Tax Under Advisement After Hearing.

Judge William B. Ardery, of the Franklin Circuit Court, took under advisement the question of validity of the state ice cream tax following a hearing on the case at Georgetown last week.

A department of revenue regulation providing that the tax of 25 cents a gallon be paid on purchases was disputed by opposing counsel in the case. Sam H. Brown, Frankfort, attorney for Antonio Nocero, Covington, and other manufacturers argued that the regulation, designed to equalize the tax, was contrary to law.

Brown and State Senator John T. Murphy, Covington, contended that shrinkage of ice cream in re-packing causes discrimination against Kentucky manufacturers, when the tax is paid on sales, and that the tax is running the ice cream business.

Assistant Attorney General J. W. Jones, representing the commonwealth asserted that a number of manufacturers outside the state who ship ice cream into Kentucky have bonded themselves voluntarily and have been paying the tax on their sales to Kentucky wholesalers and retailers. He said records in the case show that ice cream companies have been making "a reasonable profit" since the tax became effective July 1.

REVIVAL MEETING AT BRUNER'S CHAPEL

A series of revival services will begin at Bruner's Chapel Baptist Church next Sunday morning, Oct. 18. The pastor, Rev. George M. Trout, will preach each morning at ten o'clock and each evening at seven o'clock. Mr. Harry Wester, of Harriman, Tenn., will have charge of the singing. There will be no services next Monday morning.

George M. Trout, Pastor.

SOVIET BUYS BRITISH LAMBS

Virtually all the pedigree Lincoln longwool rams in Lincolnshire, England, are being purchased by the Soviet government, the National Farmers' Union reports. Russia is being restocked with sheep, and Lincoln stock have been chosen because of their heavy wool which withstands the cold.

NEW SCHEDULE 'PHONE RATES SET FOR MERCER

Southern Bell Company Announces New Schedule Of Rates, Effective On November 1st.

SMALL REDUCTION GIVEN IN MONTHLY PHONE RATE

Cities, Counties In Central Kentucky Organize For Fight Against Exchange Toll Plan.

(Complete schedule of the new rate system will be found in detail elsewhere in this issue.)

Reduction in rates for telephone service in Harrodsburg and Mercer County, effective November 1st, has been announced by the Southern Bell Telephone Company, as per agreement with the Kentucky Public Service Commission following a state survey made in January, 1935.

At the same time the Company announced that free exchange service between other exchanges in Mercer County will be eliminated with a small toll charge of ten cents for each call. Toll will be charged between all exchanges in the county with the exception of Burgin, which will be free for one year, the Company said, through District Manager H. C. Wray, Danville, who made the announcement.

The official statement given out by Mr. Wray states that the rate reduction will mean a saving to telephone users of the state of \$516,351 annually. In Mercer County, the reduction is 25c per month on the rate of phones operating out of the Harrodsburg and Burgin exchanges while the only reduction in the Cornishville and Salvisa exchange rates will be 15c on each telephone listed under the two-party residence rate.

Announcement of the exchange toll charge in all counties in the Bell system throughout Central Kentucky has brought a storm of protest from farm organizations and civic groups. At Richmond, city and county officials and civic leaders have united in a move to carry and fight against the Company on the exchange tolls.

Letters from that city, signed by County Judge Leer, Mayor Dave Powers and B. E. Willis, president of the Chamber of Commerce have been circulated to all city and county officials in towns affected by the new rates, asking that they consider six points in the letter and report findings. The City of Richmond will also request a hearing before the Commission and plan to contest the rates.

At Madisonville, a mass meeting of farmers and citizens has been called for tonight to discuss the change. The Hopkins County Bar Association and the Kiwanis Club at Madisonville have joined the fight there. Farm bureau organizations, however, are leading in the protests, since it is the farmer that will suffer from the exchange toll, critics of the plan have pointed out.

The biggest roar of disapproval against the new plan comes from Jefferson County, where the Bourbon Stockyards, Louisville Livestock Exchange and other livestock market associations and companies are banding together in an effort to block the new rate plan.

Six agricultural groups in Jefferson have retained State Senator Stanley B. Mayor who will file a petition immediately seeking postponement of the effective date of the 10-cent toll charge.

Meanwhile, lines of battle against the dime toll rate are being formed in Danville, where the Chamber of Commerce and other business organizations are planning protest against the toll. The Company plans to consolidate the Junction City exchange in Boyle County, thus eliminating any toll charge to that section, but the Perryville exchange is to be retained and it is in that section that the toll will be most effective.

In announcing the rate for Mercer County, the official statement of Mr. Wray said:

"The Telephone Company's records of operations in Mercer County filed with the commission shows that the Company has been suffering considerable loss in its operations of the Mercer County exchange, but, in face of that has agreed to a further reduction in telephone rates."

Senator Barkley Up For Bank Committee

The compromise candidacy of Senator Barkley, Kentucky, Democratic convention keynote for the important post of chairman of the Senate Banking and Currency committee is being pushed in Administration circles, the Wall Street Journal says in a recent issue.

It is believed that Senator Glass, Virginia, ranking Democratic member of the committee, will pass up his option on the chairmanship if he can be assured that it will not go to the strongly New Deal Senator Wagner, of New York, who is next ranking Democrat. Senator Barkley is third in line.

WRECKED GATE PILLAR

A large transfer truck backed into one of the large brick gate pillars at Avalon Court and completely wrecked it.