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## COUNTY ASSESSOR MAKES REPORT TO STATE TAX BODY

Currents and Royalty To Take Report To Frankfort Today And Settle With Tax Commission.

LAND REDUCED BUT INTANGIBLES RAISED

Total 1935 Assessment For 1936 Taxes Revised By Board Supervisors \$11,009,663.

County Assessor E. C. Currans and his deputy, Holly Royalty, will go to Frankfort today to make their settlement with the State Tax Commission. That body requested a raise of \$400,000 in the Mercer tax assessment, but this was not complied with. What raise was made was on intangible properties, and the reductions were on land.

The report of the Board of Supervisors which recently completed work is reported by Assessor Currans as follows: 1935 assessment for 1936 taxes—Total raises \$237,408, total reductions \$20,395, net gain \$217,013. The gain added to the first recapitulation of \$10,792,650 makes the total 1935 assessment \$11,009,663 as revised by the board.

The 1934 assessment was \$10,859,612 and the gain for 1935 over the year before is \$150,051. Assessor Currans says he is hopeful that the State Tax Commission will accept these figures as they are, as he does not see how the Commission can put an additional raise on the county's assessment.

## MRS. FRANK MCGARVEY SUFFERING FROM STROKE

Mrs. Frank McGarvey, formerly of Harrodsburg, is a patient at St. Anthony's hospital, Louisville, following a stroke of paralysis which she suffered Friday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Smith, at Midway, near Louisville. She had been indisposed for some time, but had dressed for breakfast, and hearing her groan Mrs. Smith went to her room and found her sitting on the floor. She said she had not fallen, but becoming ill had taken the precaution to sit down. While seriously ill her condition is not considered critical at this time.

Mrs. McGarvey is a native of Harrodsburg and lived here until about ten years ago when her husband accepted a position in New York. A few years ago when his health failed they returned to Harrodsburg. After his death she went to Louisville and for some time now has resided with Mr. and Mrs. Smith.

## WEEK'S SERVICES HELD AT BURGIN

Baptist Church Bible Conference Opens Monday With Visiting Ministers Speaking.

Beginning Monday, March 23, the Bible Conference at the Baptist church at Burgin will present as its theme "A New Testament Church." Several ministers from neighboring cities will be on the program to discuss various phases of the theme, it is announced by Rev. J. O. Carter, pastor of the Burgin church. The services will be each evening at 7:30 o'clock and special music will be featured all through the week. The closing service will be on March 27, and the entire conference will be deeply spiritual, evangelistic and instructive. The public is invited.

In developing the theme, "A New Testament Church," the following speakers will take part:

Monday, "The Reaching Church," Rev. C. D. Booser, Wilmore.  
Tuesday, "The Teaching Church," Rev. C. L. Breland, Richmond.  
Wednesday, "The Winning Church," Dr. C. C. Warren, Danville.  
Thursday, "The Growing Church," Rev. John Stallings, Nicholasville.  
Friday, "The Prevailing Church," Rev. R. M. Gabbert, Lancaster.

## POSTMASTER GABHART LOOKING FOR CONTRACTS

Postmaster Willard Gabhart has posted notices on the bulletin board in the post office lobby that the U. S. Postoffice Department will receive bids for the following work at the Harrodsburg office: Hauling ashes, washing towels, furnishing water and electric current to the building.

## DR. SPARROW ABLE TO LEAVE HOSPITAL AFTER WRECK

Dr. W. D. Sparrow returned to his home in Burgin this week from the Danville Hospital, where he has been recovering from injuries received in an automobile wreck on Sunday, March 8. His car was torn to pieces and while his injuries were severe, he is now improving nicely.

## KAVALIERS LOSE

The Kavanaugh Cavaliers, winners of the district tournament held here two weeks ago, lost to Midway in the first round of the regional tournament at Lexington last week.

## Revival Minister



DR. Z. T. JOHNSON

Dr. Z. T. Johnson, Noted Minister, Vice President Asbury College, To Assist Rev. G. R. Tomlin.

The revival meeting will be conducted at the Harrodsburg M. E. Church, South, March 29 through Easter Sunday, April 12. The Rev. Z. T. Johnson, Ph. D., vice-president of Asbury College, will be the evangelist. Dr. Johnson formerly occupied the Chair of History in Mississippi State Teachers College, Hattiesburg, Mississippi. He is a member of the Kentucky Annual Conference, M. E. Church, South, and prior to his being made vice-president of Asbury College, was pastor of the Wilmore Methodist church. Dr. Johnson has preached in some of the largest camp meetings in the United States, and is in great demand throughout many states of the Union. The people of Harrodsburg should avail themselves of the privilege of hearing this man.

The music will be in charge of Rev. G. R. Tomlin, pastor of the church. The Junior and Senior choirs will sing, solos and various combinations of voices will be heard. Services will be conducted at 2:30 and 7:15 each day. The pastor is anxious that all of the churches of Harrodsburg and the surrounding community will rally to the meeting and lend their earnest support.

## LT. COL. L. M. SMITH IS TRANSFERRED TO HONOLULU

Mrs. Lucius Meriwether Smith, who is at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. J. F. VanArsdale, at Hotel Harrod, has received word from her husband, Lieutenant Colonel Smith, that he has been transferred from his present post in the Judge Advocate General's office, Washington, to Honolulu.

Mrs. Smith says that he probably will have to leave in about two months. Mrs. VanArsdale's son-in-law, Major Donovan Yuell, and Mrs. Yuell are now in Honolulu.

## PRAYER MEETING WILL BE LED BY HOWARD DAVIS

Prayer meeting services at the United Presbyterian church were conducted Wednesday night by Mr. Howard Davis in the absence of Dr. John W. Carpenter, pastor, who is recuperating from an illness of influenza at his home on Beaumont avenue.

## L. D. BREWER UNCHANGED

The condition of Mr. L. D. Brewer who is confined to the A. D. Price Memorial hospital was reported yesterday as being unchanged.

## City To Beautify New Standpipe Lot

Six-Foot Wire Fence To Protect Property Which Will Be Planted In Grass and Shrubs.

It is planned by the City Commissioners to make an attractive small park of the new standpipe lot, according to City Manager William Gregory, Jr., who will direct the work. The old standpipe which was torn down recently, is being cut up and shipped by the Caldwell Company, of Louisville, contractors who built the new standpipe. As soon as this is cleared away, the lot will be cleaned up, planted with grass seed and shrubbery and a six-foot non-climbable closely woven wire fence will be erected around the lot.

This enclosure will at all times be kept in order in an endeavor to make it one of the attractive spots of the city, the City Manager said. In doing this the city is falling in with the plan of the Chamber of Commerce to foster a better groomed and more beautiful Harrodsburg.

## MRS. SMOCK IMPROVED

Mrs. Will Smock is improving nicely from a severe attack of laryngitis which has kept her confined to her room at her home on South Main street the past two weeks.

## RARE OLD BOOKS ARE ACQUIRED

Volumes Printed Decades Ago Bought By Mr. And Mrs. Pollard For Their Collection.

Several interesting old books have been added to their collection by Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Pollard. One printed in 1820, in perfect condition, with an almost unmarred leather back, is entitled "The General Instructor," with the sub-title, "Or the Office, Duty and Authority of Justice's of Peace, Sheriffs, Coroners, Jailers, Jurymen." Written by John Bradford it was printed in Lexington 116 years ago. It is said to have a price now of \$25. The book formerly belonged to the collection of an old man near Owensville, who recently killed himself because he had become obsessed with the belief that all his antiques were to be taken away from him for debt.

Another book entitled "Twyman Hogue, An Early Piety Illustrated" is a biographical sketch of a little boy with an excess of piety and learning, the son of Rev. Aaron Hogue, pastor of the First Presbyterian church in Lebanon, and Jane Gilkinson Hogue. The child was born at Lebanon, Sept. 14, 1845 and died about his twelfth birthday. The biography is written by W. W. Hill, D.D., and was printed in Louisville in 1859. This little book is now listed at \$7.50 by collectors. Mrs. Pollard purchased it at a second hand book store in Louisville.

## CORRESPONDENTS' LETTERS SHOULD BE PROMPT

The Herald is asking its correspondents to be more prompt in sending news letters. Several arrived too late for publication last week. Part of this paper is printed on Wednesday. News from the country that arrives by Tuesday afternoon is always in time to be set up for publication. We like to have the news from various sections of the county in each issue and will appreciate very much the cooperation of correspondents in getting their news to us promptly.

## M. E. CONFERENCE ENDS WEDNESDAY

Ten Methodist Churches Represented At Bible Sessions; Speakers Discuss Work.

Methodist churches from ten towns, including Harrodsburg and Burgin, were represented at a Bible conference which began at Danville Sunday to continue through Wednesday of this week.

Dr. W. T. Watkins, Bible authority and lecturer from Emory University, Georgia, was principal speaker on the conference programs. The conference began at the Danville church Sunday evening with worship, followed by Promotion of Adult Work, after which Dr. Watkins gave a Bible lecture.

Dr. Watkins gave his Bible lecture each day during the conference. Rev. M. P. McClure, pastor of the Epworth church, Lexington, also appeared on the program at several sessions in connection with the adult work promotion.

Besides the two Mercer county churches, representatives from Danville, Perryville, Stanford, Bryantsville, Lancaster, Mackville, Moreland, and Junction City attended the conference.

## MISSIONARY MEETING, METHODIST CHURCH

The general meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society was held at the church March 3, the president, Mrs. James H. Spilman presiding.

Mrs. W. B. Keightley, leader, read the scripture and was followed by several sentence prayers. A duet, "Give the First Hour To Jesus" was sung by Mrs. I. D. Humble and Mrs. A. M. Tatum. The subject for discussion was Roadmakers and Menders. Several took part: A Trail Blazer by Mrs. Elmo Robertson; Blazing the Way for Recreation, Mrs. W. S. Covert; Blazing the Way for Education, by Mrs. Claude Clark; Blazing the Way for Industrial Reform, Mrs. T. L. Menaugh, Jr.; Blazing the Way for the Salvation of Man, Mrs. Wallace Gritton. The meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. Spilman.

Circle No. 1 met Tuesday, March 10th with Mrs. D. M. Hutton, Mrs. C. B. Sullivan presiding. "I Love to Tell the Story" was sung, followed by scripture reading and prayer by Mrs. A. M. Tatum. An interesting story from the life of Mrs. Lucinda Helm was told by Mrs. Hutton; Methodism Unfinished by Miss Mary Veatch; Africa's Missionaries by Mrs. R. R. Isham. Meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. A. L. Gibson. A social hour followed.

Circle No. 2 met the same day with Mrs. Charles Matherly, Mrs. J. L. Ransdell, presiding. The subject for program was "Mothers of the Bible." Song—"Faith of Our Mothers." Mrs. T. L. Menaugh, Jr. had charge of the program. Following the meeting a salad course was served.

## SHEEP RAISERS DISCUSS LAMBS

County Agent C. F. Park, Others From Mercer Attend Meet At Lawrenceburg.

More than 100 sheep producers from five counties—Anderson, Mercer, Shelby, Woodford and Spencer—met in a sectional quality lamb conference at Lawrenceburg Saturday and discussed problems of vital importance to sheep raisers of these counties.

County Agent C. F. Park officially represented Mercer county at the meeting and others from Mercer county interested in sheep attended the session.

Special emphasis was placed on the growing of lambs for market. The importance of feeding both the ewe and the lamb so as to prevent stunting of growth was stressed. The importance of purebred flocks was discussed in detail and it was reported that not more than one half of Kentucky flocks are headed by purebred rams.

A better type of grade ewe, one that would be more satisfactory for quality lamb production and at the same time produce a clip of at least eight pounds of wool was discussed.

A packer-buyer representing one of the large meat packing companies spoke to the sheep raisers and warned them that buck lambs would be heavily penalized this year and that the farmers who expect their lambs to bring the highest market price must castrate the ram lambs.

Good pasture was enumerated as an important factor in raising good lambs for the market and also the importance of creep feeding of all lambs until such pasture is available was brought out.

Speakers appearing on the program were E. S. Good and Richard C. Miller of the University of Kentucky; Cecil Embury, Louisville; E. A. Thomas, Shelbyville, and Art Zimmatt, packer-buyer.

Other meetings of similar nature were scheduled for this week as follows: Monday, Independence; Wednesday, Owenton; Thursday, Cynthia, and Friday, Williamstown.

## LIONS' PROGRAM AT CORNISHVILLE

Yodeling Twins Win First Place In Competition; Harmonica and Guitar Number Is Second.

Misses Mary Lou and Vera Moore were winners of first place in the amateur contest conducted at Cornishville Friday night by the Harrodsburg Lions Club. The winning act was billed as the Yodeling Twins.

Second place went to James Holiday for his musical offering on the guitar and harmonica at the same time. Third prize was awarded by the judges to Ernie Peavler who utilized his musical abilities by playing the violin, bones and doing a clog dance.

The contest at Cornishville included 18 different numbers of varied entertainment. Among the acts offered in competition for first prize were male quartet, female quartet, mixed quartet, vocal solos, instrumental numbers, a reading (which "got the gong"), two imitations of a rooster crowing, and a chorus of eight or ten voices.

Rose Hill, Burgin and Harrodsburg are the remaining schools to yet have their amateur contests before the grand final competition which will select the county champion. Rose Hill was slated for its contest Thursday night, March 19. Dates for Burgin and Harrodsburg events will be chosen this week.

## CCC BOYS EXPECTED HOME FROM UTAH SOON

Willard Yeast, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Yeast, Jackson road, and Willson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Isen, of the Mackville road, are expected home in a few days. The youths have served their enlistment in a CCC camp in Utah and will soon arrive at Fort Knox with their company to be demobilized.

## ATTEND RELATIVE'S FUNERAL

Miss Birdie Linney and Mrs. Clabe Linney, Harrodsburg, attended the funeral of their second cousin, Mrs. Rita Linney Price, Saturday morning at the Perryville Christian church. Dr. N. E. Nickerson, pastor of the church of which the deceased was a member, conducted the services, assisted by Rev. G. W. Mills and Rev. L. M. Omer.

## AT MEETING OF CRIPPLED CHILDRENS COMMISSION

Oran Stagg, president of the Rotary Club and Mercer county chairman of the Kentucky Crippled Childrens Commission, was in Louisville this week to attend a meeting of the commission.

## MRS. SPILMAN ADDRESSES SALVISA GIRL RESERVES

Mrs. James H. Spilman, Lexington avenue, was in Salvisa yesterday where she made an interesting talk to the Girl Reserves of the Salvisa high school.

## Baccalaureate Speaker



RT. REV. H. P. ALMON ABBOTT

Bishop Of National Note Accepts Invitation To Give City High School Baccalaureate Sermon.

The baccalaureate sermon for the high school will be delivered by Bishop H. P. Almon Abbott, of Lexington, head of the Protestant Episcopal churches in Eastern Kentucky, it was announced yesterday by W. W. Ensminger, Superintendent of the Harrodsburg schools. The service will be on Sunday night, May 31, at the Christian church and will be the usual impressive community event with other churches giving way to the baccalaureate service in which all ministers will take part.

Dr. Franklin Davis, rector of St. Philip's Episcopal church, Harrodsburg, and Trinity church, Danville, and Arch Deacon of the Diocese, will preside at the service. Mr. Ensminger announced. Bishop and Mrs. Abbott will be guests of honor at a dinner at Beaumont Inn before the service at which Dr. and Mrs. Davis and a few others will also be guests.

Bishop Abbott is one of the noted religious speakers of the nation and is frequently called on to speak at special services in various parts of the United States and Canada. He has recently returned from Philadelphia where he assisted the Bishop of Pennsylvania in a series of services. He is also called on frequently to conduct special services at the National Cathedral in Washington, and at the magnificent cathedral of St. John the Divine, in New York.

## McAFEE SCHOOL STUDENTS ENTERTAIN ROTARY CLUB

The Harrodsburg Rotary Club was treated to an interesting program at its luncheon at Hotel Harrod Wednesday when Mrs. T. G. Harned, principal of the graded and high schools at McAfee, presented a group of her pupils in solos, musical numbers, recitations and other features. The eight boys and four girls were excellent. Dr. George Sweazy, pastor of the Second Presbyterian church, Danville, and president of the Rotary club of that city, was a guest. President Oran Stagg presided at the luncheon.

## ENJOYING A SOUTH AMERICAN CRUISE

Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Poulter, Cane Run avenue, have received word from their son, Mr. Horace Poulter that he and Mrs. Poulter and their son, John, Mr. and Mrs. Demins, of Cynthia, left this week on a South American cruise during which they will visit a number of places of interest. Mr. and Mrs. Poulter, who reside in Cynthia, have been in Miami, Florida, for some weeks because of his health.

The party expects to return about the middle of April.

## Makes Pilgrimage To Home of His Ancestor

Descendants Of One Of The Founders Of Harrodsburg Finds Much To Interest Him Here.

An interested and interesting visitor in Harrodsburg this week was Harvey J. Sconce, a descendant of one of the founders of Harrodsburg. Mr. Sconce's home is at Sidell, Ill., but his present address is the DeSoto Hotel, Savannah, Ga. This was his first visit to the home of his ancestor.

A few days after the arrival of Capt. James Harrod and his band of 20 settlers in 1774 at the site of their future town, they were joined by Isaac Hite, a surveyor, and nine men. Among these was Jacob Sodowsky, the great-great-grandfather of Mr. Sconce. He traces his lineage through his mother, Mrs. Emma Sodowsky Sconce. His grandfather was Harvey Sodowsky; great-grandfather, Abraham Sodowsky; great-great-grandfather Jacob, who was a surveyor with Hite. Their ancestry goes back to Capt. James Sodowsky who landed at Jamestown in 1700. Mr. Sconce says that the name Sodowsky is often corrupted into Sandusky, but his branch has kept the original spelling. He carried away with him a number of books and pamphlets regarding the history of Harrodsburg of which his ancestor was one of the original settlers.

## COUNTY FINALS IN SPELLING BEE HERE SATURDAY

Written Contest In Morning To Select 25 Best Spellers To Compete In Oral Contest.

PUBLIC INVITED TO ORAL CONTEST AT 1:30 P. M.

High School Scene Of Bee To Select Mercer's Champion Speller To Enter State Contest.

Contestants representing all the schools in the community will take part in the county wide Spelling Bee at the high school Saturday. The written contest at 9 o'clock in the morning will be private but the final oral contest beginning at 1:30 in the afternoon will be public and everyone interested is invited to attend. The 25 successful spellers in the written contest will compete in the oral contest for the honor of being the champion speller of Mercer county and its representative in the state contest in Louisville.

The champion speller will be awarded \$10 in cash, donated by the teachers of Mercer county; the second prize of \$7.50 in cash is given by the Harrodsburg school and the third prize of \$5 in cash by the Burgin school, it is announced by Mrs. Lucile Sharp Brown, chairman of the Spelling Bee committee. In addition the champion will have all expenses paid to the State contest in Louisville.

The State Spelling Bee is sponsored by the Courier-Journal and Louisville Times. Cash awards of \$500 will be made at this event and the state champion will have all expenses paid to the national contest at Washington.

Those who will grade the papers in the written contest Saturday morning are Misses Sarah Wilds, Emily Adams, Beulah Gabhart, Melie Matherly, Ann Curd, Valeria Wright, Mesdames O. J. McMurtry, T. G. Marned, Grace Gillespie, George McWilliams, Byford Sanders, Lillian Whittinghill, Ona Gritton and Willard Gabhart. The pronouncer is Mrs. Zack Isen.

Judges in the oral contest are Mrs. D. M. Hutton, Mrs. Cecil Wilder, Mrs. W. R. Lapsley, pronouncers, Mrs. H. B. Gentry and Mr. C. W. Bell.

The committee on arrangement is composed of Mrs. Lucile Sharp Brown, Misses Jewell Matherly, Winnie Grimes, Flora Cassell, Cordelia Moore and J. K. Powell, principal of the graded school.

## JINX CAMPS ON DEPUTIES' TRAIL

Leaves Sheriff Oscar Sanders To Perform The Duties Of Office Alone.

With three of his deputies victims of bad luck, Sheriff Oscar Sanders did the honors of his office alone for several days this week. Deputy Roy Coke was laid up with a crippled left knee, due to the kick of a horse at his farm on the Bondville road, near Salvisa. He pushed open a door at his barn, not knowing that the horse was near, and when the door struck the animal it let go with its heels. After several days of inaction at home, Deputy Coke is back on the job able to walk with the aid of a cane.

While he was laid up Deputy Robert Cull was stricken with lumbago and has been quite sick this week at his home on Walnut Hill. Deputy Walter Kennedy, whose home was burned to the ground a few days ago, was kept out of the office while he got together what belongings were saved from the fire, located a new abode and moved into it.

## SEALED BIDS ADVERTISED FOR BOHON CO. PROPERTIES

Sealed bids to be opened on March 25 at the office of Clay Kaufman, Lancaster, referee in bankruptcy, will be received for the D. T. Bohon Company properties, which recently filed proceedings in bankruptcy, according to advertisements for bids appearing in this issue of The Herald by S. R. Check, trustee. According to advertisement bids may be made for the properties as a whole, or for the main plant in Harrodsburg, or for one of the stores alone or for several, or for all the stores located elsewhere. The proposition bringing the most money will be considered.

## MR. ROBERT GRAHAM DOING NICELY IN LEXINGTON

Robert Graham who recently went to Lexington to convalesce after a long stay in the A. D. Price Memorial Hospital, and to be with his two sisters there, Mrs. Elizabeth Williams and Miss Annie Chizeb Graham, is doing nicely, according to word from him received here. He is located at 543 North Broadway, Lexington.