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## Jamestown-Russell County.

A representative of The News was in Jamestown the two first days of the present term of Russell circuit court.

Monday morning, before day light a heavy rain storm struck Jamestown, but the only damage reported was the uprooting of trees, here and there, in the suburbs of the place. The storm was so fierce, accompanied by a continuous roaring of the elements, many people became more or less frightened.

The rain raised all the water courses, and, as a consequence, people were late in reaching town, and many who were expected failed to put in an appearance. Judge Carter and Mr. A. A. Huddleston did not reach their destination until about the noon hour, hence court was not organized until in the afternoon. After the grand jury had been instructed, four Republican candidates to represent Casey and Russell spoke to the dear people. When they concluded Judge J. C. Carter, made a short talk, announcing his candidacy for re-election to the office of Circuit Judge. He was followed by Mr. Libburn Phelps, who did not say that he was a candidate to succeed Judge Carter, but that he was in a receptive mood, and would make the race if his friends over the district thought it was the proper thing for him to do. Mr. Phelps is very popular in his home county, and he had been assured of a strong following in the other counties of the district. By this time Mr. Phelps is either a full-fledged candidate or he is out of the race, as the time for filing with the Secretary of State was out last Saturday. Mr. A. A. Huddleston also announced in a short speech his candidacy for re-election to the office of Commonwealth Attorney. Mr. Huddleston is a Republican, as our readers know, and he has no opposition in his party.

The enterprising citizens of Russell are very much interested in the bond issue for the Dixie Highway, and it is believed that the proposition will carry. Every man who wants to see Russell county prosper should vote for the bonds. Forty thousand dollars is all that is asked, and to carry that amount would not be burdensome.

WANTED: 4,000 good shingles.  
Mrs. Fetna Eubank, Columbia, Ky.

Judge W. W. Jones and Attorney General James Garnett, executors of the will of the late Sinco Dockery, sold at Jamestown, last Saturday some property belonging to the estate, at public outcry. Fifteen shares in the bank of Jamestown, brought two for one, and was bought by Charles Hammons, J. N. Meadows and another gentleman whose name we did not get. About ten shares are yet to be sold. They also disposed of a small hill farm and some town lots in Jamestown. Other sales will probably be made this week. The estate foots up close to \$90,000.

The continuous rains during this month has damaged corn prospects considerably. The ground being too wet to plow, crab grass took the corn and retarded the latter's growth. We had some dry days last week and a great deal of work was done by farmers, and at this time prospects are favorable for a fair crop, though there will not be as much corn grown as last year. Wheat of the county has been cut, yield about a half crop, but throughout the United States it is much larger than last year.

A good Jersey cow and calf for sale.  
Ambrose Williams,  
Columbia, Ky.

Miss Dora Eubank, of this place, who was awarded a first-class certificate last week, made the best grade of the county. Her many friends are gratified over her success.

Be in Columbia next Monday. Hon. E. J. McDermott, Democratic candidate for Governor, will address the people of Adair county at the courthouse.

Do not fail to hear Hon. E. J. McDermott, who will speak in Columbia next Monday. It will be your opportunity to listen to a real speech.

McDermott is one of the best speakers in Kentucky. Come and hear him, next Monday.

## Proving a Success.

The Rapid Transit Company was organized for the purpose of hauling goods between Columbia and Campbellsville, offering better service, quicker delivery and better roads.

The company has been operating now for over a week making a round trip daily, and the merchants and shippers are practically unanimous in their approval of the quick and safe delivery. One merchant received 120 dozen fruit jars with none broken, another 4800 pounds of bottles with none broken, which proves the reliability of the springs in this truck.

The local manager, Mr. T. B. Short, stated that he had 50 exclusive orders so far and 3 wholesale firms signed for hauling. Evidently this kind of delivery is what the people are looking for and the Rapid Transit Company is pleased with the reception given them at Columbia.

A trip over the road to Campbellsville will convince any one of the inestimable value the road-roller wheels have been to the pike. Autoists declare the trip can be made even now with safety, in a little over an hour. The improvement on the road is no surprise to the manager of the company however, as he comes from the blue-grass where all the roads are being made with this type of machine.

Both Mr. Short and Howard are products of the Engineering course of the State University. Mr. Short has for the past five years had charge of the compulsory school law and Children's Court of Lexington, Ky., and is also very much interested in Military affairs, holding the rank of Major of the third Battalion of the First Regiment of National Guards. Mr. Howard is the State agent for the White Motor Co., of Cleveland.

The capacity of the big truck is 5 tons in itself and a pulling capacity of 5 tons more on the trailer. It does seem that the Good Roads Movement have received a national help in securing this company, for if we can get the Dixie Highway through here surely this machine can hold it down.

## REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

### BANK OF COLUMBIA

DOING BUSINESS AT TOWN OF COLUMBIA, COUNTY OF ADAIR, STATE OF KENTUCKY,

AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON THE 15TH DAY OF JUNE 1915.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	169 630 39
Overdrafts Secured and Unsecured	1 107 60
Stock, Bonds and other Securities	3 939 45
Due from Banks	26 092 42
Cash on hand	13 356 00
Checks and other cash items	314 33
Banking house, Furniture and fixtures	2 000 00
TOTAL	216 490 26

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in, in cash	\$30 000 00
Surplus, Fund	\$35 000 00
Undivided Profits, less expenses and taxes paid	4 843 18
Deposits subject to check	146 236 70
Due Banks and Trust Companies	929 38
Reserve for taxes	929 38
TOTAL	216 490 26

STATE OF KENTUCKY, }  
COUNTY OF ADAIR, }  
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We W. W. Jones and Jno. W. Flowers, President and Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

W. W. Jones, President.  
Jno. W. Flowers, Cashier  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of June, 1915.

JOE S. KNIFLEY, N. P. A. C.  
Commission Expires, Feb. 19, 1916.

Two months ago a company of young men in this place organized a brass band, and when they quit appearing in public they were making good music. What has become of the organization? A band is the life of a town and there is no good reason why one should not succeed in Columbia. The instruments are here, the teacher is here and the talent is here. Get together, boys, and stay together.

Frank Cobb, of Milltown, sold to Dink Durham, of Campbellsville, last week, 10 head, of yearling Aberdeen Angus, at \$40.00 per head. These yearlings were fall by G. B. Cheatham, Aberdeen Angus Bull.

## Road Catechism.

What court can issue bonds for building roads?

The Fiscal court. But it cannot issue them until authorized by the legal voters of the county.

In what denominations are bonds issued?

Not less than one hundred dollars and not more than one thousand.

At what rate of interest per annum?

Not exceeding 5 per cent.

How long can the bonds run?

Not less than five nor more than thirty years.

Can they be sold for less than par value?

No.

When can they be redeemed?

At the pleasure of the court after five years.

When a bond is called for redemption at a certain time will that stop the interest?

Yes.

How is the money raised to pay the interest and redeem the bonds?

By the levy of a tax on the property of the county.

Is any part of it paid by a poll tax?

No.

What amount of tax can be levied in any one year?

Not exceeding thirty cents on the one hundred dollars of the assessed valuation of the county.

How is the tax when collected appropriated?

First, to the payment of interest on the bonds! Second, the balance to be placed to the credit on the sinking fund for the redemption of the bonds.

Does the county get any money from any other source?

Yes, from the State aid fund for roads.

How is this fund raised?

By the levy of a five cent State tax on each one hundred dollars of taxable property.

What counties pay the larger portion of this tax?

The richer counties. Jefferson county pays into the fund over a hundred thousand dollars more than it receives from the fund.

What is done with this money.

It is paid the poorer counties to assist them in building roads.

Does Adair county pay into the State fund more than it receives from it?

No, it receives more than it pays to the State.

If Adair county issues \$125,000 in bonds, and puts this money on its roads will the State pay back any part of it?

Yes, it will pay back one half, \$125,000.

Then the county will pay one half of the cost of the road, and the State one half?

That is correct.

How is this money spent?

Under supervision of engineers furnished by the department of Public Roads.

What is the advantage of a bond issue for roads?

It enables the county to raise the money and build the roads without delay. With more mileage of construction better contracts can be made.

The public gets the use of the roads without waiting, and the enhancement in the value of the land comes with the completion of the road.

How long will it take to build roads in the county by merely applying the taxes collected and the State aid fund received from the State, as we are now doing?

It is hard to guess—many of us will be buried before they are completed.

How long ought it to take to build roads on the leading highways by borrowing money on a bond issue?

Probably three years.

What is the usual enhancement to the real estate of a county by good road construction?

It is said to be about ten thousand dollars per mile. At this rate eighty miles of good pike road in the county would increase the real estate eight hundred thousand dollars about twenty-five per cent., on the present value as shown by the last census.

What rate of tax is now levied by the county for roads?

Twenty-five cents on the hundred dollars.

What amount would be levied should a bond issue be voted?

It could not exceed thirty cents.

Would this be in addition to the twenty-five cents levy?

No, it would be in place of it. Thirty cents is the limit.

Then the annual tax of this could not be much greater under one plan than it would be under the other?

No, under the present arrangement it could not exceed five cents on the one hundred dollars.

What did our court house and jail cost?

Something over forty thousand dollars.

Was the credit of the county strained in paying this sum?

If it was no one knew it.

If the county could pay this sum for a court house and jail (and they do not enhance the value of land in the county,) don't you think it could safely risk sixty-two thousand five hundred dollars in good roads and not be in danger of bankruptcy?

To an unprejudiced mind it would seem so.

How are public improvements of any magnitude made?

By a bond issue?

Did the government adopt this plan with the Panama Canal and the Alaska rail road?

Yes.

Is it usual for counties to issue bonds to construct roads?

Yes, it is the usual way.

Hundreds of counties have done it all over the United States, and added to their wealth by so doing.

Who will be benefited by the construction of roads?

Every body now and hereafter.

How will it benefit them now?

By putting the money in circulation, and giving employment to the unemployed.

Men who use the spade and pick, and men who have teams can get work at good prices.

Will this be true of all the county?

Yes, because the roads will be built in every direction, and all parts of the county will share in the prosperity, and the money will remain here.

What brings prosperity to a county?

Capital and labor co-operating. It is the only way.

How will it benefit the county hereafter?

The county will be wealthier—inter communication will be easier; exports and imports can be moved at less expense of time and money; the wear and tear of vehicles and teams will be less; our school, church and social privileges will be much better, in fact the enumeration would be too long for a full answer.

Then to build the roads at once would help this generation as well as the next generation?

Yes, beyond a doubt.

We would enjoy the benefits, and so would our children after us.

What does the town of Columbia pay on the county roads outside of the town?

It pays on \$454,725 annually, or about one-sixth of the whole road tax.

Will it be required to continue to pay under a bond issue?

Certainly.

Then, the town does not get all the benefit, does it?

House and lot for sale on Greensburg street. Call on J. E. Flowers. 35-1f

Master Will Hudson, of this place, has accepted a position in the store of his uncle, Mr. W. N. Hughes, Edmonson, and he is now on duty. Will is a good boy and we fully believe that he will fill the position acceptably to his employer, and will make many friends in Edmonson. His mother, Mrs. Lucy Hudson, accompanied him to Edmonson but has returned.

We learn from Mr. A. H. Ballard, who controls the light plant in this place, that a new operating and generating machinery will be installed soon, and all night lights will start during the month of September. If the business will justify, Mr. Ballard will start a day current early in the coming spring.

Eld. Luther Young, of this county, and Miss Rose Hammonds, daughter of Dr. Hammonds, of Dunnsville, were married at Stanford Thursday of last week. They will locate at Middleburg, Casey county, Eld. Young being pastor of several churches in that county.

## A Happy Gathering.

Last Tuesday afternoon the teachers of the Juvenile department of the Christian Sunday School entertained their pupils at the home of Mr. John D. Lowe. The hours were from 3 to 6 p. m. Games were played and the little folks enjoyed the beautiful pink and white ice cream and the individual cakes in the same colors. Those present were: Mesdames H. B. Ingram, Fred Myers, Horace Jeffries, B. E. Rowe, W. M. Wilson, Byron Montgomery, G. W. Hancock; Misses Aline Richardson, Katherine Gill, Leonora Lowe, Mary Lucy Lowe, Little Misses Marshall Paull, Estelle Denney, Margaret Patteson, Mary Helen Patteson, Elizabeth Montgomery, Nancy Montgomery, Margaret Depp, Beulah Walls, Alma Walls, Louise Montgomery, Katherine Myers, Jessie Conover, Willie Rosenbaum, Mabel Rosenbaum, May Aubrey, Edrie Pendleton, Gladys Ingram, Louise Rowe, Katherine Williams, Mary Elizabeth Sinclair, Marie Ingram, Lucille Winfrey, Masters, Horace Lynn Jeffries, William Todd Jeffries, John Ingram, Bertram Denney, Paul Denney, Alva Feese, Dolphus Walls, Frank Callison, John Beard, Marvin Sinclair, J. Frank Walker, Robert Hutchinson, Raymond Hutchinson.

## Program.

Following is the program for the Temperance Rally, to be held at the Lindsey-Wilson on July the 3rd beginning at 9:30 a. m.

1. Song—America.
2. Reading and Prayer—O. P. Bush.
3. Song—Old Kentucky Home.
4. Address—Rev. G. W. Perryman—"Why State Wide?"
5. Song—Where Is My Wandering Boy?
6. Address—J. Q. Montgomery—"Victory-in Sight."
7. Adjourn for dinner

## AFTERNOON 1:30

1. Song—Truth Triumphant.
2. Prayer—Bro. Chapin.
3. Song—As Goes America So Goes the World.
4. Address—G. W. Perryman.
5. Song—Star Spangled Banner.
6. Address—J. S. Chandler.
7. Song—Blest Be The Tie That binds.
8. Benediction—Z. T. Williams.

A cordial invitation is extended to the people in all the country round about to come. Let us have a great day for the cause of temperance. Bring your dinners. This meeting has been arranged by the Ministerial Association of Columbia, Ky.

F. A. Hamilton,  
Z. T. Williams,  
Committee on Program

## MULES WANTED.

I will be at W. H. Wilson's Liv-  
ery Barn, in Columbia, on Satur-  
day, July 10th, to buy mules from  
4 to 10 years old, weight, 1000  
pounds and over.

J. W. Phillips, Lebanon, Ky.  
35-2t

The Methodist Sunday School will have Children's Day next Sunday, beginning at 10:45 a. m. The Committee having it in charge are Mrs. Willie Hynes, Misses Rose Heyd and Jennye McFarland.

At nine o'clock, on Wednesday, a. m. on the Graded School Campus, the "Story Telling Committee" of the Self-Culture Club will meet all children, from 4 to-12 years. Every child in Adair county is cordially invited.  
Jennye McFarland, Sec'y.

The Griffin Spring, a noted watering place, will open the 10th of July. Good accommodation, the very best, charges reasonable. Terms \$2.00 per day for less than two days. Over two days \$1.25 per day or \$3.75 per week. 35-2t

Six hundred people attended Children's Day at Tabor, last Sunday. It was a big day for the young people and very much enjoyed by the older set. Dinner on the ground. Singing in the afternoon.

All persons indebted to the firm of Gill & Waggener are notified to call and settle. All accounts due July 1st.