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## 2232 Dog Tags Sold In County

**\$2,602 Taken In By Treasurer On Sale of License; County Gets 85 Percent**

One of our volunteer reporters recently inquired at the office of the treasurer of this county as to the number of dog licenses sold for this year and secured the following figures for 1940, up to the first of this month:

Male .....	1886
Unsexed female .....	173
Female .....	171
Kennel license .....	2

The total amount received for dog tags to August 1 is \$2,602, of which the county receives 85 per cent. Dog tags for 1940 will be on sale until November 1, and it is expected that several more tags will be sold before that time.

It is said that at least two hundred more dog tags have been sold in this county so far than were sold last year, indicating that the dog population is increasing.

## CLELL MULLINS DISPLAYS ANCIENT WINE URNS

Clell Mullins dropped in for a visit at the Herald shop the other day, and displayed two very old wine urns he had secured from relatives in Russell county. According to Mr Mullins, the urns were once the property of his grandfather, a Revolutionary war soldier and were probably 150 years old. The urns were of bronze and stood almost two feet high.

## TIV MULLINS TAKES PART IN WRECK NEAR YATES GAP

A wreck occurred at the curve just west of Yates Gap on Tuesday afternoon, involving a car driven by Shirley Mullins and a truck of Tiv Mullins, driven by one of the sons of G. Mark French.

According to our information, Mullins was forced from the high way by an unidentified car driver as he approached Clintwood, and as he drove back on to the road his car slid in front of the approaching truck. Both vehicles were damaged rather heavily.

## NOTICE

The Dickenson County Hospital wishes to inform the public that it is equipped to make the medical test required by the new state marriage law.

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**CENSUS SHOWS THAT CLINTWOOD IS GROWING**  
\* According to the figures \*  
\* just released from the census \*  
\* bureau at Bristol, the town of \*  
\* Clintwood has shown a re- \*  
\* markable increase in popula- \*  
\* tion. In 1930 the number of \*  
\* inhabitants at the county seat \*  
\* was 729. The 1940 report lists \*  
\* 1104, or an increase of 375 \*  
\* persons.  
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## COUNTS FAMILY GATHERS AT DOG BRANCH SUNDAY

An all-day celebration of the Counts family reunion was held at the Dog Branch community on last Sunday, with more than 2000 relatives, visitors and friends present. This annual celebration was featured by several prominent speakers, a picnic lunch and good old mountain music. Visitors and relatives were present from several neighboring states.

Walter C. Counts, president of the organization, was in charge of the program. Speakers appearing before the vast throng were Judge A. A. Skeen of Clintwood, Fred C. Parks, congressional Republican nominee from the 9th district; Richard Counts of Roanoke, and others. Congressman John W. Flannagan was not present due to pressing business in Washington.

The next reunion will be held at Clintwood on the second Saturday in August, 1941.

## LARGE CROWD HEARS NEGRO SINGERS

A large crowd was present for the services at the Baptist church last Sunday evening to hear the colored choir from Clinchco. According to all present, the songs rendered by the visitors were enjoyed very much. The program was different in that the songs rendered were not the usual popular variety of Negro spirituals.

## DUNKARDS TO HOLD "LOVE FEAST"

Skeetrock, Aug. 12. (Special)—The Dunkards of the Cumberland church have yielded their right to the Pound River Church to observe the Love Feast on Oct. 12 in the new building which the Cumberland church helped build.

These two churches are the only Dunkard churches in this section, and belong to an association whose churches are for the most part located in Tennessee.

The Herald, \$1.00 a year.

## Old Landmark Destroyed By Fire

The dwelling house of D. L. Smith, well known minister of the Freewill church, on Caney Ridge was burned shortly after noon Monday, together with nearly all the household goods. A nearby crib, containing 30 bushels of corn caught fire from the building and went up in flames.

Elder Smith at the time of the fire was opening a coal bank a short distance from his place for use during the coming winter. Mrs. Smith, in poor health for many years, had prepared the noonday meal in the kitchen and with a girl, who was visiting the family, awaited for Mr. Smith. The all-day wind that prevailed Monday is thought to have blown

sparks from the stove into the the board roof covering the kitchen, which was soon fanned into a blaze. The fire had gained such headway by the time it was discovered that Mrs. Smith and the girl were powerless to stop it.

Mr. Smith says that he had no insurance on the building or household goods.

This dwelling was one of the old landmarks on Caney Ridge, having been built 62 years ago by a man named Powers. The place was owned and occupied for many years by the late Ichabod Kennedy, one of the best known citizens of the county in his day. The dwelling was built of hewed popular logs, boarded over with the best grade of lumber.

## CHASE FAMILY GATHERS HERE SUNDAY FOR 16TH ANNUAL REUNION

The 16th annual reunion of the Chase family was held in Clintwood last Sunday, with more than one hundred members present. Dinner was served in the community building here where a speaking and musical program was heard. A great number of people from the Tennessee branch of the family was present for the exercises.

Heretofore the reunion has been held in Tennessee where most of the Chase family resides. Former Clerk of the Circuit Court of this county, E. B. Chase was presiding officer of the day.

## ATTENDS FUNERAL OF RELATIVE IN KENTUCKY

M. W. Remines attended the funeral of his brother-in-law, George Potter, Tuesday at West Liberty, Ky. Mr. Potter has been in ill health for the past few years following a stroke of paralysis. The deceased was 81 years of age.

## Poison Spray Fatal To Grazing Cattle

Ten or more cows in Dickenson county are dead as a result of a poisonous spray used by employes of the CC&O railway along the right-of-way on McClure River in an effort to combat weed growth. Reports reaching Clintwood indicate that more than a hundred animals were killed along the route through Wise and Scott counties.

Owners of the dead cows flocked to Clintwood early in the week to the office of Commonwealth's Attorney Hansel Fleming. Contact

## ARM BROKEN BY KICK OF MULE

Luther Fleming of Isom was seriously injured last week when kicked by a mule at his home. So powerful was the kick that Mr. Fleming's arm was shattered and considerable medical attention has been necessary, although it is possible that he may lose the use of the arm.

## HUGE RATTLER KILLED

While out looking for moonshiners or other law breakers in the Lick Creek section on Monday Deputy Sheriff Dallas Mullins reports that he ran on a huge rattler sunning himself by the side of a footpath. The rattler was dispatched in short order, and when measured was found to be forty-five inches long and had eleven rattles and a button, making it eleven years old, according to the method used by old timers to determine the age of these snakes.

It was described as pure golden-yellow, and the prettiest one ever seen by Deputy Mullins.

## Hunting Season Opens Sept. 1st

**Season Closes Sept. 15; Open From Nov. 15 to Jan. 1.**

At a recent meeting of the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries, held to consider various proposed changes in the general hunting season, it was voted to change the squirrel season from October 1 to September 1, to remain open until Sept. 15, then to close until the beginning of the general hunting season, Nov. 15, and to remain open until Jan. 1.

Hunters will be advised, however, that since Sept. 1 will be Sunday, it will be unlawful to hunt with firearms until Monday, Sept. 2. It is a specific violation to hunt any kind of game with firearms on Sunday, and, in addition, it is a violation to carry firearms on Sunday.

This change will doubtless be heartily approved by a majority of the people of this county, since squirrel hunting is the favorite of all hunting here and since squirrels are hard to find except during the period they are feeding on hickory nuts, acorns and beech nuts.

## POUND RIVER INSPECTED AS LIKELY STREAM FOR RESTOCKING WITH FISH

G. W. Buller, in charge of fish propagation in Virginia for the Commission of Game & Inland Fisheries, spent Wednesday in this county looking over Pound River from the mouth of Brush Creek to Flat Gap, with the idea of restocking the river with fish and having any needed stream improvement attended to.

He was impressed with the possibilities of the Pound as a good fishing stream because it has a good watershed almost the entire length of the river and because it is likely that there will be but little land cleared along the river and because there will be but little logging on the north side of the river in the future. In addition, the river borders the Jefferson National Forest at several points and flows close the forest almost its entire length. For this reason, state officials count upon the fullest cooperation of national forestry officials in such an undertaking.

Mr. Buller says that he favors stocking the stream with different kinds of fish, so as to furnish fishing to the liking of all classes. He believes that the old time red eye fish will thrive in Pound and will prove to be a favorite with those who do not particularly care for bass fishing.

Mr. Buller has spent all of his mature life studying fish life and managing fish hatcheries, and is considered one of the best authorities on this subject in the country.