

Developments In Eastern Kentucky

Railroads Rapidly Covering Coal Fields and Millions Being Invested.

Barbourville, Ky.—The Lexington & Eastern extension of the Louisville & Nashville is being pushed through to Whitesburg, Letcher county, at a rapid rate, and this ninety-mile stretch of road entering virgin coal and timber fields will be completed at an early date. The line will be opened for traffic to Hazard, Perry county, by July 1 of this year, and much has been accomplished on the remaining distance from Hazard to Whitesburg. The extension of the Chesapeake & Ohio from the north is also being rapidly completed, and before the end of the year both these extensions will be ready for the immense coal tonnage which is bound to come out of the new coal fields.

By reason of the extension of the Wasoto & Black Mountain extension of the Louisville & Nashville into Harlan county that field is taking the lead in coal developments. The thirty-six-mile extension of the Harlan branch has been finished to the Looney Creek developments of the International Harvester Company, and both along this extension and along the thirty-mile main extension from Pineville to Harlan town many new mining plants are being installed.

Three large mining plants are now being installed along Clover Fork, which is reached by a lateral extension. The three plants will cost \$100,000 each. The Clover Fork extension will be finished by July 1, and will prove one of the most valuable feeders of the Harlan county line.

The Harlan Coal Mining Company, made up principally of Louisville men, is arranging to develop 10,000 acres on Clover Fork. Seven mining plants will be installed this summer. In the same district the Harlan Town Coal Company is installing one plant, to cost in the neighborhood of \$100,000.

On Looney's Fork the International Harvester Company now has several big coal mining plants in operation and is also operating its big battery of coke ovens, the largest in Kentucky. The coke production is being shipped to Chicago. Recently the Harvester Company disposed of part of its coal holdings to the Oliver Plow Works. The latter concern, it is stated, will develop its holdings. The Harvester Company has invested considerably more than a million dollars in its mining and coking operations.

Developments along the line entering Perry and Letcher counties are just getting under headway. The largest mining plants in the State are being established by the Consolidation Coal Company in Letcher county. This company will spend \$10,000,000, in accordance with its own announcement, in its various activities, which will include mining, lumbering and coke making.

Kentucky capitalists last week organized a \$100,000 company to develop Perry county coal holdings.

Marriage at Pruden.

Dick Bennett, of Knoxville, clerk in a coal commissary at Pruden, was married last Sunday to Miss Breck, of Pruden. The happy couple left on the evening train for Knoxville and other points south to spend their honeymoon and will return to Pruden in a few weeks to make it their future home.

U. S. Jones, of Jellico, Tenn., was up a few days this week looking after business.

Negro Killed at Columbia Mines.

Last Thursday, May 9th, Lewis Stevens, a negro, was shot and instantly killed by Dave Brown, a white man, at Columbia mines. Brown ran for liberty but he was captured within a few hours and lodged in jail.

Severely Injured By Falling Slate.

Anthony Neal, an employee of the Columbia Coal Mines, was perhaps fatally injured last Monday by a piece of falling slate and is now at the Evans Sanitarium. He was operated on and fragments of his spine removed in hopes of saving his life.

Noted Physician In Middlesboro.

Dr. L. L. Shaddan, of Knoxville, was called to Middlesboro Sunday to perform an operation on H. Weinstein's son at W. K. Evan's Sanitarium. The child is improving nicely. Dr. Shaddan is a well known surgeon and is connected with one of the foremost hospitals of Knoxville.

Consolidation of Schools

Last Saturday the citizens of the Pruden and Fonde school districts met and consolidated the two districts for the purpose of establishing a better graded school for the place.

Sam Rains is all Smiles

Sam Rains laid off from work last week. When he returned he wore a broad smile—it is 9 lb. boy. Mrs. Rains and baby are doing well, but Sam is improving slowly.

Amuzu Pictures.

"At Scroggin's Corner" seen at the Amuzu Wednesday was a very interesting picture. The story unfolded was one that happens in every day life, that of a young girl beguiled by the smiles of the dapper young traveling man. Alice, a foundling, urged on by a desire to aid her foster father goes to the city with the salesman, but when she learns his evil intention forces him to leave her. The man told the foster father, she is on the stage. Alice poses for a statue to earn money to return home. The statue wins a valuable prize. The sculptor loves Alice and when he wins the prize tells her of his love. The pair return to her home and receive the old father's blessing.

Special Pullman For Military Officers.

The officers of the local military company will leave Sunday night to attend a school of instruction for the line officers of the State Guard at Frankfort from May 20th to 25th. A special pullman sleeper will be attached to the regular train here Sunday and will carry the officers of the 1st Battalion of the 2nd Regiment to this school. The officers from Whitesburg and Harlan will join the local officers here.

Rev. C. M. Reid, a former minister of the Baptist Church here and now holding the same position at London, Ky., was here Tuesday and took part in the funeral services of Mr. A. T. Smith. He was also given a reception at the Baraca Hall last night on the eve of his departure.

Double Tragedy at Four Mile

Deputy Sheriff Elliott Kills Luther and James Sizemore in Pistol Duel Saturday.

Deputy Sheriff Dave Elliott, of Four Mile, Bell county, shot and killed Luther Sizemore, the latter being a great uncle of the former. The Deputy Sheriff had been to Pineville with some prisoners, and on his return home noticed a crowd at the home of Chill Brackett. Luther Sizemore spoke to the Deputy Sheriff, according to his statement, and told Elliott that he would as soon kill him as anybody. Elliott says Sizemore drew his pistol and pointed it at him. Elliott fired first and Luther Sizemore fell dead.

James Sizemore ran to the dead man, seized his pistol, and a duel ensued between him and the deputy sheriff. Elliott fired four shots from a 44 revolver and two from an automatic pistol and James Sizemore fell dead at his feet. After the killing Elliott went to their homes and notified their widows. He then surrendered and is under charge of the jailer. Elliott's little son was wounded in the left leg by a stray bullet.

Johnson's Flight Seen By Buffalo Press.

"In real competition with the birds of the air," Walter Johnson yesterday afternoon arose from the Stadium at Erie Beach, in a Thomas Headless Biplane, sailed a great circular course in the air, at marvelous speed, and brought the machine safely to a stop within not more than five feet from where it had stood before it began. It was a demonstration of Johnson's perfect control of the machine.—Buffalo Evening News, June 8, 1911.

"Flight is thrilling." A convincing and thrilling exhibition of man's conquest of the air was given by Walter Johnson, at Erie Beach, yesterday afternoon.—Buffalo Express, June 8, 1911.

"Successful flight." The first in the vicinity of Buffalo was made at Erie Beach. Walter Johnson, in a Thomas Headless Biplane, demonstrated mastery of air before many spectators.—Buffalo Commercial, June 8, 1911.

"Johnson makes a mile a minute aeroplane trip." Young aviator seen in a spectacular flight, his brilliant success marking the advent of local aviation.—Buffalo Enquirer, June 8, 1911.

Walter Johnson make a successful flight at Erie Beach yesterday afternoon in the Thomas Headless Biplane. That he had complete mastery over the machine was demonstrated by his maneuvers.—Buffalo Evening Times, June 8, 1911.

Commencement Postponed.

The commencement exercises which were to have been held Monday night were postponed until tomorrow (Friday). The young nurses extend an invitation to their many friends to be present on this occasion.

Prospecting For Oil In Perry County.

Several Pennsylvania oil men have been in Perry county for several weeks prospecting for oil. They have taken several leases and made some tests and will make a good report to their company from information given out.

Unfortunate Death of Leading Citizen

Hon. A. T. Smith Instantly Killed Saturday Night by Contact With Live Wire.

A. T. Smith was instantly killed at 10:30 o'clock Saturday night by contact with an overcharged electric wire. He was preparing to close his drug store for the night when a customer called for some medicine which was kept in the rear part of the store. In order to see the medicine Mr. Smith carried the swinging light to the back with him and while still holding the light stepped on a part of the floor that was wet, thus strengthening the current which threw him to the floor.

The waiting customer becoming alarmed at his continued absence went to investigate. He was found in a sitting position by the wall. Efforts were made to free him but were unavailing until the current was cut off at the power house.

Mr. Smith was immediately taken to the Evans Sanitarium where artificial respiration was induced for about four hours but he was beyond human help.

Alexander T. Smith was born October 4, 1866 at Flat Lick, Ky. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Smith, who now reside near Lancaster. Mr. Smith attended the public schools at Flat Lick and Pineville until he finished the common school studies then attended the St. Mary's College near Louisville.

In 1887 A. T. Smith was united in marriage to Miss Martha Yeager at Flat Lick. To this union seven sons and two daughters were born.

About seventeen years ago Mr. Smith and family moved to Middlesboro. He served as city councilman for twelve years and has held various other prominent positions. At the time of his death he was a stockholder in the Middlesboro Flour Mill, Central Drug Co., the A. T. Smith Drug Store, Thousandsticks and a number of other business enterprises. He was also president of the First State Bank.

The following proclamation signed by Mayor E. S. Helburn shows the esteem in which Mr. Smith was held in Middlesboro:

"Owing to the unfortunate and sudden taking away of one of our best and progressive citizens and a member of my official family, I deem it but right and proper in consideration of the services rendered the city by Hon. A. T. Smith in the last twelve years he has served so faithfully as a member of Board of Council; that all business be suspended between the hours of ten and twelve on Tuesday, May 14th; that the city buildings and offices be closed and all work and business of every character be suspended during this period, as a mark of respect and love for our distinguished fellow-citizen so recently removed from our midst."

The deceased is survived by his wife, four sons, Eugene, Harry, Will and David; two daughters, Misses Lillian and Elizabeth; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Smith; six sisters, Mrs. Ellen McDonald, of Barbourville; Mrs. H. P. Kincaid, of Corbin; Mrs. John Henson, St. Petersburg, Fla.; Mrs. Henry Mills, of Flat Lick; Miss Flora Smith, Flat Lick; and Miss Belle Smith, of Lancaster; one brother, G. M. Smith, who is a druggist at Corbin.

Mr. Smith did not hold membership with any church but for a number of years had been closely connected with the Baptist church of this city.

The funeral services of Alex. T. Smith were conducted at his late residence on Edgewood road at ten o'clock Tuesday morning by Rev. J. M. Roddy, of the Baptist church, and Rev. C. M. Reid, of the London Baptist church.

The entire services were conducted with a great simplicity which did much to lessen the sorrow of the stricken family and community.

The Masons took charge of the body at the close of the funeral services and carried it to the Colson cemetery.

The pall bearers were chosen from among his very intimate friends and were: Messrs. J. F. Bosworth, Chas. E. Herd, C. B. Waring, J. M. Miller, Dr. Tom Evans, Dr. Tom Schultz, W. A. Bowman and Dr. U. G. Brummett.

The members of the Elk's and Mason Lodges formed the procession which was followed by the hearse accompanied by the city police. Several hundred saddened friends followed the remains to their last resting place.

C. C. McCorkle conducted the usual beautiful and sad burial service of the Masons.

The remains were placed in a vault to await the coming of a sister from Florida. The interment took place at eight o'clock.

The entire family of Mr. Smith and Mrs. Smith's family with the exception of one sister attended the funeral.

The floral designs were beautiful and numerous, and included a token from several official bodies, different classes in the public school, the lodges and personal friends.

Grand Encampment In Session Here

The Grand Encampment of the I. O. O. F. of Kentucky closed their annual meeting here to-night with a banquet tendered by the local lodge to about seventy-five of the most prominent Odd Fellows from all over the State.

Judge T. G. Anderson made the welcome address in behalf of the city at the opening of the session. Response by John S. Gaunt, of Louisville. Welcome on behalf of the Pinnacle Encampment, response by White Potter, Bowling Green. The following officers were elected for next year, D. Jouett, of Winchester, Grand Patriarch; C. A. Nelson, of Louisville, High Priest; Chas. E. Cooke, of Middlesboro, Grand Secretary; R. G. Elliott, Grand Scribe; Schuyler Hale, of Somerset, Jr. Warden.

The evening was spent with a drive to the Lincoln Memorial University grounds and to the noted Pinnacle overhanging Cumberland Gap, Tenn.

Next meeting will be held at Shelbyville, Ky., on May 16, 1913.

Forward Men To The Army.

Captain Thomas M. Moody, U. S. Army, Recruiting Officer, of Knoxville, Tenn., visited the Middlesboro station and forwarded to Columbus Barracks, Ohio, the following men to the army: Alexander Smith, Hammond, Ky.; Grover C. Hibbard, Hopper, Ky.; Loyd Manning, Hammond, Ky.; Jesse W. Mahan, Barbourville, Ky.; Thomas G. Hubbard, Dorthy, Ky.; Joseph Shepherd, Line Fork, Ky.; Nelson L. Mills, Bright Shade, Ky.; Joseph Smallwood, Grover Slattin, Idol, Tenn.; William T. McNamar, Oliver Springs, Tenn.; John E. Poland, Rock Wood, Tenn.; William H. Parson, Wise, Va.; Has Gillian, Pond, Va.

Professor Mona at The Manning

Prof. Mona, the mentalist of unusual ability, is at the Manning Theatre this week entertaining their many patrons with exhibitions of his rare talent in the art of mind reading and in answering difficult questions of the past and future.

Light vaudeville and good motion pictures complete the program that is drawing good crowds every night.

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Arrangements For Campaign Complete

Whirlwind Campaign to Begin in Middlesboro Monday and Last Three Days.

The finishing touches are being put on the preparation measures for the Men and Religion Forward Movement campaign to be held in Middlesboro next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The program will be in the hands of the printer by the time this goes to press, the only remaining feature to be incorporated being the exact subjects upon which one or two of the speakers will make their addresses. The Three Day Campaign Committee is in a position to announce the general distribution of speakers, and the nature of the themes, they will discuss, and some special features that will make the campaign meetings extremely interesting.

There will be two sessions daily, the afternoon sessions being at the Presbyterian church and all evening sessions at the Manning Theatre. The afternoon sessions will be of interest only to men, and it is not expected that any but men attend them. The evening sessions, however, will be open to the public and will be of a character to interest all very much.

The evening sessions will be taken up with platform addresses. The stereopticon will be employed to illustrate several of the speeches, and may be employed in the song services also.

One of the special features of the evening sessions, Tuesday and Wednesday which will be devoted largely to discussions of work among boys, will be the attendance of the two local troops of Boy Scouts, who will meet in uniform and march to the opera house in a body and occupy seats reserved for them. Mr. Tom, who will cover the Boys Work feature of the campaign, organized the first troop of Boy Scouts in the South, and is one of the big men in the movement.

One of the features that will add great interest to all the meetings, both afternoon and evening, will be the music. It is proposed to organize a men's chorus to lead the music throughout the campaign. This chorus will be under the direction of a trained Singing Evangelist, who will not only lead the music all through the sessions, but will sing special solos at every one. The committee is not in a position to announce the name of this man at this writing, because they are in correspondence with two, both of which are splendid men with wide reputations. If one of the two is chosen there will be emphasis laid on illustrated songs, of which he makes a specialty, and which never fail to attract large audiences. These songs will be illustrated by stereopticon slides.

Mention has been made once or twice publicly and through the press of the fact that hope has been entertained of getting Mr. C. C. Robinson, Interstate Secretary of Boy Work in the Y. M. C. A. for at least one day during the session of the campaign. Relative to this the Rev. Mr. Reid received a letter Wednesday morning from Mr. Tom stating that Mr. Robinson had been in Knoxville last Saturday and he believed from the conversation he had with him about the matter that Mr. Robinson could come for one day.

Mr. Robinson is without question the best worker among boys in America, in the judgment of practically all the leading workers. He was the team leader in the Knoxville campaign and the impression of his visit has been tremendous.

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