

From Long Ago

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PERSONAL NEWS

Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor has been very sick this week. Mrs. Anna Miller was in Louisville shopping Monday. Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Hughes were up from Standard to spend Sunday. - Clay Gentry, has pneumonia and was very sick Monday and Tuesday. - Atty. John W. Brown spent Wednesday and yesterday in Louisville. Miss Sadie Richards has been very sick for several days, but is better now. - Miss Risse Williams has returned from a several days visit to Memphis. - Oscar Walden, the Gum Sulphur Merchant, was here for a few hours Monday. - Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Davis are the happy parents of another fine girl at their home. - Mrs.

Barb Samps was reported sick Tuesday, but we understand is better at this time. - Joe Norton, of the Wabed section, is reported very sick and has been for several days. - G. G. Baker was in Louisville this week buying goods for his mailmoot store. - Judge L. W. Bethurum is having his pretty Richmond Street home covered and otherwise repaired. - Mrs. G. S. Hant is in Louisville buying her spring and summer millinery. Mr. Hant accompanied her. - Mrs. Cleo Brown has returned from Louisville with a beautiful line of spring and summer millinery. - Mrs. Holmes, of Crab Orchard, who used to be Miss Lillie Thompson, visited her grandmother, Mrs. W. M. Poynter. - W. S. Soward was here Sunday for a few hours on his return from Lexington where he went to attend the burial of his mother. - F. Krueger was in Stanford Sunday and reported a good start on tearing down the old courthouse where he will erect a new one. - The Mt. Vernon baseball team will present "Breaking his Bonds" at Broadhead Wednesday night. It will be worth your time and money to see it. - O. V.

Jarrett writes from Hot Springs that he is better and the doctors there have guaranteed him a cure. This we are certainly glad to hear. They pronounced that his trouble is prostatic. - Ben Parrett, who is a natural architect, is thinking of going to Cincinnati to take a special course in designing, drawing, etc. He designed several plans for houses and have been pronounced by those competent to pass judgment of being first class. We believe he has a bright future before him.

LOCAL NEWS

Small spot is a thing of the past in Mt. Vernon. - S. B. Ramsey has bought a new refrigerator and has his meat shop up in running order again. He is just west of the railroad crossing (Steve Ramsey 1869-1916 was a brother of my grandmother Martha Ellen Ramsey). - Mrs. Harve Pittman died Sunday night at her home of post partum hemorrhage. The last account the baby girl was still alive and doing nicely. - Paris Soward has bought of W. A. Fisher the barbershop. Paris, although young in years and experience, is somewhat of an expert in his line and is giving good satisfaction. Mr. Fisher will continue to work in the shop on Saturday and days of public gatherings. - John J. Jones, of this place, has perfected a device for measuring logs in the tree, ascertaining the exact number of board feet in a tree, no matter how small or large. Mr. Jones has secured a patent and feels confident that his invention will find a ready sale with timber dealers. - A. H. Hamilton bought of Rev. C. C. Metcalf the 40 acres of land, which Mr. Metcalf bought of Mr. James McKensie. This gives Mr. Hamilton one of the most desirable farms in the county. Part of it is within the corporate limits of the town and the rest just outside the limits. Mr. Hamilton says he is now a fixture of Mt. Vernon. - The Leonard Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. B. Davis, got his thigh broken in two places, while out playing with other boys Sunday. A small boy of Mr. W. H. Forbes was up in a tree and fell out falling on top of the Davis child, who was standing under the tree. The Forbes child escaped uninjured.

LIVINGSTON NEWS

Mrs. W. J. Carson, of Crab Orchard, is visiting the families of H. D. McGee and J. H. Browning. - Dispatcher Lemmons was in Louisville Wednesday last. - Dr. W. J. Childress, will take Thomas Jones to Louisville tomorrow or have his eyes treated. Miss Alice Ward and Miss Ella Stanley are visiting their brother at Gravel Switch. - John Mullins came in from LaFollette, Tenn. on a visit. John is looking fine. - J. W. Baker is in Louisville this week buying goods. - J. A. Oliver went to Knoxville, Tenn. last week to buy his spring and summer stock of goods. - Jim Burton, a son of J. H. Burton, is at home from Central City visiting his parents. - H. L. Delph will go to the city in a few days to buy his spring stock of

goods. - W. G. Rivers has moved into Mr. Chewing's property in the upper part of town. There is some talk of the New Livingston Coal Company beginning work soon. - Mrs. Bill Graves, who was very sick, is slowly improving. - The little son of Alvin Reynolds who has had the fever is some better. - John Baker who moved into the Baker property has moved to Berea and his brother, Bill, has moved into the house vacated by John. - John Treadway from Cove, who was caught selling whiskey Saturday night February 27 was arrested on the first day of this month by H. B. Burgen tried and fined \$50 and ten days in jail. - Dr. W. J. Childress reports that a little child of Bob Payne had an eye put out on Monday. Mr. Payne was driving a nail when the hammer glanced and a piece of metal struck the child in the eye. A little boy by the name of Schoonover happened to a very serious accident Monday. He rode a freight train to Perth and while there went to walk in front of a train when the train struck him and knocked him several feet. Dr. Childress was called and at this point he is some better. So much for hobnobbing. - H. D. McGee, L. N. and Yard Foreman, quit boarding and go to housekeeping. He will move over the river into his beautiful cottage. Harry is a mighty good man. W. H. Button, the hustling marshal, is kept busy hunting up violators of the law. He hardly sleeps day or night and where least expected he most ways shows up. - There is a lot of sickness in this locality and the two doctors are kept busy, and we can say one thing for them, they have no superiors and very few equals. Don't think we wish to boast but we speak of where we know. - It looks like property is surely coming now. Mr. App Taylor, section foreman, has doubled his crew and H. D. Magee has taken on more men and Bowman & Cockrell have begun repairing their mill and will in a few days begin sawing, which will require several men. H. L. Delph is having logs cut and hauled to Livingston and giving such prices that they are bringing them for miles. So you see Livingston is not dead but has only been waiting until the fourth of March to have a new President.

GRIFFINS MILL NEWS

Old March has returned with its usual stormy wind, rain and sunshine. - Many farmers of this section are preparing for the coming crop. - J. B. Cummins attended Church at the old Mt. Pleasant last Sunday. - Much damage has been done here by the recent high waters. - The merchants

of this vicinity are all smiling again on account of the egg market. And oh, what a good time for the ladies who so patiently feed and cares for the little biddies through the cold winter storms. - Deborah & Lathim bought a hen last week that brought 80 cents by the weight. - Miss Fannie Dehorst has returned home after an extended visit to her sister, Mrs. Wade Brown, of Mt. Alister. - I. T. Winfield Cress and family visited at Gaines Cummins last Sunday. - The farmers of this neighborhood have hoped the Farmers Telephone Company and are putting a line from Good Hope Church in Pulaski County by way of Walnut Grove and Level Green thence up the Crab Orchard road to the cross roads near J. L. Hasty's, thence the Mt. Vernon road

to Jack Suttons, who is located on the Mrs. Ellen Baker farm. May the good work go on until it reaches Mr. Vernon, so we would have communication to our place of business over the farmer's line? - Rev. James Cummins of this place is canvassing the county in interest of his race for County Clerk. Clerk, F. Hartley Cummins, who has been a standing candidate for jailer for four years canvassed the west side last week in the interest of his and is well pleased with the outlook. Well Mr. Del the writer saw 12 turkeys in one flock last week. Do you reckon winter is over or is it just saying that pap and mother-taught us thirty years ago? You know mother always made her soap in the light of the moon in March and stirred it with a sassaif (sic) stick.

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The Rockcastle County School Local Planning Committee will conduct a PUBLIC FORUM on Tuesday, May 20, 2003 at the Rockcastle County Board of Education building at 6:30 p.m. This informal-meeting is being held to explain a proposed Amendment to the current District Facility Plan. The Rockcastle County Board of Education has requested and received approval from the Kentucky Department of Education, Division of Facilities Management, to proceed with the Amendment process.

A copy of the proposed Amendment will be available for examination by interested individuals at the Board Office, 245 Richmond St., Mt. Vernon, Kentucky between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Questions may be directed to Mr. Doug Mullins, 606-256-2125. Those individuals wishing to comment on the proposed Amendment may do so during the public hearing.