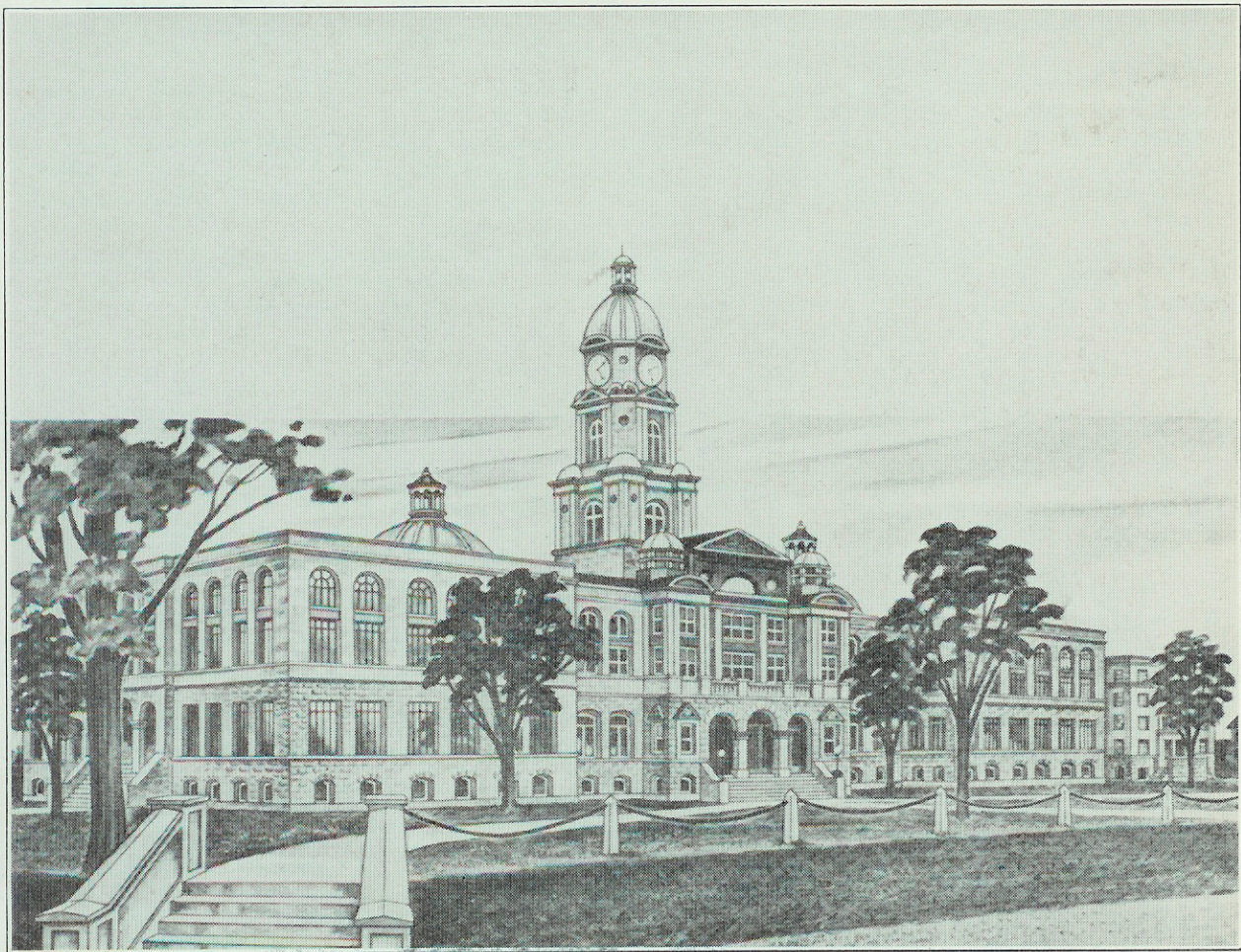


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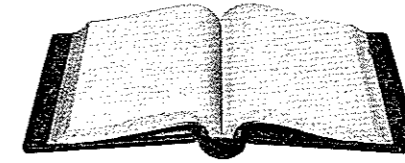
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## **NEW ADDITION TO COURT HOUSE AND NEW JAIL COMPLETED BY CABELL COUNTY COURT**

(See Front Cover)

Cabell county's new east wing of its Court House and its new jail were opened to the public with appropriate ceremonies in the Circuit Court Room March 23 at 10 a. m.

Presentation was made by T. H. Nash, President of the County Court, and appropriate acceptance addresses were made. Following the program the public was invited to inspect the improvement.

In reality this is Cabell county's eighth Court House. The first was built at Guyandotte in 1809, when the county's population was only 2,717.

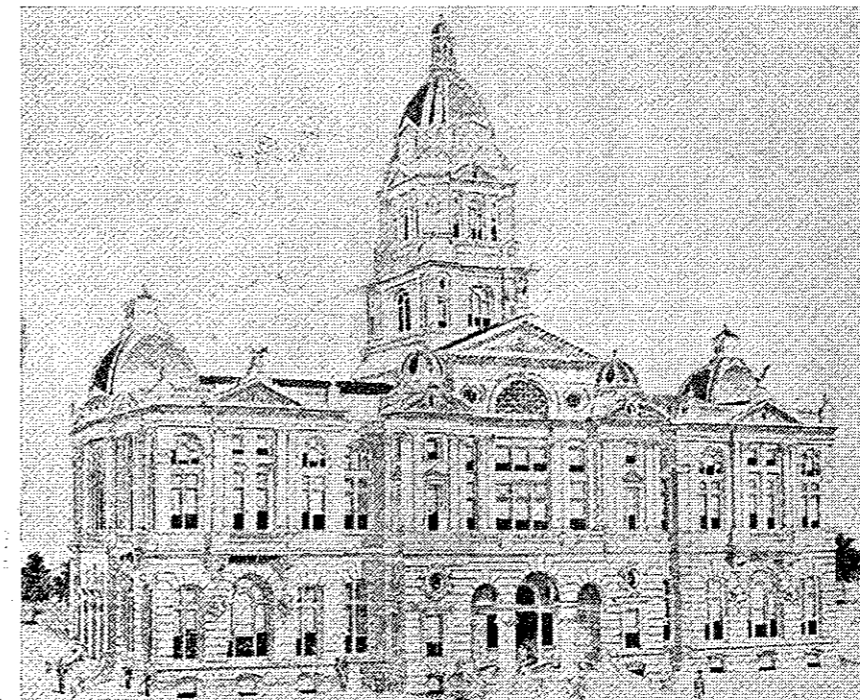
The main unit shown on this page was built in 1901 at a cost of \$95,800. To this was added a west wing in 1924, the east wing and new jail in 1940.

Pictures of Cabell county's third Court House used from 1849 until 1852 and of a temporary

Court House used from 1887 to 1901 will be found on page two.

The jail is also something to see. It has four floors and a full basement. The basement contains office, receiving rooms, delousing station, kitchen, boiler room and various storerooms. The other four floors each have two cell blocks, each block holding thirty-two prisoners and a bullpen. The janitor's residence is at the front, on the first two floors. Above, on the two upper

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**CABELL COUNTY COURTHOUSE 1901**

### **NEW FEATURE IN THIS ISSUE**

Much of the material in this month's NewsTeller is written especially for and about the assessors, by Chauncey D. Twyford of Tyler county, who is president of the State Assessors' association.

The one and only Chauncey got up this material at his own expense and The NewsTeller believes it to be one of the most interesting features ever to appear in this magazine.

Next month the same amount of space will be turned over to A. R. Martin, Monongalia county clerk, who is president of the West Virginia County & Circuit Clerks' association. Now it's your turn, A. R.!



Cabell county's third Courthouse, erected between 1849 and 1852  
Barboursville

**Cabell's**

(Continued from Page One)

floors, are the women's quarters, juveniles, padded cells and the hospital. The whole thing is as modern and escape-proof as possible.

Possibly the best thing about these new buildings is the fact that they were constructed without laying any additional levies or without a bond issue. The County Court has been setting aside various sums for the past five years, until there was a total of \$246,263.00 in the building fund. This was added to a PWA grant of \$207,737.00 to make the total of \$454,000 necessary. In addition to the fact that the county at no time exceeded its maximum levy and did not issue bonds, its previous bonded indebtedness has been reduced during this same five years by \$214,000. This is a record to be proud of, and the County Court should receive all credit for this achievement.

There is no picture of the jail available, except that it can be seen at the right of the picture of the Court House on the front of this issue.

Thousands of people inspected the new buildings when they were open. The east wing now houses the offices of the Sheriff, the Circuit Clerk, and the Asses-

sor, has court rooms for both the Circuit Court and the Domestic Relations and Juvenile Courts. It also provides new offices for the County Court, and for the Prosecuting Attorney. Some extra space is now being used by the WPA. With all this, there are still unfurnished offices on the third floor and the basement, so



**TEMPORARY COURTHOUSE**  
East side of Ninth Street at Four and One-Half Alley, Huntington  
1887-1901

there is lots of room for expansion.

The new Court rooms are beautiful. They have loud speaking systems, controlled from the Clerk's desk, with amplifiers in the Court room and in the corridors.

—Send in Pictures—

**Deputy County Clerk Resigns**

Miss Ardela McKenzie, who has been deputy county clerk of Nicholas county during the past four years, has resigned her position and accepted a position with the Cherry River Boom and Lumber Company at Richwood.

Miss Margaret Groves, formerly employed at the D. P. A. office, has been employed to fill the vacancy in the county clerk's office.

—Send in Pictures—

Mary was sent down to the office to get her aunt's weekly pay. On the way home a robber stuck her up and took the money. She ran up to a policeman and said, "Oh, officer, a robber just stole my aunt's pay!"

"Well, Miss, if you'd stop talking pig latin maybe I could help you," irritably the officer replied.

**1940 Convention  
To Be June 6-7**

**President A. R. Martin Sets  
Date for Beckley Meeting**

The 1940 convention of the County & Circuit Clerks' association will be held at Beckley June 6 and 7, it was announced recently by A. R. Martin, Monongalia county clerk and president of the group.

Mr. Martin sent out questionnaires to all clerks asking them to vote on the best dates, and a majority favored these dates. Previously the tentative dates of June 13-14 had been chosen.

Harry Anderson, Raleigh county clerk, and Van Hunter, Raleigh circuit clerk, will be joint hosts. Full details will be given by The NewsTeller as they are worked out.

—Send in Pictures—

**Lewis County  
Can't Buy Truck**

**State Officials Rule Com-  
missioners Lack Authority**

Lewis county wants to buy a modern fire-truck—and it has the money to do it—but state officials told commissioners that the law did not permit such a purchase.

All three members of the court appeared before the State Tax Commissioner and Attorney General, seeking permission to add this modern rural truck.

It was pointed out that it is possible to have a special act of the 1941 legislature authorize the purchase of a county fire truck, and it is likely that such action will be taken then.

—Send in Pictures—

**Deputy Resigns**

R. L. Brooks has resigned as deputy sheriff of Upshur county.

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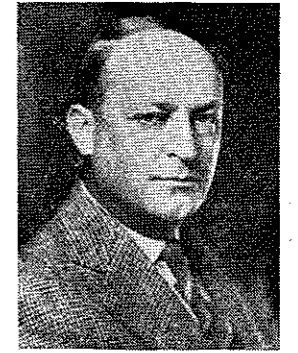
**Assessor's Wife Dies**

Mrs. C. E. Gustkey, wife of the Preston county assessor, died at her home recently.

**CABELL COUNTY'S CIRCUIT AND COUNTY CLERKS—  
SHERIFF—PROSECUTING ATTORNEY—ASSESSOR  
1940**



**M. C. (Cliff) BLAKE**  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
since January 1, 1933.



**E. E. WINTERS**  
Prosecuting Attorney  
Elected 1932 and re-elected  
in 1936.



**O. M. PHIPPS**  
Sheriff, 1937-40.



**F. A. WARE**  
Clerk of the County Court  
since 1933.



**WM. M. MARTIN**  
Assessor  
1925-1928; 1933 to 1940 inc.  
President State Assessors'  
Association 1932 to 1936 inc.

**TEACHERS WARNED**

A sound warning was issued recently to Jackson county teachers who might be participating in alcoholic beverages. In a statement for publication R. P. Kiser, county superintendent, said that he had been authorized by the board of education to notify any person or persons employed by the county board to refrain from drinking.

The superintendent's statement read as follows:

"I am authorized to announce that in the future any person or persons employed by the Jackson County Board of Education in any

capacity whatsoever who is reported by reliable citizens as having been seen drinking in any establishment where beer or liquor is sold or who is reported as having been seen appearing in a public place in a state of intoxication that such action on the part of the said parties will be considered by the Board as a decisive negative factor in the re-employment of the said person or persons."

—Send in Some News—

Charles Howard, president of the Marshall county court, is a candidate for reelection.

## AN EDITORIAL

The publishers of this wonderful little information bureau, "The NewsTeller" will devote a full page to the news covering the various offices; therefore, to get this plan working, the Assessors Association news will appear in this issue. I received this information in such a short time, it will be necessary to use the information I have on hand, hoping the next time when our Association has an opportunity to furnish the news, that assessors throughout the state will assist with some news from their offices.

When you talk to the various county officials, they feel that their respective office is the most important one in the court house and they can put up a strong argument in their own behalf. It is a good policy for them to have that feeling about the job they are doing, and in most cases they do their jobs well. We assessors believe the most important office in the county is the assessor's office, because it is in that office the financial structure of the county is built. The operation of any county is no different than that of any business. The success of any county depends on good management and good management can only come from efficient officers. In the years gone by, the assessor's office was not considered as important as it is today. In order to be a good assessor, he must have considerable knowledge of the valuation of real estate as well as other types of property which come under the assessment laws, and this knowledge can be obtained only through actual experience and constant observation. The money which is spent for the operation of the county only comes from that which is produced from the levies laid by the levying bodies on the valuations produced by the assessors. It is believed there is enough property in each county to produce enough valuation on which the levy can be laid to supply the sufficient revenue, but it is the duty of the assessor to ferret out this hidden property, and most of them are

doing it. The assessors are doing a better job each year because they are learning the importance of their job.

#### Annual Assessors Meeting

The real benefit of the annual Assessors Meetings, can only be appreciated by those who are always in attendance and take part in the discussions of the important assessment problems when they are presented on the floor. It has been my pleasure to attend all of these meetings, and I believe every meeting we have is better than the last one, although there should be three days spent in these discussions instead of two, because no county official has so large a field to cover as the Assessor. The expenses of the Assessors are paid by their county, and it has proven a good investment.

In the past few years many of the assessors have taken with them their county commissioners and I have found that where the county commissioners have attended these meetings, the assessors are receiving more consideration from the commissioners, and they now are realizing as never before the importance of the Assessor's Office.

The next meeting of the West Virginia Assessors will be held in January, 1941, and the reason for this is there will no doubt be new assessors elected this fall, therefore the meeting can not be held until the new assessors take over their office.

The first meeting held after election year is one of the most important meetings held by the assessors during the four year period and every assessor should take as many of his field deputies as possible with him and make a special effort to take his office deputies.

# ASSESSORS ASSOCIATION NEWS

Written By CHAUNCEY D. TWYFORD, President.

#### Assessors Like Their Jobs

I sent out a questionnaire to all of the assessors in November trying to get some information so I could help them and I received forty replies, which I consider is just about the number who are interested in their job, and willing to give to the taxpayers service for the salary received.

Out of this forty, thirty-nine said they liked their job. Twenty-seven have shown an increase in valuations. Eight assessors have a budget large enough to do a good job. This is a small average so you see the county court is too "tight" with the average assessor. In regard to equipment, there is only one of the forty who made the return who has enough equipment. I have made a check on over half the assessors in the state, and it is a shame that they do not have more equipment in their offices. The majority of the assessors have old, worn out typewriters and delapidated adding machines. Every assessor's office should have two good typewriters and two good adding machines. Assessors, any equipment you need and don't have, tell your county commissioners and I feel sure they will get it for you because they know their future depends on you.

#### Mr. James and Mr. Gibson

Every assessor appreciates the untiring efforts of Mr. James and Mr. Gibson. If the assessors ever had two real friends under the golden dome at Charleston, they are Ernest K. James, State Tax Commissioner, and Howard Gibson.

#### Assessor Hurt

William S. Myers, assessor of Wetzel county, was seriously injured in an automobile accident which occurred March 9. He is recovering nicely, however.

#### Dear Assessors:

This page was written by me for your benefit. If you like the work I am doing, or if you don't like it, write me, because I want to be of real service to you.

Chauncey D. Twyford,  
President West Virginia  
Assessors Association.

#### CAMPAIGNING

Clarence Black, who is a candidate for his third term as assessor of Ritchie county, is one of the best and most energetic campaigners you have ever heard of. A few days ago he called on one of his staunch supporters in Ritchie county, an elderly widow. Clarence cut her a big pile of wood and when he took the first arm load into the kitchen, he found his opponent sitting there churning.

#### Delinquent Real Estate

The work which has been done within the past five years towards getting delinquent real estate redeemed has been wonderful. Millions of dollars valuations have been placed back on the assessors' books and thousands of people have saved their homes. Therefore, all of the assessors should be congratulated as well as Edgar B. Sims and his efficient staff in the Auditor's Office. The persons who redeemed their property will appreciate the efforts of the assessors and Mr. Sims when they see their neighbors' property sold for delinquent taxes at the front door of the court house some time in the future.

#### HERE AND THERE

P. E. (Port) Cox who has served Pleasants county for three terms as assessor, is a candidate for sheriff. Port has made a good

assessor and he is a friend to all who know him.

J. Lee Horner, past president of the West Virginia Assessors' Association, is reported not to be a candidate to succeed himself. If Lee "Chooses not to run" he will be missed at our annual meetings. He was very active and was always present with his right hand men, Newlon and Workman. Lee was of the "silk pajama type," but his judgment and fairness was all wool and a yard wide. It is hoped that we do not lose too many of the wheel horses.

A. Leeman Knight, President of the County Commissioners Association, will be a candidate for the office of assessor in Harrison county.

Karl G. Sailer, past president of the Assessors' Association, is the lucky candidate at this time, as he has no opposition. He has served Ohio county well for three terms and he will be right in there battling for the fourth term. His political batting average to date is 1000%.

J. H. Abbott has enough good stories to last him another term. Toss is a wonderful fellow and Garland Wilkinson, secretary of our Association, is his chief deputy, down in Kanawha county.

#### One Good Term Deserves Another

John M. Newlon (he is the fat guy with the little moustache) is Lee Horner's chief deputy, is also a candidate for assessor of Harrison county.

D. W. Watts, Assessor of Greenbrier county, has served four terms. He is a candidate for the fifth term.

F. L. Watson of Jefferson county, has served seven times

and is a candidate for re-election. Mr. Watson has served more time than any other assessor in the state of West Virginia.

James W. Davis of Marion county has served four terms and is a candidate for the fifth.

Assessors seeking their fourth term are: William M. Martin, Cabell county; Harry O. Rogers, Mineral county; Karl G. Sailer, Ohio county.

Assessors seeking their third term: Otto Simons, Barbour county; P. D. Holdren, Doddridge county; W. F. Hizer, Grant county; William Keller, Hardy county; Joe Stinebeck, Lewis county; John Sanford, Lincoln county; William C. Turley, Logan county; Clark Peters, Monroe county; Cecil Ambrose, Morgan county; J. H. Matthews, Putnam county; Ira Whitlock, Raleigh county; Chauncey D. Twyford, Tyler county; Henry Mullens, Wayne county.

Assessors seeking their second term: W. Strong Lewis, Berkeley county; O. D. Queen, Braxton county; Victor Brannon, Calhoun county; C. N. Ashley, Clay county; A. L. Rhodes, Gilmer county; Kenneth H. Hill, Hancock county; Guy Dudgeon, Jackson county; Fred E. Blair, Mingo county; C. W. Perine, Monongalia county; Dock O. O'Dell, Nicholas county; C. E. Gustkey, Preston county; Oliver Daniels, Randolph county; Harry Batson, Taylor county; Harley Tinner, Usher county; Peter Jackson, Wood county; Henry Clay, Wyoming county.

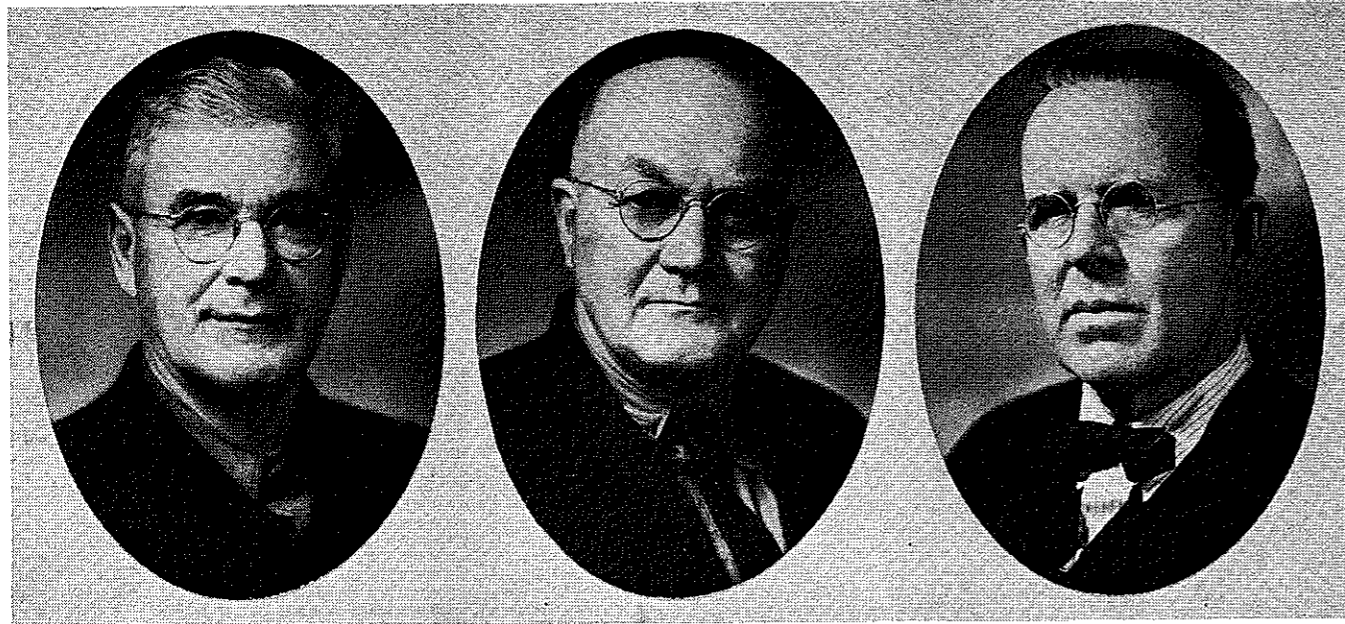
This report is made from a questionnaire sent out to all of the assessors and forty out of fifty-five made an answer.

—Send in Pictures—

The governor picked up the phone and called long distance: "I want to speak to 'Killer' Demoff, at the state prison," he said excitedly.

"Sorry," a voice answered, "but your party's just hung up."

## THREE GOOD MEN AND TRUE



Alfred VanHorn

Earl Hardman

Pres. Homer B. Powell

These three good men and true make up the Gilmer County Court, and usually attend county court district meetings held in their section of the state.

Mr. Vanhorn and Mr. Powell were elected to office but Mr. Hardman was appointed to serve out the unexpired term of Clacy Reed, who passed away in 1939.

## Freak Animal Put on Display

Rabbit-Cat Is Exhibited in Logan County Court House

It comes from Logan county, this freak of animaldom, which is a cross between a cat and a rabbit.

When Harry Dingess, miner-farmer who hails from Cow Creek, brought it to Logan recently the "cabbit" or "rabcat," as the case may be, created a furore of excitement among the folks who had come into the county seat for their Saturday shopping.

Dubbed "Bob" by Dingess, this strange mammal relishes liver, looks askance at carrots and refuses to answer to "Kitty."

It hops with the "kerplop," "kerplop" of a rabbit and stands erect to eat, but washes its face

with its paws just like a cat.

Dingess says the animal eats buttered biscuits as a staple, drinks as much milk as a kitten of the same age (two months) but he hopes to "wean" it off to grass when it gets older.

"Bob" was born to a Little Harts Creek feline. He was the only offspring. The mother belongs to R. C. Adkins, Dingess' father-in-law.

"I don't know what it is, either," Dingess explains, "anything can happen down on Harts Creek."

After keeping "Bob" on display at the Logan courthouse for several hours, his master decided to take him out of the spotlight of the curious public.

"If he stays down here in Logan much longer, he'll become a 'city dude' and I won't be able to keep him on Cow Creek at all," he observed.

## 1937 Wedding Is Announced

Loucile Morrison, deputy in County Clerk Fred A. Ware's office at Huntington, furnishes living proof that a woman can keep a secret.

Miss Morrison was married to F. A. Wolfe on Oct. 16, 1937, and she didn't announce it until this month. Even her closest friends were unaware of the marriage until now.

Her husband owns and operates a drug store in Huntington. The NewsTeller will welcome a picture of the blushing bride.

—Send in Some News—

### Jemison Appointed

Herman B. Jemison, former senior visitor for the Tyler county department of public assistance, has been appointed as DPA director for Calhoun county, succeeding Gordon Wick.

## Former Assessor Has Narrow Escape

A former Jackson county official met death face to face one day early this month but escaped without injury as did the driver of his truck. The man was W. M. Jordan of Advent, former Assessor of the county who since his retirement from office has been operating a general store at Island Branch.

Mr. Jordan and his truck driver were in Charleston. They had taken a load of produce there and were bringing back a load of supplies for the store. They drove on a railroad crossing in Charleston and did not notice that a freight train was coming down the track and within a few seconds had crashed into the truck, demolishing it but throwing Mr. Jordan and the driver of the truck to safety and out of the path of the approaching train. Neither was seriously hurt, however, and after being treated for a few minor bruises and cuts made plans to get back to their homes but without the truck and the load of supplies for the store.

—Send in Pictures—

### Son Born

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ray of Elizabeth, their second son, at St. Joseph's hospital, Parkersburg, Feb. 29. Mr. Ray is county superintendent of schools in Wirt county. The new arrival will have a birthday only once every four years!

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### Attends Meeting

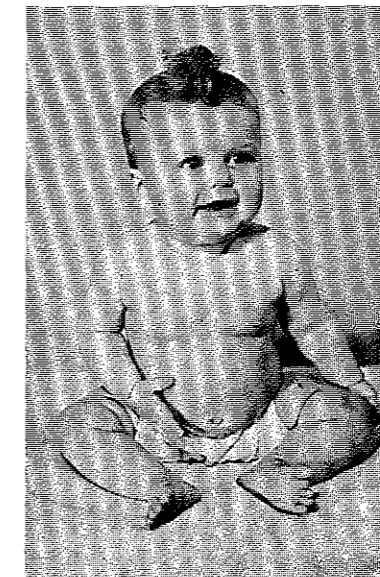
Paul C. Winter, Logan county superintendent of schools, attended the national convention of the American Association of School Administrators in St. Louis this month.

—Send in Pictures—

### Robinett Recovers

M. J. Robinett, Wayne county superintendent of schools, has returned to his office after a week's illness.

## HER DADDY SHERIFF



Snapped in this attractive pose is Margaret O'Neil Cutlip, 6-months-old daughter of Sheriff and Mrs. Doc Cutlip of Webster county. (Editor's note: More baby pictures, such as this, are invited.)

### Confederate Bills Found

One day recently Miss Mattie Tyree of Frankford, who is a member of Miss Blanche Humphrey's staff indexing records of the Circuit Clerk's office of Greenbrier county, found an interesting package of Confederate money.

The money totaled \$2,150 and was filed as evidence in a chancery suit by Samuel Gilkeson against A. M. Smith and others which came on to be heard at the 1875 June term of court, with Judge Homer A. Holt on the bench.

—Send in Pictures—

### Change in Office Personnel

W. C. Kelly, formerly bookkeeper for the Lincoln County Board of Education, has resigned to accept a position with the Lincoln County Department of Public Assistance. The vacancy has been filled by the appointment of G. B. Adkins to serve the remaining portion of the present fiscal year ending June 30, 1940.

## COLD KITTY CAN'T "RING THE BELL"

Tyler county's Deputy Sheriff Pete Pyle's prize Persian cat had been taught by his master to ring a bell hung on a string on the porch for re-admittance. Sandy, the cat, has developed such a heavy schedule of nocturnal social engagements that when let out early in the evening he didn't return until the wee hours, disturbing the neighbors and bringing his master from a warm bed on cold nights. "Too much," said his master in taking the bell down recently. "A cold kitty was keeping the milk bottle warm this morning."

—Send in Some News—

### Son Born

County Sup't. and Mrs. Waldon F. Roush of Mason county are the proud parents of a son. He has been named Waldon Bennett Roush. This is the Roush's second child.

—Send in Some News—

### Suffers Burns

Lee Adkins, brother of Deputy Sheriff Hiram Adkins of Wayne county, was painfully burned March 5 while working at the school bus garage. A gasoline torch exploded, burning him severely about the hands and legs.

—Send in Some News—

### In Hospital

County Clerk R. P. Mollohan of Calhoun county was at a Baltimore hospital this month for observation and treatment.

—Send in Some News—

### Radios for Deputies

Kanawha county installed short-wave police radio receiving equipment in three automobiles of its deputy sheriffs recently. Another set will soon be placed in the county jail.

—Send in Some News—

### Paynter Named

Russell R. Paynter, chief deputy to Sheriff Fred L. Ray of McDowell county, has been named as chairman of the Democratic executive committee.

## Charles Furbee's Mother Dies

84 Year Old Mother of  
Harrison Clerk Dies

Failing to recover from injuries suffered December 28, 1939, when she fell and fractured her hip, Mrs. Julia Ann Furbee, 84, mother of County Clerk Charles P. Furbee of Harrison county, died at 2:45 a. m. April 2 at her home in the Furbee hotel at Salem.

After suffering the hip injury at the hotel, Mrs. Furbee was removed to a Clarksburg hospital, where she underwent an operation. She showed slight signs of improvement and was removed to her home at Salem.

Her death was the third in her immediate family, each of which has occurred at seventeen-year intervals. Her husband, James, died in 1906, and her daughter, Grace, died in 1923.

For forty-five years, Mrs. Furbee had directed the operation of the Furbee hotel. Since the death of her husband, she had been aided in operating the hotel by her son, who is now serving his second term as county clerk.

Mrs. Furbee was born May 16, 1855, a daughter of John Francis, a native of Preston county, and Marcella Elizabeth Green Francis, a native of Upshur county. She was married Christmas day in 1885.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 o'clock April 4 at the hotel at Salem. The Rev. V. C. Cutright, pastor of the Salem Methodist church was in charge and burial was made in the family plot in the Salem Odd Fellows cemetery.

—Send in Some News—

### For School Sup't

Mrs. Margaret Nicely Leidig, superintendent of the Summers county schools, has filed for Democratic nomination for State Superintendent of Schools.

Engaged in school work for the past 18 years, she has served 13 years at her present post.

### Grandson Born

State Senator B. Cleo Casto of Ripley is a proud grandfather. The newcomer is a boy, born to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Diang in a Charleston hospital early this month. The mother was Miss Josephine Casto before her marriage. Senator Casto is a former clerk of the Jackson county court.

—Send in Pictures—

### Court Member Dies

Dr. William J. Melvin, member of the Jefferson county court, died at a Charles Town hospital Feb. 19 after a few days illness. Funeral services were conducted Feb. 21.

—Send in Pictures—

### Brother Dies

Sheriff W. C. Taylor of Ritchie county was called to Newark, Ohio, Feb. 26 on account of the death of his brother, S. R. Taylor. He was accompanied by his son, Collins Taylor.

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### Sheriff Improving

Sheriff R. J. Madison of Jefferson county is recovering from an attack of grippe.

## Fayette Sheriff's Wife Death Victim

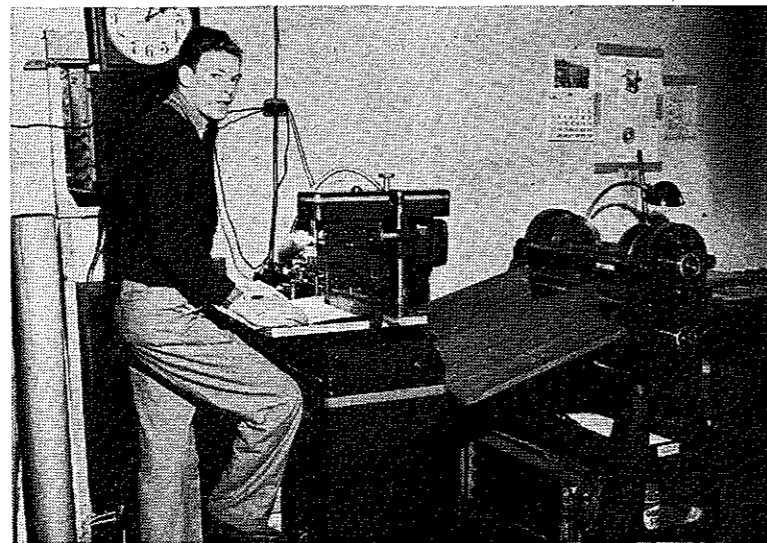
Mrs. Hallie Irene Aliff, 34-year-old wife of Sheriff J. R. Aliff of Fayette county, died unexpectedly at her home March 9 of hemorrhage.

Funeral services were held March 11 at 10:30 a. m. at the home, with Rev. M. Homer Cummings of Williamstown officiating. Burial was in the Fayetteville cemetery.

Mrs. Aliff was born at Maynor in September, 1905, the daughter of the late John H. and Celia J. Maynor. She was a member of the Methodist church.

Surviving are her husband; a son, James Richard Aliff, three years old; a six-weeks-old daughter, Celia Aliff; four brothers, Wilbur J. Maynor, Blue Creek; Arden Maynor, Staunton, Va., and Ira J. Maynor and Henry Maynor, both of Hinton, and three sisters, Miss Rilla Maynor, Mrs. Ray Tyress and Mrs. Edgar Gillian, all of Maynor.

## Power Paper Drill



Above Jack B. Heasley, native Roane countian, is shown operating the Challenge Power Paper Drill and Slotter at the Casto & Harris bindery. Next to the drill is a Rosback power perforator.

Mr. Heasley's mother and sister are also C. & H. employees.



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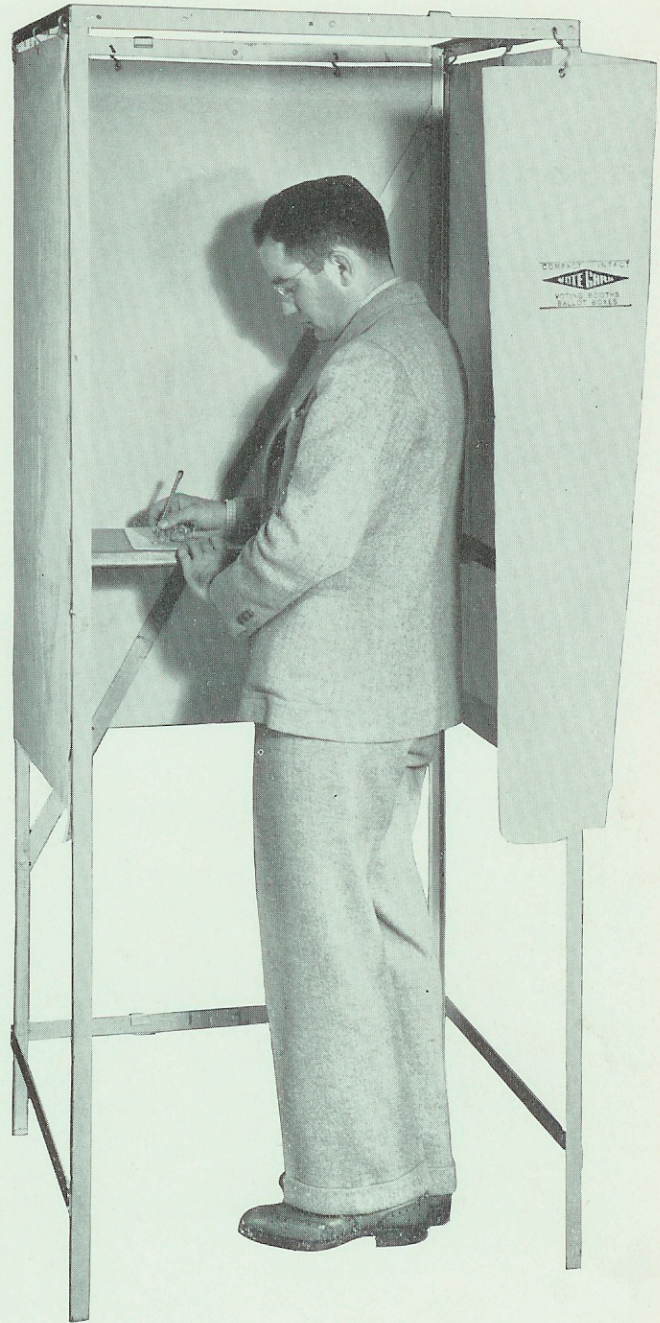
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