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Volume 1

Richmond, Kentucky, Friday, April 19th, 1935.

Number 11

HILL TOPPER STRIKES AT COLORED SCHOOL SYSTEM

RECOMMENDS CHANGE IN SCHOOL SYSTEM

Nero Playing His Fiddle While Rome Burns.

The instructors of the Richmond high school should place themselves over the pupils instead of letting the pupils be over them.

It is impossible to do every student and parent just, when instructors entertain high school pupils.

Well, speaking right out—There have been a number of requests in the past few weeks concerning our opinion on recommending a change in the school system.

In our next issue we are doing so. We, the staff members of the Hill Topper, are bitterly against the school teachers entertaining students. And say—we will get results even if it should become necessary to issue a paper twice a day.

Rome still burns while Nero plays his fiddle. The people of Richmond will no longer be misled. We will not be bluffed. So dear public, please do not cast any suspicion toward any teacher at high school, for you do not know who we are speaking of.

Watch for our next issue.

P. L. GUTHRIE MAKES GOOD

Four years ago P. L. Guthrie took charge of Richmond High School. Today, we find Mr. Guthrie still in charge of our colored school system and although we are not inclined to shout Mr. Guthrie's accomplishments we cannot help but feel that his record should be given some kind of attention.

First of all, he has raised the standard of the school up to Grade "A" and that is something that we are all proud of. Second, he has raised the moral of this student body, and third, he has continually promoted those activities that end to make the boys and girls glad that they attend school.

The recent report made by the City School Board plainly showed that Professor Guthrie was doing this excellent work without added expense to the tax payers and in fact, the tax rate has been lowered over previous years. The Hill Topper congratulates the school board in their approval of Mr. Guthrie's four years of work by reemploying him for another term.

TELLING US WHAT TO PRINT

A few egotistical people have been telling us what to print—yet they have not ever seen inside a printing shop.

They seem to think that a newspaper should print what they want. Not what is news.

PENNEY'S

The manager of the J. C. Penney Co., stated to the Topper that they greatly appreciated your patronage and you will find that their prices are right.

TED BALLARD MAKES ANNOUNCEMENT

The entire staff of the Topper stands behind Mr. Ballard as being nominated for Representative. From our estimation they cannot find a better man who is able to serve and represent this district than he.

PROFESSIONAL CLUB STILL GOING OVER BIG

This so-called Professional Bridge Club continues to go over big—excuse me—the bridge club. Of course, you know only the cream of society belongs to this club, although some of them have soured.

NAME SAKE BORN

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ballaw, on Oak avenue, are now the parents of a nine pound boy—and what takes the cake—his middle name is Maurice same as the Topper. Well, we hope he is the chip off the old block. Ballews will be Ballews.

COVINGTON NEGRO SENTENCED TO HANG

John "Pete" Montjoy, Covington Negro, was sentenced to be hung for attacking a white lady of that city.

The Negro's attorneys filed a petition to have the court retry the case on the grounds that the defendant was denied equal protection in the law, in violation of the constitution, by not having Negroes on the jury.

Judge Northcutt overruled the motion for there was no law in Kentucky for not having Negroes on juries.

It was learned from our news service that another attempt would be made to try Montjoy and place Negroes on the jury.

PLAYING MAE WEST AGAIN

Mr. Bob Benton is again offering a special price on liquors. He is selling one pint of gin and one pint of whiskey for 97c. Saturday only.

GO BETWEEN

Arthur Reed, of this city, should be employed by the U. S. Government as a go between man. He can get more people together than any one person I know of. Next time you have a case, see him.

Just wondering if a certain professional man will buy that young girl an Easter outfit as promised.

THEY TELL US

(By County Reporter)

There was a certain school instructor stuck on a dirt lane with a high school student the other night and had to get two mules to pull them out. We could not learn whether it was a city or county teacher.

Watch your ditches next time.

SIX RACE DELEGATES AT CONFERENCE

Six or seven Negro delegates were present at the three day Regional "Y" Conference held at Bakers University last week.

Mrs. Roosevelt Speaks on Equality

Says One Group Cannot Prosper While Another Down Trodden

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, wife of the President, told a mass meeting held at the Metropolitan A. M. E. Church, Washington, that one group could not prosper while another was down trodden.

This meeting was sponsored by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

WHITE AUTHOR SAYS PROFESSOR'S CRITICISM IS UNINTELLIGENT

Mr. Brown, Negro, a professor of Howard University, received criticism from Mrs. Fannie Hurst last week, concerning his criticism of "Imitation of Life."

She said his criticism was unintelligent.

BUSINESS TO PICK UP

The city is now filling up Lake Superior—or the holes in the streets. Now the county people can come to town without worrying about how to get out without having a puncture. Speaking of the East End, out our way.

TED BALLARD'S STORE TO GIVE FREE PRIZES

We have seen the beautiful prizes that will be given away, starting Monday, April 22nd, at Ted Ballard's store on East Main street.

We are sure that after seeing these beautiful gifts you will agree with us that Mr. Ballard is offering real inducement for your patronage. Stop there and let him explain.

IT FINALLY GOT HIM

Curtis Brooks finally got down. He tried to drink all the strong water in Richmond. He will be out and at it again before long.

Have your last minute Easter Cleaning and Pressing done at Madison Press Shop. Charles Tevis, Mgr.

NEGRO ADDRESSES CONGRESS

(By Washington Reporter)

Mr. Mitchell, Negro Congressman from Illinois, addressed the House last week in interest of the old age pension. The Negro Democrat Congressman held the audience spellbound.

Mitchell succeeded Oscar De Priest. Mitchell is the first Negro Democrat Congressman.

NEGRO BOXER MAY BE NEXT CHAMPION

Joe Louis, who is said to be the next champion by the sport writers, defeated Lazars the other night at the Chicago stadium. A crowd of some 50,000 attended the fight.

Louis is booked to fight Caneria in June.

FLYING SQUAD ARRIVES IN TIME TO SAVE LIFE

A few weeks ago police officers were summoned to the home of preacher Terrill, in East End, where a drunken man was prowling around in his yard. It is alleged that this drunkard made an attempt to grab Bro. Terrill. When the officers arrived there was hardly enough room in the car to carry the prisoner to jail.

I will say one thing in favor of the police force—they will not make a call unless they have their car full of officers, so that if a person resists arrest they can easily overpower him.

This was one exciting moment.

SPOILS SYSTEM IN COLORED SCHOOL

The news comes to us that there are a number of teachers seeking jobs at the high school this year.

Some are definite that they will get a job just because they have a little pull.

Well, no longer will the board of Education be misled by a "sharp mouth piece."

The Topper advocates teachers that are morally fit to instruct the students.

Today we are making a formal recommendation to the Board of Education?

KNOWN ARTISTS

The "Dells" has been lucky in securing a complete floor show for their place Saturday and Sunday nights.

Their repertoire will consist of some of the latest song hits and dances.

Go out and see—and hold thyself.

WARNED!

To our surprise we were warned to lay off the professional men of Richmond. Well, I would like to know who in the h— do they think they are? They all look the same to us, so watch out!

LERMAN BROTHERS

Only one more day to do your Easter Shopping. They are offering the best values for less money.

GRAVES RESIGNS AT MORRISTOWN

A. P. Graves, coach at Morristown, and one time All-American at Blue Field State College, has resigned at Morristown. During his four years at Morristown College he has brought the college to the place where it is recognized by our major college rating associations.

SPORTS

(By W. B. Parks)

Well, the diamond ball season is here now and it won't be long now until the managers of the several teams that were in the league last season will again participate. There will be the Crystal Slipper, managed by Utely Stone; Altomont, under the guidance of Charles Boyd; the Pent-house Club, managed by John Palmer; West End Club, led by Herman Mackey; the Dells, with Milton C. Parks as the skipper; the Paradise Club owned by Homer C. Parks and managed by Hugh Warford; Jackson's Restaurant, headed by James Warford and the Lexington Herald ten, owned and managed by Jasper S. Shearer, and so it won't be long now until the umpire will say, "Batter Up!"

WHAT DIFFERENT WRITERS SAY

Ingersoll: Right and wrong exist in the nature of things. Things are not right because they are commanded nor wrong because they are prohibited.

Miller: (1) Life and all it implies are in the train of the man who dares. (2) The man who dares may scale the wall of Paradise to gain crown of eternal glory. (3) Don't brag about what you can do. Do it then there will be no use to brag.

Johnson: Law is the science in which the greatest powers of understanding are applied to the greatest numbers of facts.

NEGROES TO RUN FOR OFFICES IN NASHVILLE

Three negroes of Nashville, Tenn. are running for council in Nashville.

Mr. Garner who is included on the list, and if elected will represent the richest negro ward in Nashville. The Tenn. Biscuit Company, Keith Bound Manufacturing Co. a widely known foundry and Mehorry College.

From indications Garner stands a good chance to win.

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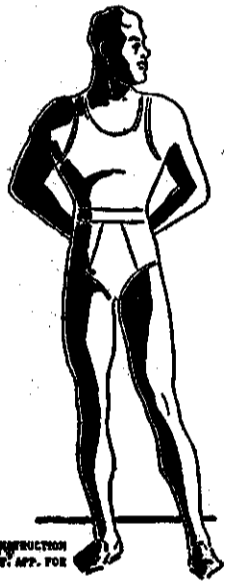
THE SCHOOL AND UNEMPLOYED YOUTH

J. B. Edmonson, Dean of the School of Education.

(Continued from Last Issue)

Too few citizens appreciate the difficulties faced by high schools in this matter of providing an instructional program for a number of young people who are not interest-

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ed in the older subjects of the high school program. If this new group is to be cared for, new subjects and new methods will have to be introduced. If America is to train the lower fifty per cent of its high school population the present program of the senior high school must be greatly broadened, its personnel increased, and new facilities added. Any industry confronted with the necessity of materially increasing its production would add to its personnel and enlarge its plant and also would seek more efficient methods of solving certain problems. It is difficult for the high school to follow this example of industry because of reduced budgets, decreased personnel, and inadequate building facilities. There are also certain difficulties arising from an unwillingness of communities to recognize the changed character of the high school population and to approve the introduction of new types of work designed to challenge the interests of the slower pupils. It may even be necessary to develop new types of educational agencies such as work camps, vocational camps, work and study schools, and other new educational enterprises. Unless our educational program is enlarged and all pupils guaranteed the same opportunities in school to those who are shut out of employment. With the opportunity to work closed and the opportunity for schooling denied, what openings are there for the thousands of young people who do not want to loaf, loiter or roam.

A few facts will help to show the magnitude of the problem and suggest far-reaching dangers that are inherent in the present situation in which millions of young people are placed. It is estimated by the Federal Office of Education that there are in this country at present about 9,500,000 young people between the ages of 14 and 18. Of these about 60 per cent are enrolled in secondary schools according to

the 1934 findings of the Joint Commission on the Emergency in Education. While this figure represents a great increase over the proportion enrolled a few years ago, it should be remembered that two out of every five in this age group are still without regular school advantages. At present it is estimated that nearly 3,000,000 in the age group from 18 to 20 are not only out of school, but out of work. The fortunes of several millions of youth who are not now in school or college are at stake.

It is also estimated that there are nearly 3,000,000 young people now on farms who under pre-depression conditions would have followed the normal course of moving to cities and towns. The fact that they have remained on the farms is small satisfaction, because with the elimination of marginal lands and the surplus of agriculture production they are not needed on the farm.

(Continued in next issue)

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Mr. Stewart Young left Tuesday for Louisville.

Mr. Vulcan Taylor, Miss Tillie Garr, Miss Ann Merritt and Mr. Robert White were at home during K.N.E. A. week.

Mr. William H. Stone was at home from Frankfort Tuesday night.

Mrs. Wiston Boyd entertained at bridge at her home on First street last Thursday evening.

Mrs. Beulah Black entertained the weekly bridge club at her home last Friday evening.

Miss Narcissus Miller, Miss Rose E. Miller and Mr. William Hill were recent visitors in Lexington.

Mr. Chester Willis was in Berca Sunday visiting his

parents. Mr. Hubert Francis, Eugene Estill, Randolph Reid, Mc-

Crath Grubbs and Edgar Watts were visitors in Lancaster Sunday night.

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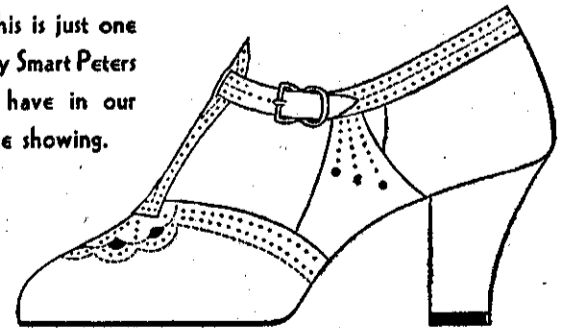
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If nominated, I pledge myself to work with the balance of the ticket for the election of the entire Democratic ticket at the general election.

I am operating two independent grocery stores in Richmond as well as a farm and feel that with my past ten years of experience that I am qualified to represent this county in a business-like manner.

I will not make any promises to any political crowd neither will I be adverse to accepting any advice from

any person or persons.

I will strive to secure legislation that will reduce the taxes of every one in the county—which should have been taken care of by the Sales Tax. I would have you to know that this year's assessment shows an increase in spite of this new Sales Tax.

I favor legislation that will take the sales tax off of foodstuffs.

I favor a law that will put the state prisoners on a state prison farm whereby they could work and produce necessary foodstuffs for operation of both the farm and the penitentiary which would save the state thousands of dollars and at the same time give the prisoners better living conditions.

I favor a law that will enable the state to buy the bridge connecting Estill and Madison counties and also to make this bridge free of toll.

And last, I favor a large reduction in state operating expenses also the abolishment of all useless offices that have been set up for political reasons for years, thereby saving the tax payers thousands of dollars.

I take this opportunity of asking your support in the coming primary.

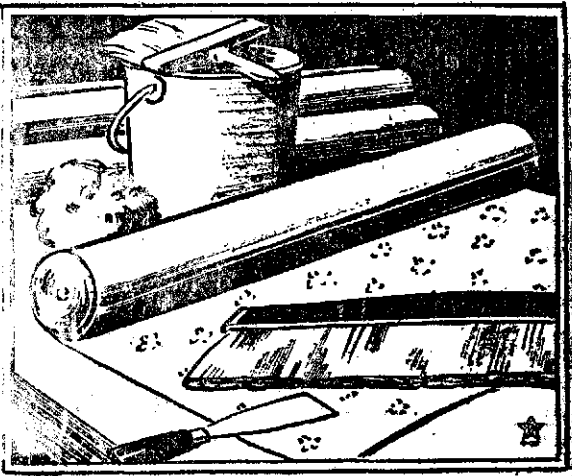
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THE LOW DOWN

Do you understand what you read? If you do, proceed. A certain little girl attended a party a few nights ago. About eleven o'clock she ventured outside and couldn't find the door to get back in. Now, just what was the reason?

From the way that V. A. was acting a few nights ago it was suggested that someone get her a straight jacket. N. M. has finally added the tea pot to the old set and from all indications, it won't be long now.

M. Williams, G. Doty and S. Collins are still turning on. They went on a motorcade not long ago and got in hay up to their knees.

They tell me that Homer C. has been back-biting a friend of ours. Homer said it was not true, but anyway he lost 25 cents trying to prove that it wasn't true, so draw your own conclusions.

"Holt" Smith and Curtis Brooks presented Stewart Young with a new pair of skates so he has skated on down to Louisville.

Now since the K.N.E.A is over and a certain party has returned to school McCrath Grubbs will be up to his old tricks again.

They say that Herbert (Moon Mullins) Francis went to Lancaster last Sunday night and got off "with a mess" but that is the way it happens when a city sheik goes to a small town.

James Anderson has returned home and has reoccupied his usual space in the social circle.

"Flink" Boyd got up at six o'clock Sunday morning and went to Sunday school. He finally got that long pants suit.

Zenia Barnett is still winning arguments. You know, he never loses one, right or wrong.

Captain Vulcan claims he is still getting younger.

J. T. Ballew continues to walk four miles every day in the week.

Glenmore Bates is getting more popular with the ladies.

J. D. Parks and John Miller have balked to a certain extent. Wonder what can be wrong.

Ambrose Irvine, Jr., says he doesn't like undertakers. At least, one undertaker. Can you imagine that. A wolf in sheep's clothing.

Buster Duddley is still playing Santa Claus, letting the boys have his car when they are so unfortunate as to not own one.

STANIFER'S

One of the oldest firms of Richmond is that of Stanifer's, on the corner of Second and Main streets. They carry a better grade of men's wear and shoes for both men and women. Their policy has always been to give their customers the double protection of their own good name and the good name of their clothes, so Hart Schaffner & Marx clothes, Holeproof hosiery, Hickock belts, Dobbs Caps, Arrow Shirts, B. V. D. underwear and other best known names of fine things to wear are familiar to the customers of this store.

IMITATION OF LIFE

They tell us there is a case of Imitation of Existence going on around here. They

should realize the fact that they live south of the Mason-Dixon line. Enuff said.

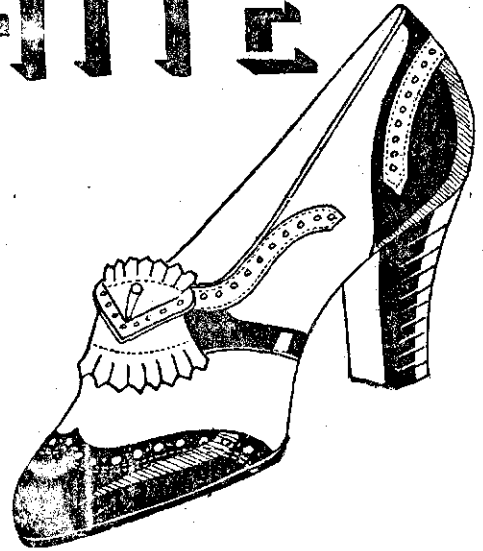
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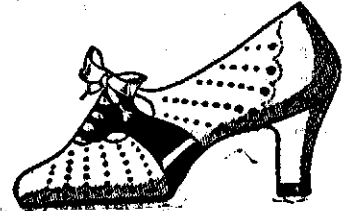
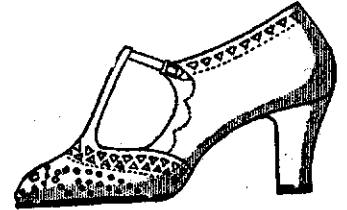
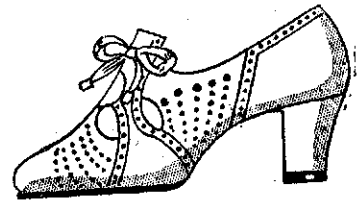
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Where to Go Easter and What to Do.

SPECIAL!

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

Supper Dancing

9:00 to 2:00

FLOOR SHOW

By Caberet Entertainers from Dayton, Ohio.

DELL'S

I MILE OUT

JUST WONDERING

I was just wondering whether or not the prom will be a Junior-Senior Prom or a regular barn dance as usual.

Just wondering who will be the first one to try to bluff the Topper this week, "Bull" or "Air."

Just wondering who is booking to certain girls since a certain man has left town. Imitation of Existence.

Just wondering who was afraid of the big bad wolf.

Wondering if a number of people are as dumb as they look or act.

Just wondering if this paper should be published as some back stabbers, liars, hypocrites, ruffians and ignorant people think it should.

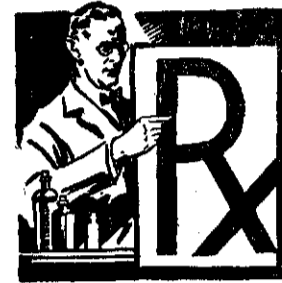
Just wondering if the chicken will bring McGrubbs an Easter suit.

Just wonder what is the plural for the word goose—gooses or geese? At least, that's the argument that Zenith Barnett and W. B. Parks had.

Just wondering if Milton Parks will check and double check.

LAST MINUTE NEWS

That certain married man bought that high school student an Easter frock as promised. I wonder if his wife will get one.



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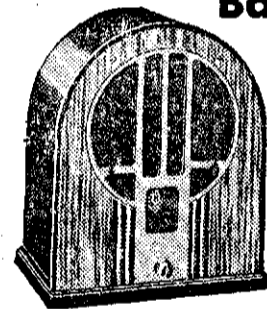
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