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Volume 1

Richmond, Kentucky, Friday, May 17th, 1936

Number 13

Prominent Negro Lawyer-Minister Assaulted and Robbed at Corbin

A band of white men, of Corbin, Ky., brutally assaulted Rev. R. P. Pennington, who became famous because a modern day miracle transpired in his life.

At one time this minister was deaf and dumb. A few years ago he said, "God has opened up my ears and cut loose my tongue."

Since then he has become a gospel preacher and has a message for the world.

While this minister was waiting for a train at the depot, several white men strode into the Negro waiting room. After a few harsh words exchanged the men grabbed the evangelist and drug him outside, beat him and robbed him of his watch and money.

Every effort is being made to capture the mob.

ON THE LAST ROUND UP

For the past few weeks we have been telling you what bad roads or streets we have out East Main. Well, now we are on our last round up, for it is impossible for them to get any worse.

The roads out this way breaks the records. They are the worst roads we have had in the history of Richmond. Dear city—please come out and see us some time.

CAN YOU BEAT THIS?

There has been about four persons to tell us that we were trying to rule or ruin the colored school. That is absolutely false. We are only wanting a first class school for the children to attend.

Of course, we are not saying that it isn't decent or first class.

LERMAN BROS. STORE SCORES AGAIN

The Lerman Brothers store on Main street is sponsoring and 8-day 88c sale.

This is one of the most unusual sale ever held at this store.

There are a number of high priced articles and goods marked down to that price. There are a number of articles and goods you can use as graduation gifts. Visit them today, they appreciate your patronage.

ROGERS RETURNS

The Rev. H. A. Rogers, of the First Baptist Church, has returned from Ashland, Ky., after holding a successful revival in that city.

JOSH COSBY

announces that he is a candidate for Representative from Madison County subject to action of the Democratic Party.

MINISTER TO DELIVER BACALAUREATE SER- MON; SECOND YEAR

The news comes to us that the Rev. Munday of the St. Paul Methodist Church will deliver the bacalaureate sermon Sunday at the high school gym at the request of the senior class and the head of the school.

Believe it or not, this is the first time in the history of Richmond or Kentucky that a minister has delivered the address two consecutive years at the same school.

Oh well! What's the use of worrying, any old thing might happen at this place.

The Topper was at the bacalaureate sermon and considered it as one hundred percent. Let's hope it will be the same this year.

"SCOOTSBORO" RULING USED IN KY. TRIAL

Covington, Ky.—Attorneys for John Mountjoy, 20-year-old marihuana (reefer) smoker, charged with holding up and attacking Mrs. Irene Cummings, 27-year-old white woman, sought Wednesday morning to have the indictment against him quashed on the basis that colored people were excluded from the grand jury which returned the true bill.

Judge Johnst Northcutt in Circuit Court overruled the motion and the prisoner was found guilty. He is expected to appeal.

In the Hill Topper four weeks ago it was stated that this case might come up again or be questioned, and so it happens.

From our latest news report the judge states that negroes were not excluded from any jury in Kentucky.

THIS BEATS ALL

There was a certain party told me last week they liked the Hill Topper fine—but they would like to read more interesting news and not so much gossip.

This beats all—for this particular party really doesn't like clean news—although we only print news that is fit.

NASHVILLE WHITE AND COLORED BAPTISTS MEET TOGETHER

The nineteenth annual Nashville Association B.T.U. Training School met May 10 at the First Baptist Church (white). This is said to be a significant inter-racial move.

CHICK WEBB TO BROADCAST AT CAPITOL

Chick Webb who goes to the nation's capitol for two days will be heard over the N. B. C. network May 16th and 17th on his regular radio broadcast.

We Salute



The entire staff of the Hill Topper congratulates the 1935 graduates of Richmond and Madison county. We wish you all much success.

This issue was made possible by the firms who advertised in this issue. You will find you will receive real bargains at these stores and they appreciate your trade.

Commencement Dance May 22nd

Clarence Page's Orchestra Will Furnish Music for the Event.

The commencement dance will be held Wednesday evening May 22nd at the Crystal Slipper.

Music for this gay occasion will be furnished by Clarence Page's orchestra, direct from the Cotton Club of Cincinnati, Ohio.

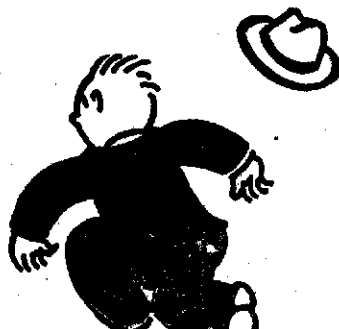
Admission, \$1.20 couple. It is believed that this will be the biggest dance ever held at this hall.

Earl Tribble, of this city, is to be the headline feature. Page's orchestra is now considered as one of the best in the mid west.

WEST VA. SENATOR PLEADS FOR "JUSTICE"

During the six day filibuster on the Costigan Wagner bill a minority of Southern senators kept control of the floor and kept the majority, the proponents of the measure, from expressing themselves. Only a few senators, Costigan, Wagner, Clark, McCarron and Lovan, were able to speak a few words in favor of the bill. One of those who tried was Neely, West Va. Democrat.

PHOTOGRAPHER STAYS BUSY



The above picture is Ballow leaving town after writing about some of those who have been threatening him—or, at least, this is the hurry the Topper sometimes gets in.

17 Stolen Hams Are Recovered

Were Stolen From Richmond Bottling Works. Two Arrested.

Seventeen of the twenty hams that were stolen at the Richmond Bottling Works were found today.

The news comes to us that two arrests have been made. The reporter made four trips around there today but was unable to find out anything because there was a policeman in the station. I suppose they were watching the other hams or keeping on the lookout for the racketeers.

3-YEAR SENTENCE FOR KILLING MAN; 4 YEARS FOR STEALING

Believe it or not—You can kill a man and get only three years, but if you steal, sell liquor or shoot dice you might get four years. Well, something like this has happened. In other words your life is valued less than petit larceny.

JORDON EMBRY'S ORCHESTRA DISBANDS

Jordon Embry and his Kentucky Blue Birds have now disbanded.

It was learned today that the orchestra had reorganized under a new name, now being known as the Rhythm Embassadors.

THE TOPPER NAILS ANOTHER L

It is continually being rumored that we have retracted our statement concerning our attack on the school.

Once and for all that is absolutely false—and we are able to protect ourselves regardless of what happens. "Nuff said!"

AFRICANS SAYS:

"Africans have much in common with us, as wit and wisdom expressed in their proverbs show. It is time for us to get away from the notion that they are in an inferior and barbaric state. In more than one sense we Americans are less civilized than they."—C. J. Bender.

Questions and Answers About City Manager

Note—A series of articles will appear in this paper each week on the City Manager Plan of Municipal Government.

What is the Manager plan?

It is at once the most democratic and the most efficient form of municipal government. It resembles closely the organization under which most up-to-date corporations operate. The stockholders (voters) choose a board of directors (city council) to determine policy and to hire a general manager to run the business!

Why does the city manager plan work better than other forms of local government?

Because it remedies the defects that experience with these other forms has shown up. It is simple and is understood by the voter. It facilitates the getting of capable executives in the public business. It makes non-partisan elections practical and thereby facilitates non-partisan administration. It centralizes responsibility.

Why does the manager plan give us better executive than any other form of city government?

Because all the other forms of city government attempt to elect executives whereas the manager plan provides for the appointment of executives on the basis of an intimate examination of their qualifications unconfounded with questions of their local political strength.

Will the plan cut taxes in our town?

The amount of money collected from the citizens is determined by the people's representatives—the council, so that responsibility for the tax is definitely not on the manager but on the council. The manager's job is to spend the money as carefully as he knows how. The manager plan has invariably cut governmental costs.

How much are city managers usually paid?

In 1929, 20 percent received less than \$3,000; 43 per cent received from \$3,000 to \$5,000, and 37 per cent received \$5,000 or more per year. In 1930 the highest salary received by a city manager was \$25,000. The manager of Cincinnati receives this amount. The lowest salary was \$1,200.00.

Watch for next issue.

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THE EDITOR'S OPINION AS TO HELPING THE CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Very few citizens take the time to consider what the public school system means to the average child. Without free popular education, many children would grow into adults without being adequately prepared to take proper care of themselves in a business world based

upon competitive manners. So to our good citizens in this community we would be unable to educate our children without free schools. So when we reflect upon the value of an education to a child, we realize the thing that school taxes and sales taxes are paid for.

When the citizen thinks only of the amount he has to pull from his pocket for the maintenance of the school system he exhibits a lack of cooperative, unselfish spirit, which must be the backbone of a successful republic. So, now, dear citizens of this great commonwealth of ours, help shoulder the burden and make this coming school year in our city a success in all of its needs.

THE ANTI-LYNCHING BILL

The Costigan-Wagner bill, now pending in congress, is a measure which was developed in the hope of ending lynching, which has been the South's shame since the War Between the States. The American Federation of Labor recently went on record as favoring this anti-lynching bill. The inter-racial committee of the Episcopal Church of Florida, state councils of the Association of Southern Women for the Prevention of Lynching, many southern newspapers and organizations as well as individuals, principally women, have gone on record as in favor of this measure. Senators Edward P. Costigan and Robert F. Wagner drafted the measure.

The subject of lynching has been before congress for the past fifteen years in one form or another. The Dyer anti-lynching bill passed the

house of representatives in 1922 but did not come to a vote. Usually the senate has managed to kill anti-lynching bills. It is to be hoped that Senators Barkley and Logan will use their best efforts in behalf of this one.

The South long has realized the fact that local authorities could not cope with the problem of lynching but there has remained the old objection to federal enroachments upon the states. However, congress has passed the Lindbergh act, which makes kidnapping a federal offense if either the kidnaped person is carried across a state line or ransom negotiations are carried out from one state to another. Eventually federal laws must be enacted to reinforce the efforts of the state toward upholding the law in the very nature of the advancement that is taking place in communication, transportation and along all other lines.

The present measure provides that federal courts shall have jurisdiction to try any member of a lynching mob, but only if states are lax in prosecution or if jurors obtainable for service in a state court are manifestly opposed to punishment for the lynching. If within thirty days after a mob offense no effort has been made to apprehend, indict or prosecute guilty parties such prerequisites are automatically considered to exist.

There is no question that lynching can be stopped if the peace officers, the courts and the citizens of a community are opposed to it. Lynching is contrary to the law and to the whole spirit of American government. Courts are set up in order to give protection, so that it will be unnecessary for citizens to take the law into their own hands.

The Costigan-Wagner bill gives an opportunity to write "the end" to the 5,068 lynchings that have been committed in the United States since 1882. Even the threat of the passage of such a measure served as a factor in the reduction of the number of lynchings from 28 in 1933 to 16 in 1934.—Lexington Herald.

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The Blythe Sandwich Shop on Hill street, seems to continue to be the "hot spot" for the young socialites. They can now serve you with the very best sandwiches at

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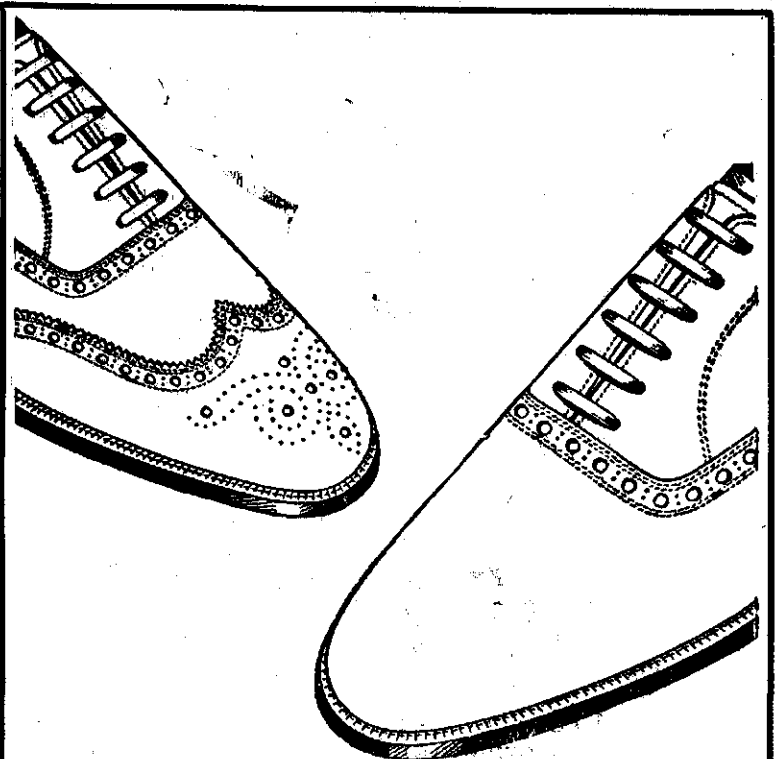
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ANTI-LYNCH BILL MAY COME UP AGAIN JULY

Washington, May 16—Senators Edward P. Costigan of Colorado and Robert F. Wagner, of New York, Democrats, probably have until the middle of July to maneuver to get the Senate to take up the Costigan-Wagner anti-lynching bill, on which a vote to consider was blocked by a seven-day filibuster.

At a conference of Senate Democrats last Friday morning, a canvas of the legislative situation was taken. It indicated that the present session of Congress probably would continue to between July 1 and July 15.

With the "must" legislation of the President out of the way, Senator Costigan may again move that the Senate proceed to the consideration of the Costigan-Wagner anti-lynching bill and supporters of that measure may settle down to an endurance test with Southern Senators who are bound to filibuster against it.

If the motion to take up the bill is made at the end of the session, the filibuster is not likely to last very long. The terms of one-third of the Senators will expire in 1937. They must face elections in 1936 and it will be necessary for them to spend as much time as possible back in their States repairing their fences for the 1936 elections.

DELLS

Everything out around the Dells was very quiet Sunday night, although I noticed some ruffian out around this place with his shirt tail out.

Oh well, ruffians will be ruffians. The manager of the Dells stated to the Hill Topper reporter this week that starting Saturday all those who created a disturbance at this place would be barred.

Well, the Topper is waiting to see who will be the first ruffian to get the works.

WILBERFORCE WINS FIRST IN MIDWEST MEET

Jefferson City, Mo., May 16—The green-clad tracksters from Wilberforce University of Ohio swept away all opposition and retained their Midwestern Conference track and field championship. Wilberforce was challenged all the way, however, by Lincoln University who showed surprising strength. The superiority of the Ohio team in the dashes and relays furnished their margin of superiority. Lincoln was second, West Virginia third and Kentucky State fourth. Perfect weather greeted the tracksters and they responded by setting up ten new records.

Freddy Starks, versatile Lincoln University athlete, was the surprise of the meet rolling up 24 of his team's 43 points to win the individual high scoring honors.

100-yard dash—won by H. Raines, Wilberforce; second, Starling, West Virginia; 3rd, Chandler, Lincoln. Time, 10 flat.

TRIAL OF NEGRO IN WOODRUFF CASE BEGUN

Madisonville, Ky., May 15—James Childers, Negro, went on trial before Judge Charles H. Wilson in Circuit Court here today for murder in the slaying of James C. Woodruff last November.

In questioning prospective jurors, Commonwealth's Attorney Alvin Lisanby asked each one if he opposed the death penalty. Judge Wilson instructed Sheriff R. D. Crafton to summon a special venire of fifty from remote sections of the county, after the group drawn originally had been exhausted without selection of a jury.

Mrs. Mabel Woodruff, widow of the slain man, was not called for trial.

Attorney E. M. Nichols, who had been acting as Childers' counsel, withdrew from the case and the court appointed H. F. S. Bailey to defend the Negro.

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VISITORS IN CITY

Mr. and Mrs. Bullock, Mr. and Mrs. Burdette and three children, Elis Bullock and Mrs. Sunshine Hawkins, all of Louisville, were guests of

Mr. and Mrs. Belmont Mackey last Sunday.

Prof. H. A. Laine was a visitor in the city for the week-end.

Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Broadus, of Frankfort, were visitors in the city last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Warford, of Louisville, and Mr. and Mrs. Smith Harris, of Lexington, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Ballew Sunday.

Mr. Pleas Baxter, of Louisville, was a guest of his parents Sunday.

Mrs. Bessie Ellison, of Cincinnati, Ohio, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Brutus Chenault this week. She will leave today for a business trip to Knoxville, Tenn.

GRAMMAR SLIPS

Questions:

What is wrong with these sentences?

1. The wedding occurred at 8 o'clock.

Answers:

1. Say "took place at 8 o'clock." A thing OCCURS by chance or accident, and TAKES PLACE by pre-arrangement.

PRIMO SAYS LOUIS MAY GIVE TROUBLE

Hot Spring, Ark., May 15—Primo Carnera, fistiana's "man mountain" anticipates trouble when he tangles with Joe Louis, Detroit Negro, but is confident of winning.

"I may have trouble, but I wheem him anyway," the towering Italian told 1,200 cheering Hot Springs High

School students.

"Da Pream" battled good naturedly for twenty-nine minutes before a charge of enthusiastic and determined young autograph hunters, signing books, tablets and slips of paper until teachers managed to herd the students back to their classrooms.

Carnera appeared jointly with Don McNeil, nationally known radio announcer, who interviewed the fighter for the benefit of the pupils.

PHOTO OF M. C. PARKS SNAPPED



The above photo of M. C. Parks was snapped as he was going through his daily routine. You know—the botte of beer in his hand.

This is one of the latest photos of Parks.

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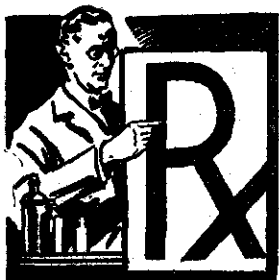
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