

**ROAD ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Mr. Malloy Complete Nearly all Surveys in Falls and Sewell Mt. and Will Soon Ask For Bids

T. F. Malloy, engineer in charge of the bonded road work in Falls and Sewell Mt. districts makes the following report to the county court for December:

"We have completed the field work of our preliminary surveys for Falls and Sewell Mt. districts with the exception of the Gausley Bridge and Summerlength road from Gausley Bridge to Mahan's store. The measured length of the J. R. K. pike from the Kanawha county line to Gausley Bridge is 16.72 miles and the distance from Gausley Bridge to Mt. Cove district line is 3.79 miles.

"There are several matters in connection with the work in Falls district which I would like to take up with the county court in the near future. One of the most important of these is to try to arrange a conference with officials of the C. & O. Ry. for the purpose of eliminating a very dangerous grade crossing and to see how far these officials will co-operate with us with that end in view.

"Another matter receiving our prompt attention is to decide on the best method of removing obstructions, such as fences, coal tipples and various kinds of buildings which have been from time to time erected within the limits of our roadway, thereby making it impossible for us to secure a proper width for the same.

"Rapid progress is being made on the plans and estimates for Sewell Mt. district and we should be able to advertise for bids sometime during the month of February.

"Mileage surveyed to date: Falls district, 14.65 miles; Sewell Mt., 17.23 miles; total 31.78 miles.

"Expenses for month of Nov. and Dec., including office rent, auto supplies and transportation, \$14,461. Amount previously reported expended, \$1,872.52. Total to date, \$33,218.13. Distributed to Falls, \$978.94 and to Sewell Mt. \$2,239.17."

**THE HULLSTON FUNERAL**

The funeral of C. C. Huddleston, Huntington lumberman and financier, who was shot to death by Robert B. Franklin, Whitesburg, Ky., lumberman, on a train in a tunnel here Sunday afternoon, says the Huntington Advertiser.

Brief services were conducted at the Huddleston home, 1660 Sixth avenue, under the direction of a Rev. J. J. Cook, of the Twentieth street Baptist church. The knight Templars escorted the body to the cemetery, where the blue lodge of Masons conducted the formal burial ritual. A delegation of Elks, of which lodge Mr. Huddleston was a member was in attendance at the service.

The funeral was largely attended, but the respect Huntington bore to the local victim of the double tragedy was demonstrated in the lack of the usual morbidly curious at the funeral. Many friends of the family attended and offered solace to the family and relatives. There were several beautiful floral offerings. As far as could be learned no representative of the Franklin family of Kentucky were present at the funeral.

**Herberts Greater Minstrels**

**FRIDAY**  
**Jan.**

at the *Kay Moor Theatre* **19<sup>th</sup>**

**20 All-Star**  
**Colored**  
**Performers**

Making the second engagement at this place. This is considered one of the cleanest and best colored minstrels on the road.

**Own Band And Orchestra**

SHOW STARTS PROMPTLY AT 8 O'CLOCK

Admission 35c and 50c.

**SEWELL MT. ITEMS**

Rev. G. W. Adams, wife and little daughter, George, of Rupert, are visiting relatives at Cortis, Cliff Top and Russellville this week. He will preach at Minnie Belle church next Sunday night.

Loney Amick, Arthur Rogers, Rev. G. W. Adams and H. D. Adams are making the fence line hand in Sewell mountains this week.

Passy Proctor, who has been at the John Hopkins hospital for treatment, is expected home soon.

Mrs. Anderson Amick, and daughter, Miss Annie, are visiting friends and relatives in Charleston this week. Mr. Arch Armstrong is very low and there is no hope of his recovery. The trouble is cancer of the face.

The mercury is bobbing around zero over here. Universal and permanent peace cannot be expected until there is but one King.

**GRISSINGER-HOLSTEN**

James Grissinger and Garet Holsten, of Vanetta, were married in Charleston last week.

**LITTLE PITTSBURGH COAL**

Shipments of coal from Pittsburg during the past year has amounted to practically nothing, though a government report shows over 200,000,000 bushels have been loaded through Dan No. 4 on the Monongahela river above Pittsburg. Practically all of the coal that is going to Cincinnati, Louisville and other points farther south at the present time is from West Virginia fields along the Great Kanawha river.

**COUNTY CLERKS CALLED**

Circuit Court Clerk R. S. Brown of Summers county has been instructed to summons the county clerks of nine counties to testify in the judicial inquiry to be held before Judge Miller, Monday, Jan. 22nd, in the case of Wm. E. Chilton vs. Howard Sutherland. This proceeding is brought under the election statute. It is alleged that more money was spent by Sutherland in the election than the law allows. Each county clerk is required to bring registration and poll books of his respective county.

**COST OF LIVING**  
**FIFTY YEARS AGO**

.....These are the days in which we are wont to talk of the high cost of living and complain that the purchasing price of the dollar is rapidly vanishing. But there were days within the memory of men still living and in active business, when the cost of most of the articles was much higher than today, and when wages paid workmen were exceedingly small as compared with the wages paid today.

John A. Cox established a store at Cox's Landing in Cabell county, on April 3, 1852. That store has continued in existence under the direction of John A. Cox and his son, William T. Cox, until the present day, and is the only store of its kind in Cabell county if not in the entire southern section of the state that has had a continuous existence thru the Civil war and until 1917.

The books kept during the first year of the store's existence have disappeared, but all the records from 1853 to the present time are still in existence and in possession of William T. Cox of Cox's Landing. The prices which follow are a matter of record on those books:

- Here are some of the prices that were paid by the residents of Cabell county for the common necessities of life in 1853, as shown by the books of the Cox store:
- Common brown sugar, 15 2-3 cents a pound.
- Brown muslin, 37 and 45 cents a yard.
- Calico, 20 to 25 cents a yard.
- Tallow candles, 20 to 25 cents a pound. There was no lamp oil.
- Coffee, green or unroasted, 37 to 40 cents a pound.
- New Orleans molasses, 75 cents a gallon.
- Brooms, 30 cents each.
- Blue check shirting, 30 cents a yard.
- Tin, \$1.75 to \$2.00 a pound.
- Gingham, 35 cents a yard.
- Stick candy, 40 cents a pound.
- Iron cut nails, 10 cents a pound.
- Cooking soda, 10 cents a pound.
- Apple cider, 60 cents a gallon.

**TIRED OF SERVICE**

West Virginia Troops in Texas In Good Condition But Very Home Sick

Sergt. A. J. Loebig, a Parkersburg newspaper man who has been with the Second W. Va. Regt. at San Antonio, Tex., for several months, has returned home, his term of service having expired.

"The boys are all enjoying their service on the border," the sergeant stated, "but they are anxious to get back home. The members of the West Virginia regiment, who answered the call and took the federal oath, had no idea they were being called into the regular service, but they did understand they were called upon to defend the nation's honor and were to go to the Mexican border, where there was said to be a state of war existing."

When asked as to whether or not the majority of the boys from this state will enlist again, Sergeant Loebig said, "there will be very few enlistments in the Second West Virginia, as well as in all regiments from every state that sent troops to back up demands said to have been made by the administration."

Continuing he said: "Sanitary conditions in the camps of national guardsmen in Texas and other border states is better at present than ever before in the history of the United States Army. The national guard, now in the actual service of the United States measures up to the standard of the regular army. They officers in all guard regiments, however, are not as efficient as those in the standing army, which has caused the degree of discipline in the guard to fall very low in some regiments. Many officers who rightfully held their commissions only through political influence, are very incompetent, and their services are detrimental to the safety conditions of the enlisted men under them."

Sergeant Loebig advocated the death of the state militia, holding that summer encampments, which were formerly the only source of training for boys who did not care to join the regular army, will no longer be considered sufficient by the war department at Washington.

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