

Mount Vernon Signal

Second Section

Thursday, July 2, 1992

Jurors called for July term of District Court

Circuit Court Clerk Denver Miller would like to remind the following people that they are to appear for District Court Jury Duty on Thursday, July 2, 1992, at 9:30 a.m. Bonnie W. Wyrin, Mary Lou McCracken, Betty S. Mullins, Pamela Cox, Pamela Sue Mason, Edith R. Lunsford, James Steven Dammell, Melvin Bussell, Casper Gadd, Timothy Jerome Anderkin, Donald Estel Lunsford, Charles Lee Bullock, Barry S. Gill, Kevin M. McGuire, James Donald Barnes, Vivian Doris Renner, Jackie Duwayne Goff, Perry Harding, Theresa S. Colson, Samuel Stallworth, Jackie Dale Abney, Kimberly Nicole Philbeck, Randal Sowder, Larry Mullins, Laura C. Renner, Kathleen Denney Brock, Patricia Lynn Brandenburg, Debra Jo Cash, Brenda J. Spires, Doris Ann Roberts, Danny Least Hicks, Charles Elm Walters, Carol Durham, Wil-

liam Joe Shafer, Clarence G. Bradley, Cora W. Norton, Bernard Preddy, Parcell, Darlene C. Clark, Kenneth W. Durham, Judy L. Miller, Edward Isaac Barnett, Boyd Jackson and Hasty, Anita Sue Hodrick, Merrell G. Chandler, John Franklin King, Linda Karen Baker Lewis, Terry Lee Harris, Melissa Grace Vanhose, Brenda J. Taylor, Robert Austin Smith, Steven Glenn Hunter, John Agnew, Raymond Phil Bradley, Elma L. Clark, Homer Hudson, Sandra Atkinson, Wilma McCracken, Debra S. Childress, Connie Smith Hamilton, James Brunetti, Richard Lee Lawrence, Louella Clark Bussell, Barbara G. McFarren, James E. Neal, Ollie Carter, Robin Leo Merrill, William Donald Alexander, Donnie Anthony Doan, Charles Ray Cash, Katherine Dobbs Felner, Sherry D. Cromer, Tracy Dale Caldwell, Patty Cromer and Mary Ruth Carr.



Robin Harris, Brodhead, presented a trophy to Chuck Gatloff, Williamsburg, in the Trail Pleasure Racking Class Saturday evening at the People's Saddle Club Horse Show at Brodhead. The winning horse was Playboy II, owned by Shady Lane Stables.

Call 1-800-92K-VOTE to register by phone in Rockcastle County

Secretary of State Bob Babbage said that beginning July 3 registering to vote in Rockcastle County will be as easy as calling 1-800-92K-VOTE on the telephone.

Babbage explained that citizens can enter their zip code on a touch-tone phone and be automatically connected by MCI to the county clerk in their county of residence.

The clerk can obtain the caller's registration information and enter it into a computer. That information will be processed by the Department of Information Services (DIS), a voter registration card will be completed and mailed directly to the caller, Babbage explained.

Callers using a rotary dial phone will be automatically connected to the State Board of Elections for registration information.

The MCI system will directly link callers to their county clerk during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (EDT), Babbage explained. After hours callers may leave their request on a voice recording device and have their calls returned the following day by State Board of Elections staff.

Once the voter registration card is signed by the registrant and returned to the county clerk, the individual is registered to vote, Babbage explained. "Many people say they are not registered to vote because it is inconvenient," Babbage said. "Now with MCI's innovative program, registering to vote is as simple as making a

phone call," he added. Babbage said that over 800,000 Kentuckians are eligible to vote but are not registered. Currently the state has 2.9 million registered voters.

Babbage, who by virtue of his office is the chief election official of Kentucky, said several other secretaries of state are interested in developing similar programs in their states.

"This election year will be a watershed year in American politics and each vote cast in every local, state and national race will carry greater importance than in any election year in recent memory," Robert L. Goldsmith, vice president of national accounts for MCI, said.

"We are excited we can help Kentucky establish itself as a leader in ensuring that all eligible citizens have the opportunity to exercise their voting rights in this experiment we call democracy," Goldsmith added.

The MCI program is one of several voter registration programs Secretaries of State Babbage has implemented since taking office last January. Babbage explained that one of the main goals of his office is to work to increase voter education, registration and election day turnout.

Babbage, whose duties include serving as chairman of the Kentucky Board of Elections, noted that the state board approved mail-in voter registration forms at its April meeting.

Torrential rains washed away plants, soil and fertilizer

The torrential rains that bombarded parts of Kentucky will mean some farmers have to replant tobacco and put out more fertilizer on tobacco and corn, according to an agronomist at the University of Kentucky.

"The impact of the rain on tobacco ranges from total destruction to the creation of unhealthy growing conditions," said Ken Wells, Extension specialist with the UK College of Agriculture.

"Tobacco was washed right out of the ground in some fields," he added. "Other fields were flooded, but the plants were not washed away. However, plants probably will be lost if the water stood for more than a few hours."

"Where soils were saturated with water, it created conditions that are unhealthy for tobacco growth. These problems can range from stalling to increased likelihood of root diseases. Plant yellowing and stunting nearly always will occur. Cultivation will help as soon as fields dry enough to do so."

Wells said the rain also caused loss of nitrogen in tobacco and corn fields through erosion, denitrification and leaching.

"Where fields were washed out, the plow layer was lost along with the fertilizer it contained," he said. "In fields where water stood or the soil was saturated, most of the fertilizer nitrogen previously applied has been

lost, either by denitrification or leaching."

Nothing much can be done in fields that were totally or partially washed out until farmers can get in and work up the soil again, according to Wells.

If you intend to replant, disk in actual phosphate at the rate of 100 pounds and actual potash at the rate of 300 pounds per acre," he said. Then, apply nitrogen at the rate of 250 pounds per acre total in two sidress applications, beginning about a week after replanting.

Wells cautioned farmers to watch carefully for manganese toxicity, which occurs under extreme acidic conditions, in the replanted fields. "The rain that removed the plow layer also took lime away," he explained. If manganese toxicity appears before lay-by, topdress with about 1,000 pounds of bagged lime per acre just ahead of cultivation."

Nitrogen loss due to denitrification or leaching will be most prevalent in tobacco and corn fields with heavy soils that tend to waterlog and in low-lying areas where water collects, according to Wells.

In these cases, you might as well assume you've lost all your previously applied fertilizer nitrogen," he said. "In tobacco fields, sidedress in another 200 to 250 pounds of actual nitrogen per acre. In corn fields, topdress 75 pounds of actual nitrogen

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"The Lion of White Hall" to be presented at RCHS

Born the son of Kentucky's largest slaveholder, Cassius M. Clay devoted his life to the abolition of slavery. After his graduation from Yale, he embarked on a fierce campaign to end the "Divine Institution." Clay's anti-slavery passion, pouring forth from his speeches and the pages of his newspaper, made him one of the best-known, most controversial Kentuckians of the nineteenth century. And, because he often had to defend his property and his life against his numerous enemies, one of the toughest.

On Tuesday, July 7, 1992, at 7 p.m. at Rockcastle County High School grounds under the red, white and blue tent, the Kentucky Chautauqua proudly presents Steve Wise as Cassius Marcellus Clay, the Lion of White Hall. In a presentation based on Clay's memoirs, Wise tells the story of Clay's long and turbulent life, which included much more than the struggle against slavery. Clay also ran for public office, was a friend of Abraham Lincoln, founded the Republican Party in Kentucky, and served as U.S. ambassador to Russia for eight years. He ended his life living in seclusion and eccentricity at White Hall, his mansion in Madison County.

Steve Wise has been an actor for the past 25 years in film, television, and theater. He has performed frequently at Actors Theatre of Louis-

ville, and is at work on his first novel. His appearance is sponsored locally by Rockcastle Council for the Arts and the Rockcastle Family Resources Center and by the Kentucky Chautauqua, an official Kentucky Bicentennial-Program presented by the Kentucky Humanities Council. During the summer of 1992, Kentucky Chautauqua performers will portray fascinating characters from Kentucky history in every county of the Commonwealth.

Mr. Wise's presentation will be followed by an old fashioned ice cream social sponsored in part by Southern Belle Dairy. Please join in the little Kentucky history here in the county. (Cont. to B9)

Commodity distribution

Commodity distribution will be Wednesday, July 8 at all three sites: From 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. they will be distributed at Livingston Pentecostal Church, and at Broadhead Fire Department. From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. it will be at the Catholic Hall in Mt. Vernon.

Senior Citizens will be served first at all sites as usual.

You must be 55 or older to receive commodities in the Senior Citizen line.

Please bring a sack.



Cassius M. Clay

Portrayed by Steve Wise

Riddle, Davis appointed

Secretary of State Bob Babbage announced that Shirley Riddle and Juanita Davis have been appointed by the State Board of Elections to serve with County Clerk Norma Houk and Sheriff Shirley Smith on the Rockcastle County Board of Elec-

tions for a four-year term. Babbage, by virtue of his office, serves as chairman of the State Board of Elections. The State Board is required by law to appoint the members of each county board of elec-

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Scaffold Cane Missionary Baptist Church -- alive and well for 200 years

By: George Ferrell

Established in 1792, the Scaffold Cane Missionary Baptist Church is celebrating their 200th anniversary this year.

Rev. Wayne Harding, a descendant of one of the original members, said the church has been a cornerstone for the local community.

Church records begin in 1802 and Harding said he does not know who served as the first pastor of the church.

"We're having a homecoming celebration the third week of September and our 200th birthday celebration will be the third Sunday of September," Harding said.

The church began with humble

origins, according to Harding, who said the original building was a log structure.

"The church had its beginnings on the headwaters of Silver Creek," he said.

The original building was torn down and a new church was erected over 100 years ago.

That church was remodeled in 1976 to better serve the church's 256 resident members.

In 1792 the state of Kentucky had just gotten its start, and Rockcastle County was not in existence. Harding, who served as pastor from 1963 to 1969 before returning to the post, said seven generations of the Hooten family have attended the church.

Originally the church was called the Silver Creek Baptist Church but the name was changed in 1815 to the Church of Christ at Scaffold Cane.

In the 1840s it was renamed the United Baptist Church of Christ at Scaffold Cane.

The minutes, kept by church secretaries, go back to 1802 and record various trials over disagreements between members of the congregation.

According to Harding, the church acted as a tribunal and resolved many community disputes.

Some members were also excluded from the church for their disagreements.

The church is governed by the pastor and the deacons, all of which are ordained men of the church.

The church is autonomous, according to Harding, who said it is governed by the congregation even

through it is associated with the Rockcastle Association of Baptists, the Kentucky Baptist, and the South-Central Baptist Convention.

"Some people are still taken to the river for baptism," Harding said, noting that the church has a baptismal tank behind the pulpit for such occasions as well.

"200 years of progressive ministry — the history, the heritage, the values of the church — the continuity," he said. "It amazes me that in this transitory world that things could last this long."

"It must be true that there is a higher power," Harding said.

The site of the church was probably due to donated land, according to Harding, who said in the beginning the congregation met in members homes.

The church has grown since those times, and so has its arm of outreach into the community.

"We have community outreach and visitation," he said. "We have a half hour radio ministry on WRVK-Renfro Valley every Sunday. Through the cooperative program we support missionaries in about 108 foreign countries."

"We believe in the great commission of Christ and evangelize the world," he said.

Sunday School is at 10 a.m. while

services start at 11 a.m. There is also a children's church at 11 a.m. and a Wednesday and Saturday night service at 7 p.m.

The early church met on Saturdays, according to Harding, who said his great grandfather was John A. Hardin — a different spelling but a blood relation.

The original minutes are stored in a safe deposit box held by the church at the bank.

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The present-day church building which was built about 100 years ago and remodeled in 1976.



Rev. Wayne Harding is pastor.