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Summing up the first crop report of this year the conclusion is drawn that although spring work has been retarded, with favorable weather conditions after May first the prospects for first-class crops are most excellent.—Mat. S. Cohen, Commissioner of Agriculture.

Appreciated the Co-operation.

To the city council and editors of the Murray Ledger and Calloway Times:

The Civic League desires to sincerely thank the city council for its hearty co-operation in the clean-up and sanitation of Murray, and also to the editors of the Ledger and Times for their very generous assistance to that end through the columns of their papers. This has been a labor of love for the league and other women's clubs who assisted, as well as yourselves, and we feel that much good has been accomplished up to this time.

Very respectfully,

Mrs. J. P. Holt, Chm. Adv. Com.

Decomposed Body of Negro Woman Is Found.—Young Man is Accused.

The badly decomposed body of Lucy Allen, colored, was found last Friday afternoon by Mrs. Ira Lawrence, who lives on the Henry Hodge place about two miles west of Pine Bluff. The body was found by Mrs. Lawrence a short distance southeast of her home in the edge of the woods while she was out looking for a turkey's nest. She immediately notified other persons of the discovery and Coroner Churchill was summoned and left for the scene about 12 o'clock that night and held an inquest.

The jury empaneled by Mr. Churchill was composed of J. B. Outland, Josh Cunningham, Stokely Stewart, Irvan Garrison, Cornell Thomas and Melvin Blacklock. After examining a number of witnesses a verdict was rendered by the jury that the woman came to her death by pistol shot wounds inflicted by unknown persons to the jury.

It developed at the trial that the negro woman, who lives about a mile south of the Pine Bluff road and not very distant from where her body was found,

had been sent to the home of Charlie Eldridge, who lives at the old Hamlin place, after some salad. After finishing the task she started for her home and was evidently killed soon afterwards. The body had laid in the woods from the morning of the 4th until found the afternoon of the 12th and was badly decomposed and mutilated by buzzards.

Robert Allbritten, aged about 19 years and who makes his home with Charlie Eldridge, was arrested Sunday morning by Sheriff [Patterson] and Deputy Sheriff Ira Cox and brought to town and lodged in jail charged with killing the negro. He was arraigned before the county judge Tuesday morning and his examining trial set for Friday morning at 9 o'clock. What character of evidence has been found against the young man has not been divulged by the authorities and a large crowd is expected to be present at the trial. Young Allbritten is a son of Tom Allbritten, of Hazel, and is well known on the east side of the county.

THE CALLOWAY FAIR WILL BE PRESERVED TO THE PEOPLE OF COUNTY

Hats off, gentlemen, to the enterprising and determined business men of Murray and Calloway county who have made possible the preservation of the county fair.

A company composed of about twenty citizens, fired with a determination that this institution, the biggest thing Calloway ever attempted, should be preserved to the people and a county fair second to none should be held annually, completed arrangements Wednesday of this week preparatory to taking over the property. Six thousand dollars was raised and a deed will be granted the new organization by the old fair association. About sixty days ago the stockholders of the original fair association decided to go into liquidation and the property was sold at public auction with the provision that should another company organize for the purpose of continuing the fair the sale should be null and void and this property transferred at the purchase price to the new fair organization. The property was bid in by W. L. Whitnell but under the terms of the sale now reverts to the new company.

The new fair company will organize at once and enter energetically upon preparations for the fall meet, and will leave nothing undone to make the fair this fall the biggest and best ever held in the county.

Again, hats off to these gentlemen, and with a determination to preserve the fair and make it an institution of value to Calloway county, let every citizen put shoulder to the wheel and lend every assistance possible that their task might be successfully accomplished.

Wagon and Tobacco Goes Into Creek.

A wagon belonging to Frank McClain, bearing 10,000 pounds of tobacco, enroute from Murray to Mayfield, fell into Kess creek south of Mayfield when the bridge broke Thursday afternoon. Lube Fuqua was riding one of the mules attached to the wagon, but escaped injury. The team had just passed over one span of the bridge, but this part could not stand the heavy weight of the wagon and tobacco and tumbled backward into the creek pulling the harness from the mules as it went, leaving the mules on the bridge. Mr. McClain sent for several automobiles to assist in bringing the tobacco to the city, but the wagon and tobacco were soon brought to land and pulled to the city. The weed belonged to J. L. Sherrill & Company, this firm having purchased 124,000 pounds at Murray. — Mayfield Messenger.

Annual Meeting Missionary Union.

The Baptist Women's Missionary Union will hold its annual meeting at Asheville, N.C., May 17-21. This organization includes all of the women's, young women and children's Baptist missionary societies in Alabama, Arkansas, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Southern Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, New Mexico, North Carolina, South Carolina, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia, with headquarters in Baltimore.

It has been a hundred years since the first woman's missionary societies began to be formed in Southern Baptist churches. In 1888 their representatives from all over the South gathered

in Richmond, Va., and formed the Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, to which the Kentucky churches belong. The societies have grown very rapidly, the last count being 13,424.

What the Union does. It supports all the women missionaries sent out by the Southern Baptist Convention, through the foreign mission board, to China, Japan, Africa, Italy, Mexico, Brazil, Argentina and Uruguay.

It supports the schools under their care, and gives largely to the hospitals which yearly saves thousands of lives.

It has a part in all the work the convention is doing through its home mission board for the religious life in destitute places of the South, for the weak churches, for the foreigners, for the mountain schools, the Indians, the negroes and for Cuba and the canal zone. It maintains a splendid missionary training school in Louisville, Ky., where young women are prepared to be missionaries in home and foreign countries. It has a fund for helping in the education of missionaries' children.

For all of these things the women and children co-operating in this union gave last year \$303,360.36 in cash and boxes of provision and clothing to the value of \$11,742.05. Besides this the women in each state do much to help their own state work.

The 1,012 societies in Kentucky gave a creditable amount for the varied work of the union and also contributed to state missions, to the church building fund, to the educational society, to the mountain schools and to work among the colored people. The grand total contributed by Kentucky women and children last year was \$36,809.38. Much good has been done that cannot be estimated in dollars and cents. At the meeting in Asheville plans will be made to extend all lines of mission work done by Southern Baptist women. — B. B.

Billed for Benton.

The famous Southern Harmony singing will be held Sunday, May 28, at Benton again this summer, the Marshall county court house having been rebuilt and everything arranged for the reception of the thousands of visitors who flock to Benton each year. The harmony singing was held in Paducah last summer because of the absence of a court house at Benton and several thousand out-of-town folks participated in the old-time singing in the McCracken court house yard.

The meeting at Benton May 28 will be the thirty-first meeting of the Old Harmony Singers.

Church of Christ.

We want to especially call your attention to the two discussions for next Lord's day. At 11:00 a. m., the following: "The Christian Race." At 7:45 p. m., "Sound Speech." We believe the religious nomenclature of the age is one thing that hinders identification with the New Testament. We believe one should use "Sound Speech" if he wants to be identified with the church of the apostolic era. Why should we not call Bible things by Bible names today? We either don't have the "things" or else we think we can beat God giving names. There is something wrong. Don't fail to hear this discussion

and then judge for yourself where the trouble is. Why could not all the preachers of Murray preach upon the question at different times and let all who desire hear them? I, for one, would be more than glad to do so. And by all means give the people the

whole truth and nothing but the truth upon this and all other subjects. The Bible classes will convene at 9:45 a. m. Come and bring a friend. — T. B. Thompson, Minister.

Good Prices Still Prevailing.

Between 75,000 and 80,000 pounds of tobacco was offered for sale Tuesday of this week on the loose leaf floor at the Winchester & Co. warehouse and found eager purchasers. The crowd attending the sale was the largest ever present and keen interest was shown by both buyers and spectators. It is the purpose of the company to hold another sale Friday of this week and they expect to have another 75,000 or 100,000 pounds of the weed to offer.

Prices at the Tuesday sale ranged from \$4.50 to \$6.65 for lugs, while the leaf ranged from \$6 to \$10.

Hayden-Belcher.

Mr. Wheeler Belcher and Miss Edith Hayden, a young couple of Mayfield, were married Sunday at 11:30 at Dukedom, Tenn., the ceremony being performed by Esq. Thacker. They made the trip in a machine and were accompanied by Julius Russell and Miss Mary Magness. They arrived in Mayfield at 5 o'clock p. m., and the newly weds are at home on South Ninth street. The groom is a son of J. A. Belcher, of North Fifth Street.

Bank Building in Under Way.

Work was begun the first of the week on the Dees Bank of Hazel building, which is being erected by contractor, W. C. Osburn, on the lot recently purchased by the bank officials from L. S. Dubois. The building will probably be completed and ready for occupancy about the first of June. The new structure is a one story brick, 20x60 feet, and will be a nice substantial building when completed.

On account of delay in receiving their big safe the bank will not open for business until their new home is ready, although they had intended opening in temporary quarters the first of May. — Hazel News.

Attorney General Logan Says Fiscal Courts Issue Much Paper Illegally.

Frankfort, Ky., May 11.—Holders of county bonds issued by fiscal courts without a vote of the people, to cover outstanding warrants issued against road funds in past years in excess of the tax levy for the particular years, may have uncollectable paper in their hands, under an opinion given by Attorney General Logan to Commissioner of Roads R. C. Terrell.

Mr. Terrell told the attorney general that a number of counties recently have issued and sold refunding bonds to cover outstanding warrants of this character, and he asked whether a county may legally exceed the revenue for the year, issue warrants to cover the overdraft and then issue bonds to take up the indebtedness to the people. He said fiscal courts are claiming the right under section 1857, enacted in 1892.

Gen. Logan replied that section 157 of the constitution forbids a county to contract indebtedness in excess of the income and revenue for the year with-

OLD WORLD CROP WILL BE SMALL.

Recently having seen from the bulletin published by the department of Commerce that Austro-Hungary raised 188,000,000 pounds of tobacco, Germany 85,000,000, France 49,000,000, Italy 23,000,000, Belgium 22,000,000, making an aggregate of nearly 400,000,000, or practically as

much tobacco as all the state of Kentucky, and knowing that these nations were at war, I instantly realized that the production must necessarily be largely circumscribed, both for lack of labor and the necessity of utilizing their limited area and facilities in order to produce the necessities of life. Therefore in order to ascertain these facts, I made a request of Secretary Redfield of the Department of Commerce, to furnish the detailed information on file in his department, that would enable me to give to the public through the press the real facts; in order that the farmers and the trade generally might avail themselves of benefits that would accrue to them. I received the most hearty support and co-operation in my endeavors to get desired information and I quote from the secretary's letter:

"Thank you for your letter requesting information concerning the curtailment of tobacco production in certain foreign countries as result of war. I am referring your communication to the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, of this department with instruction to communicate with you at the earliest practical date."

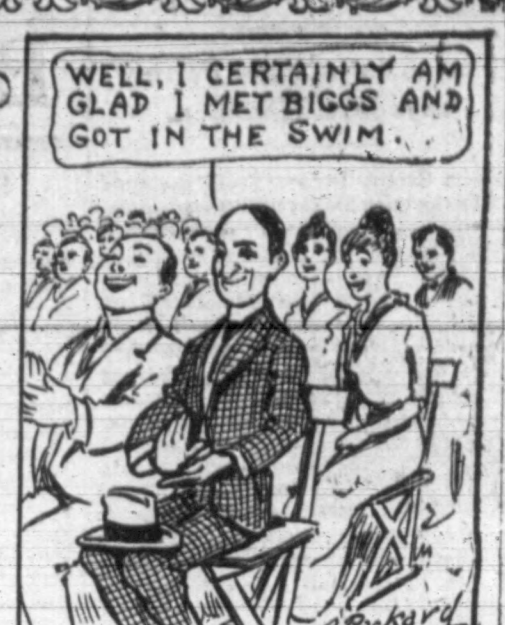
This promise has been faithfully kept, and by the hearty co-operation of both the agricultural and state departments, even to the co-operation of the consuls general at Vienna and Berlin in order to obtain dates that had not hitherto been ascertained, these inquiries brought forth the following important information.

Austro-Hungary.—"No figures are obtainable. The cable from the consul general at Vienna states there is a big market for American tobacco if delivery is possible."

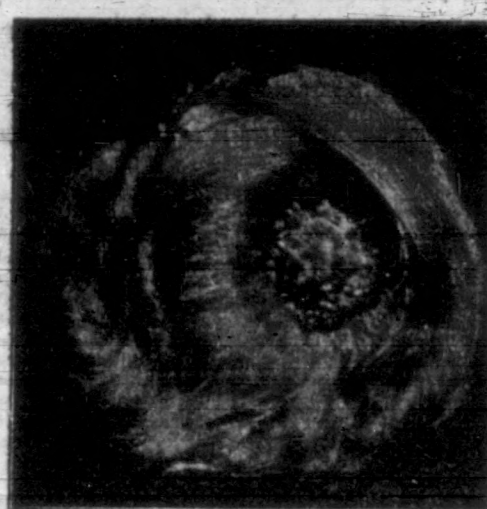
The 1915 crop was below the

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Chautauqua Week Here June 17th to 24th



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and
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Dr. G. N. Murphey,
Specialist

PADUCAH, KENTUCKY

Revenue Officer Marries.

Mayfield, Ky., May 9.—Thom-
as L. McNutt and Mrs. Oda V.
Wyatt were married Thursday
evening. The ceremony was per-
formed by Rev. J. J. Castleberry
at the pastor's home at 8:00 o'-
clock. The wedding was quiet
and also a surprise to the friends
of the bride and groom. They
went immediately to the home
of the groom in the eastern part
of the city, where they will re-
side. The bride is the widow of
the late Ed Wyatt and was one
of the contestants in the Messen-
ger's contest a year ago. Mr.
McNutt is deputy revenue col-
lector for this district and one
of the best known men in the
city and county.

Brown's Grove.

Everybody is busy plowing and
planting. Tobacco plants are
coming on fast and we are try-
ing to get ready for them.

Mrs. Mary Wilkerson, who is
visiting her daughter, Mrs. Con-
Hall, near Hazel, fell and broke
her hip last week. It is feared
that she is in a critical condition.
She is a very worthy lady and
has the sympathy of the entire
community.

Some of the tobacco in this
community has been sold and re-
sold and then sold again, and it
is impossible to tell where it will
land or who will finally get it.

Sellers Charlton lost one of his
mules the past week. The ani-
mal choked to death.—Billie.

Commissioners Sale

Calloway Circuit Court, Kentucky

C. B. Fulton, Administrator.
W. A. McCuiston, etc.
Vs: Judgment.
James McCuiston, etc.

By virtue of a Judgment and Or-
der of Sale of the Calloway Circuit
Court rendered at the April term
thereof, 1916, in the above cause for
the purpose of payment of debts and
a division of the remaining proceeds.
I shall proceed to offer for sale at
the court house door in Murray,
Kentucky, to the highest bidder at
public auction on the 22nd day of
May, 1916, between the hours
of 1:00 and 3:00 o'clock p. m., being
county court day, upon a credit of
six months, the following described
property, or so much thereof as may
be necessary to satisfy the above
judgment, same lying in Calloway
county, Kentucky, to-wit:

10 acres out of the southeast cor-
ner of the southwest quarter of sec-
tion 22, township 1, range 6 east,
and described as beginning at the
southeast corner of said quarter,
thence west 50 poles, thence north
32 poles, thence east 50 poles, thence
south to the beginning.

20 acres out of the southwest cor-
ner of the northeast quarter of sec-
tion 27, township 1, range 6 east.
The same being 80 poles north and
south and 40 poles east and west.

Also all of the northwest quarter
of section 27, township 1, range 6
east, except 85 acres, more or less,
sold and deeded to J. B. Hodges by
W. A. McCuiston and described as
beginning at a rock 29 poles north
of the southwest corner of the north
west quarter of section 27, township
1, range 6 east. On the mouth of
Sandy road, thence east with said
road to a walnut tree, thence nearly
east parallel with the quarter sec-
tion line 117 poles to the quarter sec-
tion line, thence about north with
quarter section line 85 poles to a
rock, thence about west parallel
with the section and quarter section
line to the west line of the said
quarter section, being also section
line, thence south with section line
81 poles to the beginning. For de-
scription of said land see deed book
18, page 560.

Also, except 11 1-2 acres, more or
less, sold and deeded to J. I. Hodges
and described as beginning on the
west line of the northwest quarter
of section 27, township 1, range 6
east, thence north 19 poles, thence
east 21 1-2 poles, thence north 5
poles, thence east 60 1-2 poles, thence

south 24 poles, thence 82 poles to the
beginning.

Also, except 5 acres, more or less,
beginning at a rock in the northwest
corner of the northwest quarter of
section 27, township 1, range 6 east,
thence south 86 poles, thence east 22
poles, thence north 86 poles, thence
west 22 poles to the beginning.

Also, except 5 acres, more or less,
out of the northeast corner of the
northwest quarter of section 27,
township 1, range 6 east, and being
56 poles north and south and 15 poles
east and west. Which leaves to be
sold in section 27, township 1, range
6 east, about 85 acres, including the
improvements and this on the north
side of said quarter section line, in-
cluding all to be sold about 65 or 70
acres as above described.

For the purchase price purchaser
with approved surety or securities
must execute bond, bearing legal in-
terest from the day of sale until
paid, and having the force and ef-
fect of a judgment. Bidders will be
prepared to comply promptly with
these terms.

J. A. Edwards, Commissioner.

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ing to \$929.28 and accrued interest,
and costs herein expended.

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the court house door in Murray, Ken-
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being county court day, upon a credit
of 6 months, the following describ-
ed property, or as much thereof as
may be necessary to satisfy the
above named judgment, to-wit:

Said land lying and being in Cal-
loway county, Kentucky:—Viz: The
west half of the northwest quarter
of section 7, township 3, range 6 east,
same containing 80 acres, more or
less.

For the purchase price, pur-
chaser with approved surety or securi-
ties, must execute bond, bearing legal
interest from the day of sale until
paid, and having the force and effect
of a judgment. Bidders will be pre-
pared to comply promptly with these
terms.

J. A. Edwards, Commissioner.

Tom King a Suicide.

Tom King, well known in this
county, and whose wife was Miss
Nannie Ladd, committed suicide
last Sunday night at his home in
McCracken county. The News-
Democrat of Monday contained the
following account of the deed:

Despondent over the death of
his wife which occurred two
months ago, Thomas King, a
prosperous farmer of near Reid-
land, this county, swallowed a
large quantity of Paris green
Sunday morning between mid-
night and 6 o'clock, and died at
8 o'clock Sunday morning. The
suicide was about 45 years old
and considered one of the dis-
trict's wealthiest men.

Mr. King leaves three chil-
dren, a son, aged 16; a daughter,
aged 12, and a daughter, aged 9.

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ACCURATE PRESCRIPTION DEPARTMENT

Holland-Hart Drug Co.

Next Door to Adams Barber Shop

Celebrates Eightieth Anniversary.

Mayfield, Ky., May 8.—Thurs-
day, May 4, at "The Homestead"
this city, was celebrated the 80th
anniversary of the birth of Maj.
Henry Stephenson Hale, a long
time citizen of Graves county, a
prominent factor in the develop-
ment of the life of this city, the
county seat, where he has lived
since 1867, and a distinguished
native son of this state.

Major Hale was the third son
of Nicholas and Rhoda Crouch
Hale, who at the time of his
birth were living in Warren
county, Kentucky, not far from
Bowling Green, his brothers be-
ing Wm. Harrison Hale (1829-
1881), of Lynville, Ky.; Nathan
Terrell Hale (1883-1902), Murray,
Ky., and Joshua David Alexan-
der Hale (1842-1892), Mayfield,
Ky. His sisters were Mrs. Geo.
W. Thompson and Mrs. John T.
Cary, of Graves county.

Being deprived of the loving
care of his parents at the early
age of eleven years, he, with his
brothers and sisters, was fortu-
nate enough to become a member

of the household of a good uncle
and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan
Hale, prominent citizens of the
county. Here he grew and de-
veloped into strong young man-
hood, showing early tendencies
to be very much in earnest about
life.

Settlement Notice.

Notice is hereby given that all
persons holding claims against
the estate of J. M. Morris, de-
ceased, must present same to the
undersigned properly proven on
or before July 1, 1916, or be for-
ever barred from the collection
of same. And all persons know-
ing themselves indebted to the
said estate by note or account
are also notified to come forward
by above date and make settle-
ment of same.—J. W. Falwell,
Agent. 5113

Sues for Divorce.

Mayfield, Ky., May 9.—Alleg-
ing abandonment, Barbara Sto-
vall has instituted suit in Graves
circuit court against Gus T. Sto-
vall for divorce. Plaintiff and
defendant were married in 1894.

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Summing up the first crop report of this year the conclusion is drawn that although spring work has been retarded, with favorable weather conditions after May first the prospects for first-class crops are most excellent.—Mat. S. Cohen, Commissioner of Agriculture.

Appreciated the Co-operation.

To the city council and editors of the Murray Ledger and Calloway Times:

The Civic League desires to sincerely thank the city council for its hearty co-operation in the clean-up and sanitation of Murray and also to the editors of the Ledger and Times for their very generous assistance to that end through the columns of their papers. This has been a labor of love for the league and other women's clubs who assisted, as well as yourselves, and we feel that much good has been accomplished up to this time.

Very respectfully,
Mrs. J. P. Holt, Chm. Adv. Com.

Decomposed Body of Negro Woman Is Found.—Young Man is Accused.

The badly decomposed body of Lucy Allen, colored, was found last Friday afternoon by Mrs. Ira Lawrence, who lives on the Henry Hodge place about two miles west of Pine Bluff. The body was found by Mrs. Lawrence a short distance southeast of her home in the edge of the woods while she was out looking for a turkey's nest. She immediately notified other persons of the discovery and Coroner Churchill was summoned and left for the scene about 12 o'clock that night and held an inquest.

The jury empaneled by Mr. Churchill was composed of Jabie Outland, Josh Cunningham, Stokely Stewart, Irvan Garrison, Cornell Thomas and Melvin Blacklock. After examining a number of witnesses a verdict was rendered by the jury that the woman came to her death by pistol shot wounds inflicted by unknown persons to the jury.

It developed at the trial that the negro woman, who lives about a mile south of the Pine Bluff road and not very distant from where her body was found,

had been sent to the home of Charlie Eldridge, who lives at the old Hamlin place, after some salad. After finishing the task she started for her home and was evidently killed soon afterwards. The body had laid in the woods from the morning of the 4th until found the afternoon of the 12th and was badly decomposed and mutilated by buzzards.

Hobert Allbritten, aged about 19 years and who makes his home with Charlie Eldridge, was arrested Sunday morning by Sheriff Patterson and Deputy Sheriff Ira Cox and brought to town and lodged in jail charged with killing the negro. He was arraigned before the county judge Tuesday morning and his examining trial set for Friday morning at 9 o'clock. What character of evidence has been found against the young man has not been divulged by the authorities and a large crowd is expected to be present at the trial. Young Allbritten is a son of Tom Allbritten, of Hazel, and is well known on the east side of the county.

THE CALLOWAY FAIR WILL BE PRESERVED TO THE PEOPLE OF COUNTY

Hats off, gentlemen, to the enterprising and determined business men of Murray and Calloway county who have made possible the preservation of the county fair.

A company composed of about twenty citizens, fired with a determination that this institution, the biggest thing Calloway ever attempted, should be preserved to the people and a county fair second to none should be held annually, completed arrangements Wednesday of this week preparatory to taking over the property. Six thousand dollars was raised and a deed will be granted the new organization by the old fair association. About sixty days ago the stockholders of the original fair association decided to go into liquidation and the property was sold at public auction with the provision that should another company organize for the purpose of continuing the fair the sale should be null and void and this property transferred at the purchase price to the new fair organization. The property was bid in by W. L. Whitnell but under the terms of the sale now reverts to the new company.

The new fair company will organize at once and enter energetically upon preparations for the fall meet, and will leave nothing undone to make the fair this fall the biggest and best ever held in the county.

Again, hats off to these gentlemen, and with a determination to preserve the fair and make it an institution of value to Calloway county, let every citizen put shoulder to the wheel and lend every assistance possible that their task might be successfully accomplished.

Wagon and Tobacco Goes Into Creek.

A wagon belonging to Frank McClain, bearing 10,000 pounds of tobacco, enroute from Murray to Mayfield, fell into Kess creek south of Mayfield when the bridge broke Thursday afternoon. Lube Fuqua was riding one of the mules attached to the wagon, but escaped injury. The team had just passed over one span of the bridge, but this part could not stand the heavy weight of the wagon and tobacco and tumbled backward into the creek pulling the harness from the mules as it went, leaving the mules on the bridge. Mr. McClain sent for several automobiles to assist in bringing the tobacco to the city, but the wagon and tobacco were soon brought to land and pulled to the city. The weed belonged to J. L. Sherrill & Company, this firm having purchased 124,000 pounds at Murray.—Mayfield Messenger.

Annual Meeting Missionary Union.

The Baptist Womens Missionary Union will hold its annual meeting at Asheville, N.C., May 17-21. This organization includes all of the women's, young women's and children's Baptist missionary societies in Alabama, Arkansas, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Southern Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, New Mexico, North Carolina, South Carolina, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia, with headquarters in Baltimore.

It has been a hundred years since the first woman's missionary societies began to be formed in Southern Baptist churches. In 1888 their representatives from all over the South gathered

in Richmond, Va., and formed the Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, to which the Kentucky churches belong. The societies have grown very rapidly, the last count being 13,424.

What the Union does. It supports all the women missionaries sent out by the Southern Baptist Convention, through the foreign mission board, to China, Japan, Africa, Italy, Mexico, Brazil, Argentina and Uruguay.

It supports the schools under their care, and gives largely to the hospitals which yearly saves thousands of lives.

It has a part in all the work the convention is doing through its home mission board for the religious life in destitute places of the South, for the weak churches, for the foreigners, for the mountain schools, the Indians, the negroes and for Cuba and the canal zone. It maintains a splendid missionary training school in Louisville, Ky., where young women are prepared to be missionaries in home and foreign countries. It has a fund for helping in the education of missionaries' children.

For all of these things the women and children co-operating in this union gave last year \$303,360.36 in cash and boxes of provision and clothing to the value of \$11,742.05. Besides this the women in each state do much to help their own state work. The 1,012 societies in Kentucky gave a creditable amount for the varied work of the union and also contributed to state missions, to the church building fund, to the educational society, to the mountain schools and to work among the colored people. The grand total contributed by Kentucky women and children last year was \$36,809.38. Much good has been done that cannot be estimated in dollars and cents. At the meeting in Asheville plans will be made to extend all lines of mission work done by Southern Baptist women.—B. B.

Billed for Benton.

The famous Southern Harmony singing will be held Sunday, May 28, at Benton again this summer, the Marshall county court house having been rebuilt and everything arranged for the reception of the thousands of visitors who flock to Benton each year. The harmony singing was held in Paducah last summer because of the absence of a court house at Benton and several thousand out-of-town folks participated in the old-time singing in the McCracken court house yard.

The meeting at Benton May 28 will be the thirty-first meeting of the Old Harmony Singers.

Church of Christ.

We want to especially call your attention to the two discussions for next Lord's day. At 11:00 a. m., the following: "The Christian Race." At 7:45 p. m., "Sound Speech." We believe the religious nomenclature of the age is one thing that hinders identification with the New Testament. We believe one should use "Sound Speech" if he wants to be identified with the church of the apostolic era. Why should we not call Bible things by Bible names today? We either don't have the "things" or else we think we can't get God giving names. There is something wrong. Don't fail to hear this discussion

and then judge for yourself where the trouble is. Why could not all the preachers of Murray preach upon the question at different times and let all who desire hear them? I, for one, would be more than glad to do so. And by all means give the people the whole truth and nothing but the truth upon this and all other subjects. The Bible classes will convene at 9:45 a. m. Come and bring a friend.—T. B. Thompson, Minister.

Good Prices Still Prevailing.

Between 75,000 and 80,000 pounds of tobacco was offered for sale Tuesday of this week on the loose leaf floor at the Winchester & Co. warehouse and found eager purchasers. The crowd attending the sale was the largest ever present and keen interest was shown by both buyers and spectators. It is the purpose of the company to hold another sale Friday of this week and they expect to have another 75,000 or 100,000 pounds of the weed to offer. Prices at the Tuesday sale ranged from \$4.50 to \$6.65 for lugs, while the leaf ranged from \$6 to \$10.

Hayden-Belcher.

Mr. Wheeler Belcher and Miss Edith Hayden, a young couple of Mayfield, were married Sunday at 11:30 at Dukedom, Tenn., the ceremony being performed by Esq. Thacker. They made the trip in a machine and were accompanied by Julius Russell and Miss Mary Magness. They arrived in Mayfield at 5 o'clock p. m., and the newly weds are at home on South Ninth street. The groom is a son of J. A. Belcher, of North Fifth Street.

Bank Building in Under Way.

Work was begun the first of the week on the Dees Bank of Hazel building, which is being erected by contractor, W. C. Osburn, on the lot recently purchased by the bank officials from L. S. Dubois. The building will probably be completed and ready for occupancy about the first of June. The new structure is a one story brick, 20x60 feet, and will be a nice substantial building when completed.

On account of delay in receiving their big safe the bank will not open for business until their new home is ready, although they had intended opening in temporary quarters the first of May.—Hazel News.

Attorney General Logan Says Fiscal Courts Issue Much Paper Illegally.

Frankfort, Ky., May 11.—Holders of county bonds issued by fiscal courts without a vote of the people, to cover outstanding warrants issued against road funds in past years in excess of the tax levy for the particular years, may have uncollectable paper in their hands, under an opinion given by Attorney General Logan to Commissioner of Roads R. C. Terrell.

Mr. Terrell told the attorney general that a number of counties recently have issued and sold refunding bonds to cover outstanding warrants of this character, and he asked whether a county may legally exceed the revenue for the year, issue warrants to cover the overdraft and then issue bonds to take up the warrants without submitting the indebtedness to the people. He said fiscal courts are claiming the right under section 1857, enacted in 1892.

Gen. Logan replied that section 187 of the constitution forbids a county to contract indebtedness in excess of the income and revenue for the year with-

OLD WORLD CROP WILL BE SMALL

Recently having seen from the bulletin published by the department of Commerce that Austro-Hungary raised 188,000,000 pounds of tobacco, Germany 89,000,000, France 49,000,000, Italy 23,000,000, Belgium 22,000,000, making an aggregate of nearly 400,000,000, or practically as much tobacco as all the state of Kentucky, and knowing that these nations were at war, I instantly realized that the production must necessarily be largely circumscribed, both for lack of labor and the necessity of utilizing their limited area and facilities in order to produce the necessities of life. Therefore in order to ascertain these facts, I made a request of Secretary Redfield of the Department of Commerce, to furnish the detailed information on file in his department, that would enable me to give to the public through the press the real facts; in order that the farmers and the trade generally might avail themselves of benefits that would accrue to them. I received the most hearty support and co-operation in my endeavors to get desired information and I quote from the secretary's letter:

"Thank you for your letter requesting information concerning the curtailment of tobacco production in certain foreign countries as result of war. I am referring your communication to the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, of this department with instruction to communicate with you at the earliest practical date."

This promise has been faithfully kept, and by the hearty co-operation of both the agricultural and state departments, even to the co-operation of the consuls general at Vienna and Berlin in order to obtain dates that had not hitherto been ascertained, these inquiries brought forth the following important information.

Austro-Hungary.—"No figures are obtainable. The cable from the consul general at Vienna states there is a big market for American tobacco if delivery is possible."

The 1915 crop was below the

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Common American Birds

Interesting information about them supplied by the Bureau of Biological Survey of the United States Department of Agriculture

Kingbird

(Tyrannus tyrannus)
Length, about eight and one-half inches. The white lower surface and white-tipped tail distinguish this flycatcher.

Range: Breeds throughout the United States (except the southwestern part) and southern Canada; winters from Mexico to South America.

Habits and economic status: The kingbird is a pronounced enemy of hawks and crows, which it vigorously attacks at every opportunity, thereby affording efficient protection to nearby poultry yards and young chickens at large. It loves the open country and is especially fond of orchards and trees about farm buildings. No less than 85 per cent of its food consists of insects, mostly of a harmful nature. It eats the common rose chaffer or rose bug, and more remarkable still it devours blister beetles freely. The bird has been accused of eating honeybees to an injurious extent, but

to Minnesota, Michigan, New York, and Massachusetts; winters in the southern two-thirds of the United States and south to Panama.

Habits and economic status: This member of our beautiful wood-warbler family, a family peculiar to America, has the characteristic voice, coloration, and habits of its kind. Trim of form and graceful of motion, when seeking food it combines the methods of the wrens, creepers, and flycatchers. It breeds only in the northern parts of the eastern United States, but in migration it occurs in every patch of woodland and is so numerous that it is familiar to every observer.

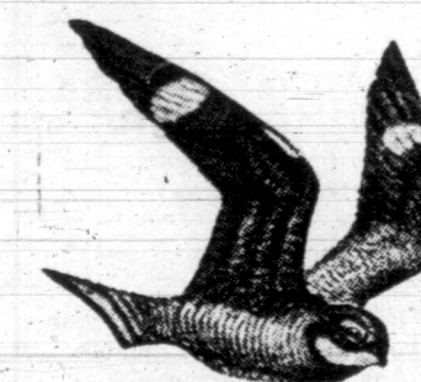


there is little ground for the accusation, as appears from the fact that examination of 634 stomachs showed only 61 bees in 22 stomachs. Of these 51 were useless drones. On the other hand, it devours robber flies, which catch and destroy honeybees. Grasshoppers and crickets, with a few bugs and some cutworms, and a few other insects, make up the rest of the animal food. The vegetable food consists of fruit and a few seeds. The kingbird deserves full protection.

Nighthawk

(Chordeiles virginianus)
Length, ten inches. Not to be confused with the whippoorwill. The latter lives in woodland and is chiefly nocturnal. The nighthawk often flies by day, when the white bar across the wing and its nasal cry are distinguishing.

Range: Breeds throughout most of the United States and Canada; winters in South America.
Habits and economic status: The skillful evolutions of a company of nighthawks as the birds gracefully cleave the air in intersecting circles is a sight to be remembered. So expert are they on the wing that no insect is safe from them, even the swift dragonfly being captured with ease. Unfortunately their erratic flight tempts men to use them for targets, and this inexcusable practice is seriously diminishing their numbers.



which is deplorable, since no birds are more useful. This species makes no nest, but lays its two-spotted eggs on the bare ground, sometimes on the gravel roof of the city house. The nighthawk is a voracious feeder and is almost exclusively insectivorous. Some stomachs contained from 30 to 50 different kinds of insects, and more than 600 kinds have been identified from the stomachs thus far examined. From 500 to 1,000 ants are often found in a stomach. Several species of mosquitoes, including Anopheles, the transmitter of malaria, are eaten. Other well-known pests destroyed by the nighthawk are the Colorado potato beetle, cucumber beetles, chestnut, rice, clover-leaf and cotton-boll weevils, billbugs, bark beetles, squash bugs, and moths of the cotton worm.

Myrtle Warbler

(Dendroica coronata)
Length, five and one-half inches. The similarly colored Audubon's warbler has a yellow throat instead of a white one.
Range: Breeds throughout most of the forested area of Canada and south



Its place is taken in the West by Audubon's warbler. More than three-fourths of the food of the myrtle warbler consists of insects; practically all of them harmful. It is made up of small beetles, including some weevils, with many ants and wasps. This bird is so small and nimble that it successfully attacks insects too minute to be prey for larger birds. Scales and plant lice form a very considerable part of its diet. Flies are the largest item of food; in fact, only a few flycatchers and swallows eat as many flies as this bird. The vegetable food (22 per cent) is made up of fruit and the seeds of poison oak or ivy, also the seeds of pine and of the hollyberry.

Yellow-Billed Cuckoo

(Coccyzus americanus)
Length, about twelve inches. The yellow lower part of the bill distinguishes this bird from its near relative, the black-billed cuckoo.

Range: Breeds generally in the United States and southern Canada; winters in South America.
Habits and economic status: This bird lives on the edges of woodland, in groves, orchards, parks, and even in shaded village streets. It is sometimes known as rain crow, because its very characteristic notes are supposed to foretell rain. The cuckoo has sly, furtive ways as it moves among the bushes or flits from tree to tree, and is much more often heard than seen. Unlike its European relative, it does not lay its eggs in other birds' nests, but builds a nest of its own. This is, however, a rather crude and shabby affair—hardly more than a platform of twigs sufficient to hold the greenish eggs. The cuckoo is extremely useful because of its insectivorous habits, especially as it shows a marked preference for the hairy caterpillars, which few birds eat. One stomach that was examined contained 250 American tent caterpillars, another, 217 fall webworms. In places where tent caterpillars are abundant they seem to constitute a large portion of the food of this and the black-billed cuckoo.



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No Commendation.

"You seem to think a great deal of that candidate."

"How do you arrive at that conclusion?" asked Senator Sorghum.

"Why, you have always supported him."

"Yes, but a public man's attitude toward a candidate may be that of the family toward the head of the House. You don't necessarily think any more of a man because you've got to support him."

\$1,510,000 FOR KENTUCKY ROADS

FEDERAL AID APPORTIONMENTS TO COVER A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS.

IS BASED ON POPULATION

Area and Mileage of Rural Deliveries and Star Routes—Share More Than Two Per Cent of Apportionments.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. Lexington, Ky.—Under the terms of the revised bill, providing for federal aid in the construction of rural post roads, that has just passed the senate, reports from Washington say Kentucky will receive a generous amount during each of the five years for which the appropriation is carried. Of the \$5,000,000 to be expended by the federal government during the next fiscal year, for road improvement work in the several states, Kentucky's share is \$1,510,000. During the second year when \$10,000,000 is to be spent, the state's apportionment is \$2,012,000; during the third year, the state is scheduled to receive \$3,012,000 of the \$15,000,000 to be expended; during the fourth year \$4,012,000 is Kentucky's share of the \$20,000,000 melon and for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1921, when \$26,000,000 is to be spent, the state is to receive \$5,012,000 for road building purposes.

The apportionment in Kentucky and her sister states is made on the bases of area, population, and the mileage of rural delivery and star routes. Kentucky embraces 40,181 square miles; her population is said to be 2,289,966, and she has 26,769.34 miles of rural delivery and star routes. As a result, the state is scheduled to receive 2.012 per cent of the federal apportionment, provided, of course, she complies with the provisions of the proposed law.

6,000 MEN MAY QUIT WORK

Miners Are Awaiting Action of Coal Operators on Their Demand.

Louisville, Ky.—Whether a strike of the 6,000 union miners employed in the Western Kentucky coal fields should be declared depended upon the action of the Western Kentucky Coal Operators' association, following presentation here by the miners' committee of a report of the vote of delegates from forty-one local unions of District No. 23, United Mine Workers of America, May 9, at Central City, Ky. By a vote of 39 to 2 it was decided not to accept the operators' ultimatum, which offers the old wage scale, but which the miners claim has attached conditions amounting to a wage reduction. The miners are contending for a continuation of last year's scale and working conditions.

EXPERTS TO STUDY ROADS

Roger Smith and S. R. Murray to Visit New York and Washington.

Lexington, Ky.—At a meeting of the Fayette County Road Improvement Commissioners it was decided to send Roger H. Smith, a member of the commission, and S. R. Murray, who is directing the asphalt road construction on the Nicholasville pike, to Washington and New York to study the most improved methods of road construction. County Judge Bullock stated that he was thoroughly satisfied with the plans the commission had made for reconstructing the county's roads, but that the visit East would be made for the purpose of seeing if any new points had been developed elsewhere.

STATE DOCTORS ELECT OFFICERS

Southwestern Kentucky Medical Association Hold Session.

Paducah, Ky.—About seventy-five doctors are in attendance at the forty-sixth annual meeting of the Southwestern Kentucky Medical association, which convened here, have adjourned. A number of excellent addresses were delivered. Following the election of officers, a banquet was held at the Palmer House. The officers for the ensuing year are: President, Dr. E. B. Willingham, of Paducah; first vice president, Dr. J. F. Kirksey, of Sedalia; second vice president, Dr. O. R. Kidd, of Paducah; secretary, Dr. E. W. Jackson, of Paducah; treasurer, Dr. H. G. Reynolds, of Paducah, re-elected. The semi-annual meeting will be held the second Tuesday in October at Clinton.

ROAD PLANS ARE ADOPTED.

Wickliffe, Ky.—The Ballard county fiscal court met and adopted the plans and specifications for fifty-five miles of road as surveyed and estimated by Prof. D. V. Terrell and his class of engineers from the State university, who have been working on the road plans in this county for about four weeks. They surveyed and made estimates on 100 miles. The court adopted the 100 miles, but will work the fifty-five miles under state aid. Everything is now ready to let the contract.

KENTUCKY BREVITIES

Hickman, Ky.—Claude Hale, of this city, charged with killing Tom Anderson recently at Tyler, a few miles below Hickman, has been released from jail on \$5,000 bond. The grand jury returned an indictment charging manslaughter. The shooting was accidental, Hale says.

Marion, Ky.—Judge Thos. J. Nunn, who resigned his seat on the bench of the Kentucky Court of Appeals about eighteen months ago on account of ill health, is at present very sick at his home here, having suffered a second stroke of paralysis. Judge Nunn is 71 years old.

Elkton, Ky.—County Judge Wilkins entered an order calling a \$190,000 bond issue election for good roads on June 10. The Fiscal Court and Road Commissioners will meet soon in connection with what is expected to be the largest good roads gathering ever held in this county.

Covington, Ky.—The City Commissioners in special session, by a vote of three to two, refused to reduce the saloon license fees. A plea for a reduction had been made by a delegation of saloonkeepers, who declared the Hutchcraft Sunday-closing law worked a hardship upon them.

Bowling Green, Ky.—The Warren county and Farmers' looseleaf tobacco warehouses in this city have been consolidated. They will continue to be operated in the same houses, but will be under the management of Ennis P. Harris, manager of the Warren County Loose-leaf Warehouse Co.

Carlisle, Ky.—The Hd has been placed on tight in Sharpshooting on Sunday. The city council has enacted an ordinance fixing a heavy fine upon any person who transact business on Sunday, and as a result it is reported that nothing could be bought at that place last Sunday, the first after the ordinance went into effect.

Bedford, Ky.—Prof. John Howard Payne has been re-elected superintendent of the Trimble county high school and Bedford graded school. Robert C. Heath was chosen as principal and instructor in agriculture. Misses Lavinia Stanley, Vera Cuthaw and Nannie Mae Ison were re-elected grade teachers.

Cloverport, Ky.—The trustees have elected the following teachers for Cloverport high school for the 1919-1920 session: Principal, G. R. McCoy; first assistant, J. R. Mendor; teachers, Misses Emma Cowherd, of Campbellsville; Edith Allen, of Caseyville; Margaret Wroe and Julia Wroe and Leona McGavock, of this city.

Eminence, Ky.—The old Thomas home, about three miles from this city, in Shelby county, has been destroyed by fire. The house was owned by H. H. Drane and was occupied by Frank Davis, a tobacco tenant, who lost all his household furniture and all the clothes of his family except those they had on. The house was more than 125 years old.

Paducah, Ky.—Two carloads of Holstein cattle have arrived here from Ft. Atkinson, Wis., and will be distributed among the farmers who have purchased them. In the shipment were thirty-four heifers and one bull. All were registered Holsteins and had been subjected to the tuberculin test. The cattle were bought by County Agent W. J. Piggett and they cost \$2,500.

Bowling Green, Ky.—I. B. Cooke, who for the last month has been taking the school census of Bowling Green, has completed his report, which reads: White males, 793; white females, 918. Total, 1,716. Colored males, 340; colored females, 322. Total, 662. Grand total, 2,378. This is a gain over last year of 76. County Superintendent O. P. Roemer will complete his report during the latter part of May.

Cadiz, Ky.—County Judge Hooks has issued a call for an election to be held in this county June 15 on the question of whether bonds to the amount of \$150,000 shall be issued by the Fiscal Court to pike the roads of Trigg county. This matter has been placed in the hands of the Trigg County Development Association, and they are arranging to prosecute a vigorous campaign throughout the county during the next four weeks.

Whitesburg, Ky.—Leases are being made on a large coal land tract near Hemphill, on the Yount's Fork branch of the Louisville & Nashville railroad, in which a number of Louisville capitalists are interested, and it is understood that development work is to be started within two weeks. A good-sized development is planned and a large number of men will be given work.

Whitesburg, Ky.—Judge Ed C. O'Rear, of Frankfort, has just led a party of New York financiers and capitalists, including R. D. Stillman and Joseph Larouque, through the Elkhorn and Boone's Fork coal fields of Letcher county on an inspection trip.

Owenton, Ky.—The National Surety Co., of New York, through its representative, R. J. Vaughn, of Louisville, made a settlement with the Owen Fiscal Court, paying the sum of \$3,355, balance on shortage in Sheriff Craig Jones settlement with the county.

REPORT MADE ON KENTUCKY CROPS

CONDITION AS SEEN AT PRESENT BY EXPERTS IS VERY IMPRESSIVE.

INCREASE IN HEMP ACREAGE

Tobacco Plants Seem to Be Plentiful, But Are Small—Bugs in Many Cases Prevent Growth.

(Special Frankfort Correspondence.)

Frankfort.—Reports to Commissioner of Agriculture Cohen from the hemp-growing districts show an increased acreage planned for this crop over what has been raised for the past years. These reports say that about one-fourth of the sowing is completed. The original acreage of wheat sown last fall is given as 93 per cent of a normal crop, 85 per cent of it was left standing May 1, and the condition of this crop is given as 83 per cent. The original acreage of rye grown was 91 per cent, with 79 per cent standing April 26. Its condition is 90 per cent. Much of the rye was plowed up this spring. The acreage planned for burley tobacco is given at 91 per cent, with a condition of the plant beds at 81 per cent. The dark tobacco average planned is 86 per cent. The condition of the plant beds is given at 90 per cent. Tobacco plants are reported plentiful, but are small, and there is some complaint of bugs. The pastures are in an unusually good condition, with the exception of old clover. Much of that is reported as being winter-killed. The present clover condition is 87 per cent, bluegrass 90 per cent, alfalfa 88 per cent and orchard grass 92 per cent. Commissioner Cohen says the outlook for good crops is favorable.

Boys and Girls Paroled.

The Board of Prison Commissioners at a recent session in Frankfort ordered forty boys and twenty girls confined in the State Reform School at Greendale, near this city, to be paroled and returned to the counties from which they were sent, or else homes found in families where they will be self-supporting. Although the commissioners have not publicly announced this decision it was stated by an official of the institution that the order had been received there and that already several of the paroled boys have been sent away. In some cases the paroles have been granted on account of good conduct, in other instances the age limit has been reached, while still other inmates obtain their release from the school because homes have been found for them, where it is believed, they will receive good treatment and be self-supporting. This is the largest number of prisoners paroled from the Reform School at one time since its establishment.

Print Shop May Be Abolished.

The printing plant which has been established at the University of Kentucky, at Lexington, for publishing bulletins of the experiment station, university catalogues and similar work of that character, will probably be abandoned and the work hereafter be done at Frankfort by the state contractor. Since the plant was established several years ago Clarence Egbert had been its superintendent. As it might be difficult to get an experienced man to take the place of Mr. Egbert, the executive committee of the university and experiment station are considering abandoning the plant and sending the work to Frankfort, where it is said it can be more cheaply done by the state printing contractor. The work which has been done by the plant amounts to more than \$20,000 a year.

Cohen Back From Washington.

Commissioner of Agriculture Mat. S. Cohen has returned from Washington, where he participated in the organization of the National Association of Commissioners of Agriculture. Thirty-seven states were represented. Commissioner Cohen said the organization is behind the marketing bureau bill in congress, and Senator James is urging its passage. Local bureaus are to be organized in precincts and when a majority of the precincts of a county are organized the county automatically becomes the unit. When a majority of the counties are organized the state becomes the unit, and when 20 states are organized a national bureau of marketing with headquarters at Washington is to follow.

Disbarment Appeal Argued.

The appeal of Attorney R. A. Chrest, of Louisville, from the judgment of Judge Field, disbarring him for alleged soliciting, was argued before the Court of Appeals by County Attorney Scott Bullitt and Attorney W. W. Thum.

Meet in Lexington May 22.

The Tax Commission, appointed by Gov. Stanley under a resolution passed by the recent session of the general assembly, will meet in Lexington, May 22, to hear the views of persons who care to express themselves on tax legislation that ought to be enacted. Representative Reuben B. Hutchcraft, of Paris, secretary of the commission, is in Louisville, where a hearing is being given. He said the members of the Tax Commission were sincerely desirous of having the views of all classes of people in Kentucky.

Three to West Point.

Twenty-two enlisted men of the National Guard will be admitted to West Point, July 10, and Gov. Stanley has received notice from the War Department that he is entitled to appoint three candidates to the Kentucky Guard to take the examination at Columbus, O., barracks, June 8. The applicants must be between the ages of 19 and 22, have served as enlisted men for one year previous to July 10, and meet the mental and physical requirements of West Point. Adjt. Gen. Ellis is sending a form letter to company commanders, explaining the offer, and examinations probably will be conducted at Hopkinsville, Louisville and Lexington by Capt. Gibson, U. S. A., inspector-instructor, so that the men appointed to take the competitive examination from Kentucky will be fitted to stand the test.

Stegs Will Held Invalid.

The will of the late Christian Stege of Louisville, leaving his wife a life estate in all his property, is invalid, the Court of Appeals said, affirming the Jefferson Circuit Court in the case of Stege's executors against Bartha Milliken and Ellmore Krieger. Judge Carroll wrote the opinion. Mr. Stege died in 1914, leaving an estate valued at \$250,000. He devised everything to his wife for life with remainder to his ten children, charging against the share of his daughter, Mrs. Krieger, \$30,000, alleged to have been advanced to her, and \$12,000 against the share of Mrs. Milliken, another daughter. This disinherited Mrs. Krieger and seriously cut down the share of Mrs. Milliken.

State Isn't Satisfied.

Circuit Judge R. L. Stout decided that sheriffs should be paid mileage to and from penal institutions when they take convicted prisoners for incarceration. Sheriffs J. H. Jones, of Pulaski county, and Tom Logan, of Hopkins county, sued State Attorney Greene, to compel him to issue warrants for mileage to and from the state penitentiary when they had taken prisoners. He declined to issue the warrants. The case will be appealed by the state.

Equipment Trust Filed.

An equipment trust of the Southern Railway Co. for \$4,700,000 for the purchase of seventy locomotives, thirty baggage, express and mail cars, 1,500 gondolas, 1,507 box cars and 100 cabooses, purchased from Ed T. Stotchesbury, of Philadelphia, has been filed in the office of Secretary of State Jas. P. Lewis. The Pennsylvania Co. for the Insurance of Lives and Granting Annuities is trustee.

Koch Case Affirmed.

The Court of Appeals affirmed the Jefferson Circuit Court in the case of Charles Koch's administratrix against the Louisville Gas and Electric Co., Judge Carroll writing the opinion. Koch, an employee of the company, was killed by a high voltage wire at 12th and Main streets, May 18, 1914. His estate sued the company for damages, but judgment was given the company.

Judgment Is Reduced.

Will Mills, county clerk of Hopkins county, succeeded in getting \$36 reduction in a judgment against him in a taxpayers' suit by appealing from the Hopkins circuit court. G. W. Lantrip and others sued to compel restriction of \$1,888.91, alleged to have been illegally allowed him by the fiscal court.

Quarantine Ordered.

Foot and mouth disease, after three months of immunity, has broken out again in Christian county, Illinois, and the Federal Bureau of Animal Industry has put it under quarantine. The Kentucky Livestock Sanitary Board has a standing order automatically following the government quarantine.

Jail Sentence Remitted.

Logan Blair, of Russell county, convicted of breach of the peace for calling "Tink" Clayton "out of his name" in the public highway during a quarrel, and fined \$25 and sentenced to ten days in jail, received clemency at the hands of Gov. Stanley, who remitted the jail sentence.

To Governors' Conference.

Gov. Stanley will attend the Conference of Governors at Salt Lake City June 27. He will attend the Democratic National Convention at St. Louis June 14 and go from there to Salt Lake City. Before returning he and Mrs. Stanley will make the Yellowstone Park tour.

Oil Companies Incorporate.

The Irvine Oil Co. and the MacIntosh Oil Corporation, both of Irvine, capitalized at \$500,000 each, filed their articles of incorporation in the office of Secretary of State Lewis. The incorporators are J. R. MacNellie, of Stanford, and J. A. Wallace and Clarence Miller, of Irvine.

Archaeologist in Bluegrass.

Prof. W. H. Nelson, of New York, an archaeologist and scientist, is in Lexington with the intention of visiting the caves and other places of natural interest in and about the Bluegrass region, and perhaps will go farther through the state to study old relics and secure valuable scientific information in regard to the story of the region in prehistoric times. He will endeavor to find whether anything can be discovered by research concerning prehistoric man in Kentucky and will visit many points.

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O. J. JENNINGS, EDITOR.

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THURSDAY, MAY 18, 1916

ATTEND THE CHAUTAUQUA FREE

Wadlington & Company

WOULD like to have YOU attend the Chautauqua every day as their guest. Would YOU go to the Chautauqua every day if someone would give YOU a season ticket? Sure you would. Then buy your goods at Wadlington's and we will give you a season ticket good for every day of the Chautauqua week.

Beginning Monday, May 22,

we will give you a cash register receipt for every purchase that you make at our store. You save these receipts until you get the amount of \$30.00, bring these to our store not later than June 15th and we will give you in exchange for these cash receipts one season ticket to the Chautauqua.

You do not have to buy the full amount yourself, but you can send your friends to Wadlington's to buy their goods and have them save the receipts for you. (We have but one restriction in the transfer of these receipts, and that is no one working in our store in any way whatever will be allowed to solicit or give receipts to anyone.)

Remember, all of our goods are marked in plain figures and we guarantee our prices to be as low as the lowest.

Get busy, if you are not saving the cash receipts for yourself, give them to some friend who is saving them.

Yours for a BIG CHAUTAUQUA,

Wadlington & Company

Settlement Notice.

All persons having claims against the estate of Monroe Hodges, deceased, will present same properly proven to the undersigned on or before July 15th, 1916, or be forever barred from the collection of same. All persons owing said estate will come forward and settle same by said time or I will be compelled to file suit for a full settlement on said

claims as I am compelled to wind up this estate. Any person due said estate when in Murray and can not find me, can leave the amount with N. B. Barnett and be receipted for same, or file their claims against this estate for proper attention.—Felix L. Bailey, Admr.

Just received two more cars of Hardy & Delker buggies. Bring your cash and come on if you want the bargain of your life.—J. W. Deaham, Hazel, Ky. 5112

MRS. M. L. WELLS Announces Her MID-SUMMER OPENING

May 25, 26 and 27

Latest creations in Mid-Summer Patterns in the very latest and most up-to-date styles. This gives you a chance to select your mid-summer hat from the most up-to-date house in St. Louis and Cincinnati.

COME AND SEE FOR YOURSELF.

MRS. M. L. WELLS

First Balcony Wadlington's Store.

OLD WORLD CROP

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average. The 1916 crop prospects are similar."

Germany.—Cables from the consul-generals at Berlin covering the tobacco situation there are as follows: "Judging by the acreage now planted and the present general outlook, the German tobacco crop for 1916 will be about two-thirds normal. The Belgian demands on the German supply will be large. Orders are coming in rapidly from Austria, Russia and Poland. A Central Purchase company has been recently organized with a view to replenish the small supply of cigarette tobacco."

France.—The statistics furnished by the agricultural department given in figures, shows material reduction for the year 1915. The production for 1915 shows a falling off of 28 per cent as compared with an average year's record for the past preceding six years.

Italy.—No information so far has been secured as to the condition of the tobacco crops from the statistics on record, or supplied by any of the departments covering either Italy or Belgium, but it is quite certain, that a corresponding reducing exists in Italy, and it is reasonable to suppose that since Belgium is torn by war its population reported to be in dire straits for the necessities of life, that what little remains to furnish necessities would leave but little prospects of luxuries such as tobacco. Recapitulation.—Beyond doubt, these warring countries will require quite a deal more of American tobacco, than in normal times and, therefore in order to obtain their requirements they will look to America for a supply.

It is therefore quite evident that the farmers of America who grow tobacco, have good reason to expect an unusually heavy demand, to meet this added needs of the trade.—E. T. Roberts, Statistician, Henderson, Ky.

There is more catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by continually failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucus surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Almost Unanimous for Union.

Saratoga Springs, N. Y., May 16.—The unification of the Methodist Episcopal church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was indorsed almost unanimously by the Methodist General Conference to day. The conference adopted the report of the Committee on Unification, which provides further negotiations with the Southern church, paving the way for final action by the General Conference of the Southern church in 1918 and by the Northern church's General Conference in 1920.

Settlement Notice.

Notice is hereby given that all persons holding claims against the estate of T. G. Thurmond, deceased, are hereby notified to present same to me, properly proven, on or before May 20, 1916, or be forever barred from collecting same. And all persons knowing themselves indebted to said estate must make settlement on or before said date. This April 20, 1916.—T. B. Thurmond, Administrator. 4280

DON'T LEAVE MURRAY

No need to leave Murray to hunt up proof, because you have it here at home. The straightforward statement of a Murray resident like that given below, bears an interest for every man, woman or child here in Murray.

Mrs. S. J. Pool, Pool St. Murray, says: "I suffered from kidney trouble. I was unable to rest well and in the morning I was all tired out. This made me nervous. I had headaches, my sight blurred and I often became dizzy. When I stooped I had sharp twinges in the small of my back. I used Doan's Kidney Pills and they gave good results."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Pool had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

May Reorganize Association.

Messrs. Felix G. Ewing and W. W. Radford, officials of the Planters' Protective Association, spent last Monday in Cadiz talking with tobacco growers in regard to co-operation and organization in the handling of tobacco. They still feel great concern for the welfare of the tobacco raisers of the back patch, and believe that sooner or later some sort of organization among the growers will be absolutely necessary for their own protection.—Cadiz Record.

Chicken Livers.

An old hen has a much larger liver than you in proportion to weight or food eaten. Then it follows that they get bilious just like you do. They are grouchy, cross, unhappy. Start her liver and make her happy. Then she will lay eggs all winter. Come and get a package of B. A. Thomas' Poultry Powder. Feed it occasionally. See your hens perk up—hear them sing—look for eggs. Your money back if it fails.—Sexton Bros.

"Corns All Gone! Let's ALL Kick!"

Every Corn Vanishes by Using Wonderful, Simple "Geta-It." Never Fails. Applied in 2 Seconds.

Isn't it wonderful what a difference just a little "Geta-It" makes on corns and calluses? It's always right somewhere in the world, with many



"Wheel! I Don't Care! I Got Rid of My Corns With 'Geta-It'!"

folks bumped up with cork-screwed faces, gouging, picking, drilling out their corns, making packages of their toes with plasters, bandages, tape and contraptions, and the "holier" in their corns, goes on forever! Don't you do it. Use "Geta-It." It's marvelous, simple, never fails. Apply it in 2 seconds. Nothing to stick to the skin, no pain, no irritation. Corns "clean off" quick. It's one of the gems of the world. Try it—you'll kick—from joy. For corns, calluses, warts, bunions.

"Geta-It" is sold everywhere, 25c a bottle, or sent direct by E. Lawrence & Co., Chicago, Ill.

Sold in Murray and recommended as the world's best corn remedy.—H. P. Wear.

She likes her Valentine—

BANK BOOK

When "The man with money" gets the girl he can take care of her.

Every ambitious father wants to see his daughter well provided for. After she leaves his home he wants her to marry a man who can make her comfortable and happy. He knows the spendthrift can't do it. He knows the man who is chasing get-rich-quick bubbles will go broke. He wants a young man with a bank account, so does the girl.

And, young man, you have no business marrying until you have a bank account. OPEN one.

Put YOUR money in OUR bank.

We pay 4 per cent interest.

W. H. Finney, President. Dr. Ben B. Keys, Vice-President. T. H. Stokes, Cashier.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

LAST REUNION OF VETERANS MAY BE THE ONE THIS WEEK

A number of Murray and Calloway county Confederate Veterans are attending the annual reunion of the soldiers of the Confederacy in Birmingham, Ala., this week.

When the pathetically thin gray line of the south's defenders met in the Alabama city this week it was possibly for the last time they will meet in official reunion. The ranks of the soldiers who served under Lee and Jackson and the two Johnstons and Stuart and other great Southern leaders are being all too rapidly thinned by the hand of death. Each year draws a greater toll until now a meager handful of men is all that is left to tell the tale of the days of the bitter internecine struggle between the North and South.

Not as many of the old heroes will march in review this year as in former years, and the time is soon coming when there will be none left to carry the beloved stars and bars so dear to the true southron. But the deeds of these old soldiers will always be fresh in the memory of the world, and their exploits perpetuated thru the Sons of Confederate Veterans and the Children of the Confederacy, who will always keep alive the story of the lost cause.

R. E. Zell, of Birmingham, adjutant, Camp Wilcox, and Capt. John G. Smith, of the same command, will introduce a resolution at the reunion looking to the abolishing of the gathering. The reason advanced by the two old soldiers is the enfeebled condition of the remaining veterans and their rapidly diminishing numbers.

Bucy Bros. want your wool.

Don't Drench Horses.

Use Farris Colic Remedy. Simply drop it on the horse's tongue with the medicine dropper that is furnished with every 50c bottle. Cures fifty-nine times out of sixty, and the women can give it when you are away. Money back if it fails.—Sexton Bros.

For Sale.—A patented turning device for use on thimble skein farm wagon. Will sell this patent outright. For particulars, address P. O. Box 465, Paducah, Ky. 4204

Protect and beautify your buildings with paint

Good paint improves the appearance of your buildings and increases their value.

A coat of good paint now saves you the cost of both repairing and repainting later on.

Heath & Milligan Paints are good paints. They have stood the test of time since 1851.

Call for color cards and portfolio of painting plans.



Sold by H. P. WEAR

It's an Interesting Fact

That the two most successful Chautauquas of the entire 120 towns and cities visited by the Redpath Chautauquas last season were

Jacksonville, Fla., and Chicago

That the large cities are now AWAKE TO THE VALUE OF A REDPATH CHAUTAUQUA. In turn, but emphasizes the Chautauqua's importance to the smaller city.

All institutions must eventually stand or fall on their merit. For the Chautauqua to find a permanent place in cities like Jacksonville and Chicago at once speaks for itself.

Season tickets for the forthcoming Chautauqua in this city are now on sale with the local auspices at \$2.50 each. After the opening day the price advances to \$3.00.

Chautauqua Week Here June 17-24.

Practical Economy

Baking powders made from alum or phosphate may be bought for a trifle less than Royal Baking Powder, which is made from cream of tartar, derived from grapes.

Alum powders are not only cheap, but they differ greatly in leavening power.

If a cheap baking powder is used for a fine cake and the cake turns out a failure there is a waste of costly materials worth more than a whole can of the cheap baking powder.

Royal Baking Powder produces the finest food, and its use therefore, results in an actual saving.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO.
New York

LOCAL and PERSONAL

Rubber hose in endless quantities at Sexton Brothers.

Hardware, ranges and oil stoves for sale by Bucy Bros.

Splendid line of spring hats at greatly reduced prices at Mrs. Wells, milliner at Wadlington's.

Mrs. Richard Keys left the past week for Scottsville, Ky., to spend some time the guest of her parents.

Just received the nicest line of dresses, robes and men's suits that has ever been brought to Murray. —J. H. Churchill.

Mrs. E. L. Singleton and baby left the past week to spend some time as guests of her parents in Cairo, Ill.

John Mc Melan and wife, of Nashville, arrived here Tuesday evening to spend several days the guests of relatives.

Burley Scott left last Thursday for Childers, Texas, where he expects to remain the next several months.

Elbert Lassiter and wife of New Market, Tenn., arrived here last Saturday at noon to be the guests of relatives for some time.

Mrs. Homer Pogue, of Birmingham, Ala., arrived in the city the past week to spend some time the guest of her parents, W. L. Whitnell and wife.

Wadlington & Co., are going to send a lot of folks to the chautauqua absolutely free of charge. Read their announcement of the conditions in this issue of the Ledger.

A WORD FOR MOTHERS

It is a grave mistake for mothers to neglect their aches and pains and suffer in silence—this only leads to chronic sickness and often shortens life.

If your work is tiring if your nerves are excitable; if you feel languid, weary or depressed, you should know that Scott's Emulsion overcomes just such conditions.

It possesses in concentrated form the very elements to invigorate the blood, strengthen the tissues, nourish the nerves and build strength.

Scott's is strengthening thousands of mothers—and will help you. No alcohol. Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J.

Ox Brand fertilizer is best for corn and tobacco.—Sexton Bros. We will pay the highest market price for wool.—Bucy Bros.

Get your hardware, ranges and oil cook stoves, from Bucy Bros.

We sell the Ox Brand fertilizer for corn and tobacco, none better.—Sexton Bros.

Carl Harrison has purchased the interest of Cordis Fair in the transfer business of Hart & Fair and is now in charge of same.

Rev. J. W. Waters, of Ripley, Tenn., arrived in the city the first of the week to be the guest of relatives for the next several days.

Rev. Wells Lassiter, of Dyer, Tenn., has been the guest of his parents, R. R. Lassiter and wife, of the south part of the city.

Mrs. M. L. Wells, milliner at Wadlington's, has placed all spring hats on sale at reduced prices. Many splendid bargains to be found in the lot.

Coble Russell and Miss Belle Hargis, well known young people of the east side of the county, were united in marriage the past week, Rev. Mack Pool officiated.

Mrs. J. B. Darnall, who lived southeast of Pottertown, died the past week of consumption. She was a well known lady and had many friends in that section of the county.

Linn Keys, who makes his home with Mrs. J. H. Keys, just west of the city, was carried to Paducah the past week where he underwent an operation for appendicitis.

Rev. H. B. Taylor and wife, P. A. Houston and Will Jones, colporteur, are in Ashville, N. C., attending the annual convention of the Southern Baptist Association.

Mules Wanted.

I will be in Murray 4th Monday to buy mules 15 to 16 hands high and 5 to 10 years old; must have a good bone, 950 and up.—Guyton & Harrington Mule Co.

The Holland-Hart Drug Co., are making a special thirty day offer on a line of toilet articles and call your attention to same in their advertisement in this issue of the Ledger.

Harry Sleds returned home the latter part of the past week from Galliver, Fla., where he has been since the first of the year working with a lumber concern owned by local citizens.

Farm Hand.—Man 20 years old who can do reasonable amount of farm work now at county farm, wants a place as farm hand. Apply to Judge Langston or L. D. Scott, keeper of the poor farm.

Chester Maddox, of Hazel, has been very ill the past week of meningitis and his condition is pronounced critical. Several cases of this disease have been reported from the southern part of the county within the past few weeks.

Miss Lucinda Pittman, aged about 65 years, died last Sunday at the home of Tom McCuiston, near Pottertown. She was a well known lady and had many friends. She had been blind from early childhood.

Rev. John Blanton, a well known colored citizen, died very suddenly at his home in the northeast part of the city last Friday of heart trouble. He was about 65 years of age and came to Murray from Stewart county, Tenn.

The ladies of the Christian church will have a quilting in the basement of the church next Thursday, May 25. Every member of the church is invited and requested to come and bring dinner and stay all day.

The First National Bank publishes a quarterly statement in this issue of the Ledger. This splendid new institution is rapidly forging to the front as one of the leading banking concerns in the western part of the state. Read the statement on the 8th page of this issue of the Ledger.

Mrs. Freeman Jones died last Thursday night at the home of her father, John Christenberry, near Stella, after a lingering illness of consumption. She was about 22 years of age and her home was near Lynn Grove. The burial took place in the West Fork grave yard.

Griffin & Pitt, a tobacco firm of Murray, filed suit against G. T. Darnell for \$75, alleging violation of a tobacco contract, claiming that the defendant having resold his tobacco for \$75 more than they contracted it for to the plaintiffs. Attachment was prayed for.—Mayfield Messenger.

MUSTANG

For Sprains, Lameness, Sores, Cuts, Rheumatism Penetrates and Heals. Stops Pain At Once For Man and Beast 25c. 50c. \$1. At All Dealers.

LINIMENT

One way to remove habitual constipation is to take regularly a mild laxative. Doan's Regulalets are recommended for this purpose. 25c a box at all drug stores.

You are invited to keep off the flower beds in the court yard, the vacant lots, walk borders and other sections of the business part of the city. These flowers are for ornamentation, not foot pads, and others will appreciate their beauty.

Sam Holsapple, aged about 75 years, died at his home a few miles east of the city Thursday afternoon of the past week. He was a well known citizen and is survived by a widow, one son and two daughters. The burial took place in the Miller grave yard.

Most disfiguring skin eruptions, scrofula, pimples, rashes, etc., are due to impure blood. Burdock Blood Bitters is a cleansing blood tonic, is well recommended, \$1.00 at all stores.

Mrs. Martha Ann Callahan Hutchens, aged about 60 years, died Thursday of last week at her home on the east side of the county after a several week's illness of consumption. She was one of the well known ladies of her section of the county and is survived by her husband, five sons and two daughters. The burial was in the Old Salem grave yard.

Itching piles provoke profanity but profanity won't remove them. Doan's Ointment is recommended for itching, bleeding or protruding piles. 50c at any drug store.

Democratic county mass conventions will be held throughout the State Saturday, May 20, at 1:30 p. m. The purpose of the county conventions is to select delegates to the State convention which will be held at Lexington next Wednesday, May 24.

Guy Harding left a quantity of strawberries with the Ledger force Tuesday of this week that were about as fine as we ever ate. Guy says he is going to try an experiment next year and expects to produce as fine berries as ever grew, and has promised to bring us another supply next year. Of course most editors never know how to be satisfied and if he'll bring the cream and cake next year with the berries we'll try our best to do the rest.

J. T. Williamson, traveling passenger agent of the Burlington Route, and W. C. Thorn, of the Great Northern, of St. Louis, spent a day last week in Murray visiting with the local agent. They were very enthusiastic over the prospects for western travel this summer, particularly to Glacier and Yellowstone parks. Arrangements have been made to take care of a large travel via the new Cody entrance to the park. The government has recently completed a ninety mile automobile highway from Cody to the park through Shoshone canyon and over the Sylvan pass of the Absconka mountains. The automobiles make this trip in one day.

H. F. Phillips died Saturday night of the past week at his home in Hazel after a lingering illness at the advanced age of about 73 years. He was one of the widely and well known citizens of the county, an ex-Confederate soldier and had many friends throughout the county. He lived in Murray for several years where he conducted a blacksmith business, later moving to a farm southeast of the city and later moved to Hazel where he has since resided. He is survived by a wife, two sons, Clarence, of this city, and Lindsey, of Des Moines, Ia., and two daughters, Miss May Phillips, of this city, and Miss Myrtle Phillips, of Paducah. The remains were brought to this place Tuesday at noon and were buried in the City Cemetery at 1 o'clock.

30-Day Offer

Special for Ladies

Three Large Cakes of Celebrated Palm Olive Soap

...FREE...

LET US EXPLAIN

Holland-Hart Drug Co.

Colgates Toilet Articles. Snappy Stationary. Pure Soap. Lowney's.


REGISTERED DRUGGIST IN CHARGE

Phone 23. MURRAY, KY. East End.

Miss Ruth Dale, daughter of C. F. Dale and wife, of this city, died Tuesday night at the home of Dr. S. D. Yongue, New Orleans, La., after a lingering illness of tuberculosis. Miss Dale had spent the past several months in New Mexico together with her mother, and last week started for home and when the family reached New Orleans Miss Dale's condition became such that it was impossible to proceed further and after lingering for a few days she passed away. Miss Ruth Dale was about 25 years of age and was one of the most popular young ladies ever reared in this city.

Possessed of a pleasing disposition, gifted and talented she endeared herself to all with whom she came in contact, and her death brings genuine sorrow to many friends in this city. The body arrived here to-day on the 3:20 afternoon train and at this hour arrangements for the burial had not been completed.

They want your hams, shoulders, jowls and sides at Bucy Bros.



Newest, quickest train to Texas!

Leaves Memphis 9:30 p. m. Arrives Dallas 11:15 a. m. Arrives Ft. Worth 12:50 noon.

The only line operating solid trains between

Memphis and Texas

Cotton Belt Route all the way: no change of cars, no missing connections. Morning train leaves Memphis 9:40 a. m. Trains from the Southeast connect at Memphis.

Low Fares

To Texas, Louisiana and New Mexico.

L. C. Barry, Trav. Pass. Agent, 83 Todd Bldg., Louisville, Ky.

Lucky Chery was arrested Sunday night at Fulton as a deserter from the United States army at Jefferson Barrocks, Mo. He enlisted March 4, his correct name being William U. Chery, and gave his residence as Murray, when in fact he has been living in Mayfield for many years. The government sent out posters bearing the picture of Lucky and offering a reward of \$50 for his apprehension. He was arrested by Chief of Police Eaker of Fulton and taken back to Jefferson Barrocks. The date of his desertion was given as March 22.—Mayfield Messenger.

Sport Shirts

With Ties to Match For Sporty People

What's the use to get old, be a Sport and sport a Sport Shirt.

50c and \$1.00

Almost all patterns, with or without collars, and in colors that will hold, for the conservative man who cares. It's time to throw off your coat; you know what that means.

Graham, Miller & Owen

Desirable Home to be Sold AT AUCTION

Saturday, May 27, on the Public Square in Murray,

I will offer for sale, to the highest bidder, my home place near Pool Spring, on South Curd street. The lot is 100 feet front, 145 in rear, and the full length of the lot is 293 feet. The house has six large rooms, hall, front and back porches, is as good as new and could not be built today for \$1,200. The lot is a desirable one and should be worth \$250 without improvements. Never-failing, healthful well conveniently located. Will be glad to show the property to prospective bidders. IT POSITIVELY WILL BE SOLD ON DATE MENTIONED. Sale will be at 2:30 p. m.

MRS. JANE MELOAN

ICE BOXES

We have in our shops some good, home made Ice Boxes that we will sell cheaper than you can buy elsewhere.

COME AND SEE THEM.

Hughes & Irvan Lumber Co.

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the local

7-24.

NEW COLUMN IS HOT AFTER BANDITS

TROOPERS ARE TRYING TO RESCUE TWO AMERICANS HELD AS PRISONERS.

CAVALRYMEN RIDE LIGHT

Only Rations For Men Carried and Many Horses Perish On the Hard-Ridden, Sultry Trail—Water Is Very Scarce.

Marathon, Tex.—Major George T. Langhorne, with troops A and B of the Eighth cavalry, the second flying column which has been sent into Mexico after bandits, has reached Sierra Blanca, where they hope to come in contact with the Mexican land pirates who hold Jess Deemer and Monroe Payne prisoners.

A day's march behind them are the hard-riding troopers of the Fourteenth cavalry, under Col. A. C. Macomb. This force comprises troops F and T and the machine gun troops of the Fourteenth. They are reported to have crossed the river at Boquillas, where Col. F. W. Shibley, expeditionary commander, established headquarters.

The five cavalry troops operating on Mexican soil discarded every ounce of surplus weight. Rations for 10 days have been taken along, but no forage. Reports are that many animals have died since the troops left Marathon. The country which the Americans must traverse is conceded, even by the hardy cowboys of this section, to be most difficult. Water holes are scarce and the trails are rough; the heat is worse than in the mountain regions of Western Chihuahua.

The 107th company of coast artillery, commanded by Capt. John A. Welczek, have gone into camp here. There are 100 men in the organization. They will be used to protect the long line of communication to the river base at Boquillas.

Capt. John S. Chambers, quartermaster, is making every effort to keep the troops supplied with food and forage, but he is greatly handicapped by a lack of auto trucks. Only nine are in service.

ASQUITH GOES TO IRELAND

British Premier Will Attempt to Settle Difficulty—Leaders Say There Are Too Many Executions.

London.—The most dangerous factor in the Irish situation, namely, that the punishment of the rebels would cause a reaction of sympathy among the warm-hearted and emotional people appears to be fast materializing.

John Dillon, one of the most respected of the Nationalists but often one of the bitterest antagonists of the British rule, has attacked the government in the House of Commons in a speech which, for bitter denunciation, has not been surpassed as Westminster since Parnell's days.

Premier Asquith has personally stepped into the breach and is taking the unprecedented course of journeying to Dublin to investigate the situation and doubtless to give instructions to Gen. Maxwell regarding the policy which the military government must pursue, now that the chief civil administrators, Lord Wimborne, Augustine Birrell and Sir Matthew Nathan, have retired from office.

Mr. Asquith announced that he was going to consult with the authorities in order to arrive at some arrangement satisfactory to Irishmen of all parties, and no statesman ever attempted a harder achievement. He frankly declared that the present situation could not continue.

Many of the newspapers particularly the Liberal organs, call upon the Irish factions to seize the opportunity for settling their long standing differences.

The marquess of Landsdowne intimated to the House of Lords that the disarmament of all Ireland will be undertaken. This would mean the disarmament of the Ulster and Nationalist Volunteers and whether that can be done depends on Sir Edward Carson and John Redmond more than on any other individuals.

The House of Commons negatived without division, Mr. Dillon's motion regarding the Ohio penitentiary, baseball immediately declare its intention.

Shave Yourself—Ten Cents.

Chicago.—A barber shop where one shaves himself has been started. It is called the shaverette. The shop is divided into compartments which are fitted with every accessory. The patron has his choice of safety or old-fashioned razor. The charge is ten cents.

Edison Will March.

New York.—Thomas A. Edison expects to march at the head of 20 engineers, all of whom are members of the naval consulting board, in the great preparedness parade in which nearly 145,000 persons will take part, here.

Hears of Portugal Revolt.

Berlin.—A dispatch from Granada, Spain, says that a revolution has broken out in Portugal. It is reported that troops have mutinied and that the king has fled to the north.

ADMITS SINKING SUSSEX

Berlin in Note to U. S. Takes Blame For Disaster to British Channel Steamer—To Make Reparation.

Washington.—Germany's new note acknowledging responsibility for destruction of the Sussex, promising reparation and announcing punishment of the submarine commander, has been received at the state department from Ambassador Gerard. It is revealed by the text of the note, which was made public by the state department, that the German government considers "it beyond doubt that the commander of the submarine acted in the bona fide belief that he was facing an enemy ship." The first part of the note is devoted to statements along this line. The German government admits, however, that the commander was misled by the appearance of the vessel, formed his judgment too hurriedly, did not act in accordance with strict instructions to exercise particular care, and that the Berlin government "frankly admits" that assurances given to the United States had not been adhered to.

The note expresses "sincere regret regarding the deplorable incident," and declares Germany's readiness to pay an adequate indemnity to injured American citizens. It says the German government "disapproves of the conduct of the commander, who has been appropriately punished," and voices a hope that the United States will consider the case settled.

The settlement of the case opens the way for disposing of the Lusitania and all other issues growing out of submarine attacks in which American lives were jeopardized.

The state department is continuing its investigation into the sinking of the Cyrrus, which is alleged to have been attacked without warning and provision for the safety of the crew. It was said by an official that this case will not revive the submarine issue and it is confidently expected that Germany will be able to establish that her new promises to the United States have not been broken.

BIG FLYING BOAT FALLS

Mechanic and Student Aviator Believed Lost When Giant Hydroplane Goes Into Potomac.

Washington.—The hydroplane H-7, said to have been the largest flying boat in America, and with which J. C. MacCauley recently established several speed and endurance records, has been wrecked in the Potomac River near Mount Vernon with a probable loss of two lives and serious injuries to MacCauley and the two other persons aboard. The craft lost a propeller while returning at great speed from Washington to the Atlantic Coast aeronautical station at Newport News and plunged 100 feet into the river, turning over three times in its descent and collapsing after it struck the water.

Louis Krantz, a mechanic, and Charles A. Good, of Elyria, Ohio, a student aviator, have been given up as lost. MacCauley and Philip Uter, a mechanic, with Dudley Mayo, a Washington newspaperman, who was a passenger, were rescued by a tug. Uter was picked up unconscious, while MacCauley was badly hurt. Both were taken to a hospital and neither was able to tell exactly what happened. Dudley suffered from shock and after his return to Washington was sent to a hospital. He also was unable to give a clear account of the accident. All three are expected to recover.

The H-7 came here from Newport News, bringing as a passenger John I. Viney, president of the Newport News Chamber of Commerce, who bore a message of greetings to the local chamber, and Lieut. Norman Hill, of the coast guard service. On the trip up the Potomac trouble with one of the propellers developed and the craft descended at Indian Head and made the remainder of the journey on the water. Mr. Viney and Lieut. Hill returned to Newport News by rail.

TWO MORE ARE EXECUTED

All Seven Signers of the Proclamation of the Irish Republic May Pay Death Penalty.

London.—All the signers of the proclamation of the Irish republic have paid the penalty with their lives. The last two were shot May 12—James Connolly, who was badly wounded in the fighting that he could not be executed sooner, and John McDermott. Official announcement of both of these facts has been made.

The seven signers of the independent proclamation were Peter H. Pearse, Thomas J. Clarke, John J. McDonagh, Joseph Plunkett, John McDermott, James Connolly and Eamon Ceannt, or Edmund Kent.

In addition to these the following are known to have been shot: Edward Daly, Michael O'Hanrahan, William Pearse, Maj. Pohn McBride, Cornelius Culbert, J. J. Houston, Michael Mallon and Thomas Kent.

Convicts to Play Ball.

Columbus, O.—Unaccompanied by guards the Ohio penitentiary baseball team will go to the local American association baseball park to play an amateur local team. A concert by a special concert band will be given before the game is called and between the innings. Proceeds from the game will go to local charity.

U.S. REGULAR ARMY WILL BE 206,000

HOUSE AND SENATE CONFEREES AGREE ON FIRST BIG PREPAREDNESS MEASURE.

BECOMES A LAW MAY 20

Federalized National Guard Will Be a Force of 425,000 Men—Combined First Line Defense for 679,000 Troops.

Washington.—A standing army of 206,000 fighting men, capable of being expanded in emergency to 254,000, and backed by a federalized national guard of 425,000 as a reserve, has been finally agreed on by house and senate conferees on the army bill. This would give a total peace strength of 631,000 men. The agreement will be reported to congress at once and the measure, the first of the administration preparedness bills, is expected to be on President Wilson's desk for his signature and become a law by May 20.

Advocates of adequate national defense regard the conference agreement as a triumph. The compromise between the house and senate measures was effected after weeks of struggle against an insistent demand from house conferees for a standing army of only 140,000 men, and it appeared that the senate might be forced to yield. The senate bill provided for 250,000.

The minimum enlisted strength would be attained, under the agreement, within the next five years, and it is stipulated that at no time shall the total be less than 160,000.

The conference report also provides for government nitrate manufacturing plants; to cost not exceeding \$20,000,000; for vocational education in the regular army, and for the establishment of training camps for volunteer citizens, whose transportation, clothing and subsistence expenses while in training would be paid by the federal government.

The training camp feature, as finally approved, is regarded as compensation in a measure for the federal volunteer reserve of 261,000 men, which senate conferees were forced to abandon on insistence from the house.

The regular line of the army, the bill now provides, can never go below 160,000, and its maximum strength in time of peace would be 175,000 officers and men. In this calculation, however, there are excluded 5,723 Philippine scouts, 6,499 in the quartermaster's corps, 7,290 in the medical department, 3,257 in the signal corps and 8,750 unassigned recruits; a total of 31,659. These added to the regular line of 175,000 men give a total regular army peace strength of 206,659. The president is authorized to increase the regular army divisions to maximum strength without congressional action.

The national guard at maximum strength would be recruited on the basis of 800 men to each congressional district, which would aggregate a total of 425,000 men. This reserve force, together with the regular army of 206,659 men, would produce a combined defense force of 679,000 men.

BORDER IS AGAIN RAIDED

Skirmish in Texas Between Soldiers and Mexicans—Riot Started in El Paso.

El Paso.—Mexican bandits have again crossed into American territory and attacked civilians and soldiers. The raid was made on the night of May 11 four miles north of Boquillas at an ore terminal station and directly behind Maj. Langhorne's column, which up to that time had not crossed into Mexico. After a short skirmish the bandits fled.

Rioting started in Chihuahua, a small settlement within the city limits of El Paso, when a mob of 30 Mexicans attacked the provost guard with bricks. The guard consisted of eight United States soldiers. To defend themselves the soldiers were compelled to fire into the mob. There were no fatalities.

When the incident was reported to Gen. Bell at Fort Bliss, additional troops were sent to the city and the patrol doubled.

Negro Soldier Runs Amuck.

Leavenworth, Kan.—Sergeant James C. Jackson and Miss Ernestine Brown, 22, were killed and an unidentified woman was severely wounded by William White, a negro, who purchased his release from the army mounted service school at Fort Leavenworth. White escaped.

Americans Fired Upon.

Brownsville, Texas.—Two shots fired from the Mexican side of the Rio Grande on two United States cavalrymen patrolling the border, caused a complaint to be made to Carranza military authorities at Matamoros through American Consul J. H. Johnson.

Storm Sweeps Sulu Islands.

Manila.—A great storm has swept over the Sulu islands, destroying many buildings. Four pearl fishing vessels were sunk and 16 persons drowned.

EL PASO CONFERENCE FAILS

Scott-Oregon Meeting Adjourns Without Any Agreement Being Reached—U. S. Prepares for Treachery.

El Paso.—Orders have been issued from Washington to rush troops across the Rio Grande and take all Mexican border towns and railroad terminals, if the punitive expedition is attacked by Carranza forces. Artillery fire from the Mexican side of the border will be considered sufficient excuse to seize any given point.

These are declared to be the tentative orders received by Gen. Funston after the report of the Scott-Oregon conference, which ended in a disagreement, had been digested at the War Department.

Gen. Funston received a wireless message from Gen. Pershing that the Carranza authorities in Central and Southern Chihuahua are issuing arms and ammunition to citizen natives. The Mexicans are being told that rifles must be used to help drive out the gringos.

The report added that a brigade of cavalry had then deployed south of Namiquipa as an advance guard. All heavy equipment has been brought back to the base and is under protection of the infantry.

Gen. Pershing volunteered an opinion that his expeditionary forces had taken all precautions necessary to protect them from any attack Mexican troops might attempt.

Gen. Hugh L. Scott abandoned his private car here in which the unsuccessful conferences were held with Mexican Minister of War Obregon and boarded the Golden Gate Limited for Washington. Obregon left for Chihuahua City, en route to Mexico City, and Gen. Funston has gone to his headquarters at San Antonio.

There is much speculation as to what will happen when General Obregon meets all his commanders, a number of whom are now assembled in Chihuahua City, and tells them of the unconditional refusal of the United States to withdraw. Gen. Funston is known to fear that the generals will be obdurate and decide to take the situation out of the hands of any central authorities.

No efforts are said to have been made to restore order or capture the bandits in the Parral district, south of Chihuahua City.

A report has been received by State Department representatives here that a mob containing a number of Carranza soldiers entered the American consulate at Durango City and looted it. Homer Coon, the American consul, is said to have sought refuge in the home of a friendly Mexican. They carried away all his personal effects and valuables, according to the information.

BRITISH LINES ATTACKED

Shifting From Verdun, Germans Precede Infantry Assault On Hulluck With Heavy Bombardment.

London.—Switching their attack from the Verdun region against the French, the Germans have again begun a sharp offensive against the British line around Hulluck. Preceding their movements with the usual heavy bombardments, the Germans launched an infantry attack against the British lines near Vermelles and captured first-line trenches over a front of about 500 yards. The British admit the loss of the position, but say that part of the ground was retaken in a counter attack. Berlin declares that in their defense of the trenches, and especially later in the counter attacks, the British suffered heavy casualties and in addition lost men taken prisoner and several machine guns captured.

Around Verdun the French, on the left bank of the Meuse, have recaptured points of vantage previously taken from them southeast of Haucourt by the Germans. Bombardments are again taking place around Le Mort Homme and Cumieres and against the French first and second line trenches on the right bank of the Meuse, between the Haudremont wood and Vaux. A German attack southeast of Fort Douaumont was repulsed.

Considerable infantry fighting, which as yet has been without result, is in progress on the Divink and Jacobstadt sectors of the Russian front. Petrograd reports that German attacks at several points here and further south have been repulsed.

In the Austro-Italian theater intense artillery actions are ensuing in the Col di Lana zone and the Italians have put down two Austrian attempts at attack against captured positions on Mount Cukla.

Three Killed in Auto Smash.

Dallas, Tex.—Three persons were almost instantly killed and three others received minor injuries here when an automobile turned partially over on a country road about six miles from here. Two of those killed were played under the car, while the third was catapulted some distance into a ditch.

MINING CAMP RAIDED.

Mexican Bandits Drive Americans From Polaris, Arizona.

Tucson, Ariz.—Mexican bandits are reported to have raided Polaris, a mining camp seven miles below Lochiel, on the border, driving out the Americans, who escaped to Nogales in automobiles. Col. Sage, commandant at Nogales, sent a company of infantry and 20 cavalrymen to guard Lochiel, Washington Camp and other towns on the American side.

SEES ONLY 'TEDDY'

George W. Perkins Talks of Republican Nomination.

His Idea Seems to Be to Find Out What the People Want and Feel Them Into Thinking Roosevelt Stands for It.

There is no pussyfooting about George W. Perkins. "I believe," he tells a Chicago reporter, "Roosevelt will be nominated by the Republicans, but I realize now, since analyzing the Ford vote, that our greatest work is to make the people see that Roosevelt means peace and honor as well as preparedness." This is the formula: Find out what the people want, and then make them see that the colonel means it. You may feel with Mr. Perkins that "there are two big things to look forward to—the integrity of the country and a protective tariff." But if you agree with him, you feel even more strongly that you should not quibble over definitions "this time." Just lump everything under a good-sounding word like "Americanism." "A tariff is embraced in the word 'Americanism,' as is also the nation's integrity." The main thing is that the Republicans should nominate the man who bolted the Republican nomination four years ago. This, says Mr. Perkins, will make the Progressives "the happiest people in this country." And what are Republicans for except to make Progressives—and especially one Progressive—happy?

Republican Prospects Poor. The absolutely disorganized condition of the Republicans, their poverty of leaders, their helplessness at the primaries, their confusion and uncertainty as to the choice of a candidate for president, the emergence of so many second-rate, ridiculous candidates, the blankness of "uninstructed," the absurdity of "instructed" delegates; these things are plain as a pikestaff. There is no candidate in sight that will unite the party. Effort is made, part pretense and finesse, part earnest, to pull the robes off a member of the Supreme court and proclaim a man of opinions necessarily unknown as the awaited hero of reconciliation and union. Colonel Roosevelt is yelling from the side lines and eager to break into the shindy. No man. No issue. Heaps of trouble.

Campaign Already Begun.

The Democratic national and congressional committees have already begun a comprehensive and vigorous campaign for the re-election of President Wilson. Fred B. Lynch, chairman of the executive committee, announced the opening of western headquarters in Chicago, to be in charge of Wilbur Mash, the Iowa member of the committee, and said that there would be the heartiest co-operation between the congressional and national committees.

Unfortunate Remark.

Among other utterances of Senator Harding of Ohio now the subject of criticism is his assertion in a recent speech that some Democrats are better than some Republicans. How sad the party is in need of the keynote speech which the senator is to deliver at Chicago is shown by the fact that standpatters and Progressives alike have construed this remark as personal to themselves and want to fight about it.

Now Up to the Colonel.

Senator Harding, who is to make the keynote speech at the G. O. P. convention, says he cannot see any reason why Colonel Roosevelt should not be consulted regarding the choice of a candidate, if he is back in the party. Now if the colonel will only concede that the party has a right to be consulted, the outlook for harmony will be excellent.

Simply Party of Opposition.

A slogan for the Chicago convention is supplied by the Boston Transcript: "The nomination of the strongest non-Democrat that can be found to oppose Mr. Wilson." This great event will be preceded by the keynote speech, reciting the glorious achievements of the grand old non-Democratic party.

Not Necessary.

The World is asking that Republicans show their Americanism by also nominating Wilson. Of course, it would be a nice thing to do and a very wise one, as indicating a united nation; but it isn't necessary. Mr. Wilson will be re-elected whether he is one nomination or several.—Utica Observer.

It Might Be Gathered from Colonel Roosevelt's Conversation.

That all the political parties were bidding for the privilege of nominating him for a third cup of coffee.

Party Deserves Confidence.

Business conditions in the West and in the East are excellent and getting better every day. Certainly, the voters are not going to give credit for prosperity to the Republicans, who have been talking hard times ever since the Democratic administration came into power. The people will give credit where credit belongs, and under the strong and courageous administration of the president the Democrats have made good all their promises to the people.

COULD NOT STRAIGHTEN UP

Had to Go All Humped Over and Suffered Great Pain in Sides and Back.

Sulphur Springs, Va.—Mrs. J. M. Sprinkle, of this place, writes: "About two years ago this coming spring, I got into awfully bad health. Had been married only a short time, and my health was not so good after my marriage as it had been before, and kept getting worse all the time. I was going down hill in health, could only drag around. My friends recommended that I try Cardul. I tried various remedies which did me no good. I simply moped all the time and felt sick all over. So I began using Cardul and in a short time I was greatly improved; after the use of one bottle was able to do my work."

"Before starting it, I couldn't straighten up to save me; had to go when I went all humped over, suffered great pains in the abdomen, sides and back worse than anywhere. After the use of one bottle, I had no more pain at all. It is also a fine tonic. The cure has been permanent, and I have had no trouble since, neither had to have a doctor or take any medicine since. It built me up in health and strength."

If you suffer from any of the ailments so common to women try Cardul, the woman's tonic. For sale by all druggists. Adv.

His Treat.

Bacon—Been to see the doctor? Egbert—Sure thing. "Did he treat you?" "Oh, no; it was my treat. It cost me two dollars."

Important to Mothers.

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Fletcher* In Use for Over 30 Years. Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

Looked That Way.

The postman handed him the letter. One glance at the envelope sent him nearly into hysterics. "Heavens!" he cried, "the first challenge I ever got." "Duel" was in big letters on the outside of the envelope.

But I Can't Fight and—

So he hurried to the station house, explained that he knew of no enemy who should demand his blood and asked for protection.

Three blue-coated arms of the law presented themselves.

The detective force hurried out. By that time the desk sergeant had recovered.

He said it meant "Due one cent."—Utica Press.

Cheering Him Up.

A professional boxer was badly beaten in a sparring match and carried to his bed in an exhausted and melancholy condition.

"I wish you'd say something to cheer him up, doctor," pleaded the defeated warrior's wife. "He's getting low in his mind, and when he's like that you've no idea how hard it is to wait on him. He's worse than a bear with a toothache."

"What can I say that will please him most?" asked the doctor.

"You might just tell him in an off-hand way that the man as licked him is mighty bad in the hospital, and that they may have to hold a post-mortem on him any minute now," was the solemn suggestion.

MEAL-TIME CONSCIENCE.

What Do the Children Drink?

There are times when mother or father feeds the youngsters something that they know children should not have. Perhaps it is some rich dessert but more often it is tea or coffee.

It is better to have some delicious hot food-drink that you can take your self and feed to your children, conscious that it will help and strengthen, but never hurt them.

"A Yorktate lady says: 'I used coffee many years in spite of the conviction that it injured my nervous system and produced my nervous headaches. While visiting a friend I was served with Postum and I determined to get a package and try it myself. The result was all that could be desired—a delicious, finely flavored, richly colored beverage. Since I quit coffee, Postum has worked wonders for me.'

"My husband, who had suffered from kidney trouble when drinking coffee, quit the coffee and took up Postum with me and since drinking Postum he has felt stronger and better, with no indication of kidney trouble."

"You may be sure I find it a great comfort to have a warm drink at meals that I can give my children, with a clear conscience that it will help and not hurt them as coffee or tea would."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Postum comes in two forms: Postum Cereal—the original form—must be well boiled. 15c and 25c pkgs.

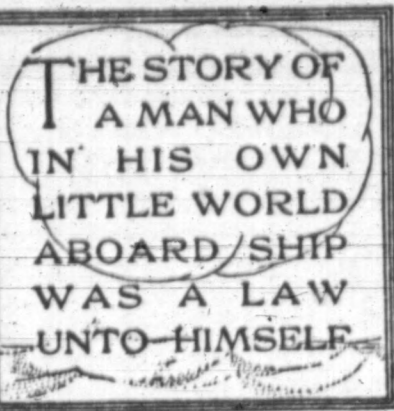
Instant Postum—a soluble powder—dissolves quickly in a cup of hot water, and, with cream and sugar, makes a delicious beverage instantly. 15c and 25c tins.

Both forms are equally delicious and cost about the same per cup. "There's a Reason" for Postum. Sold by grocers.



THE SEA WOLF

JACK LONDON



THE STORY OF A MAN WHO IN HIS OWN LITTLE WORLD ABOARD SHIP WAS A LAW UNTO HIMSELF

SYNOPSIS.

Humphrey Van Weyden, critic and dilettante, is thrown into the water by the sinking of a ferryboat in a fog in San Francisco Bay, and becomes unconscious before help reaches him. On coming to his senses he finds himself aboard the sealing schooner *Ghost*, Captain Wolf Larsen, bound to Japan waters, witnesses the death of the first mate and hears the captain curse the dead man for presuming to die at the beginning of the voyage. The captain refuses to cook him ashore and makes him cabin boy "for the good of his soul." Humphrey sees the body of the mate dumped into the sea. He begins to learn potato peeling and dish washing under the cockney cook, Mugridge, is caught by a heavy sea shipped over the quarter as he is carrying tea aft and his knees are seriously hurt, but no one pays any attention to his injury.

CHAPTER V—Continued.

After breakfast I had another unenviable experience. When I had finished washing the dishes I cleaned the cabin stove and carried the ashes up on deck to empty them. Wolf Larsen and Henderson were standing near the wheel, deep in conversation. I passed them and fung the ashes over the side to windward. The wind drove them back, and not only over me but over Henderson and Wolf Larsen. The next instant the latter kicked me violently, as a cur is kicked. I reeled away from him and leaned against the cabin in a half-fainting condition. But Wolf Larsen did not follow me. He brushed the ashes from his clothes, he had resumed his conversation with Henderson. Johansen, who had seen the affair from the break of the poop, sent a couple of sailors aft to clean up the mess.

Later in the morning I received a surprise of a totally different sort. Following the cook's instructions, I had gone into Wolf Larsen's stateroom to put it to rights and make the bed. Against the wall, near the head of the bunk, was a rack filled with books. I glanced over them, noting with astonishment such names as Shakespeare, Tennyson, Poe and De Quincey. There were scientific works, too, among which were represented men such as Tyndall, Proctor and Darwin. Astronomy and physics were represented, and I remarked Bulfinch's "Age of Fable," Shaw's "History of English and American Literature," and Johnson's "Natural History" in two large volumes. Then there were a number of grammars, such as Metcalf's and Reed and Kellogg's; and I smiled as I saw a copy of "The Dean's English."

I could not reconcile these books with the man from what I had seen of him, and I wondered if he could possibly read them. But when I came to make the bed I found, between the blankets, dropped apparently as if he had sunk off to sleep, a complete Browning, the Cambridge edition. It was open at "In a Balcony," and I noticed, here and there, passages underlined in pencil. Further, letting drop the volume during a lurch of the ship, a sheet of paper fell out. It was scrawled over with geometrical diagrams and calculations of some sort. This glimpse I had caught of his other side must have emboldened me, for I resolved to speak to him about the money I had lost.

"I have been robbed," I said to him, a little later, when I found him pacing up and down the poop alone.

"Sir," he corrected, not harshly, but sternly.

"I have been robbed, sir," I amended.

"How did it happen?" he asked.

Then I told him the whole circumstance, how my clothes had been left to dry in the galley, and how, later, I was nearly beaten by the cook when I mentioned the matter.

He smiled at my recital. "Pickings," he concluded; "Cooky's pickings. And don't you think your miserable life worth the price? Besides, consider it a lesson. You'll learn in time how to take care of your money for yourself. I suppose, up to now, your lawyer has done it for you, or your business agent."

I could feel the quiet sneer through his words, but I demanded, "How can I get it back again?"

"That's your lookout. You haven't any lawyer or business agent now, so you'll have to depend on yourself. When you get a dollar, hang on to it. A man who leaves his money lying around, the way you did, deserves to lose it. Besides, you have sinned. You have no right to put temptations in the way of your fellow-creatures. You tempted Cooky, and he fell. You have placed his immortal soul in jeopardy. By the way, do you believe in the immortal soul?"

His lids lifted lazily as he asked the question, and it seemed that the depths were opening to me and that I was gazing into his soul. But it was an illusion. Far as it might have seemed, no man has ever seen very far into Wolf Larsen's soul, or seen it at all of this I am convinced. It was a very lonely soul, to be sure, but never unmasked, though at rare moments it played at doing so.

"I had immortality in your eyes," I answered, dropping the "sir"—an experiment, for I thought the intimacy of the conversation warranted it.

He took no notice.

"Then to what end?" he demanded.

"If I am immortal—why?"

"I faltered. How could I explain my idealism to this man? How could I put into speech a something felt, a something like the strains of music heard in sleep, a something that convinced yet transcended utterance?"

"What do you believe, then?" I countered.

"I believe that life is a mess," he answered promptly. "It is like a yeast, a ferment, a thing that moves and may move for a minute, an hour, a year, or a hundred years, but that in the end will cease to move. The big eat the little that they may continue to move, the strong eat the weak that they may retain their strength. The lucky eat the most and move the longest, that is all. What do you make of those things?"

He swept his arm in an impatient gesture toward a number of the sailors who were working on some kind of rope stuff amidships.

"They move; so does the jellyfish move. They move in order to eat in order that they may keep moving. There you have it. They live for their belly's sake, and the belly is for their sake. It's a circle; you get nowhere. Neither do they. In the end they come to a standstill. They move no more. They are dead."

"They have dreams," I interrupted.

"Radiant, flashing dreams—"

"Of grub," he concluded sententiously.

"And of more—"

"Grub. Of a larger appetite and more luck in satisfying it." His voice sounded harsh. There was no levity in it. "You and I are just like them. There is no difference, except that we have eaten more and better. I am eating them now, and you, too. But in the past you have eaten more than I have. You wear the warm clothes. They made the clothes, but they shiver in rags and ask you, the lawyer, or the business agent who handles your money, for a job."

"But that is beside the matter," I cried.

"Not at all." He was speaking rapidly, now, and his eyes were flashing. "It is piglianness, and it is life. Of what use or sense is an immortality of piglianness? What is the end? What is it all about? To be pigliash as you and I have been all our lives does not seem to be just the thing for immortality to be doing. Again, what's it all about? Why have I kept you here?"

"Because you are stronger," I managed to blurt out.

"But why stronger?" he went on at once with his perpetual queries. "Because I am a bigger bit of the ferment than you? Don't you see? Don't you see?"

"But the hopelessness of it," I protested.

"I agree with you," he answered.

"Then why move at all, since moving is living? Without moving and being part of the yeast there would be no hopelessness. But—and here it is—we want to live and move, though we have no reason, because it happens that it is the nature of life to live and move, to want to live and move. If it were not for this, life would be dead. It is because of this life that is in you that you dream of your immortality. The life that is in you is alive and wants to go on being alive forever. Bah! An eternity of piglianness!"

He abruptly turned on his heel and started forward. He stopped at the break of the poop and called me to him.

"By the way, how much was it that Cooky got away with?" he asked.

"One hundred and eighty-five dollars, sir," I answered.

He nodded his head. A moment later, as I started down the companion stairs to lay the table for dinner, I heard him loudly cursing some men amidships.

CHAPTER VI.

By the following morning the storm had blown itself quite out and the *Ghost* was rolling slightly on a calm sea without a breath of wind. The men were all on deck and busy preparing their various boats for the season's hunting. There are seven boats aboard, the captain's dinghy, the six which the hunters will use. Three, a hunter, a boat puller, and a boat steerer, compose a boat's crew. On board the schooner the boat pullers and steers are the crew. The hunters, too, are supposed to be in command of the watches, subject, always, to the orders of Wolf Larsen.

All this, and more, I have learned. The *Ghost* is considered the fastest schooner in both the San Francisco and Victoria fleets. In fact, she was once a private yacht, and was built for speed. Johnson was telling me about her in a short chat I had with him during yesterday's second dog watch. He spoke enthusiastically, with the love for a fine craft such as some men feel for horses.

Every man aboard, with the exception of Johansen, who is rather over- come by his promotion, seems to have an excuse for having sailed on the *Ghost*. Half of the men forward are deep-water sailors and their excuse is

that they did not know anything about her or her captain. And those who do know whisper that the hunters, while excellent shots, were so notorious for their quarrels and rascally proclivities that they could not sign on any decent schooner.

I have made the acquaintance of another one of the crew—Louis, he is called, a round and jovial-faced Nova Scotia Irishman, and a very sociable fellow, prone to talk as long as he can find a listener. In the afternoon, while the cook was below and asleep and I was peeling the everlasting potatoes, Louis dropped into the galley for a "yarn." His excuse for being aboard was that he was drunk when he signed. He is accounted one of the two or three very best boat steers in both fleets.

"Ah, my boy"—he shook his head ominously at me—"it's the worst schooner ye could get selected, nor were ye drunk at the time as was I. Don't I remember him in Hakodate two years gone, when he had a row an' shot four iv his men? An' there was a man the same year he killed with a blow iv his fist. An' wasn't there the governor of Kura Island, an' the chief iv police, Japanese gentlemen, sir, an' didn't they come aboard the *Ghost* as his guests, a-bringing their wives along—wee an' pretty little bits of things like you see 'em painted on fans. An' as he was a-gittin' under way, didn't the fond husband get left astern-like in his sampan, as it might be by accident? An' wasn't it a week later that the poor little ladies was put ashore on the other side of the island, with nothin' before 'em but to walk home across the mountains on their weeny-teeny little straw sandals, which wouldn't hang together a mile? Don't I know?"

"Tis the beast he is, this Wolf Larsen—the great, big beast mentioned in Revelation; an' no good end will be ever come to. But I've said nothin' to ye, mind ye. I've whispered never a word; for old, fat Louis'll live the voyage out if the last mother's son of ye goes to the fishes."

"But if he is so well known for what he is," I queried, "how is it that he can get men to ship with him?"

"An' how is it ye can get men to do anything on God's earth an' sea?" Louis demanded, with Celtic fire.

"There's them that can't sail with bet men, like the hunters, and them that don't know like the poor devils of wind-jammers for'ard there."

"Then hunters is the wicked boys," he broke forth again, for he suffered from a constitutional plethora of speech. "But wait fill they get to cutting up iv jinks and rowin' 'round. He's the boy'll fix 'em. Look at that hunter iv mine, Horner. Didn't he kill his boat steerer last year? An' there's

"They Live for Their Belly's Sake."

Smoke, the black little devil—didn't the Russians have him for three years in the salt mines of Siberia, for ponch in on Copper Island, which is a Roolian preserve? Shackled he was, hand an' foot, with his mate. An' didn't they have words or a ruction of some kind?—for 'twas the other fellow Smoke sent up in the buckets to the top of the mine; an' a piece at the time he went up, a leg today, an' tomorrow an arm, the next day the head, an' so on."

"But you can't mean it!" I cried, overcome with the horror of it.

"Mean what?" he demanded, quick as a flash. "Tis nothin' I've said. Deef I am, and dumb, as ye should be for the sake iv your mother; an' never once have I opened me lips but to say fine things iv them an' him. God curse his soul, an' may he rot in purgatory ten thousand years, and then go down to the last an' deepest hell iv all!"

Johnson seemed the least equivocal of the men forward or aft. He seemed to have the courage of his convictions, the certainty of his manhood. It was this that made him protest, at the commencement of our acquaintance, against being called "Yonson." And

upon this, and him, Louis passed judgment and prophecy.

"Tis a fine chap, that squarehead Johnson we've for'ard with us," he said. "The best sailorman in the fo'c'sle. He's my boat puller. But it's to trouble he'll come with Wolf Larsen, as the sparks fly upward. The Wolf is strong, and it's the way of a wolf to hate strength, an' strength it is he'll see in Johnson—no knucklin' under, and a 'Yes, sir' thank ye kindly, sir, for a curse or a blow."

Thomas Mugridge is becoming unendurable. I am compelled to Mister him and Sir him with every speech. One reason for this is that Wolf Larsen seems to have taken a fancy to him. It is an unprecedented thing, I take it, for a captain to be chummy with the cook; but this is certainly what Wolf Larsen is doing. Two or three times he put his head into the galley and chatted Mugridge good-naturedly, and once, this afternoon, he stood by the break of the poop and chatted with him for fully fifteen minutes. When it was over, and Mugridge was back in the galley, he became greatly radiant, and went about his work, humming the counter songs in a nerve-racking and discordant falsetto.

"I always get along with the officers," he remarked to me in a confidential tone. "I know the w I do, to myke myself appreciated. There was my last skipper, 'Mugridge,' sez 'e to me, 'Mugridge,' sez 'e, 'you've missed yer vocation.' 'An' 'ow's that?' sez I. 'Yes should 'a been born a gentleman, an' never 'ad to work for yer livin'.' God strike me dead. 'Ump, if that ain't wot 'e sez, an' me a-sittin' there in 'is own cabin, jolly-like an' comfortable, a-smokin' 'is cigars an' drinkin' 'is rum.'"

This chit-chat drove me to distraction. I never heard a voice I hated so. Positively, he was the most disgusting and loathsome person I have ever met. The filth of his cooking was indescribable, and as he cooked everything that was eaten aboard, I was compelled to select what I ate with great circumspection, choosing from the least dirty of his concoctions.

My hands bothered me a great deal, unused as they were to work. Nor was my knee any better. The swelling had not gone down, and the cap was still up on edge. Hobbling about on it from morning to night was not helping it any. What I needed was rest, if it were ever to get well.

Rest! I never before knew the meaning of the word. I had been resting all my life and did not know it. But now, from half past five in the morning till ten o'clock at night, I am everybody's slave, with not one moment to myself, except such as I can steal near the end of the second dog watch. Let me pause for a minute to look out over the sea sparkling in the sun, or to gaze at a sailor going aloft to the gaff-topmasts, or running out the bowsprit, and I am sure to hear the hateful voice, "Ere, you 'Ump, no sodgerin'. I've got my peepers on yer."

There are signs of rampant bad temper in the steerage, and the gossip is going around that Smoke and Henderson have had a fight. Henderson seems the best of the hunters, a slow-going fellow, and hard to rouse; but roused he must have been, for Smoke had a bruised and discolored eye, and looked particularly vicious when he came into the cabin for supper.

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MAY RECLAIM WASTE SPOT

Efforts Are to Be Made to Restore to Fertility the Famous Roman Campagna.

No book on Italy is complete without some reference to the Campagna di Roma, a district upon which a curse seems to have fallen. It is a grassy plain, something like an American prairie, about forty by seventy miles in area, Rome being near its center. This district was once the province of Latium, and was then the richest and most populous country in the world, but it is now nearly destitute of inhabitants. For a part of the year shepherds and herdsmen make it their home, but even they do not linger longer than absolutely necessary. In fact, the Campagna is the home of malaria, so deadly that strangers dare not to pass a single night exposed to its influence.

The trouble with the Campagna arises from its being underlain by a bed of stone impervious to water. The spring rains fill the soil, a vast quantity of vegetable matter is accumulated, and the summer sun evaporates this foul water, filling the air with malaria of the most deadly sort.

The ancient Romans knew the danger, and averted it with extensive drains; but the moderns suffered the drains to become choked, and the finest portion of Italy became a wilderness. The soil is very rich, and it is pleasant to hear that an effort is being made to reclaim the Campagna for the uses of man.

Novel Atomizer Size of Watch.

A recent novelty is a pocket atomizer in the shape of a watch. The head or top has a small orifice, and the spray is produced by pressing or the flexible metal sides. A miniature funnel is provided for the filling, which is done by unscrewing the head. Another atomizer consists of a small cylindrical pump mounted on a cork so as to fit into any bottle and thus avoid handling of the perfume from one bottle to another. A plunger at the top serves to produce the spray from a side orifice. The tube which descends into the liquid has a second or telescoping end so that the tube can be extended down as far as the bottom of the bottle and thus take up all the liquid.

RICE SERVED WITH MEALS

Adds Greatly to the Nutritive Value of Dishes With Which It May Be Mixed.

Rice has great nutritive value, so when you can add it to meat you are not only reducing the cost of the dish, but you are maintaining, somewhat increasing, its food value.

Rice can be added to almost any sort of meat. Rice, plain boiled and drained as dry as possible, can be added to a chicken fricassee. It can also be made into croquettes to serve with chicken, and rice croquettes may be served with lamb or mutton stew.

Round steak can be cooked with rice in this way: Put a round steak an inch and a half thick in a greased casserole, and cover it with a cupful of rice that has been soaked for an hour. Pour over this half a can of tomatoes and season with salt and pepper. Then add a quart of water. Cover and bake for two hours slowly, and then uncover and cook for 20 minutes longer.

This is a good mutton and rice stew: Boil a cupful of rice and drain it. Slice three or four carrots and boil until tender. In the meantime simmer until tender a pound of breast of mutton—which will take about two hours. Thicken the meat gravy and pour the meat on a platter. Surround with the carrots, in a ring, and then with the rice, in a mound around the edge of the platter.

This is a rice and veal recipe: Place a slice or several slices of veal in an ungreased skillet until brown. Remove to a molding board and cut into pieces two inches square, or smaller. Put, with a small minced onion, in a casserole, and cover with boiling water and two or three slices of bacon. Cover and cook in the oven until the meat is very tender, and then thicken slightly with flour. Place on a platter and surround with a border of hot steamed rice.

AS THE SEASONS ADVANCE

Housewife Will Provide Menus Suitable to the Changes That the Weather Is Sure to Bring.

The cellar, of course, cannot be thoroughly cleaned until the furnace fire is allowed to go out for the season, but it can be cleared of all rubbish, if rubbish has been allowed to accumulate there during the winter. The cellar should be the most orderly part of the house, partly because an accumulation of rubbish there increases danger of fire and partly because the air from the cellar rises through the house, carrying with it dust or any other uncleanliness.

See to it that all the chimneys are in good condition and that all fireplaces are ready for a little extra work. The spring days, after the furnace fire is put out, are the days when open fires are most in demand.

Remember that spring appetites crave fresh things, and that salads tempt when heavier foods repel. Vegetable salads for luncheon are admirable on spring days.

If the spring days drag, begin to plan for summer vacations. Send for catalogs and pamphlets of hotel rates and take out some of your longing for summer in looking them over.

Haricot Timbales.

Soak half a pint of haricot beans in cold water for several hours, then drain and cook them until tender in slightly salted water; when done drain the beans, and rub them through a fine sieve. Put the puree in a saucepan with an ounce of butter, a little cream or half a gill of milk, and stir over the fire till quite hot, then stir in two yolks of eggs. Line the interior of six previously-buttered timbale molds thickly with the prepared puree, fill the center with vegetable macedoine seasoned with salt and pepper, cold water for several hours, then drain and cook them until tender in slightly salted water; when done drain the beans, and rub them through a fine sieve. Put the puree in a saucepan with an ounce of butter, a little cream or half a gill of milk, and stir over the fire till quite hot, then stir in two yolks of eggs. Line the interior of six previously-buttered timbale molds thickly with the prepared puree, fill the center with vegetable macedoine seasoned with salt and pepper.

Hazelnut Cream Cake.

Beat one cupful of sugar and four eggs until light, add one cupful of flour sifted with one teaspoonful baking powder and one teaspoonful of ground cinnamon, one-half teaspoonful of ground allspice and cloves; bake in two layers. Cream—Three-quarters of a pint of milk, one tablespoonful of cornstarch, two eggs, half teaspoonful of sugar. Peel and chop one cupful of hazelnuts fine, add a teaspoonful of vanilla. Roll all together until thick, and when cool spread between layers. Use whipped cream or a boiled frosting for top of cake.

Potato Loaves.

One pound potatoes, boiled and mashed; one ounce butter, one teaspoonful milk; one egg, butter, salt and cayenne pepper, two teaspoonfuls chopped parsley.

Add butter, milk, egg, parsley and seasoning to cold boiled mashed potatoes. Turn out and roll thin. Divide into equal portions and make each into a loaf. Put on to a buttered baking sheet, glaze with the white of an egg. Bake in a quick oven for 5 or 10 minutes.



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