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WILL MAKE PARKS OF THE TENEMENTS

Board Expects to Redeem Bad Spots in Paducah.

Bond Issue Is Explained in Detail and Economy of Project Fully Disclosed.

FUND WILL DRAW INTEREST.

"Our plan," said a member of the board of park commissioners today, "is to redeem the bad spots of Paducah by converting some of the worst tenement blocks into city parks, thus inducing the erection of a better class of houses in sections now given over to shacks and unsanitary modes of living.

"This plan is of European origin, and is being adopted in all the larger cities. We intend to try it here before Paducah gets to a size that will make the experiment excessively costly. In Kansas City, which has the finest system in the United States, this plan has been followed and the most miserable tenement districts have gradually been converted into open parks and breathing places, and the neighborhood thereby so improved that better houses have been erected and a better class of tenants induced to live there.

"Paducah has some sections in an unsanitary, unsightly and menacing condition, that never will be remedied until the city takes hold of the property and tears down the buildings. By this plan we hope to accomplish two results: the destruction of the unhealthful tenements and the acquisition of park sites at a minimum cost. For this kind of property, of course, will be cheaper than that in better neighborhoods.

"We believe that we will be given considerable land for parks, and, perhaps, when we have purchased a tract, some owner of adjacent property, realizing the benefit of the improvement, will grant us an extension, thus enabling us to build larger parks than we anticipated.

"The question of a riverside park is difficult. The property is held at a high figure, but we are hoping some public spirited man will come forward and offer his land cheap or give it to the city. Such a park would be extremely popular, and most cities along the river have a section of the bank set aside for public recreation.

The Bond Issue.

"Considerable misunderstanding seems to have arisen among the citizens of Paducah regarding the proposition of the board of park commissioners to issue \$100,000 in municipal bonds to create a park system, partly owing to a lack of detail in the explanation in The Sun and partly to the fact that citizens did not regard the statement that not all the money will be spent at once. Citizens in many instances figured that an income of \$5,000 a year would be sufficient only to pay the 4 per cent interest with \$1,000 balance to meet contingent expenses. At that rate, of course, the bonds could not be retired in less than 100 years. It was that simple problem in arithmetic the board has been engaged on for several weeks, and the members feel that they have solved it.

"But a fraction of the bond issue will be spent the first year. The park sites will be purchased, the ground graded and rolled and, perhaps, trees and grass planted. Then the rest of the work will progress as rapidly as possible, but during the 30 years of the bonds' life all current expenses will be met out of the issue, and there will be some remaining at the end of the term.

In the meantime the city will be in receipt of an annual revenue of 5 per cent of the levy. At present this amounts approximately to \$5,000. It never will fall below that, unless some terrible catastrophe should give Paducah an industrial backset, while, as the assessed value of property increases, the park fund will grow. That the assessment will increase from \$100,000 to \$200,000 annually, it is not unreasonable to presume, and this naturally makes the park appropriation larger.

"But taking the \$5,000 income as a basis this will pay the interest each year and leave \$1,000 surplus to reduce the principal.

"We propose to take part of the money derived from this bond issue to pay the first two or three years' installments of interest. During this time the annual revenue of five cents on the \$100 assessment will be lying in bank, accumulating 4 per

By the consent of the people of Paducah, The Sun has the largest circulation in the city and county. The average for June was 4072 a day.

cent interest, the same rate the bonds draw. While we can not retire any of these bonds before the end of 30 years the deposit of the park fund at the same rate of interest amounts to the same thing.

"With the annual revenue, plus interest on the fund deposited and the balance from the bond issue, the commissioners have estimated that the bonds can easily be retired at the end of 30 years.

"We are positive that no additional burden of taxation will fall on the people by reason of this issue, and the 5 cent levy will cover the whole expense.

END OF PLANK

TIPPED AND TILLEY FELL TO THE FLOOR.

Left Ankle Shattered in Socket and His Leg May Have to Be Amputated.

Falling from a platform only 6 feet high at the new residence of Mr. Ben Welle on Jefferson street B. G. Tilley, of 1221 Trimble street had his left leg broken in the ankle socket. He was removed to the Riverside hospital where it was thought his foot immediately must be amputated.

Mr. Tilley is a lather and was standing on the platform about 9 o'clock this morning nailing laths to the walls of the house, when the plank on which he was standing, turned, throwing him to the floor. It is thought he stepped on the end of the plank which protruded over the platform. The bone was completely shattered at the ankle and the foot was held on only by the tendons and skin. He was not injured otherwise by the fall.

Mr. Tilley is 65 years old and has a family. One grown son is a carpenter. On account of his age and the nature of the fracture the leg probably cannot be saved. Dr. P. H. Stewart was called and prepared him to be removed to the hospital.

GRAFT

EXTENDING OVER FOUR YEARS IN ARMY CONSTRUCTION.

Inspector General Wood Discovers Evidences of Crookedness in Manila.

Manila, August 2.—Colonel Wood, inspector general, who is making a special investigation of accounts of the army construction department, has discovered indications of graft extending over a period of four years. Four army quartermasters have been ordered from the United States to Manila to testify.

ORDERS CLUB TO CHANGE NAME

Justice McLean Signs Decree in Case, Making It National.

New York, Aug. 2.—Justice McLean, of the supreme court, today signed an order authorizing the Democratic club to change its name to that of the National Democratic club. The petition of the club on which the order was issued declared it to be the purpose of the club to extend its operations to all sections of the country and to admit to membership citizens of all the states.

Four Year Old Climbs Pike's Peak.

Colorado Springs, Colo., Aug. 2.—Huston Glen Faubian, 4-year-old son of J. D. Faubian, a Houston (Texas) druggist, holds the world's record for age for climbing Pike's peak. In company with his parents, Misses Mary Oliver and May and Myrtle Martin of Victoria and C. W. Baker, of Dallas, he walked up last night and returned today, a distance of eighteen miles.

Thirty Drown in Vistula.

Berlin, August 2.—A ferry-boat on the Vistula river sank today near Wilnaowa. Thirty persons were drowned.

PINNED TO DOOR WAS THE DEMAND

"Leave Your Money Where It Will Be Easy to Get."

Mrs. Jennie Ball, of 1528 Jones Street, Finds Queer Message Left by Stranger.

SEES WRITER RUNNING AWAY.

"Leave your money where it will be easy to get, and I will be back for it tomorrow night."

This was the startling sentence on a piece of paper, which Mrs. Jennie Ball, of 1528 Jones street, found on her door Tuesday night.

She had been awakened from sleep by a noise and going out on the front porch was surprised to see a man fleeing from the yard. She turned and started back into the house when on the door she found pinned the message.

The writing was awkward but legible. The sentence was headed, "Warning—Take Notice."

Mrs. Ball does not know whether the man was white or black, as she did not get to see him closely. He never turned as he ran and the route he took was towards the woods. Last night no one appeared. She lives with her daughter and only the two women were at home at the time.

FRAUD ORDER

Issued Against Pool Room Concern at Latonia.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 2.—A fraud order was issued today against G. W. Mason, of Latonia, Ky., for operating a turf betting scheme on a 25 per cent commission basis. Acting Assistant Attorney General R. M. Webster, of Kentucky, held the scheme to be a lottery.

Postal Inspector Soranson of Cincinnati, who investigated the case, reported that "Mason" was a fictitious name, and that the real culprit is C. E. Harriman, who was arrested July 16, after operating turf swindles in the vicinity of Covington for years under various names, including Dr. Cooper Dickson & Co., Grannon & Co., Goodman & Co. Brown & Co. and F. W. Ellison. Harriman is held in \$1,000 bond awaiting trial.

FEARFUL HEAT IN GOLD FIELDS

Mercury, Reaching 160 on Paramint Range—Many Die.

Los Angeles, Cal., Aug. 2.—According to reports which have reached this city terrible heat prevails in the Inyo county gold fields and the adjacent desert, and mining prospectors are dying daily from its effects. W. H. Adams, a mining engineer, who left Los Angeles July 6 for the Paramint range, and who has just returned to this city, states that eight prospectors were brought in dead from the heat while he was in the region. During his stay at Paramint six bodies were brought there, all those of victims of sunstroke. In the desert section lying south of Redlands, he says the mercury went up to 160 and could record no higher.

KENTUCKY FOURTH

Revenue Collections for Fiscal Year, Ending With June.

Washington, August 2.—Acting Internal Revenue Commissioner Williams today issued a preliminary report for the fiscal year ending June 30. It shows the aggregate internal revenue collections on all articles in Kentucky were \$24,469,833.68, which will be exceeded only by collections in Illinois, Indiana and New York.

By districts, the Kentucky collections were as follows: Second, \$2,286,947.11; Fifth, \$13,101,041.15; Sixth, \$3,481,593.90; Seventh, \$2,942,181.24; Eighth, \$2,687,320.28.

STANDARD MAKES CUT.

Reduces Price in East and West Several Cents.

Toledo, August 2.—Because of the great amount of oil being sent into the Standard Oil company from various plants, another cut of three cents in the east and two cents in the west is posted by the trust today. This makes a cut of six cents in the east and four cents in the west this week.

THE ISLANDS ABLAZE AND THE MUTINEERS STARVING TO DEATH.

St. Petersburg, August 2.—Latest news from Helsingfors regarding the mutiny at Sveaborg fortress is to the effect that two of the islands are ablaze. Mutineers to the number of 3,000 are said to be on the point of surrendering, as they are practically without munitions and food.

St. Petersburg, August 2.—Mutiny has occurred at Kronstadt. There has been serious fighting. Casualties are known to have numbered a hundred. Admiral Beklenzeff is among the wounded.

MILITARY REVOLT AND CONSPIRACY

Cause of Mutiny at Sveaborg and Kronstadt.

Mutineers Said to Occupy All But Two Islands in the Group at Helsingfors.

FIGHTING ALL NIGHT LONG.

St. Petersburg, August 2.—The greatest excitement prevails here as a result of the startling news from Sveaborg, and there is the deepest apprehension regarding the situation at Kronstadt, as there is little doubt that the rising of the garrison of the "Gibraltar of the Baltic" was a premature attempt to execute a widespread military conspiracy, which involved the seizing of the fortress of Sveaborg, Cronstadt and Sevastopol as bases for the revolting Black Sea and Baltic fleets.

Fighting All Night.

Helsingfors, Finland, August 2.—The fight between the mutineers and the loyal troops was waged during most of the past night. The cannonade was heavy, the firing of the guns furnishing an awe-inspiring spectacle to the thousands lining the points of vantage on Observatory hill. The loyal minority seemed to command the forts on Nicholas Island, which was engaged in a duel with Sandhamm's formidable masked batteries. At 10 o'clock this morning they were still exchanging broadsides at ten-minute intervals.

From the civilian point of view, the local situation is easier. No cruisers are visible. Troops are expected here, but the destruction of the bridge near Rihima on the railroad and the tearing up of the permanent way at several points delays the arrival of reinforcements.

The town is quiet and business is proceeding, but the workmen are on strike.

The revolt, it is pointed out, occurred on the anniversary of a mining disaster, which was caused by the recklessness of some officers and resulted in the loss of a dozen lives. Copies of the Viborg manifesto of the outlawed parliament are being distributed among the Cossacks, who quietly put them in their pockets.

A naval squadron, including the battleship Slava, is reported to have sailed from Revel this afternoon for Sveaborg.

The Socialists are one the alert and the townspeople are in fear of a cannonade if the naval squadron arrives here.

There was a panic all day long yesterday among the summer residents on the islands of the archipelago, owing to the fall of stray shells and bullets, which caused a number of casualties both on the islands and in the city. A man sitting on the veranda of the yacht club was mortally wounded, and a servant girl was killed.

For more than a week Russian revolutionists have been working among the troops, distributing the Viborg and Group of Toil manifestos and it is reported that on Sunday 1,500 soldiers took an oath to fight on the side of the people.

Ohio Town Burns.

Howard, Ohio, Aug. 2.—The entire business section of this town was destroyed by fire early this morning. The loss will reach \$25,000. No business block is left standing. The cause is believed to have been incendiary.

INFANT'S CRIES ATTRACT OFFICER

Little One Subject of Litigation Between Parents.

Mother Awarded Temporary Custody of Child Pending Decision of Court.

BOTH WILL SUE FOR DIVORCE.

Attracted by the cries of an infant, Gus Rogers, deputy sheriff, took the trouble to inquire the cause of its woe and thereby brought about the habeas corpus proceedings of Mrs. Charles Smith, of Columbia, Tenn., against her husband, for the possession of two-year-old Elvis Smith, their only child, whom the father had spirited away and brought to 620 Fountain avenue, Paducah.

The Smith family is small, but the child represents the biggest part of it, judging from the fight that is being made for its possession. The fight bears a local tinge not only in the fact that the child was recovered in Paducah, but because the father is a native of this city and one of the best known and most popular union tradesmen.

Ten days ago Charles Smith, residing at 620 Fountain avenue, a brother of Capt. Billy Smith, the well known pilot, came to Paducah from Columbia, Tenn., bringing with him his baby boy. He had left his wife because harmony had not existed between them, and while he secured possession by a ruse he thinks he should be awarded the custody of the child. The mother thinks otherwise.

Ten days ago a telephone message was received here by Deputy Sheriff Gus Rogers asking that he find Elvis Smith, aged 25 months, son of Charles Smith, a barber who had left Columbia, Tenn., with the child. The mother claimed the boy had been spirited away. Deputy Sheriff Gus Rogers went in quest of the boy and while driving on Fountain avenue noticed a small child crying on the front porch at No. 620. He went next door and asked if "Mrs. Clark" lived there. He met with disappointment in the residence, but did learn that the child which was crying, was the son of Charles Smith and had been brought here from Columbia, Tenn.

Deputy Sheriff Rogers had been asked to simply "notify" if the child was "located" and he did.

This morning the mother arrived in Paducah accompanied by counsel and employed Attorneys Campbell & Campbell. Habeas corpus proceedings were instituted, and the case tried in the office of Attorneys Campbell & Campbell before Circuit Judge William Reed. The child was awarded to the mother.

Judge Reed took the position that the case can only legally be tried in Tennessee and that no evidence could be heard here. He issued an order awarding the child to the mother temporarily, and any further action will have to be taken in Tennessee.

The mother informed her attorneys and the deputy sheriff that she would at once institute proceedings for divorce and the custody of the child in Tennessee. The husband said he would at once take the same course.

Mr. Smith is employed in the Book-hammer barber shop on South Third street, and is a reliable and popular young man.

"My wife and I have not been getting along harmoniously for some time and I often appealed to her," he stated. "I decided that I would leave her and wanted the boy. We were going to church and she left first. I told her that I would go from the barber shop, by the tent, in which the services were held and bring her home. The child had been left in care of a colored girl, and instead of going to the tent church I went to the negro's house, secured my boy and came to Paducah. This proceeding came as a surprise, but I think I shall fight it out."

Two Hurt by Bomb.

New York, Aug.—Thomas Owens and Mary Eise, who were unacquainted were shockingly mutilated by a mysterious explosion of a high power bomb in a tenement house on Wythe avenue, Brooklyn, this morning. Owens had one hand torn off and his face terribly burned. The woman's hands and face are badly lacerated. Owens lived on the third floor and Mrs. Eise on the second. Owens is a striking plumber. He was accused by the police of causing the explosion, but denied it.

Fair tonight and Friday. The highest temperature reached yesterday was 83 and the lowest today was 71.

LOVER OF HORSES.

But the Kid Always Takes Other People's—Will Be Prosecuted.

Lancaster, O., August 2.—Ralph Hite, aged 13, was arrested in Nelsonville, O., this morning and brought back to this city. The lad had stolen a horse and buggy belonging to Lyman Campbell, and with his two younger brothers drove to Nelsonville. The owner of the horse says he will prosecute the boy for horse stealing. This is the second time within three weeks that the lad has stolen horses.

REBATES

WILL BE GIVEN OUT-OF-TOWN SHOPPERS BY MERCHANTS.

Fare and Two Per Cent Discount for Visitors From Surrounding Cities.

The retail merchants met in monthly session last night and decided to again inaugurate the rebating system and will begin it September 1.

Every person coming to Paducah from a distance of not over 75 miles to shop, who buys \$30 worth of goods from any member of the association, will be given his fare back. On all purchases over \$30 he will be given a rebate of 2 per cent. This feature proved a success last year.

Other business transacted by the association was purely routine and of importance only to the association.

TROUBLE BEGINS.

Seven Hundred Men Strike On Mexican Central.

Fort Worth, Texas, Aug. 2.—Reports received this morning indicate that trouble already has begun in Mexico. Seven hundred men are on a strike in the principal yards of the Mexican Central railroad. It is feared the trouble will spread rapidly.

RATE WAR

THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROADS FIGHTING FOR PASSENGERS.

Philadelphia and Reading Meets Cut and Two Others Are Expected to Follow.

Philadelphia, August 2.—The Philadelphia and Reading railway will reduce fares to meet the cut in prices by the Pennsylvania railway. The Baltimore and Ohio and Lehigh Valley railroads, it is believed, will follow with like reductions.

JUST FATE.

Would-Be Assailant of Young Girl Jumps in River.

Gallipolis, O., August 2.—Charles Mitchell, a mulatto cabin boy on the steamer Stanley, jumped in the river and was drowned near here last night, after attempting to outrage a young Cincinnati girl passenger in a state room. Mitchell slipped into the room and locked the door. The girl's screams brought assistance. Captain Carney grappled with the negro, who escaped and jumped overboard.

Flag on Pine Mountain.

Lexington, Ky., Aug. 2.—A party of people from Jamestown, Va., have planted a flag on top of Pine mountain, in Letcher county. The mountain is the highest peak in the Cumberland mountain range and the flag staff elevates the national emblem some 200 feet above the top of the mountain, making it visible for many miles in Kentucky and Virginia.

Ordered to Start Work.

Paris, August 2.—In accordance with an order issued by the Emperor of Russia, the American syndicate is authorized to begin work on the trans-Siberian Alaskan railroad project.

AMERICAN TARIFF FAVORED IN IOWA

Governor Cummins Again the Choice of Republicans.

Roosevelt's Administration Endorsed and Primary Elections Called for.

MONOPOLIES ARE ASSAILED.

Des Moines, Ia., August 2.—Governor W. S. Cummins was nominated to succeed himself at the Iowa state Republican convention yesterday. His administration was endorsed and the following was said about President Roosevelt:

"We commend the inspiring character, important achievements and undaunted leadership of Theodore Roosevelt. It is with exceeding pride that we contemplate the confidence reposed in him by the people of our country and admiration which he commands from the whole world."

Anti-Trust and Primary Laws.

The Republican party has always stood for enlarged participation of the individual voter in public affairs. To this end we pledge ourselves and our party in this state to the enactment of a wise and judicious primary election law which will provide for nomination by direct vote of all candidates for office to be filled at general elections and an expression of party preference in the selection of the United States senators.

We are unalterably opposed to the domination of corporate influences in public affairs. We favor enactment of stringent statutes to purge politics of our state and nation from corrupting influences of corporate power and we pledge ourselves to the enactment of such laws as will render it unprofitable and unpopular for corporations to engage in politics or in any way contribute to political campaigns.

Abolishment of free passes on railways is a most important step in curbing the influence of corporations in political affairs, and we commend Republican legislation, which has enacted a law to this end.

Favor Tariff and Protection.

We are uncompromisingly in favor of the American system of protection. Duties on foreign imports should not be levied for revenue only, but should be so adjusted as to promote our domestic interests, enlarge our foreign markets, secure remunerative prices for products of our factories and farms and maintain superior scale of wages and standard of living for American labor.

Wise and unselfish tariff laws maintained in the interest of the general welfare, equally opposed to foreign control and domestic monopoly, are essential to our commercial and industrial property. We believe all inequalities in the tariff schedules which inevitably arise from changing industrial and commercial conditions, should be adjusted from time to time and condemning without reserve all assaults upon protective system, we favor such reasonable and timely changes as will keep the tariff in harmony with our industrial and commercial progress.

TAGGART WILL WED

A Spanish Heiress in Manila; Wooster Friends Hear.

Wooster, Ohio, Aug. 2.—According to a report which is being circulated here among the friends of Captain Elmore F. Taggart of divorce fame, he will return from the Philippine Islands a married man. It is said he is to marry the daughter of a wealthy Spaniard, whom he met in Manila, and who is said to own large estates near that city. Some of Taggart's friends refuse to credit the report.

Used Cyanide of Potassium.

Peru, Ind., August 2.—Six weeks ago this city was shocked by the suicide of W. J. Walsh, manager of the local office of the Bell Telephone company, a highly respected citizen and very much beloved by his employees. He used cyanide of potassium as the means of self-murder.

Chicago's All Night Bank.

Chicago, August 2.—Chicago's all-night bank opened for business this morning. The doors will be open to the public each hour of the day and night except on Sunday and holidays. The capital is \$250,000.