

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH HAS BEEN SCHOOL OF MANY GREAT PREACHERS--WONDERFUL LIST

The Rev. Calvin M. Thompson Assumes Second Most Important Office in Baptist Church.

The Rev. George C. Lorimer, Kerr B. Tucker and John D. Jordan Have Been Pastors of This Congregation.

The resignation of the Rev. Calvin M. Thompson, pastor of the First Baptist church, who will accept the chief editorship of the Western Recorder, recalls a peculiar fact in the history of this church, which reflects credit on the discrimination of the congregation and the officers of the church.

The pulpit of the church has been occupied by more men who afterwards became illustrious than, perhaps, any pulpit in any city of the same size in the country. The list of great men who have been pastors of the church includes the Rev. George C. Lorimer, the Rev. Kerr B. Tucker and the Rev. John D. Jordan.

The Rev. Calvin M. Thompson's predecessor, the Rev. John Cheek, died as the result of the physical and nervous strain of one of the greatest revivals ever held in Paducah.

The Rev. George C. Lorimer, who afterwards became pastor of the famous Madison avenue church in New York, was as well known through his own rare gifts. His son is the editor of The Saturday Evening Post.

The Rev. George C. Lorimer was followed through his various charges by the Rev. Kerr B. Tucker, a magnificent preacher, but more esthetic than spiritual. Both men preached in Philadelphia, and Dr. Tucker recently left the Madison avenue church in New York, owing thousands of dollars, which he borrowed and, presumably, spent in Wall street speculations, in a vain effort to become rich.

The Rev. John D. Jordan is a young man. He was national secretary of the Baptist Young People's Union, but is now pastor of the First church, Atlanta.

Dr. Thompson accepts a position in the Southern Baptist church second only in influence and importance to that of president of the theological seminary. Every man in the church, who contemplates suggesting a great movement, must first consider the attitude of the Western Recorder on the subject. The chief editorship requires rare talents and capabilities.

It was a compliment to Dr. Thompson that the board refused to consider anybody else for the place. The Western Recorder has been without a head since the last of June, when the Rev. T. T. Eaton died. Under the terms of the contract, by which Dr. Thompson accepted the pastorate of the First Baptist church in this city, three months' notice is required, but on account of the pressing necessity of having some one to take immediate charge of the great publication, it is probable the church will release Dr. Thompson earlier in the interest of the denomination.

LIFE WAS SAVED

Suffering from the effects of morphine poisoning, Alton Barker, engineer of the coal hoist of the West Kentucky Coal company, was saved from death by the prompt attendance of City Physician Williamson this morning. After working with him for some time, Dr. Williamson pronounced the young man out of danger.

More Students Than Ever.

During October an increase over September in enrollment in Paducah city schools of 123 pupils, 99 white and 24 colored, encouraged school officials. It swells the attendance to the highest figure ever attained by the city schools. The increase is not confined to any particular department, but is divided among the grades. The high school shows little increase.

The total enrollment of Paducah schools to date is 3,422, about 100 more than ever before enrolled.

TEAR DOWN BURR'S PRISON.

Demolishing Historic Old House at Marine Barracks. Washington, D. C., Nov. 5.—Workmen have begun to demolish the old center house at the Marine barracks—the place where Aaron Burr was confined after he killed Alexander Hamilton in a duel.

STENOGRAPHER'S TESTIMONY WILL BE FOR THE STATE

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 5.—Miss Etta L. McLean, the stenographer arrested with Alexander B. Gordee for conspiracy to perjure government records in the prosecution of John R. Walsh, will be given her freedom tomorrow. Miss McLean has renounced Gordee, consented to go on the witness stand, and, if possible send him to prison by her sworn story, and in return she has been promised clemency.

Gordee will be prosecuted mercilessly by the government secret service officials, who declare they have unearthed enough of his past life to send him to prison on several charges should he escape the one for which he is now imprisoned.

Meanwhile the wife whom Gordee deserted for Miss McLean is on her way to Chicago, still believing in the man and quite ready to make every sacrifice possible to set him free. Mrs. Gordee left Boston for Chicago, renouncing her confidence in her husband.

Deputy United States marshals began the service of summons on 200 men for the Walsh trial for misapplying funds of the Chicago National bank.

EARTHQUAKE IN GUATEMALA MADE CRACKS IN WALLS

New Orleans, Nov. 5.—An earthquake at Guatemala City and covering a wide territory in Guatemala, October 16 and 17, was reported today by passengers arriving on the steamer Bluefields from Port Barrios. Several persons were hurt in Guatemala City by falling objects during the shocks which occurred from 10 o'clock at night until after 5 o'clock the following morning. A large number of buildings in the city showed ragged cracks after the quake but no fatalities were reported.

Quake Recorded.

Shide, Isle of Wight, Nov. 5.—An earthquake disturbance was recorded at the observatory here last night beginning at 8:10. It reached its maximum at 8:16. The point of origin was at a distance of about 5,600 miles, probably in some part of the Pacific ocean.

AFTER KILLING 28 PEOPLE JUMPS TO HIS DEATH.

Knoxville, Tenn., Nov. 5.—In view of 300 people, Jim Davis, a negro who had shot two negro women early Sunday morning, leaped from the railing of the Tennessee river bridge to the water, 100 feet below, this afternoon, and was drowned before he could be rescued.

Pursued by two deputy sheriffs, Davis climbed to the top of the railing, and pulling a pistol from his pocket, fired five times in the air, scattering the crowd, which was trying to prevent him from suicide, and then counting "one, two, three," jumped headforemost.

In his last words, before leaping, Davis claimed that he had killed 28 people.

THE WEATHER.



FAIR

Fair tonight and Wednesday. Warner tonight.

Bank Currency is At Premium in The Paducah Retail Stores With New Check

Have you got one of the cashier's checks being issued by the local banks? They were plentiful yesterday and served their purpose nicely. Some of the banks expected to have a little trouble in explaining their use to some of their depositors, but at the close of business every banker said he had had no trouble at all in explaining the matter; that the people were so well informed on present conditions that they perfectly understood the function of the certificates and gladly accepted them. Most people thought they were a joke on the banks. But few of the certificates were used, however, as the banks took in more currency than they paid out during the day. Every merchant who had any currency in his safe took it to his bank to help relieve the stringency and in this way all the banks wound up the day with more money on hand than they started off with. Some of the merchants, to show their appreciation of the conditions and their inclination to assist all they can are giving 5 per cent premium for the certificates—\$1.05 of merchandise for a dollar. The list of the merchants contains nearly all of the prominent dealers, so bank certificates will be greatly in demand now, on account of their greater value, than actual currency.

MORE TROOPS TO THUNDER BUTTE AFTER INDIANS

Omaha, Neb., Nov. 5.—Orders were received at army headquarters in Omaha to dispatch the remaining two squadrons of the Second United States Cavalry, composed of eight companies, to Thunder Butte, S. D., at the earliest possible moment. The command left for the Des Moines last night.

Company M, Sixteenth infantry, under command of Capt. Harry F. Dalton, will leave Fort Crook Wednesday for Gettysburg, S. D., to take charge of the base of supplies which has been established for the operations against the Ute Indians should they make any troublesome overtures.

Col. Frank West, of the Second Cavalry, will be placed in command of the expedition on arrival at Thunder Butte.

Major Sibley and the first squadron of four companies of the Second Cavalry are now at Thunder Butte. It is thought the idea is to prevent any portion of the Sioux tribe from making common cause with the Utes in their revolt against authority.

Lawton, Okla., Nov. 5.—Declaring that his people are hungry and suffering for clothing and shelter, Geronimo, the noted Apache warrior, the remnant of whose tribe are prisoners of war on the Fort Sill reservation here, has written President Roosevelt, threatening to take his followers away from the reservation through war and bloodshed, if necessary, if money is not forthcoming at once.

Geronimo is angry because Lieutenant Huntington, the quartermaster in Fort Sill, who has charge of Apache Indian affairs, was compelled to discontinue issuing checks to the Indians on account of the money stringency.

EQUITY SOCIETY SELLS 1907 CROP TO AMERICAN CO.

Milton, Ky., Nov. 5. (Special.)—Eight members of the Equity society called on T. J. Tandy and H. H. Shumriner, merchants, and asked them not to buy tobacco. They also called on McTibben & Maddox across the river and made the same request.

Owensboro, Ky., Nov. 5. (Special.)—The Greenville river equity warehouse sold the American Tobacco company the 1907 pooled crop of five million to eight million pounds at \$9 for leaf and \$3 for trash.

OUR TIMBER SUPPLY

Washington, Nov. 5.—"In twenty years the timber supply in the United States, on government reserves and private holdings, at the present rate of cutting, will be exhausted." This announcement was made today by Gifford Pheoch, the government forester, who has just returned from a six months' inspection trip on which he traveled 10,000 miles.

NICE SPEECH

New York, Nov. 5.—Rear Admiral Coghlan in a speech here said: "The Pacific ocean must become the Japanese-American lake. We will stand together about it, but if we can't stand together then we shall fall apart." His speech was made at the celebration of the mikado's birthday.

HITCHCOCK HELD SOMEWHERE NEAR TO NEW YORK CITY

New York, Nov. 5.—Just how near the vanished Raymond Hitchcock is to the glitter of Broadway's electric lights, did not become positively known today, but the tip went out from two or three sources that from his hiding place he might easily recognize the reflection of the "Yankee Tourists" sign after dark.

Hermann Fromme, his counsel, made the declaration that Hitchcock was kidnapped when he disappeared and that he is now held prisoner within half an hour's cab ride of his home.

Fromme says he knows this because a well-dressed man, who said his name was Flathe, called at the lawyer's office last Sunday and wanted to take him to the actor. Fromme said he would not go because he was afraid he would be kidnapped, too. Nevertheless, he announced that he would have Hitchcock on hand next Thursday when the police court trial comes up.

According to other stories Hitchcock is a voluntary prisoner in the custody of a friend well known to the theatrical profession.

TENNESSEE COAL AND IRON CO. GO TO U. S. STEEL

New York, Nov. 5.—The Tennessee Coal and Iron company was passed over to the control of J. P. Morgan & Company, who in turn will pass it over to the United States Steel Corporation. This company, which has been one of its greatest rivals, will prove of immense value to the steel trust, as it owns valuable coal and iron mines in Tennessee and Alabama. It has been controlled by what is known as the Gates crowd. Moore & Schley represent the Tennessee coal pool, and it was Mr. Schley who signed the agreement for the transfer of the property. Mr. Schley refused to make any statement concerning the matter today.

One of the reasons for the change in control of the company, it was understood, was the fact that several trust companies had made large loans to the Tennessee Coal company and were anxious to have them written off.

JILTED--SUICIDE

Owensboro, Ky., Nov. 5. (Special.)—Jesse Cummings blew out his brains because his girl refused to marry him.

INFANT DIES

The 18-months-old infant of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Gammon, of Memphis, formerly of Paducah, died yesterday. The body reached Paducah this morning at 11:20 o'clock and was buried in Oak Grove cemetery, the funeral being held from the train.

CHANCELLOR DAY

New York, Nov. 5.—Blame for the financial furore was laid on Roosevelt by Chancellor James B. Day, in Syracuse University, who also passed the gratuitous criticism, that the president has accomplished no reform and punished nobody. He said he never thought of the president as an anarchist, though he designated some of the president's acts and policies as anarchistic in their tendencies.

INSURANCE MEN FIND CHIEF WOOD IS ALL PREPARED

Work Re-rating Paducah for Fire Insurance is Started With Test of Department--Water Co. Next to Receive Attention.

Preliminary steps towards re-rating Paducah are on. The information was "thrust suddenly upon the public," but it did not catch fire department chief, James Wood, napping. He was equal to the emergency, and acquitted himself with credit. While the work of re-rating has just begun, and probably will last for many weeks, interest is aroused, and tomorrow the water tests will be made.

This morning Messrs. J. D. Pollock, of Louisville, member of the state board of fire underwriters, accompanied by Mr. York Townsend, of Chicago, member of the National Board of Fire Underwriters, appeared at No. 1, which is conceded not equal to the equipment at other stations, taking all into consideration, was satisfactory.

"Well, you seem to have a well equipped fire department," declared Mr. Townsend, "but how about your system of alarms?"

Chief Wood went to the private telephone system and rang once. He placed the receiver to his ear. "Nothing doing, boys, I was just demonstrating," he said over this telephone, but the No. 4 company would not have it that way. The fireman answering the phone had already tapped in, and the horses scattered voters and election officers at No. 4 station.

Chief Wood had received such a quick response from all three stations simultaneously that it surprised the visitors.

The gentlemen tomorrow morning will make a test of the water pressure. All such actions are merely preliminary and the re-rating of the town depends on the condition of buildings, the accumulation of debris and the wiring.

As to wiring, it is said that Paducah is rapidly taking her place with the best wired cities in the country. By those who are in authority it is stated that a better wired town can not be found, and the rate doubtless will be lowered many points.

Mr. William J. Gilsdorf, state electrical inspector, will not be able to come here for several weeks, but will meet Messrs. Townsend and Pollock and complete the work of re-rating. In the work Mr. C. C. Rose, insurance commissioner for the district, will also assist.

Re-raters desire to catch the property holder "napping," and are wary of talking for publication. In answer to how long they will be in Paducah, Mr. Townsend answered, "Well, it depends on how crooked the town is." Messrs. Pollock and Townsend have just returned from Jackson, Tenn., where they declare one of the worst fire departments they have ever seen in a city of Jackson's size is maintained.

Paducah's fire loss in 1905 was \$90,000. Last year, after the installation of two new fire stations, the loss dwindled to \$30,000. Better wiring is largely responsible.

BIG K. P. MEETING

At a meeting last night the Knights of Pythias extended an invitation to Mayfield and Metropolis lodges to attend an initiation and banquet in this city November 18, when the third rank will be conferred on several candidates.

MAYFIELD BANKS IN LINE

Mayfield, Ky., Nov. 5.—(Special.)—The Mayfield banks announced today that tomorrow they will issue cashier's checks in lieu of cash to depositors until the money stringency is over. People here have confidence in the banks, and are cheerfully accepting the situation.

THE SUN.

WILL RECEIVE AND BULLETIN ALL ELECTIONS TUESDAY NIGHT, EVERYBODY WELCOME.

HOW ELECTION PROGRESSES IN DIFFERENT PRECINCTS OF PADUCAH AND OTHER PLACES

Ohio Senator



SENATOR JOSEPH B. FORAKER.

TAFT MAY CHANGE HIS MIND ABOUT HIS WORLD TOUR

Manila, Nov. 5.—Taft is considering the abandonment of the rest of his world tour and an immediate return to the United States. Political demands for his presence at home, with the recent mutiny and continued disorders at Vladivostok are believed to have caused a growing conviction that it is best for him to give up the world tour. So far as known no definite decision has been reached.

HE WAS FONDLED AND PAID PRICE FOR AFFECTION

When Uncle Silas Burkham, a negro 80 years old, meandered down the street singing "Won't You Fondle Me," he found a ready recruit in Ada Landon, colored, about 35 years old, who has been watched for several days by Paducah police. Uncle Silas had just left lunch, and was feeling good. He had tucked on his inside pocket \$13.50 in hard earned cash, also a knife, which had been his companion for many years. Ada got both by "fondling" him. "She peared toe me toe be feeling about my nussan, but I nevah suspected nuffin," declared Uncle Silas, "but when she tuck and skiddooed, I made tabulation of ma belongings an' found ma cash gone."

Patrolman Cross made the arrest and the money and knife were found on the suspect. She is thought to be wanted elsewhere, and claims to be from Clarksville, Tenn. The police will investigate her record. The woman committed the alleged robbery at Second and Monroe streets.

EIGHT MILLIONS IN

New York, Nov. 5.—Eight millions of the thirty millions of gold already engaged by New York banks, arrived today.

POISONED FOOD

Cleveland, Nov. 5.—Mrs. Mabel Aterno, white, the wife of a Japanese cook in a local restaurant, was arrested and charged with putting poison in the dishes, which her husband was preparing for the restaurant's customers. She had quarreled with her husband and Aterno's employees sided with her. She put match heads in the soup and stew. The food was all destroyed, as a dishwasher saw the woman.

Vote Being Polled Rapidly All Over City and Little Trouble Is Manifested Between The Workers.

Metropolis is Excited Over Local Option Contest in That City and Women Are Active in the Fight.

Repressed excitement marked the battle of the ballots in Paducah today and both sides went into the fight with determination and confidence. The democratic party in Paducah never before met such an organization, and never before felt so much the disintegrating effects of internal weakness.

Voters were out early. There is little trouble except on the south side where an effort was made early in the day to delay voting, especially in the colored precincts. The trouble there did not amount to anything, except between the workers for the two parties, who confined their endeavors to circumventing the schemes of the opponents.

At Berry's early this morning, there was a little difficulty, which was greatly exaggerated on the streets. Charles Gridley showed his ballot, and, according to law, Rodney Davis, Republican sheriff, refused to allow the ballot to be counted.

Ous Singleton took a hand and assaulted Mr. Davis. The latter drew back and said: "If you touch me again you are a dead man."

At last accounts Col. Singleton was still alive and Mr. Davis' person inviolate.

AT METROPOLIS

Metropolis, Ill., Nov. 5. (Special.)—Metropolis is greatly interested in the local option fight that is going on, and the women of the churches are taking an active part in influencing the voters. They are everywhere to be seen today with their white ribbons. The churches are kept open as headquarters. Probably every vote in Metropolis will be cast. Working men generally are for a dry town, while the business men, who fear trade will be diverted to Paducah are for the retention of the town's ten saloons. The Metropolis Herald has made a fight for closing the saloons, and states today that if the fight goes against the cause, efforts will be continued.

Large Vote in State. Louisville, Nov. 5.—A large vote will be cast in Kentucky for state and local officials.

Local Issues Entirely.

Washington, Nov. 5.—With elections today in thirteen states, and ten of them general elections, the spectacle in American politics is presentation of local contests practically overshadowing state fights. New York City, Cleveland, San Francisco and Salt Lake City are most eagerly watched.

In Cleveland.

Cleveland, Nov. 5.—At 11 today the board of elections figured that over half of the entire registration had voted.

Is Anti-Mormon.

Salt Lake City, Nov. 5.—Indications are the American party, the anti-Mormon force, will elect the mayor and probably remainder of the ticket.

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 5.—A fair vote is being polled in Nebraska. Weather conditions are ideal. Smaller state officers, legislators and congressman are to be chosen.

San Francisco, Nov. 5.—Taylor, Democratic, good government nominee for mayor, is still favorite in the betting. Weather is clear and early vote heavy. The re-election of District Attorney Langdon is practically conceded.

Brant Whitlock.

Toledo, Nov. 5.—Brant Whitlock, Independent, will be re-elected mayor by a large vote.

Police Assignments.

As a precaution against election fights and trouble of any kind at the polls, Chief of Police James Collins placed the entire police force in commission this morning. His assignment is as follows, only one precinct.

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