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MR. JAMES WILCOX DIES OF DISEASE CAUGHT IN SWAMP

Fatal Illness Contracted While Surveying in Blizzard Pond

Funeral Will be Held Tomorrow Afternoon.

AGED WOMAN GOES TO REWARD.

Mr. James Gaines Wilcox, 52 years old and one of Paducah's most prominent citizens, died this morning at 6:40 o'clock, at his home, 414 Washington street, after a long illness of a complication of diseases. He had been confined to his bed just four weeks before his death. He contracted the disease last summer while surveying at Blizzard Pond, and continued to grow worse until death. Mr. Wilcox was a popular man and had a large circle of friends.

Mr. Wilcox was born in Paducah February 15, 1857, and lived in this city most all his life. He was the son of the late D. C. and Mary Wilcox. He was a graduate of the military school at West Point, and after returning to this city took up his work of civil engineering.

For a period of 12 years up until six years ago, when Mr. L. A. Washington became city engineer, Mr. Wilcox was city engineer. Mr. Wilcox was married February 5, 1896, to Miss Louise Byng, of this city, and besides his wife, he is survived by one son, DeWitt Wilcox, 12 years old.

He is survived by one brother, Clint Wilcox, of Mount Vernon, Ind.; two uncles, Frank Wilcox, of the county, and I. D. Wilcox, of this city; two nieces, Mrs. Joseph Gardner and Mrs. Harry McElwee, and one nephew, Mr. Terrence Cooney, all of this city.

Mr. Wilcox was a member of the Grace Episcopal church. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock, the Rev. C. E. Grace, Episcopal church, the Rev. David Cady Wright, officiating. The burial will be in Oak Grove cemetery. Pallbearers are: Charles K. Wheeler, Hal Corbett, Muscoe Burnett, Alex Kirkland, Don Gilberto and Judge R. T. Lightfoot.

Mrs. Sarah B. Burke.

Mrs. Sarah B. Burke, 82 years old, died yesterday afternoon about 6 o'clock at her home, 422 Kinkaid avenue, Mechanicsburg, after a month's illness of pneumonia. Mrs. Burke had been a resident of this city only a short time and made her home with Mr. Jack Burke, her son. Mrs. Burke was a member of the Christian church. The funeral was held this afternoon at 2 o'clock, the Rev. C. E. Jackson, pastor of the Tenth Street church, officiating. The burial was in Oak Grove cemetery. The funeral service was held at the cemetery on account of Mrs. Burke, wife of Mr. Jack Burke, being ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. Fannie Acree.

Mrs. Fannie Acree, 35 years old, wife of Mr. James Acree, died this morning at 4:20 o'clock at her home, 409 South Ninth street, after a four months' illness of tuberculosis. Mrs. Acree was born and reared at Clarksville, Tenn., and had been a resident of this city only five months. She is survived by her husband and one child. Mr. C. J. Acree, a grocer at Tenth street and Broadway, is a brother-in-law. The body of Mrs. Acree will be taken to Clarksville tomorrow morning at 1:30 o'clock. The funeral and burial will take place at Clarksville.

COL. ROOSEVELT

REACHES NAPLES THIS AFTERNOON

Naples, Italy, April 5.—Theodore Roosevelt, aboard the Hamburg, arrived at 2 o'clock this afternoon. He landed at the arsenal. An immense throng was present to greet him. The American winter colony at Capri attended, wearing small American flags. It is a gala day in Naples.

Ten thousand met Roosevelt as he passed out the arsenal gates. He was cheered as the party was whisked through the streets. The automobiles of the Duke de Ascoti were loaned. Heavy police lines kept the crowds back.

Roosevelt and Kermit went ashore at 4 o'clock in the Scorpion's launch. She was surrounded by ten police boats. City authorities gave him an address of welcome. The German consul presented Roosevelt with an address from the kaiser.

Government Commences Action to Dissolve Standard Oil Combine in Federal Court at St. Louis Today

Mr. Kellogg Speaks for United States, Referring to Prosecu- tions Against Rockefeller and His Colleagues.

St. Louis, April 5.—Four judges comprising the full federal circuit court began hearing the arguments in the case wherein the government seeks a dissolution of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey.

The cases involve the interrogation of the many phases of the Sherman act. Seldom, if ever, has such evidence been compiled on similar cases. The reports comprise more than seven million words.

St. Louis, April 5.—Pointing graphically to shocking abuses it alleges in the testimony and proved the final brief for the government in the Standard's dissolution suit was filed this morning in the United States circuit court. It bears the names George W. Wickersham, attorney general, and Frank B. Kellogg, Charles B. Morrison, Cordell A. Severance and J. Harwood Graves.

"If the anti-trust act is to be effective," the brief says, "and monopoly is to be stopped, we must adopt a broad, reasonable construction of this act, which will not permit a monopoly in whatever form it is organized." The brief is composed of three printed volumes of 500 pages each.

"There is no question that if the court holds the Standard is a legal organization and not guilty of monopoly it can eliminate every competitor inside of two years," the brief continues. The government hints at confiscation of the Standard's products if the court holds against the government. It declares it hesitated to invoke drastic remedy and doubts whether any other remedies suggested by the law are adequate to stop the encroachments to combinations of the trusts.

"The Standard has substantially 85 per cent of the business of purchasing crude oil, in it. In many fields it has an absolute monopoly."

There is nothing spectacular about the government's fight against the oil trust. There were three spectators. The feat present were newspaper men and attorneys. Kellogg is spokesman of the government attorneys to the court.

Kellogg began this morning and paid a tribute to Rockefeller, Flagler and associates, William H. Vanderbilt, E. H. Weston and other railroad kings and said they are great organizers. The argument disclosed the important part to be played by indictments returned against Rockefeller, Flagler and William Vanderbilt, the Pennsylvania in 1879, charging an "agreement and conspiracy," when A. J. Cassett, formerly vice-president of the Pennsylvania rail-

FEDERAL KU KLUX LAW MAY BE REVIVED TO PROSECUTE RAIDERS ON BIRMINGHAM

Unless the night rider suits in federal court are compromised between this date and April 19, they will most likely go to trial. Deputy United States Marshal Elwood Neel completed his work, summoning defendants Saturday. He did not get all of them, notably Dr. A. Amoss, but he said he served all those, particularly wanted in the Bennett case, all but three in the Cardin case, and all but two in the Eddyville raid cases. The plaintiffs have got service on those they particularly want, for their connection with the raids, and their possibilities of execution in the event of a verdict for damages.

Senator Wheeler Campbell is in Princeton today, a dispatch says, conferring with representatives of the defendants, concerning a settlement. Word comes from Louisville that Attorneys Browning and Hazelip, of this city, representing plaintiffs in the suits against the Birmingham raiders, have conferred with District Attorney DuRelle in regard to the possibility of prosecuting the raiders under the federal Ku Klux law. That law is still in force.

Teacher in City Schools Complimented
Miss Kathryn Kyser, of the Paducah High school faculty has received a telegram announcing her election to the chair of Biology in the High school at Ithaca, N. Y., for the coming school year. Miss Kyser will accept, as it is her desire to pursue this line of special work in teaching. She is a graduate of Cornell University, Ithaca, where she took a Master's degree, and will have the advantage of research there in her teaching. Miss Kyser is an enthusiastic student and successful teachers and has made many friends during her year's stay in Paducah.

Chicago Market.

May	High	Low	Close
Wheat	1.22 1/4	1.21 1/4	1.21 1/2
Corn	.68 1/4	.67 3/4	.67 3/4
Oats	.56	.55 1/2	.55 1/2
July	High	Low	Close
Prov.	17.92	17.90	17.90
Lard	19.12	19.10	19.12
Ribs	9.35	9.32	9.32

GAMBLING ON THE GREEN.

So vigorous has been the crusade of the city officials against gaming that it has been learned that some of the gamblers of the city have adopted the plan of rolling the bones or playing the cards on Illinois soil. Every Sunday it is said that the gasoline boats do landoffice business in transferring passengers across the river, where the quiet little games are undisturbed by the police.

road, flayed Kellogg. Indications are that they will finish the arguments Saturday.

Seek Injunction.

Washington, April 5.—The hearing of the government's case against the Standard Oil company in St. Louis is one of the most important and far-reaching actions ever tried in this country. The charge is violation of the Sherman anti-trust law.

The Standard Oil company of New Jersey, together with various subsidiary corporations and seven individuals, (John D. Rockefeller, William Rockefeller, Henry M. Flagler, Henry H. Rogers, John D. Archbold, Oliver H. Payne and Charles M. Pratt) are charged with combination and conspiracy to restrain and monopolize the trade and commerce in the purchase of petroleum, in the transportation of petroleum by pipe line, water and rail, in the manufacture and refining of petroleum and in the distribution, sale and shipment of the products of petroleum.

The United States seeks to perpetually enjoin the defendants from carrying out the alleged combination or conspiracy and to dissolve the Standard Oil combination.

Strike Imminent.

Paris, April 5.—French labor conditions are menacing today. The cabinet is seeking exhaustive reports from police heads, and army commanders, relative to the ability to combat a threatened general strike May 1.

Fair Association

The Paducah Fair association was organized this morning by some of the business men of this city for the purpose of having a series of races July 5 and 6 and giving a fair in the autumn. Officers were elected as follows: Ben Weille, president; T. J. Stahl, vice-president; R. C. Davis, secretary; George H. Goodman, treasurer. Directors: A. S. Thompson, W. O. Flowers, T. J. Stahl, R. C. Davis, J. W. Ketter, George H. Goodman and Ben Weille. Liberal purses will be offered so as to secure the best class of horses.

At the engineer's door Mr. Champion was headed off by a pistol being thrown into his face, and quickly seeing trouble ahead, I ran to the pilot house, where I saw a man, Will Brisco, who claimed he was not the pilot, but I know he was. I used my pistol as a club and subdued him and took hold of the wheel and tried to run the boat into the bank, but the wheel was useless, as the tiller ropes had been cut, and the boat was being steered from the engineer's cabin, by some one swinging the lever of the rudder.

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"The boat continued running, and as night came on the crew threatened to kill us in the dark. Seeing that something had to be done we deserted the pilot house, taking our prisoners, and went down on the cabin deck. We planned to get the prisoners ashore, and then escape any way we could, but the crew on the lower deck refused to lower the stage plank and vowed they would kill us if we came down a step, while we threatened to kill the first man that made a move to come to our deck.

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SHERIFF BISHOP AND HIS DEPUTY HELD PRISONERS

Carried Down Ohio River by Jolly Crew of the Packet Liberty.

Went to Arrest Captain and Himself Captured.

TILLER ROPES ARE CUT AWAY.

Sheriff Bishop, of Livingston county, and Deputy Ben Champion were kidnaped by a prisoner Saturday night.

Pistols were an important factor in a battle between the sheriff and his deputies and the crew of the steamer "Liberty" late Saturday afternoon on the Ohio river between Smithland and the Illinois shore opposite Paducah. The trouble arose over the attempt of the crew to prevent Captain Harry S. Davis being taken to jail by Sheriff W. D. Bishop, and a rough and tumble battle followed, in which the crew won by strategy after suffering heavy casualties.

The "Liberty" is an excursion steamer, and recently was in the trade between Paducah and Elizabethtown, but on the return of the regular packet the boat began running excursions. It was alleged that liquor was sold in prohibition territory by the officials of the boat, and a warrant was issued at Smithland on a charge of selling liquor while tied in the Smithland harbor. The warrant was placed in the hands of Sheriff Bishop, and he served it on Captain Davis, who readily agreed to accompany him.

During the dinner hour Captain Davis was in the custody of Deputy Sheriff Ben Champion, who had Davis at his home. Captain Davis consulting an attorney, and it was agreed to try his case at 1 o'clock Saturday afternoon, but later it was decided to postpone the trial, and for Davis to give bond. In the afternoon about 2 o'clock Sheriff Bishop with Deputy Sheriff Champion accompanied Davis to the boat.

Sheriff's Story.

The story of the trouble as told by Sheriff Bishop is: "Captain Davis' bond was fixed at \$200, and he said he did not have that much money with him, but that he could secure it on the boat or borrow it from the crew. We readily agreed to accompany him and in a minute after stopping on the boat, he walked to some of the crew and spoke a few words. In a minute I saw a man untying a line and the machinery was started. Immediately I ordered the men to leave the lines alone, but the men never hesitated, and chopped the line in two. The boat is a side-wheel steamer and she was rapidly leaving the bank.

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Most of Democratic Nominees in Lyon County Defendants in Suits Filed by Victims of Night Riders

One Fatality and Possibly Another Results From May- field Saturday Night Shoot- ings—Tater Day at Benton.

Eddyville, Ky., April 5.—(Special.)—After an intensely exciting primary, in which more votes were cast by the party than at the presidential election last fall, Lyon county Democracy went on record Saturday in a way that will considerably affect the judicial and commonwealth's attorney races in the Third district. All but two of the successful candidates are defendants in the petition filed in the federal court by former Police Judge Rucker, of Eddyville, charging them with being responsible for the whipping administered to him by night riders. Enoch Prince, candidate for jailer, and Cordie Armstrong, candidate for circuit clerk, are not named by Judge Rucker. Tom Parker Gray was nominated for county judge, defeating M. T. Molloy who came out unequivocally for law and order, by 125 votes. J. Sikes Hodge was nominated for county attorney; Lit Cash, brother of Sheriff Cash, was nominated for sheriff; U. S. King was nominated for superintendent of public instructions, and Levi Oliver for assessor. It is contended by defeated candidates that in the Yale, Mont and Lamason precincts nearly twice as many votes were cast as there are Democratic voters. These precincts are near the Trigg and Caldwell lines.

Wilson May Recover.

Chances for recovery are good for Charles Wilson, 45 years old, who tried to kill himself late Saturday afternoon, by sending a bullet through his abdomen. Last night the physicians performed an operation, and ascertained that his bowels were not pierced by the bullet, and that with good care he would recover unless complications develop. The cause of Wilson's shooting himself is domestic trouble. Wilson's wife has a suit filed for divorce, and this preyed on his mind. Wilson was in Norman's store Saturday when he in a jovial manner asked Mr. Norman how he would like to see a man fall. At this he pulled a pistol, and pointing it at his abdomen pulled the trigger. At first it was thought the wound was fatal.

"Tater Day" at Benton.

Benton, Ky., April 5.—(Special.)—Today was "tater" day, a famous event for Marshall county. Large crowds of farmers were in town to swap seed potatoes and attend the opening of the circuit court. The crowd was augmented by a number of men who have been indicted for night riding and taking part in the raid on Birmingham. It is probable that several cases will be tried this term of court, and an effort will be made to dispose of the entire lot. Judge Reed hopes to wind up the session in two weeks.

Moore's Victim Dies.

Mayfield, Ky., April 5.—(Special.)—After lingering 24 hours, Jesse Cooley, 35 years old, who was shot Saturday night by Richard Moore, died last night about 10 o'clock while the charge of malicious shooting has been changed to murder against Moore, who is in the county jail. Cooley was shot through the liver, and little hope was entertained for his recovery since the shooting.

Cooley and Moore were on good terms Saturday night when Cooley drove up to the railroad station about 9:30 o'clock. He entered the lunch room, and ordered fish. Moore told him to order a hook, too. Several humorous remarks were made by both, when Cooley took his hat and slapped Moore over the head. Moore became angered, and, it is said, invited Cooley out to the platform. As Cooley stepped from the door Moore shot him. This is the story as told by witnesses, but it is believed there was a grudge behind the motive for shooting Cooley. Moore made no attempt to escape the police.

Cooley formerly lived in Paducah and is a son of the late S. W. Cooley, who operated a clay pit at Clay switch. Cooley was in good circumstances at one time, but it is said that most of his fortune had been lost. About ten years ago he married Miss Willie May Eley, of Paducah, who survives him. Three small children also are left. Cooley also was a half brother of Mrs. Manie Cooley McMan-

thrown on him. Night was coming on, and we feared that under the cover of darkness we might be killed. Soon the man that was sent to Paducah and see Armour Gardner, the United States commissioner, returned and said that I was on the boat illegally, because the boat was tied to the Illinois shore. Then it was we left, but not until after a wrangle did they allow us a skiff to row to the Paducah harbor.

Boat Goes On.

Sheriff Bishop reached Paducah between 6 and 7 o'clock and tried to secure help, but the boat dropped on down the river. Sheriff Bishop returned to Smithland yesterday afternoon.

When the boat swung out from the Smithland harbor Charles Ferguson, county superintendent of schools, and L. B. Lynn jumped into a skiff and tried to render assistance, but when the skiff was pulled alongside the "Liberty" one member of the crew drew a pistol on him and refused to let them on the boat. In the skiff the two men followed the boat down the river and reached Paducah shortly before Sheriff Bishop deserted the steamer.

Nobody was injured in the general melee, but many pistol shots were fired. Sheriff Bishop said that Captain Davis would be arrested, as well as the members of the crew on the charge of resisting an officer.

Member of Crew Arrested.

Frank Roark, a member of the crew, was arrested this afternoon by Patrolman Baker and City Jailer Clark on the charge of aiding H. S. Davis to escape from Sheriff Bishop. The warrant was issued in Livingston county.

FIRST STRAW HAT.

Warm weather has brought out summer clothes, but Arthur Jones, a storekeeper at the Illinois Central railroad shops, was the first to have the honor of wearing a straw hat. Owing to the warm weather the straw lid did not look out of place, and a few of his friends, who sweated under winter hats, envied him for his light, airy top-piece.

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Must Levy for Schools.

Frankfort, Ky., April 5.—County Superintendent C. D. Wells, of Mason county, got an opinion from Attorney General Breathitt to the effect that a special school tax levy of 15 cents on the \$100 worth of property, enacted by the act of the legislature in 1889-90, is still valid, and that if he desires a 20-cent tax levy for school purposes, all he will have to do will be to ask the fiscal court for an additional 5-cent levy. The members of the fiscal court are understood to be jealous of keeping the tax rate as low upon the people as possible, and hold that the rate of 15 cents, which has been in effect since 1890, is sufficient. Superintendent Wells wanted to get some authority upon the matter, and he laid the matter before Attorney General Breathitt, and then consulted with the department of education.

Now! There!

Shelbyville, Ky., April 5.—(Special.)—Replying to Governor Wilson's criticism of him in a pardon issued to Garnett Rippey, charged with false swearing in the night rider cases in Shelby county, County Attorney Pickett says the governor acted from ulterior motives.

Parham Held Over

Evansville, Ind., April 5.—(Special.)—The negro Burquo Parham, arrested in Paducah Friday, charged with the murder of Arthur Balsech, was held over to the circuit court here without bail.

Local Option Elections

Detroit, April 5.—Local option elections in 27 counties in lower Michigan are held today. There is a bitter fight. A heavy vote was polled this morning.

Marries Kentucky Couples.

Metropolis, Ill., April 5.—(Special.)—Magistrate Liggett married the following couples from Kentucky today: Lavinia Hulbschmann and Louis M. McIntosh, of Paducah; Anna B. Braletson and James D. Dickerson, of Kevill.

State Wins.

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APRIL DOCKET OF CIRCUIT COURT IS INTERESTING

Many Cases of Importance Are on Calendar For Crimi- nal Term.

More Than Usual Number of Homicides.

GAMING CASES TO BE TRIED.

Preparations for the April term of the McCracken county circuit court have been begun. The court will begin April 26. The criminal docket has been prepared. Many old cases are on the docket for trial. The largest number of murder cases ever before the McCracken circuit court will be up for trial. None of the murderers have been indicted by the grand jury, and consequently their cases have not been placed on the docket. The docket is: Hiram Smedley, embezzlement of public funds; H. E. Hubbard, converting money of another to his own use, two cases; Jim Taylor and Will Shearer, robbery; Claude Craig, grand larceny; A. Beaton, malicious shooting; Will Hamilton, malicious cutting, Ed Bufey, alias Leonard Buford, grand larceny; Luby Wyatt, petit larceny; Luby Wyatt, false swearing; Roxie Gillespie, malicious cutting; John Doolin, grand larceny; Jonas Smith, murder; Cleo Anderson and Dock Eddings, malicious cutting; Hattie Mayes, malicious cutting; Dora Gano, appeal, Boss Sergeant, shooting in sudden heat and passion; Fred Wyatt, malicious cutting; W. M. Hicks, obtaining money by false pretenses; Other Kerry, grand larceny; Ruth Reynolds, desertion of child; Stonewall Ferguson, murder; Peter Arlund, obtaining money and obtaining property by false pretenses; Jim Doolin, grand larceny; Bill Bailey and Ernest Ward, horse stealing; Bill Bailey and Ernest Ward, obtaining money by false pretenses; Jake Biederman Grocery and Baking company, appeal; Will Pickleman, appeal; John Rogers, cutting in sudden heat and passion; L. C. Morrow, shooting in sudden heat and passion; Luther Duffy, discharging pistol on public highway; Lea Gilbert, breach of the peace; Charles Hammonds, Will Leech, Claude Barnes and Will Wood, gaming; Lucile Thompson and Helen Westlake, Lucille Agnew and Ida Chesterfield, nuisance; Helen Westlake, selling liquor without a license; Emerson Eddings, forfeiture; Ed Bradford, cheating and defrauding; Brantley Boaz, furnishing liquor to a minor; Tom Gregory, assault and battery; John and Will Bloodworth, petit larceny; Ernest Elmdorff and John Bulger, common gamblers; Albert Dickerson, petit larceny; Clarence and Walter Dickerson, assault and battery; T. Cooney, J. Gardner and Ed H. Gibson, unlawfully selling liquor; Sam Bryant, furnishing liquor to a minor; M. Melton, breach of peace; B. B. Hook, selling morphine without registering.

A score of well known men are indicted for gambling.

LEADERS ADMIT THEY HAVE NOT VOTES ENOUGH

Washington, April 5.—Dwight, of New York, Republican whip of the house, declared this morning the tariff bill rule will be presented this afternoon. It is understood the rule provides for a separate vote on several important measures.

The house leaders at 11 o'clock this morning admitted there are not enough votes pledged to pass the proposed rules. The tariff bill is expected to secure enough by obtaining the support of high tariff insurgents. The crucial day in the Payne tariff bill discussion in the house resulted in crowded galleries today with full attendance on the floor. Mrs. Taft and son, Robert, and Captain Butt, the president's aid, are present.

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