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Personally appeared before me this day E. J. Paxton, general manager of The Sun, who affirms that the above statement of the circulation of The Sun for the month of July, 1904, is true to the best of his knowledge and belief.  
PETER PURYEAR  
Notary Public.  
My commission expires Jan. 22, 1908,  
Aug. 4, 1904.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

For Congress.  
Hon. J. C. Speight, of Graves  
County.

**DAILY THOUGHT.**

I have ever held it as a maxim, never to do that through another, which it was possible for me to execute myself.—Montesquien.

**THE WEATHER.**

Fair tonight and Thursday.

**NEGLECTING PUBLIC HEALTH.**

The people of Paducah who are continually complaining of bad sanitation, should try Henderson's plan. The city officials there, as here, have failed to do anything of consequence to promote the public health, and the ladies and other good, public-spirited citizens have taken up the cause.

A petition has been presented to the mayor and council, containing the following:

"Gentlemen—We, the undersigned citizens, respectfully petition your honorable body to cause the existing ordinances providing for the sanitary condition of the streets and alleys of the city to be FAITHFULLY enforced. If present ordinances are insufficient for this much needed reform, then we respectfully urge that new and adequate ones be established. To what extent this work should be done by abutting property owners or to what extent by the city at large, you, in your wisdom, can best determine; but we respectfully insist that the work should be adequately done in some way. We think that a continuous inspection of our streets and alleys should be instituted; that all filth and debris should be speedily removed upon their appearance, and that those who wantonly so litter our public ways should be promptly and severely dealt with. We think that during the growing season weeds should be cut in our streets and alleys as often as once a month; and we think that all owners of real estate in our midst should be required to maintain in such a way as will not affect injuriously the health and decency of the city. We think that the public ways and private property of the city should be kept in at least as attentive a way as are the farming lands of good farmers.

"We most respectfully urge all the foregoing, not only for the health of the inhabitants, but on account of the decency and neatness of the city as well."

In Paducah we have laws against filthy premises, alleys, streets and gutters, but the conditions are something awful. There is an ordinance against sweeping dirt and trash from stores, and this is daily violated. Nevertheless, we have the prospect of an ordinance to prevent expectorating in public places. With the gutters full of slimy, stagnant water, and the alleys and streets full of garbage, decaying rats and cats and vegetables, why waste time on the expectorating evil until the greater evils are done away with?

The recent reported reverse of Russia in the far East, seem to place peace farther away than ever. The czar can-

not now afford to quit. To say "enough" at this juncture would destroy for many years to come the Muscovite prestige on land and sea, and make Russia the helpless target of every predatory nation that happened to see anything of Russia's it wanted. Russia must obviously fight it out to the bitter end. As long as she has a man or a ship left, she must fight. The indications are that with the men and ships Russia now has on the scene she is doomed to defeat, as the Japanese have an enormous army ready for action, and are constantly being reinforced. The question is, after that what then?

Politics in Missouri is being enlivened by the spectacle of United States Senator Stone and Democratic nominee for governor, Folk, calling one another prevaricators. Stone says Folk tried to form an alliance with the hoodler element of Democracy, which seems to constitute the greater part of it in Missouri, and Folk says he didn't. It is a clear fact, however, that several alleged hoodlers were nominated on the Folk ticket. The people's only safety is in doing what they are likely to do—elect the Republican ticket.

Gov. Vardaman, of Mississippi, has been fully exposed in regard to the editorial, which was the occasion recently of so much comment. He issued a statement purporting to be a disclaimer of authority or responsibility, but which was in reality, only a bunglesome effort at evasion. A letter he wrote concerning the offensive publication has just been given out by the postoffice department showing that he did write it, and admitted it in the letter.

The mayor suddenly bobbed up into the limelight with the heroic and magnanimous declaration that the city assessor must swear property owners to their lists. The assessor says he has not been doing it, and the question suggests itself, Why was the mayor so long in finding it out, or if he knew it during his last three years' service, why didn't he require it done before?

Mayfield had another tragedy, Monday, and the Messenger says of the youth who did the shooting: "He was said to be drinking here Monday and with a pistol in his pocket made him more apt to get into trouble." What! Drinking in a town that has had no saloons for thirty years? Impossible!

It needn't make any difference to our able legislators about the security on which the bond money is loaned. The city depository is responsible for it, and loans it at its own risk, merely making the city a present of the interest, to which the bank is entitled, and which it could keep if it saw fit.

Those who have been laboring so hard and long for a new city hospital should not felicitate too soon. It is not built yet. There is many a slip—and it can never be determined with any degree of certainty what the administration is going to spring next.

The Democrats seem to realize that they have little hope of carrying New York, after all their boasting. Judge Parker's speech of acceptance was received so unfavorably throughout the country that they see nothing but failure ahead.

With Secretary Shaw and Senator Fairbanks making speeches for the Republican ticket, the Democrats are having had attacks of ague, from which they will not soon recover.

If the book trust coughed up any boodle for the Kentucky campaign, it had better mark its bills.

**CUT ORDERED.**

New York, August 17.—The United States Steel corporation has ordered a cut ranging from six to twelve dollars a ton in wire products. This will cut down the incomes of subsidiary companies, that are manufacturing the product from six to twelve million dollars a year.

—There will be a union meeting of the Golden Cross at K. P. hall tomorrow night.

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**AUDITOR HAGER IS STILL AFTER LUCAS**

Writes a Letter to the Owensboro Authorities.

Says He Has Removed Him—The Question to Come up There Tomorrow.

**333 CASES IN DAVIESS COUNTY.**

Auditor Hager is still hot after Frank Lucas, of Paducah, who claims to be Auditor's agent for the State at large. Yesterday's Owensboro Inquirer says: "Auditor's Agent Frank A. Lucas is here prosecuting the cases against those failing to list property. There are in all 333 of these cases in Daviess county, about fifty of which were filed by the county agents, Messrs. Hays and Clark, the largest of which is against the Hanging Distilling company, for \$150,000, for four years back taxes. This suit was filed by the local agents.

The forenoon was spent by Judge Triplett in calling the docket of these cases and a large number of them were disposed of, 125 being dismissed, and others were continued until Thursday, when the defendants will make their defense. In some of the cases where there was no protest, judgment was entered against them, and the property in question was ordered listed for taxation.

There seems to be some doubt as to whether or not Mr. Lucas is the auditor's agent, and it is quite likely that this point will be raised Thursday.

Mr. Lucas was appointed by Auditor Coulter to serve four years, and this time has not yet expired, and he claims that the present auditor, W. S. Hager, has not the power to remove him from office, while on the other hand Mr. Hager claims that he has the authority to remove Lucas as revenue agent and has issued an order removing him.

The following letter was received here by Sheriff W. L. Short in regard to this question.

Frankfort, Ky., Aug. 15, 1904.  
Mr. W. L. Short,  
Owensboro, Kk.

Dear Sir—Mr. Frank A. Lucas, a former revenue agent for the state at large, has been removed by me from office. I understand that he is attempting to continue in office, and I write you this to give you formal notice of his removal from the position, in the event that he should place official papers in your hands for service.

Yours Truly,  
S. W. HAGER, Auditor.  
Sheriff Lee Potter today received the following letter:

Frankfort, Ky., Aug. 15, 1904.  
Sheriff L. D. Potter,  
Paducah, Ky.

My Dear Sir—I wish to notify you that Mr. Frank Lucas, who is attempting to act in the capacity of Revenue Agent for the State at Large, was removed from that office by me on the 20th of June, and James Campbell, Jr. was appointed to fill the vacancy.

As sheriff of your county, you will therefore not recognize Lucas as Revenue Agent.

Very Truly Yours,  
S. W. HAGER, Auditor.  
Mr. Lucas has been temporarily enjoined from acting as Auditor's Agent in Henderson county, the sheriff of that county having received the same instructions, and refused to serve Mr. Lucas' papers in several suits filed.

It seems the state auditor has sent the letters to sheriffs all over the state with a hope of preventing Mr. Lucas from getting any of his papers served. Mr. Lucas is out of the city today, and it is not known how he will meet this last move of the auditor.

**TO-DAY'S ARRESTS**

SEVERAL PERSONS TAKEN UP FOR MINOR OFFENSES.

Jim Magner was arrested this afternoon for drunkenness. He had a "crying jag," and his wails could be heard for more than a block as he was being taken to the city hall.

John Lerrin, white, was arrested for drunkenness.

Roy Walker and Fred Butler, white, excursionists from Cartersville, Ill., were arrested today for being drunk.

In a battle between German troops and Hereros in German Southwest Africa the natives were defeated with heavy losses.

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**HO, THE STATUE TURNING TO LIFE!**

Board of Health Emerged From Long Retirement Yesterday.

A Call Made on the Mayor, Who Promised to Co-operate With the Members.

**HEALTH OFFICER GRAVES BUSY.**

Mayor D. A. Yeiser was surprised to receive a call from Health Officer, W. T. Graves and members of the long-dormant board of health yesterday afternoon late. The board meets no oftener than it can help, because its efforts are not appreciated and it can never secure and co-operation, it has always been claimed.

There have been so many vigorous protests lately against the unsanitary condition of the city, however, that the doctors have decided something may be accomplished by striking while the iron is hot. The Board of Health called in the mayor yesterday, however, about snailpox.

Health Officer Graves and Drs. J. D. Robertson, H. T. Rivers and C. H. Brothers were those present.

The Health Officer wanted some definite authority to act in certain contingencies. In the case of Rev. J. L. Perryman's son having a mild case of snailpox, on Bronson avenue, the patient objected to going to the pest house. The Health Officer was instructed to do what he deemed necessary.

The general condition of the city was not discussed, but the mayor gave the members to understand that they would receive his and the city's support and co-operation in any move they may make to carry out the law.

The Health Officer was authorized to have removed to the pest house any patient whose presence in the city, or any part of the city, jeopardizes the health of others to a serious enough extent to justify the removal. He was likewise told to establish a quarantine whenever or wherever he deemed it necessary, and the whole board was pledged the co-operation of the city in enforcing the laws for good health and sanitation.

Health Officer Graves intends to clean up the city. He wanted the support of the city and now that he has been assured it, he will try it, according to the report. He intends to urge the city to appoint more sanitary officers and give the city a thorough cleaning. Merchants and residents who have been away visiting other cities this summer, all speak of the comparative uncleanness of Paducah, and with the aid of the municipal officers and the expenditure of a few dollars, will guarantee to place Paducah among the cleanest cities in the country.

**CROP REPORTS**

INJURY TO CROP FROM DROUGHT IS REPORTED IN MANY PLACES.

The following is the crop report for the week:

The temperature averaged about normal during the week. Good showers were reported in many localities in the central and eastern portions of the state, but the drought is becoming very severe in the western portion.

Corn has been severely injured in the western section. Gardens are dried out and pastures are burning up.

Tobacco is firing and is seriously injured in the dark tobacco districts, but in the burley districts showers have occurred and the general average is better.

In the localities visited by good showers the corn is very fine and all crops are good.

Wheat threshing is about completed and a good yield of excellent quality is reported.

Oats are about all threshed and a fairly good crop has been secured.

Irish and sweet potatoes are in good condition, except in the drought stricken districts.

Fruit continues to drop and deteriorate in inequality. Apples will be a short crop and defective, and peaches will be scarce.

Plowing for wheat has been started, but in most localities the ground is too dry to work.

Farm work is generally well up.

**LICENSED TO MARRY.**

S. S. Ward, of the county age 32, and Ida Smith, of the city, age 28, have been licensed to wed. It will make the second marriage of both.

The Idaho Democratic State convention refused to adopt a plank denouncing the practice of polygamy.

**Tired, Tired** Tired. That one word tells the whole story. No rest. No comfort. All tired out. Fortunately, physicians know about Ayer's Sarsaparilla. They prescribe it for exhaustion, anemia. J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

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**S. S. EXCURSION**

SIX COACHES FULL OF VISITORS FROM SOUTHERN ILLINOIS HERE TODAY.

Six coaches of excursionists from Cartersville, Murphysboro, and way stations arrived here at noon today over the Illinois Central. The excursion was given by the Sunday School of the First Methodist church of Cartersville, and was under the direction of Rev. J. C. Blizzard, pastor of this church.

The Sunday school room of the Broadway Methodist church was thrown open to the visitors, and a committee of the ladies of the church met them. Ice water was provided and the visitors made to feel at home, many eating their lunches there. Mayor Yeiser called at the church to extend an informal welcome to the city.

The excursionists were accompanied by a band, which gave an open air concert this afternoon at Wallace Park. The party will leave this evening at 5 o'clock for home.

**SMALL BLAZE TODAY.**  
The Central fire department was called to Twelfth and Jackson streets today at noon to extinguish a small blaze in the kitchen of Mrs. Alice Overstreet's residence. The fire originated from a defective flue and little damage was done.

Mr. Will Dieke, the tailor is out again after a week's illness of malarial fever. His many friends will be pleased to learn of his recovery.