

## Editorial Comments.

Atlanta is entertaining 40,000 visiting Shriners this week.

Mr. and Mrs. McAdoo are spending their honeymoon at Cornish, N. H.

Alabama Democrats had their runoff primary yesterday for governor and other officers.

Manual, of Portugal, denies that he and his wife are at outs. He says they are "most happy."

Two German army aviators were killed at Stettin, Saturday, while attempting to make a landing.

Congressman Stanley spoke at Franklin Saturday and was given an enthusiastic reception by a large crowd.

The state bankers "play" Dawson the last week in May and the state press will take what is left the second week in June.

Maybe Providence is to take a hand and lower the high cost of living. The present wheat crop is expected to break all records.

Both Villa and Zapata are closing in on Huerta and are liable to get to Mexico City before the mediators get to Niagara Falls next Monday.

At Akron, Ohio, a mad dog entered a school room and bit five small children before it escaped. One boy was terribly mangled by the rabid beast.

The widow of Explorer Scott, who lost his life on the trip to the South Pole, denies that she is soon to wed Jas. E. Barrie, the English playwright.

John C. C. Mayo, Democratic National Committeeman for Kentucky, and the wealthiest man in the State, was reported dying in New York yesterday.

Wm. E. Powell, son of Rev. W. D. Powell, the State Secretary of the Baptist Missions Board, of Kentucky, has reached Louisville as a refugee from Mexico.

All Kentucky is saddened to see John J. C. Mayo lose his long and game fight for life. He is in the grip of a fatal malady, with several most serious complications.

Villa arrested Military Governor Chao, of Chihuahua, the other day and was about to have him shot, on a charge of disloyalty to him, when Carranza heard of it and stopped the execution. Chao was deposed.

An organization of manufacturers of clothes for women gives out the information that the fall styles will be more generally becoming to all figures. This is somewhat indefinite and may all depend on the point of view.

Thousands of women marched up Pennsylvania avenue Saturday from the White House to the capitol and presented the resolutions asking for the woman's suffrage amendment to 531 members of Congress individually. They were received by committees and courteously allowed to carry out their program.

China has made a government pronouncement that beats Kentucky's new cigarette law. After May 30, any person under 40 years old found smoking opium at Chengtu will be shot and those more than 40 will be sentenced to penal servitude. This law indicates that China is trying to discourage opium smoking.

The Hobson resolution for a constitutional amendment forever prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors was reported to the House without recommendation, by the Committee on Judiciary. It is not expected to receive the necessary two-thirds vote. For the first time Congressmen must now vote for or against prohibition itself. The Webb law only related to prohibition enforcement.

## TAMPICO ATTACKED

### Battle Raging With The Constitutionalists Sure To Win.

### HUERTA IS STILL KICKING.

### Conferees Named For The Meeting At Niagara Falls Next Week.

Washington, D. C., May 11.—Mexican Foreign Minister Ruiz has reported to the mediators at Washington that United States torpedo boats have landed a party at Sobo Island and seized the lighthouse, and charges the armistice has been violated. Associate Justice Joseph P. Lamar, of the United States Supreme Court, and Frederick W. Lehman, of St. Louis, are to represent the United States at the Niagara Falls peace conference. The re-inforced Constitutionalists army is reported to have begun an attack on Tampico, and advises received at El Paso state that the oil wells and tanks are on fire. The Mexican peace envoys arrived at Vera Cruz. They were met by Gen. Funston, who offered them passage on the Morro Castle, which they declined.

## SUNDAY'S WAR NEWS

The Navy Department issued orders early Sunday morning to Rear Admiral Mayo to remove all Americans from Tampico. The Rear Admiral had reported that the rebels were preparing to bombard the city. Preparations for dispatching reinforcements to Gen. Funston at Vera Cruz went forward steadily, work on twelve transports to carry troops, horses and supplies being pushed. A threatened complication disappeared when the German steamers returned to Vera Cruz with war stores intended for the Huerta government, declining to land them at Puerto Mexico. The mediators announced that the peace conference at Niagara Falls would convene on the date scheduled, and it was announced that the United States delegates would probably be named Monday.

## CAPT. TANDY HAS RESIGNED

### And Capt. A. G. Chapman Is Named as His Successor.

Frankfort, Ky., May 11.—Acting Adj. Gen. James Tandy Ellis has appointed Arthur G. Chapman, of Louisville, commissary of the Third Infantry, Hopkinsville, to succeed Capt. Charles H. Tandy, of Hopkinsville, resigned. The appointment of First Lieut. William H. Terry, battalion adjutant, First battalion, Third Infantry, Bowling Green, has been made by the military department.

### Nephew of Daniels Killed.

Vera Cruz, May 11.—Refugees arriving from Tampico say a man named Burdwell has been killed by rebels, a short distance south of Tampico at Ozuama. The report has not been confirmed. In Tampico Burdwell was said to be a nephew of Josephus Daniels, secretary of the navy.

### The Wounded Coming.

The 45 wounded sailors en route from Vera Cruz passed Key West Saturday. All are convalescent. Three lost a leg and one an arm in the fighting.

## DEADLY DUEL WITH PISTOLS

### Two Negroes Pump Each Other Full of Lead at Lafayette.

### BOTH OF THEM WERE KILLED

### School Concert The Scene of A Bloody Tragedy Friday Night.

There was something doing at a colored school concert held at the school house in Lafayette Friday night. Along about 11:30 o'clock Edgar McNeal and Oliver Williams fell out over some trivial matter; both drew pistols and fired five times each at close range. There was a hasty evacuation of the building, some using the windows as exits, and a panic ensued.

When the smoke cleared away McNeal was lying dead on the floor and Williams was in a dying condition. He lingered until 5 o'clock Saturday morning.

Nobody seems to know how the trouble started. Williams it is said fired the first shot, but both were soon firing at the same time.

McNeal was recently released from the city work house here after serving a long term for disorderly conduct. Both negroes are young men and were not considered bad characters at Lafayette, though McNeal's reputation here was none too good.

## OPINION IS AMBIGUOUS

### And When Closer Read Is a Refusal To Confirm Coal Rate.

Those who have analyzed the ruling of the Railroad Commission in the I. C. coal rate case have discovered that the opinion is a refusal to grant the rate asked for Hopkinsville, instead of a confirmation of the 60 cent reduced rate. A proviso in the order imposes conditions that the Railroad will not accept and that is of course a defeat for Hopkinsville. Here is an extract from the opinion:

"In the opinion of the commission that the application of the Illinois Central be granted, provided, however, that the rates to intermediate points shall not be in excess of those rates fixed by order of the Commission in the case of the Hopkinsville Business Men's Association vs. the L. & N., which rates are as follows: "From mines twenty miles distant and under, forty cents; from thirty miles and over twenty, fifty cents; from forty and over thirty miles, sixty cents; from fifty and over forty miles, sixty-five cents; from sixty and over fifty miles, seventy cents."

Princeton being an intermediate point within 20 miles of some of the mines would have to be given a 40-cent rate for Hopkinsville to get 60 cents. Both are now paying 75 cents. All other intermediate points would get the L. & N. rate, which would in many cases be lower than Hopkinsville gets.

The opinion was given out as a victory for the city, but if this interpretation is correct, it is a complete knockout.

### Muhlenburg Couple.

Mr. Goday Young, supervisor of schools for Muhlenburg county, and Miss Lola Bivens, a young teacher of the county schools, came here Thursday afternoon and were married by Rev. J. B. Eshman, at the Cumberland Presbyterian parsonage, on a license issued at Greenville. They left for a trip to Nashville before returning to Greenville.

## PHYSICAL CONNECTION

### Of the Three Railroads Next Move of Hopkinsville Business Men's Association.

### APPEAL TO COMMISSION.

### Committee to Consider the Need of Paved Streets in Hopkinsville.

The H. B. M. A. held an important meeting Friday night with President Cooper in the chair. The attendance was small.

The principal matter of business was a movement to take the matter of securing physical connection of the three railroads to the Interstate Commerce Commission. M. C. Forbes, J. M. Neblett, Geo. D. Dalton and F. K. Yost were named as a committee to employ an attorney and push the matter to a decision.

The Civic League's Clean-up campaign was heartily endorsed.

John R. Bible stated that as a member of the committee in charge, he had arranged for the Southern Commercial Congress to have moving picture films made of Christian county wheat fields in all stages of growth and harvest for exhibition at the San Francisco exhibition. He stated that the best No. 2 wheat grown in America is raised in Christian county and the present crop is the best for many years.

Secretary Bleich brought up some correspondence with parties at Big Rock, Tenn., relative to an inter-urban road from Hopkinsville to Dover. Mr. Bleich was instructed to say that Hopkinsville would be ready when the enterprise assumed a definite form.

The question of permanent streets in Hopkinsville was given earnest consideration and President Cooper was authorized to name a committee representing all parts of the city to see if the people would pay for building the streets on certain streets. They can be built for about \$2.50 per lineal foot to the center of the street on the wide streets and much less on narrow ones.

## EARTHQUAKE IN SICILY

### Dead Number 139 And The Injured Run Into The Hundreds.

One hundred and thirty-nine dead and 350 injured are known to have resulted from the Sicilian earthquakes and eruptions of Mt. Etna Friday night. Whole towns were devastated and large sections of the country laid waste. Relief work is progressing slowly and it may be weeks before the full count is completed. Sicily has suffered more than any other region from similar disasters.

### WARRANTS FOR \$150,000

### Will Be Mailed to Confederate Pensioners May 15.

Warrants for \$150,000 will be mailed at Frankfort to pensioners next Friday under the Confederate Pension Act. The warrants are now being made out by the office force of the State Treasurer. Since the Confederate Pension Act became a law 4,487 applications for pensions have been filled with Commissioner of Pensions Stone, and of this number 449 have died since filing applications.

## CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN

### Lack of Laborers Is The Chief Difficulty In The Way of Work.

### IDLERS WHO WILL NOT WORK

### The Committee Will Put In All This Week In Removing Garbage.

To-day is the day set apart for the clean-up campaign of the Civic League and the only thing in the way is the lack of laborers to do the actual cleaning up. Everybody is ready and willing, but while the harvest is great the laborers are few. Many citizens are unable to get the necessary work done.

Even gardeners are no longer available and many gardens are growing up in weeds for the lack of a working class in the city. Wages have increased to such an extent that many laborers make all they want in one or two days of a week and spend the rest of the time in idleness.

Many of the class who formerly worked gardens now operate lawn mowers and solicit work "by the job" only in well-shaded lawns. If the clean-up campaign can be made to rid the city of these idlers, it will be the best campaign ever conducted in Hopkinsville.

## VETERANS HAS RETURNED

### Richmond, Va., Chosen as Place of Meeting Next Year and Officers Elected.

Nearly all of the Confederate Veterans from this section who attended the reunion at Jacksonville, Fla., returned home last Saturday. Both in point of attendance and hospitality dispensed, the veterans state, the reunion at Jacksonville was one of the most successful ever held. Col. Bennett H. Young, of Louisville, was re-elected commander-in-chief of the United Confederate Veterans, defeating Gen. Felix Robertson, of Texas.

Richmond, Va., was chosen for the 1915 reunion. The present departmental commanders, Gen. Theodore S. Garnett, Norfolk, Va., commander of the Army of Northern Virginia; Gen. George P. Harrison, Opelika Ala., commander of the department of Tennessee, and Gen. Wm. K. Vanzandt, Fort Worth, Texas, commander of the department of Trans-Mississippi, were re-elected by acclamation.

### OLD ROSEBUD

### Won The 40th Derby In Louisville Saturday.

Old Rosebud, owned by H. C. Applegate & Co., and ridden by J. McCabe, won the fortieth annual Kentucky Derby, one mile and a quarter, at Churchill Downs Saturday. Hodge was second and Bronzewing third. The time was 2:03 2-5, which broke the track record. Hopkinsville was well represented and some of those who attended the great event made good guesses on the winner.

### More to Answer For.

News has been received of the killing of one American and two British mine officials at Guadalupe, Mexico, by Mexican federals. Two others were wounded, one an American.

## SHRINERS IN ATLANTA

### Myriads of Lighted Minarets and Emblematic Designs Adorn Atlanta.

### SPECIAL TRAIN STOPS HERE.

### Spent An Hour In Hopkinsville "Watering The Camel" And Parading.

Atlanta, Ga., May 11.—Myriads of lighted minarets, surmounted by the emblematic star, crescent and scimitar, and thousands of flags displaying the national colors and the red, yellow and green of the Mystic Shrine last night flashed forth a welcome to the imperial council of the fraternity, which convened here today for its fortieth annual meeting. More than 75 special trains arrived Sunday night and the influx of visitors continues today.

The drill, at the place selected, was interfered with by sightseers in vehicles and had to be abandoned. The Evansville lodge finally got through the crowd to Tenth and Main and did the best they could with but little room. The Madisonville lodge also made an ineffectual attempt to drill at Eighth and Main, but gave it up and repaired to the Elks Home and later found a vacant space in which to drill. The gorgeous costumes of the Madisonville Shriners, headed by Mayor D. W. Gatlin, consisting of red coats and caps and blue trousers eclipsed anything in grandeur ever seen here before.

The stay of the visitors was cut short by a short delay of fifteen minutes in the arrival of the train, which was met by a delegation of 22 local Shriners and a large committee from the H. B. M. A. wearing badges, "Greater Hopkinsville wants you."

Ike Hart and Nick Stadelman were the only local men who joined the crowd but they made a very enthusiastic delegation.

## HOPKINSVILLE BANKERS

### In The Limelight At Coming Meeting In Dawson Springs.

Dawson Springs, Ky., May 11.—The sixth annual meeting of Group Nos. 1 and 2 of the Kentucky Bankers' association will be held at Dawson Springs on May 29 and 30. The groups will meet in joint session at the New Century hotel and H. B. Gilbert, of Murray, president of Group 1, and A. H. Eckles, president of Group 2, will preside, alternate over the session.

Dr. C. A. Niles, mayor of Dawson will deliver the address of welcome to the bankers and the response will be made by S. Y. Trimble, of Hopkinsville.

### Louisville Hold-up.

W. B. McRoberts, manager of the Thomas Pharmacy at First and Breckinridge streets, was beaten with a revolver by an automobile bandit and the cash register of the pharmacy robbed of \$15 after the druggist had refused to hold up his hands.

### Mexican War Budget.

Nearly \$3,000,000 has been asked of the House by the War Department for additional expenses due to the warlike preparations made against Mexico.