

# The Paducah Sun.

THE WEATHER.  
Increasing cloudiness followed by showers Wednesday; also in west portion.

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PADUCAH, KY., TUESDAY EVENING, MAY 15, 1906.

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## EXPLOSION OF GAS FATAL TO MINERS

### Forty Bodies Are Taken From the Shenandoah Colliery,

### Young Woman of Wheeling Is Burned to Death in Room While Friends Beat on Door.

## SAILING VESSELS FOUNDER

### Potesville, Pa., May 15.—An explosion of gas at the Shenandoah City colliery this morning seriously burned 16 men, who have been taken from the mine. Several of them are thought to be fatally hurt.

### Pittsville, May 15.—Four bodies were recovered from the Shenandoah City colliery, black damp interfering with rescue work. Forty persons were entombed in this section of the mine where the explosion occurred. A hundred people rushed to the mouth of the shaft looking for loved ones. Policemen were called and stretched ropes to keep the crowd back. Two hundred and eighty men were in the shaft when the explosion occurred. Many escaped uninjured.

### Girl Roasted to Death.

Wheeling, May 15.—Edith Roberts, a beautiful girl, was roasted alive in her country home near here last night, a lamp exploded, covering her with flames. The door was locked and rescuers were unable to reach her. The house was completely destroyed. The body was not recovered.

### All Hands Lost.

Berlin, May 15.—Three sailing vessels foundered in a hurricane in the North Sea. The entire crew numbering 73 men, were drowned.

### Horrible Crime.

Pensacola, Fla., May 15.—One of the most horrible crimes in the history of this state, if not of the entire South, was committed in Santa Rosa county, ten miles north of Milton last night. An itinerant preacher named Ackerman, his wife and seven children, the eldest about 14 years old, were killed and their bodies cremated in their home, which was fired by the assassins.

### Mantia's Deed.

Chamblee, Ga., May 15.—J. H. Clark, a telegraph operator became insane while on duty last night. He armed himself and killed one man and wounded four others. He is still at large, being hunted by a large posse. He wounded three men here then went to Dunwoody and demanded ammunition at a store. He was refused and killed W. J. Cheska, the merchant, and wounded William Cooker. He has two revolvers, a rifle and a large amount of ammunition.

### TO MEET LOSSES.

### Milwaukee Fire Insurance Company Issues New Stock.

### Milwaukee, Wis., May 15.—Stockholders of the Milwaukee Mechanics Fire Insurance company voted to issue 30,000 shares of new stock at the market price of \$20 a share. It will add \$300,000 to the capital stock and \$300,000 to the surplus, for the purpose of putting the company in shape to meet the losses sustained in the San Francisco fire.

## TOBACCO CROP INJURED.

### Cold Weather and Drouth Play Have on Montgomery County.

### Mt. Sterling, Ky., May 15.—Tobacco growers are very much alarmed over the outlook for a good crop this year, and are watering beds in order to help plants along and be ready for putting out early in June. The cold weather and drouth have injured all crops to some extent.

## Belligerent Bees Rout Civil Engineer's Corps.

A corps of civil engineers surprised Dr. S. B. Caldwell at his home on West Broadway yesterday, but they had no "edge" on the doctor who enjoyed the satisfaction a short time later of seeing the engineers repaid full measure. The engineers charged on my property, drove stakes, set out monument stones and for a time took charge of my place. Doctor Caldwell stated, "but they changed their route anyway—that is temporarily—and I enjoyed the situation immensely." The engineers were completely routed by bees and they vacated the premises as quickly as they had

The circulation of The Sun for the month of April was 4,018, a day average. Business instinct tells you that it is the paper that tells its circulation daily that merits your confidence.

## BABES EAT STRYCHNINE; DEAD

### Find Box of Pills While at Play— Doctors Are Helpless.

Fort Wayne, Ind., May 15.—Leroy Scott, aged 4 son of R. J. Scott, and Loyal Cornwall, aged 39 months, son of J. F. Cornwall, died today from the effects of strychnine pills. While at play they had found a box of the pills and ate all of them.

## DROWNING YOUTH

### DRAGS RESCUER BENEATH WATER OF CLARK'S RIVER.

### Father Leaps in and Saves Both Just as Their Struggles Cease and They Sink.

Two boys, sons of Messrs. William Slayors and Marion Johnson, of near Sharpe, Marshall county, narrowly escaped drowning yesterday in Clark's river.

Their parents are farmers but do a little fishing as a side line. They have nets in Clark's river and while they were attending them yesterday morning their sons played on a log at the water's edge. The Slayors youth, 12 years old, fell off the log and went under the water. His companion jumped in after him, but the boy was drowning and hard to manage.

The cries for help brought the farmers to the scene and Johnson jumped in and saved them both just before they gave up. Both boys were pretty well fagged out and their escape was narrow. The Johnson boy was being dragged under the water by the frantic actions of his companion, whom he was attempting to save.

## GREAT MOGUL.

### Gaikwar, Maharajah of Baroda, Arrives in New York With Suite.

New York, May 15.—The second greatest prince of India, the Maharajah Gaikwar, arrived today on the steamship Celtic, from Liverpool. He was accompanied by his wife and brother, Sampatras, who acts as his secretary. The Maharajah, who is the ruler of the State of Baroda, which has an area of 8,000 square miles and a population of 2,000,000 is a direct descendant of one of the Mahratta generals who were the old moguls or rulers of India.

## "ROOTING" FATAL.

### Enthusiast Killed by Cheering Too Much for the Home Team.

Memphis, May 15.—According to physicians who attended Frank A. Webber, who died shortly after being removed from his seat at the local ball park, excessive "rooting" for the home team in the game against Montgomery caused his death. Webber was cheering loudly when he collapsed. He was removed to the hospital, death following within an hour.

## Struck By Lightning.

Muskegon, Mich., May 15.—Four children were asleep in one room at Frank Beattie's home today when the house was struck by lightning. A four-year-old boy and a six-year-old girl were stricken blind by the bolt, and both were burned about the abdomen, while the other two children were not touched.

## Order Courthouse Dismantled.

Central City, Ky., May 15.—The fiscal court of Muhlenberg county authorized the dismantling of the old courthouse, but failed to provide funds with which to build a new one.

## CHARGE ANSWERED IN OPEN LETTER

### President Deals Most Frankly With Chandler Episode.

### Allows Authorized Refutation by Senator Lodge to Suffice for Tillman's Assertion.

## VERNON FOR TREASURY BERTH

Washington, May 15.—President Roosevelt in a long letter addressed to Senator Allison, which was furnished to the press from the White House last night answers Tillman's charge. Atty.-Gen. Moody, in a letter to the president, which was published at the same time, is frank in detailing the circumstances of his interviews with Senators Tillman and Bailey.

The president has nothing to say about the assertion of Mr. Chandler that he declared that he did not trust Senators Foraker, Knox or Spenser who were seeking to injure and defeat the bill by ingenious constitutional arguments. He is authority for Senator Lodge's statement that this is a "deliberate and unqualified falsehood." He admits that the conferences were held, but at the request of Mr. Chandler.

## No Amendments.

Washington, May 15.—The session of the senate today passed without an exciting incident or without the adoption of a single amendment to the railroad rate bill, notwithstanding that measure was under consideration practically all the time.

## Recommend Vernon.

Washington, May 15.—The subcommittee of the senate committee on finance, which has been investigating certain charges against Innes B. Vernon, colored, of Kansas, named for register of the treasury, decided to recommend his appointment.

## FATHER GAPON'S BODY

### Believed to Have Been Found in Finland.

St. Petersburg, May 15.—The mystery of the fate of Father Gapon apparently was cleared up today by the discovery of a corpse which was almost positively identified as that of the former priest, hanging in the upper chamber of a lonely villa in the suburb of Onerki, Finland.

## BIGGER HALE

### Must Answer to Charge of False Pretenses.

Bigger Hale, colored, who is now serving a six months term in county jail for stealing a pistol, will have to answer to a more serious charge, that of obtaining money by false pretenses. The boy is now charged with stealing George Brown's bicycle and selling it for \$6.

## NO EVIDENCE.

### So Harry Clark Was Dismissed in the Police Court.

Harry Clark, white, charged with stealing \$75 worth of junk from the carnival company, was dismissed in the police court on account of lack of evidence.

Attorney D. A. Cross acted as special judge, Police Judge D. L. Sanders being ill.

## Record for New Laws.

Washington, May 15.—The files of the index clerks at the state department show that the first session of the Fifty-ninth congress has broken all records in the matter of completed legislation up to this moment. Already more than 3,000 laws have been enacted, which is between 700 and 800 more than in any preceding session up to the beginning of May. Only about 250 were general laws, however.

## Goddard Named for Senate.

Providence, R. I., May 15.—Col. R. H. I. Goddard was nominated by the democratic independent convention today as a candidate for election to the United States senate at the next general assembly to succeed Senator Wetmore.

## Standard Is Solvent.

New York, May 15.—The Standard Oil company today declared a dividend for the quarter of \$9 a share. A previous dividend of \$15 per share was paid March 15. Dividends declared this time last year also were \$9.

## Mexico's Trees Going.

Mexico has awakened to the fact that unless vigorous measures are taken to prevent the wholesale destruction of her forests the country will soon be treeless.

## ORDER WILL STAND AGAINST THE CITY

### Judge Evans Refuses to Dis- solve Temporary Injunction.

### East Tennessee Telephone Company Is Victor in Initial Step of Litigation.

## MOTION ARGUED THIS MORNING

A message received today from Louisville by the law firm of Wheeler, Hughes and Berry, representing the East Tennessee Telephone company, states that Judge Evans, in the federal court, has refused to dissolve the temporary injunction, restraining the city of Paducah from interfering with the operations of the East Tennessee Telephone company in this city.

This injunction was granted at the last term of court in this city on application of the telephone company, after the city had commenced proceedings to oust it. James Campbell, city solicitor, and Hal Corbett, attorney for the city, were in Louisville today arguing the motion.

The matter of making the injunction permanent or finally dissolving it will not be considered until all the facts are before the court.

## FIRST SERMON.

### Preached By Geronimo Recommends Season of Prayer.

Lawton, Okla., May 15.—On Fort Sill military reservation Sunday the famous Apache warrior, Geronimo, preached the initial sermon of his ministerial career. It lasted fully 30 minutes, and at its close 20 or 30 members of the congregation gathered around the preacher and congratulated him.

Geronimo's text was: "The Lord is My Shepherd; I Shall Not Want." He recommends a season of prayer and supplication that the president may grant his tribe liberty.

## AFTER MOB.

### Chattanooga Judge Charges Grand Jury to Indict Lynchers.

Chattanooga, Tenn., May 15.—Judge S. D. McReynolds, of the criminal court, delivered a strong charge to the grand jury at the opening of the May term this morning, in which he urged the jury to return indictments against the members of the first mob which attacked the county jail in March and the second mob which lynched Ed Johnson on the county bridge a few weeks following.

## ANOTHER RESPITE

### Thirty Days More Granted Patrick by Governor Higgins.

Albany, N. Y., May 15.—Governor Higgins granted an additional respite of 30 days to Albert T. Patrick convicted as the murderer of Millionaire William M. Rice. That is the third time Patrick's execution has been stayed by a respite. This postpones the date of execution to June 18.

## STREET CAR STRIKE.

### May Be Precipitated in Chicago First of June.

Chicago, May 15.—More than 2,000 employees of the traction lines surface and elevated, either are negotiating with the employing corporations for increased wages or are on the point of filing demands. Lines in every section of the city, excepting those on the south side, are facing probabilities of a strike June 1.

## Kentuckian in Trouble.

Hopkinsville, Ky., May 15.—News has been received here of a sensational shooting at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., in which Dabney Watson of Pembroke, in this county, was the principal. The report which was received here states that Watson entered a billiard room where Ross C. Sawyer of Key West, Fla., was sitting, and, whipping out a revolver, fired at Sawyer, the bullet going wide of the mark.

## Dowie's Creditors.

Chicago, May 15.—A flock of Dowie's creditors swooped down on Judge Landis' court today. The judge asked three factions interested in the fight, Dowie, Voliva and Granger, to select the men they deemed best fitted, the court to decide who shall take charge of Zion properties and administer them under the protection of the court.

## Genin Market.

Chicago, May 15.—Wheat, \$2.82 1/2; corn, 48%; oats, 32 1/2%; 32%.

## SCOUR MOUNTAINS.

### Native Volunteers of Samar Are Cap- turing and Killing the Fanatic Outlaws.

Manila, May 15.—Superintendent of Schools Hoover of Samar, and several native officials of the island have arrived on the way to Baguio, province of Bengue, the summer capital, to visit Governor General Ide. Mr. Hoover says 95 percent of the natives of Samar are anxious for the extermination of fanatics and the establishment of absolute peace. The native officials, he says are organizing a band of volunteers who are scouring the mountains, guarding the trails and capturing or killing the outlaws. It is estimated that three hundred Palaianes still remain in the mountains.

## ATTACK ELIGIBILITY

### REPUBLICANS CLAIM THAT HARRIS IS NON-RESIDENT.

### Democrats May Have to Nominate New Candidate in Kansas as He Cannot Qualify.

Topeka, Kan., May 15.—Republican leaders claim to have discovered that former Senator W. A. Harris candidate on the democratic ticket for governor is not a citizen of Kansas, that he cannot vote here and he is not eligible for the governorship. It is claimed by them that Mr. Harris has not paid any taxes and has not voted in this state for six years, and that by a provision of the constitution he thus has forfeited his former citizenship. If the allegations of the republicans are sustained a new candidate will have to be put in nomination because there is said to be no way by which the candidate can regain his citizenship before election day. Former Senator Harris is now living in Chicago, where he has been for several years.

## COINCIDENCE.

### Opening of Saloons and W. C. T. U. Anniversary.

Kansas City, Mo., May 15.—A service in celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the passage of the prohibition law in Kansas was held Sunday in Kansas City, Kansas. W. C. T. U. workers participating. A coincidence was the fact that 180 saloons of the city were wide open for the first time in months, made possible by the fact that Mayor W. W. Rose, recently ousted from office for the non-enforcement of law, only last week took his seat again after being re-elected at a special election.

## SOUTHERN BAPTISTS

### Decry Lynching and Ask More String- ent Enforcement of Law.

Chattanooga, Tenn., May 15.—At 10 o'clock last night the Southern Baptist convention adjourned, after the largest and most important meeting in its history. The last few hours of the business session in the afternoon were occupied in the conclusion of many important matters, including the election of members of the Sunday school, home mission and foreign mission boards.

At the afternoon session resolutions were adopted decrying lynching and proposing as a remedy that the laws for the punishment of all classes of criminal assault should be made stronger and that they should be enforced. The resolution called on all Baptists to assist in the preservation and enforcement of the laws.

## Corpse Used as Pillow.

Jackson, Ky., May 15.—Bill Griffin, a negro, shot Dr. Strong, another negro, here today and deliberately went to sleep with the corpse for a pillow. Griffin was beating his wife and Dr. Strong answered her cries for help. As he entered the door Griffin shot him.

When the officers reached the scene Griffin was lying on the floor fast asleep, with his head resting on the corpse.

## Cupid Laughs at Distance, as Well as Locksmiths.

On No. 4, the north bound M. & O. passenger train Sunday night, while speeding through South Madison near the town of Pinson, at a rate of 40 miles an hour, Mr. E. S. Matthews and Miss Dora McGee, of this city, were united in marriage. Rev. J. V. Kirkman, of Fulton, Ky., officiated at the sensational matrimonial contract and Conductor Walter R. Stout acted as extempore best man. The license for the young couple was secured in Jackson Saturday. There were some parental objections,

## COMMERCIAL CLUB DOES GREAT WORK

### Brings City Officials and Busi- ness Men Closer Together.

### W. A. Robinson Believes Such an Or- ganization Gives People Voice in Public Affairs.

## SPEAKS ON TAXATION TONIGHT

"A man owes something to the town he lives in," said W. A. Robinson, of Louisville, who arrived this morning to attend the council of the Episcopal diocese and will deliver an address at The Kentucky tonight on "Taxation" under the auspices of the Commercial club.

"The best way I know for a man to pay that debt is to join a commercial body of representative business and professional men. By all working together for the betterment of the city, the citizens can accomplish more than by each one endeavoring by his own unaided individual efforts to bring about results.

"To my mind, one of the most beneficial results accomplished by the Commercial club in Louisville was bringing into closer relationship the city officials and the business men. They work in harmony in Louisville and the business men through the organization always have a voice in public undertakings.

"I believe the Commercial club is the solution of the problem of how to keep the business men actively interested in municipal affairs. Those who do not take advantage of the opportunity of joining such an organization are missing their chance to take part in a work of progress. If any citizens disagree with the policy of the organization, they should join it and help to correct its faults.

"We had a difficult time starting the club in Louisville and I can remember when a few of us gathered in a little room. Now it takes a large auditorium to accommodate the enthusiastic crowd.

"Just as an instance of what such an organization can accomplish, I will relate an experience I had. My foreman introduced me to a gentleman from Greenfield, O., who was going South to locate a cotton mill. I spent an afternoon with him showing him over Louisville, and I introduced him to members of the Commercial club. My efforts were unavailing. He went further South and I considered my time wasted. A few months later another gentleman from Greenfield, O., entered my office with a letter of introduction from the first comer. The last one was looking for a location for a factory and my chance acquaintance had recommended Louisville on account of what I had shown him and what he had learned at the Commercial club. The Commercial club of Louisville has done more for the development of the city than any one other factor."

Mr. Robinson, who is a patriotic son of Kentucky, has made a close study of the taxation question and will deliver a free lecture tonight at the Kentucky theater on this subject.

Hon. Wheeler Campbell, whom Mr. Robinson heard speak on the subject in Frankfort, will deliver an address tonight at the request of Mr. Robinson.

## UNDERGROUND TROLLEY.

### Fight Ended by Permission to Erect Poles on Cable Lines.

San Francisco, May 15.—Late Monday the supervisor granted the United railroads permission to erect trolley poles and wires on all cable roads throughout the city. This action terminates the long fight over the underground trolleys.

## Vote for Sea Level Canal.

Nashville, Tenn., May 15.—United States Senator E. W. Carmack, before leaving last night for Washington, said:

"I am in favor of a sea level canal, and as Senator Morgan succeeded in having the committee postpone action until Wednesday, I will be in Washington in time to vote."

It seems, and they decided to have the knot tied at Corinth on Sunday night. Accordingly they repaired on the south bound train to the Mississippi city and found to their dismay that the Jackson license was no good in Mississippi. They were not to be bluffed, however, and boarded the train northward bound an hour or two later. A minister, Rev. J. V. Kirkman, of Fulton, Ky., was on the train and his services were secured after a little persuasion.— Jackson Sun.