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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce

JUDGE JOHN W. RILEY

of Bourbon county, as a candidate for Congress from the Ninth Congressional District, subject to the action of the Democratic Party, at the Primary in August 1916.

L. & N. Time Table

GOING SOUTH

Lexington & Cincinnati	6.54 a.m.
Lexington & Cincinnati	3.18 p.m.
Lexington & Cincinnati (Daily)	5.40 p.m.

GOING NORTH

Maysville	9.21 a.m.
Maysville, (Daily)	12.40 p.m.
Nunnelle	7.00 p.m.

INTERURBAN SCHEDULE

Leave Paris for Lexington	Leave Lex. for Paris
6.05 a. m.	8.00 a. m.
7.05 a. m.	9.00 a. m.
8.15 a. m.	10.00 a. m.
9.20 a. m.	10.30 a. m.
10.30 a. m.	11.00 a. m.
12.05 p. m.	1.30 p. m.
2.05 p. m.	3.00 p. m.
3.05 p. m.	4.00 p. m.
4.35 p. m.	5.30 p. m.
5.05 p. m.	6.00 p. m.
6.05 p. m.	7.30 p. m.
8.30 p. m.	9.00 p. m.
10.05 p. m.	11.00 p. m.

* Daily except Sunday.

As To Meteors.

Nelson's Encyclopaedia gives the following data on meteors:

Aerolites — Metallic or stony masses of matter falling from the sky, known as "thunder bolts," "falling or shooting stars," "meteoric stones," "thunderbolts," etc.

Such a phenomenon was considered incredible by scientists even so late as the middle of the nineteenth century. Then, however, a fall took place at Laigle (Orne), France, on the 26th of April, 1803, and the French Academy of Sciences, after a thorough investigation of the circumstances, declared that "stones actually fell from the sky." Since then the fact has been established on physical evidence.

Chemists of Heidelberg, Germany, have found that at least 300 aerolites are known to have fallen at different periods, and that there are probably many thousands more which have not been discovered. Others are almost daily picked up in the Arctic regions, for a moderate number of aerolites are known to fall in those regions.

Professor Daubree, of the French Academy of Sciences, has estimated that there fall annually upon the earth's surface 146,000,000 aerolites, or about 400,000 every day. Professor Newton, of Yale College, estimates that 7,000 aerolites fall annually upon the United States. Professor Farrington, of Chicago, has collected 300 falls of aerolites, and has found that they are composed of the same elements as those found on the earth.

Aerolites are of all sizes, from a few ounces to many tons in weight. Professor Farrington reasonably concludes that of the thousands that fall there are probably not a few aerolites of a hundred tons or more. Most of our earth-boring meteors are almost infinitesimal in size, and the velocity is so great that the most familiar form of the meteor is the "shooting star," which usually, as single stars, and sometimes in groups. The Leonids, in the group called the November meteors.

Dog Star

At the present time, around the hour of 10 p. m., the very brilliant star Sirius may be seen and pleasantly scintillating upon a clear night in the southeast. It easily is found and verified by the effort of search, the most elevated place many from the shore of the electric lights. According to modern astronomers, Sirius, the Dog Star, is approximately seventy-two million distant, but despite this remoteness, he is the nearest known star of both visible and telescopic. With the use of a telescope, the Dog Star is at a glance of his constellation Canis Major and the star gazer should bear that the three "Bell stars" of Orion, higher up in the sky and in his direction. — Ex.

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Rev. Sims Dies Suddenly While On Honey moon

Bourbon News:

"Mr. Charles Pall, of the firm of Pritchard & Pall, received a telegram yesterday morning from Clearmont, Florida, announcing the sudden death there Wednesday night of Rev. J. Sims, formerly pastor of the Paris Methodist Church. The telegram gave no details further than Rev. Sims' death was caused on account of pneumonia.

Rev. Sims was married here on Tuesday, January 4, to Miss Rebecca Freeman, and has gone to Clearmont, Florida, on a wedding tour, intending to return to Paris soon. Pre-nuptial reports here by a number of friends Wednesday stated that he had been slightly indisposed, but was feeling very much better and enjoying the balmy climate in the Sunny South. The news of his death came as a distinct shock to Wednesday night when word came to him as in good health and fine spirits.

Rev. Sims was a native of Glasgow, Scotland, where he was born on Oct. 30, 1850, and came to America when a mere boy, his parents locating in Virginia. He was educated in A. B. degree, and received his D. D. degree in 1905. He joined the Kentucky Conference of the Methodist Church, and served as pastor of the churches at Lawrenceburg, Stanford, Georgetown and Shelbyville. He was three times elected to the Virginia Conference and was six times elected to the Kentucky Conference, serving the full four years in the churches at Maysville, Lexington, Frankfort and Paris.

Rev. Sims was twice married. His first wife's name was Miss Mary Lovell, Maysville, dying in May, 1876. He is survived by one son, Mr. Robert Sims, of Chicago.

New Company Buys The Olympian Springs.

Olympian Springs, the famous summer and health resort in Bath County, has been acquired by a foreign syndicate, which proposes to set the place in order and make it famous in future, according to information received from yesterday's Evening Post from Mr. Thornton Brown, of the Louisville attorney.

According to the agreement Arthur P. Brown, of Americus Ga., and Charles H. Dunbar, of Port Republic, Va., have taken the property for a period of ten years, but did not disclose, and agree to pay a rental in future, according to the terms of a lease to be executed during the coming summer. An expenditure of three thousand dollars is to be made immediately, which includes the building of a new pavilion, a new swimming pool, and the construction of a swimming pool of soft water for baths.

The old hotel is to be remodeled into a sanitarium to be kept open throughout the year. The property has had numerous and varied owners, and had been formerly declared bankrupt.

—Lexington Leader.

Big Land Sale.

S. L. Vansant will sell his 200 acre farm and handsome residence "Shenandoah Hall," to-day to W. S. and R. A. Beazley for $175,000. The farm is located on three miles from Lexington on the Bryan Station pike. The purchasers recently disposed of McGrathiana, the Milton-Young farm, which they have owned for several years.

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School News

Monday of last week I spent in the office of the County Board of Education and in a short session suppressed the appointment of Miss Lula Gaither as substitute teacher to complete the term of Miss Nannie Mae Hopkins, at Sharpsburg, Bath county, which expired by reason of N. A. Mullins, of Sugar Creek school, Bath county, declining to accept the position. We were fortunate in securing the services of Miss Gaither as she is a graduate of Miss Hall's school and she has had experience in teaching.

Tuesday morning I went to Frankfort to attend the mid-winter convention of the county and city superintendents. There was a splendid attendance and our convention was honored several times by members from the House and Senate during the Wednesday night the Convention of Superintendents was invited to join the House of Representatives while Governor Stanley addressed us jointly. His subject was "The Teacher," and he said in his address that he wanted his boys to be teachers for their own sakes as it gave them higher ideals of life. Of course, he said he had reference to the real teacher who is called to the profession, not the one who uses teaching as a stepping stone to other professions.

Much needed legislation was discussed by the body of superintendents. Hon. V. O. Gilbert, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, is having prepared a bill codified and the convention as a whole passed a resolution asking the Legislature to pass a bill codifying, or making into law some easily understood, and to strike out dead issues.

Some of the bills to go before the Legislature this session, in which school people are interested, are, viz: A county board of education to be elected by the people at large and that board to have the power to elect the county superintendent, said superintendent to be appointed wholly on merit and may be removed from that county or anywhere in the State. Personally, I do not think I am for that bill. The promoters claim that it will take the office out of politics, but otherwise in the future, according to information received from yesterday's Evening Post from Mr. Thornton Brown, of the Louisville attorney.

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shrill not, because we need dirt [illegible] and have them; and just as much as need rural trustees we have them. Another idea is to make the minimum salary for the county school superintendent $1,200 and we are for that, although it will be no way effect me as I am not a candidate for such position. A county superintendent who has the care and responsibility of [illegible] pupils, sometimes over a 100 schools should not be as much paid as a city superintendent who, oftentimes, has only [illegible] pupils. The county superintendent of [illegible] is the superintendent of the schools, is supervisor also and should be paid as much as the chairman of [illegible] court.

One seventh of the [illegible] of the entire world is due to the [illegible] in the United States, there are over twenty-seven thousand cases, many of which do not obtain medical treatment.

The inherent cause, in the adjunct by the [illegible] of the [illegible] and [illegible] starving results. Our city schools has [illegible] in the doctrine and nurse. Each child has been examined and a report sent to his parents. The same work is now being done in the schools of the county.

All suspected cases should be reported to the Red Cross Anti-Tuberculosis League that they may receive free treatment. The league always keeps a stock of recovery of [illegible] and [illegible] and [illegible] expenditure in fighting tuberculosis. Tuberculosis is curable in the incipient [illegible] and [illegible] the sooner [illegible] the better the chance for a [illegible] and [illegible] a guarantee of satisfaction.

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Help!

The fight against tuberculosis has begun in Nicholas county. A league has been formed, its officers appointed, a name decided upon, are enrolled, but the league needs help. It needs a woman and man in the county to do the work. It needs a fund which the public must furnish the doctors. If the public is not educated concerning the work, must be [illegible] and [illegible] the hospitals. Tuberculosis is a disease that strangles the life of every citizen in the county. Every one should contribute to a fund that should be given public attention.

Our records of the death of [illegible] in Nicholas county [illegible] are [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]