

Market House Museum's "All in a Day's Work" Quiz

What were these Paducahans of years ago known for?
(The answers are on the bottom of page three.)



1. This gentleman and his family were well known for their means of making a living. They had a premier store on Broadway. Two matching, ornate chandeliers, made by Cornelius and Baker of Philadelphia in 1852, which were in the private apartments over the store, hang in the Museum, thanks to the late Mr. J C Dudley and his wife, Henrietta, who donated them to the facility years ago. What was the profession of the Nagel family? A) Bookselling B) Jewelry C) Grocery wholesalers.



2. This gentleman (and at one time, his father also) operated their business in a leased facility, at 412-414 Broadway from the year 1900 till about 1963. The store sold Johnston's Chocolates, as well as other items. The son, a benevolent, tall, thin man, was beloved by many of the townfolk. His business had an ornate gingerbread woodwork interior. His father and he had leased the building from the DuBois family, who had contracted the interior woodwork in 1887. (The woodwork was later donated to the Museum by Ethel DuBois Smith, an early museum supporter.) What was the profession of the List father son team? A) Chocolatiers B) Greengrocers C) Druggists.



3. This strong minded and talented lady wanted her two sons to get the best education they possibly could, and found a way to enable it to occur. Her profession, which gave the sons a sense of history as well as providing a means of putting them through college, became a successful business. Originally from Weakley County, Tennessee, she left pieces of her most lovely collections to her sons. One son, Ronald, later decided to donate these to the Market House Museum! What was the profession of Mrs. Sandefur? A) An antiques and glassware seller B) A reproduction dress and millinery shop operator C) an art store owner.



4. This Paducah native, Joe Clifton, was a sportsman at the local high school...and went on to be named All-Eastern fullback and honorable mention All-American, as a member of the football team at Annapolis. He graduated in 1930. He was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and Legion of Merit twice. A diabetic, he lost a leg later and died on Christmas Eve, 1967. A Paducah street was named in his honor. What was the highest rank he rose to in his career? A) Recruit of ensigns B) Rear Admiral C) Colonel.

5. This gentleman, Edmund DuPerrieu, was a Frenchman who came to America in 1847. He settled in Paducah and soon called it his 'only home.' he loved his family and operated a successful business in downtown Paducah for a number of years before dying Nov 27, 1900 at his home at 915 North 7th Street. His granddaughter, Ruth Ashe, donated several family artifacts, including silverware and photographs to the Museum in the 1990's. What was Edmund's business? A) a sandwich/coffee stand in the Market House B) a fine restaurant with linen tablecloths C) an etiquette and deportment school for young ladies.



6. This Paducahan, Barron White, was later to become a noted Paducah historian. But when he was younger, he was a member of the Paducah young men's club, called the Von Barons. He recalled the 1937 Flood, and being rescued from the family home on Fountain Avenue, climbing into a skiff from the base of the staircase, inside the house! He wrote two books, one called 'Paducah', the other, 'My Paducah'. The Museum gift shop sells those books. At what business was he employed for the largest part of his life? A) Petters of Paducah B) Sears Roebuck and Co. C) J C Penney's.



7. This family was largely associated with one profession, and one member, Reuben Saunders, was a well known physician. Born at Frankfort in 1808, he fathered a family. His daughter Manie would marry Joshua Cobb, whose son was Paducah's Irvin S. Cobb! Reuben's son, John, born in 1840, followed in his father's footsteps, becoming even more noted than his doctor father, studying leprosy, a horrible disease. He is buried at Oak Grove Cemetery, but before his death, he was the personal physician of whom? A) the King of Hawaii B) Theodore Roosevelt, Sr. C) King Edward VII of England.



8. This well noted musician was born in Paducah and later, moved to Trigg County as a youngster with his parents. He started out on another instrument before transferring to his "Preferred instrument of choice." (The Market House Museum has his FIRST sax on display, given to us by Boots himself!) Boots Randolph is today known for the sax, but what was the other instrument he gave up? A) drums B) slide trombone C) marimbas



9. This company shipped their unique items all over the country for aspiring business owners and owners of tall buildings. Their wares were heavy but well worth the cost, and served their purpose well! You can see examples of Linning and Jackson's works all over downtown Paducah. What did they manufacture? A) memorial iron statuary B) concrete garden fountains C) ornamental and structural cast iron storefronts.



10. A stone building, which today stands near red's Donut Shop on Jackson Street, used to be the home of Dr Caspar, whose up-to-date clinic was built directly behind his home. Dr Caspar was beloved by everyone, though some who loved him best couldn't speak. What kind of 'Doctor' was he? A) veterinarian B) baby doctor C) equine veterinarian.





11. This gentleman's business was in a four story structure near the intersection of Broadway and Second Street. In later years, the creaky wooden floors and old freight elevator at the back was a bit scary to those who wandered through the old building . The owner sat at the desk behind the counter and would holler, "Hello, little lady!" if a woman walked into the store. Many times, the disembodied voice, coming from a person unseen, would startle the customer! What kind of business did Mr. Michael operate? A) lawn and garden store B) hardware and paint store C) lumber store.



12. A building, in 1892, was named for the President of the City National Bank of Paducah, who made loans available for construction. The building became a local landmark, containing the Gilbert Bennett Drugstore, Boswell's Restaurant, a barber shop, and a pool room within! It had 114 rooms, and stood four stories tall. What was the name of this beloved landmark, now gone forever? A) Palmer Hotel A) Old City Hall Building B) Paducah Civic Building.



13. This adopted Paducahan, born in Todd County, Ky, started as a clerk at age 17 in a dry goods store at Trenton, Tennessee. Three years later, he became a partner and remained in that position for fourteen years. Moving to Paducah, Benjamin Wisdom partnered with Mr Norton, a Paducah native, and they started a bank called Norton, Wisdom, and Company. He bought and sold business lots as well, in Texas, Minnesota, and Wisconsin. But what is he best remembered as being? A) Paducah's first millionaire B) Founder of Broadway Methodist Church C) Speaker of the House.



14. This candy company was famous in Paducah for good reason...and tasty ones, too!! It had been a tradition for almost 75 years, before the doors closed in 2003. They had a very lucrative connection with a nationwide supplier of their wares for several years, helping put Paducah on the map with road weary travelers! What was this business retailer who sold Gilliam Candy Company products? A) Wal Mart B) Cracker Barrel Old Time Stores C) Howard Johnson's.



15. The Rudy family of Paducah were fortunate for many years in running their successful business on Broadway for many years. They were known as one of the 'classiest' of the many classy stores in the downtown area. Service was what the store was all about...ice water in silver pitchers, a ladie's rest lounge, and the use of two store telephones to call one's maid to get dinner started! What type of business was Rudy's? A) a ladies millinery (hat) emporium, B) a jewelry/silversmiths manufacturing business C) a tasteful dry goods store

Answers: 1-B; 2-C; 3-A; 4-B; 5-A; 6-A; 7-A; 8-B; 9-C; 10-A; 11B; 12-A; 13-A; 14-B; 15-A.