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METHODISTS

Make Appointments of Ministers for Another Year.

Results of the Two Annual Conferences That Adjourned Last Monday.-- Many Changes Made.

M. E. Church, South.

Parkersburg, W. Va., Sept. 11.—Sutton, W. Va., was selected as next year's meeting place by the Western Virginia Conference of the M. E. Church, South, before the fifty-eighth annual session adjourned at noon here today. Following is a list of the appointments as announced by Bishop Morrison:

Parkersburg District—Presiding Elder, W. L. Reid; Elizabeth Circuit, L. H. Auvil; New Martinsville, H. K. Moore; North Parkersburg, H. T. Watts; Parkersburg, St. Paul, G. W. Banks; Parkersburg, Wesley Chapel and Liberty Street, J. L. Pluson; Reedy Circuit, C. T. Barton; Ripley, C. B. Morris; Sandysville Circuit, J. M. Hicks; Conference Missionary Secretary, W. L. Reid.

Charleston District—Presiding Elder, W. M. Given; Charleston, First Church, R. T. Webb; Charleston, Roan Street, R. J. Yoak.

Fairmont District—Presiding Elder, L. S. Cunningham; Amos Circuit, B. F. Gosting; Burnsville and Gansaway, O. E. Thorne.

Clarksburg District—Presiding Elder, F. K. Struve; Davis and Thomas, G. W. Tynham; Fairmount, W. I. Canter; Farmington Circuit, E. B. Perry and G. F. Stewart; Lanesbottom Circuit, Ivy Oak; Parsons, H. L. Clay; Phillip, E. C. Switzer; Sutton Circuit, C. N. Coffman; Webster Springs Circuit, J. B. Yoak; Annabelle and Mission, B. A. Winn;

Ashland District—Presiding Elder, O. F. Williams; Ashland, First Church, H. A. Spencer; Ashland, Centenary, T. J. Hopson; Blaine Circuit, E. F. McLean; Catlettsburg, C. A. Slaughter; Catlettsburg Circuit, C. M. Ball; Dwaile Circuit, M. J. Nutter; Inez Circuit, Bernard Spencer; Grassland Circuit, E. Yoak; Grayson Circuit, R. J. Pollard; Greenup Circuit, W. B. F. Ball; Hopewell Circuit, L. B. Odell; Kavanaugh Circuit, W. J. Richardson; Louisa, J. W. Crites; Sandy Hook Circuit, to be supplied; Paintsville, J. D. Redd; Pikeville, I. N. Fannin; Proestonsburg, A. A. Hollister; Russell, P. E. Thornburg; Webbville Circuit, M. H. Branham; Van Lear Mission, W. H. Surgeon; Beaver Mission, D. B. Kasee.

Huntington District—Presiding Elder, B. M. Keith; Barbourville, J. C. Granberry; Bowen Circuit, E. Beyers; Buffalo Creek, John Hampton; Christian Circuit, J. H. Dawson; Cottage Grove and Twenty-fourth Street, to be supplied; Ft. Gay Circuit, L. S. Booth; Glenwood Circuit, U. S. G. Allen; Gilbert Mission, H. E. Hoffman; Guyandotte, H. V. Bennett; Hamlin Circuit, I. F. J. McKlaster; Huntington Johnson Memorial, U. V. W. Darlington; Huntington, Emmanuel, L. E. McEl-downey; Huntington, Central, J. H. Jackson; Logan and Mission, Guy Coffman; Madison Circuit, I. C. Polcott; Poca Circuit, W. A. Ackerman; Milton Circuit, A. P. Key; Point Pleasant Circuit, J. M. Carter; St. Albans Circuit, W. B. Gorder; Wayne Circuit, M. E. Peck; President Morris Harvey College, "Bea" Alderman; Financial Agent terms Harvey College, H. M. Smith; transferred—C. A. Powers to Southwestern Missouri Conference.

J. J. McKinnon, student, Morris Harvey College.

M. E. Church.

The following is the report of the presiding Bishop in stationing the ministers at the Conference of the M. E. Church held at Newport for the Ashland district:

J. M. Ackman, District Superintendent, Ashland, Ky. Ashland J. McClay; Ashland Second church, Hitchcock; Blaine, supplied by Howes; Catlettsburg, O. O. Howes; East Point, Wade Rowe;

Elkhorn City, S. A. Steele; Fullerton, Cyrus Riffle; Grayson, H. C. Snapp; Greenup, C. B. Plummer; Inez, W. W. Cooper; Jenkins, C. H. Caswell; Louisa, Thomas Hanford; Louisa Circuit, Anderson Harvey; Olive Jones, G. W. Howes; Paintsville, O. J. Carder; Pikeville, D. Wendle Brown; Pikeville Circuit, E. F. Burnaldes; Russell Circuit, J. A. Williams; Salt Lick, George M. Mid-daugh; Salersville, Thomas M. Greene; Tollesboro, H. D. Cooper; Vanceburg, W. G. Bradford; Vanceburg Circuit, W. H. Morris; Wallingford, W. H. Munsey; Van Lear, W. M. Walker.

It will be seen from the foregoing that the Rev. Dr. Thomas Hanford, who had filled the pastorate of the M. E. Church here so acceptably, has been again sent to this charge. His congregation and our people generally are pleased with the re-appointment.

Other appointments in which our readers may be interested are as follows: W. H. Davenport, East Mayaville; J. G. Kagan, West Covington; T. B. Stratton, District Superintendent Lexington district; John Cheap London; N. G. Grizzle, Deer Lick; E. L. Sheppard, Hardinsburg; William Jones Sunday School Missionary for M. E. Church in Kentucky; Ludlow Quarterly Conference; R. T. Holland Paintsville Quarterly Conference; W. W. Sheppard and E. P. Hall, Barbourville Quarterly Conference; J. M. Litteral, West Covington Quarterly Conference; R. W. Howes, Harrison Quarterly Conference.

MARRIED AT IRONTON.

Young Louisa Couple Surprised Their Many Friends.

Saturday, Sept. 9th, 1911, was an eventful day in the history of Miss Bessie Reid and Mr. E. K. Spencer, of the city of Louisa, Ky. On that day at 6:30 p. m., in the city of Ironton, O., in the presence of a few mutual friends, the Rev. Lewis Earle Lee, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, pronounced the fateful words which made them man and wife. After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Spencer went to the hotel Frederick, Huntington, where they remained until Sunday afternoon, when they returned to Louisa, where they are for the present domiciled with the parents of the bride, the Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Reid.

Following the arrival of the happy young people the usual "greeting" was extended on Monday evening. Every known instrument of ear-torturing noise was employed to extract a donation from the groom. Without a charivari no Louisa young man deems himself properly "hitched up." Mr. Spencer has nothing to complain of a long this—or any other—line.

On Tuesday evening the many friends of the bride and groom gathered at the parsonage in large numbers, bearing with them gifts of many kinds. Almost every conceivable variety of presents was in evidence. Gold, silver, glass, linen, wrought into beautiful and useful articles to look at and to use, all testifying mutely but feelingly to the regard in which the recipients are held by their Louisa friends were there in profusion. The bride is the only daughter of her parents. She is a beautiful and attractive young woman of much charm of mind and manner. She is a good daughter and sister, and will no doubt make as good a wife. The groom needs no presentation to a Louisa audience. Ed. Spencer was born and bred here, being the only son of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Spencer, of this city. No more popular or highly respected young man lives in our town. He is the foreman of the Big Sandy News office, sober, industrious, honest, and skilled in his vocation. These sterling qualities are the elements of success and none who knows him doubts that he will succeed in the business of life. He and his young wife have the best wishes of all who know them for a happy and prosperous journey together.

A. M. Wheeler made a business trip to Magoffin county this week.

REV. W. L. REID.

As will be seen by the list of appointments published elsewhere in this issue, Rev. W. L. Reid has been promoted from the pastorate of the Louisa church to the position of Presiding Elder of the Parkersburg district. The Bishop said, upon receiving the petition from the official members asking for his return to Louisa that he would not move Mr. Reid unless he found it absolutely necessary to use him in a broader field. This he has done, very much to the regret of the body of the local church and many people outside of the church.

In justice to Rev. Reid and without disparagement to the many good men who have preceded him it must be said that this church in all departments made greater progress during his two years of service than in any like period for twenty years or more.

His high standing in the conference was very apparent to all who attended the session in Parkersburg. He was unanimously re-elected secretary and is a member of the most important boards that serve throughout the year. As secretary he has everything ready at the proper moment, and this fact caused the business to run so smoothly that the Bishop remarked that he believed more had been accomplished in the same time than at any previous conference he has held. The writer happens to know that as secretary he publishes the minutes earlier than has been done before. He has installed a modern system for the permanent records of the conference, inscribing them with a typewriter. He has supplied the records with important chronology and biography, running back over many years. He sees things to be done and does them regardless of the labor involved.

In Parkersburg Rev. Reid was entertained in one of the very best homes. He was chosen to preach at the leading Baptist church of the city on Sunday morning, but declined because of the amount of work upon him as secretary of the conference.

We wish him success in his new work and hope he and his family will find their new surroundings pleasant.

Rev. J. W. Crites, our new minister, comes from Fairmont and has a good reputation as a preacher of ability and as a successful pastor. He will probably not arrive until the latter part of next week.

NOT GUILTY.

John Damron Acquitted of Murder of Victor Caperton.

The News closed its report of court proceedings last week when argument was going on in the case of the Commonwealth against John Damron charged with the murder of Victor Caperton. Prosecutor Waugh closed the case about 8 p. m. Thursday and the court adjourned the jury until next day charging the jury to refrain from a consideration of the case until they should take it for deliberation. Judge Kirk turned the case over to the jury shortly after the opening of court Friday, and the twelve men were not long in making a verdict of not guilty, whereupon the defendant was discharged from custody. Friday evening the Judge adjourned until Monday and went home to Pikeville. The grand jury was in session nine days, examined 242 witnesses and returned 191 true bills.

Judge Kirk closed his term as special Judge Friday, and on last Monday Judge D. W. Gardner, of the Magoffin circuit, took his place, Judge Hannah being still an invalid. Judge Gardner is a veteran on the bench and presides with ability befitting his responsible office. Little, if anything was done in the way of business Monday but since that day the court has been quite busy in the trial of ordinary and equity causes.

In the case of A. O. Carter administrator of Jeff Bleivins vs. the C. and O. railroad, to recover damages for Bleivins' death in the Russell yards, Judge Gardner gave the jury peremptory instructions to find for the company.

NEW WELLS

To be Started in Louisa Oil Field at Once.

Development Work Promises to be Lively During the Remainder of This Year.

The interest in the oil field near Louisa continues unabated. The Standard Oil Company has had several men in here purchasing leases. Also, other oil men are in the field and several deals are reported.

The O'Neal well filled up to some extent with sand last week, but has been cleaned out and is showing up nicely in the tests.

The Hays Oil Co., has located a well on the Meek lease near Busseyville and contracted for building the derrick and drilling the well. The timber is now being drilled to the site.

The Square Deal Company is also ready to proceed with a well.

A. C. Smith has closed a deal with Mr. Beckett, an oil man of Lexington, Ky., to drill a well on some leases in which he is interested west of the O'Neal well.

Other companies are being organized and it looks as though a good test of the field will be made within the next few months.

Labor Brothers of Charleston, have rented the building on corner of Main Cross and Perry streets adjoining Queen's livery stable, and will establish a supply house for oil well materials. Three car loads of supplies are already on the way.

A nitro-glycerine factory and storage house has been located in the head of a somewhat secluded hollow about three miles from Louisa, on land belonging to James W. Shannon.

MR. FRANK JONES DEAD.

After a long period of ill health supplemented by a painful sickness of several weeks' duration, Mr. Frank Jones, a well known and respected citizen of this place, died about 10 o'clock last Monday night. After funeral services on Tuesday afternoon conducted at the M. E. Church by the Rev. L. M. Copley, and Rev. W. L. Reid, interment was made in Pine Hill cemetery. Dr. Hanford, the pastor of the Methodist church to which Mr. Jones had belonged for many years, was absent from the city. All Mr. Jones' children, but one were at his bedside when the summons came, Lou, the oldest child, being in California. She was unable to get here in time. The other children are Curtis, of Ashland; Mrs. Wallace Johns, of Columbus, O., and Maymie, who is unmarried. Mrs. Curtis Jones and children and John Allen, whose first wife was a daughter of Mr. Jones, were present. The immediate cause of death was cancer of the liver. Mr. Jones was nearly sixty-six years old and had lived in this city nearly all his life. When a mere lad he enlisted in the Federal Army and served nearly four years in the Civil War as a member of the 14th Kentucky Volunteer Infantry.

He was a quiet, sober, industrious citizen, a good husband and a devoted father.

MRS. MONT ROSE DEAD.

Mrs. Mont Rose, of this city, died at the home of her father, Doy Adams on Blaine Creek, on Friday last, after a short illness caused by typhoid fever. She had gone to burial of her father-in-law, Sam Rose, and was taken sick there. Mrs. Rose was a good wife and mother. She is survived by a husband and two children.

WILL ATTEND SAYRE INSTITUTE.

Miss Julia Snyder left Tuesday for Lexington, Ky., where she will attend Sayre Female institute, one of the foremost and oldest schools of the kind in the

OUR SCHOOLS.

The public school opened on last Monday with a large attendance in all rooms. Interest is good and the prospect for a successful term is excellent. There are many in our town, however, who so far have not heeded the call to better things than the street corner and the gutter and who are ignoring the opportunity for growing into useful men and women. The News has written itself weary in trying to bring the parents of this town to a realizing sense of their duty and the great responsibility which rests upon them in this matter.

The College department in charge of Prof. Kennison, has nearly fifty students enrolled, with an increasing attendance. Prof. Kennison is assisted by Mr. Dock Jordan, student-teacher.

TO ENTER STATE COLLEGE.

Frank Crutcher and John Vaughan, two of Louisa's worthy young men, have gone to Lexington, Ky., to attend State College. They are popular boys of good families, and carry with them the wishes of many friends for their success as students.

FIRE AT LAYNESVILLE.

The handsome home of Mr. Will Miller, at Laynesville, Floyd county, was with most of its contents, destroyed by fire one day last week. The insurance was only partial.

KILLED BY TRAIN.

An Elliott County Man Named Barker Was the Victim.

Some time last week some parties left the western section of Lawrence County and the adjacent part of Elliott County to go to Ohio for the purpose of getting work. The farming region near Columbus was their objective point, where men were wanted to help cut up and save the big corn crop of that country. The men were either quite poor or were saving of their money, for it is known that for a part of their way at least they traveled by freight. On Thursday or Friday the crowd was riding in the way toward Columbus, when they espied a hay mow or something of the sort not far from the road and some suggested to get off and go to the mow and rest. This they did, and then it was proposed that some of the party go to a store a short distance back and get something to eat. Among those who volunteered to go was a man named Barker, from Elliott county. The railroad was double-tracked, and the remainder is the same old story. The men heard a train coming, and to avoid it stepped onto the other track only to be run down. Two of them were instantly killed, one of them being Barker. One of the men left behind in the field knew who he was and where he was from, and it was through him that Barker's Kentucky friends were notified. They had the body sent to Fort Gay, where Undertaker Snyder took it in charge and started it on its last journey Saturday. The hearse was met near the head of Blaine by a conveyance from Elliott county and by it was taken the remainder of the way.

He was a quiet, sober, industrious citizen, a good husband and a devoted father.

DEDICATION AND LECTURE.

The Baptists will dedicate their handsome new church on Sunday, September 24th. The Rev. Dr. Powell, of Louisville, will preach the dedication sermon, and all are cordially invited to attend the services.

On the previous Saturday evening Dr. Powell will deliver a lecture in the new church on a subject to be announced later. He is an able speaker and should have a large audience.

HAS GONE HOME.

Young Mr. Thornsbury, who had been a patient at Riverview hospital for some time, being treated for his joint disease, went to his home in Pikeville Saturday. He considerably improved.

MRS. G. A. NASH.

The Parkersburg Dispatch-News contained the following complimentary notice of Mrs. G. A. Nash, of Louisa:

"The evening session of the M. E. Church, South Conference opened last evening with devotional exercises, followed by the reading of the scripture lesson by Rev. W. L. Reid, who was followed by Rev. U. V. W. Darlington, who made a short address. Rev. W. L. Reid then submitted a report concerning Home and Foreign Missions and introduced Mrs. G. A. Nash, of Kentucky, Conference Corresponding Secretary of the Foreign Department of the United Missions, who addressed the meeting on the subject of the proposed union of all branches and auxiliaries of the Home and Foreign Missionary Societies. The heads of these two societies have already been united and a bureau for each of the two departments home and foreign had been formed. It yet remains for the auxiliaries to unite, and it was on this matter that Mrs. Nash spoke making a strong appeal to the ministers to use their influence and lend their assistance to the movement.

"Mrs. Nash is the daughter of the late Dr. H. P. Walker, of the Kentucky Conference who was one of the most prominent ministers of his day. She is a splendid lecturer, having the happy faculty of placing her subject before her listeners in a clear and brief manner. Her delivery is smooth and her manner pleasing, holding the attention of her audience at all times. In conversation with a Dispatch-News reporter last evening, Mrs. Nash spoke of the wonderful advancement of Missionary conference, and showed great enthusiasm in her work."

OFF FOR EUROPE.

George Alexeon, of the Greek Cafe, left Louisa Wednesday for New York for a city he will sail for at a furniture store. He expects to return to Louisa next Spring. Alexeon has a son who is to get married.

SERVICES NEXT SUNDAY.

Rev. W. L. Reid will preach at the M. E. Church, South, next Sunday morning and evening, as it will be impossible for Rev. Crites to reach here until some time next week.

REPLIED TO BETHURM.

Spontaneous Call for G. W. Castle to Answer Speaker.

Hon. L. W. Bethuram, Republican nominee for Auditor, spoke in Louisa Wednesday to a fair crowd made up of about three democrats to one Republican.

He seemed to be filled with the idea of Democratic machine politics and hammered on that line until he wore out the crowd. He then spoke of "extravagance in Beckham's administration," especially money paid out to attorneys, garbling facts and misrepresenting everything he spoke about. Then he undertook to call McCree to account for his votes or failure to vote at his home in the past, and said McCree when Governor had opportunities and failed to improve them and "now we find him as he is."

At the close of his speech the Democrats present felt that he had so garbled and misrepresented all subjects that they called for G. W. Castle, and kept it up till he came forward and responded in a ready way. If you could have seen Bethurum squirm while Castle was going after him you would have thought the chair he was sitting in was hot. Castle wanted to know of him what kind of machine it was that pulled the steam roller over the poor devils who were crushed to make way for his nomination at the dictation of O'Rear and said no such machine had ever dared to attempt to dominate a convention as was used by O'Rear at Louisville when he was nominated.

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