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XMAS IN DENISON.

Beautiful Trees and Interesting Programs at the Churches.

TEACHERS AND PUPILS REMEMBERED.

The Usual Festivities are Carried Out, to the Delight of the Little Folks, and Satisfaction of the Older Ones.

The Christmas festivities at the different churches were carried out very successfully on Christmas eve. Each of the churches had a tree, and gave interesting programs. The attendance at all the services was good, and every one was well pleased with the entertainment.

AT THE METHODIST.

The services at the M. E. church were interesting and instructive. A tree had been prepared for the little folks, and presents were distributed among the scholars of the Sunday school. A program of much interest was also carried out, to the delight of all present. The decorations in the church were beautiful, and together with the tree, made a fine appearance.

CHRISTMAS AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

The efficient superintendent of the Sunday School L. M. Cassaday ably assisted by the social committee succeeded in providing an agreeable and profitable entertainment for the young and older people as well. The exercises consisted of recitations and dialogues spoken by different classes and members of the school, interspersed with Christmas carols sung by the school. The choir rendered able assistance in the singing. The committee of arrangements under the leadership of Lee Barber provided a glittering white tree beautifully illuminated with electric lights, also a fireplace so constructed that Santa Claus could make his entrance by way of it. When this popular individual had made his appearance and also his exit, the most interesting part of the program, that of distributing the presents was duly performed, each member of the school receiving some gift. Harry Carpenter was Santa Claus for the occasion. The officers and committees are to be congratulated on the successful accomplishment of their plans.

CHRISTMAS AT GERMAN M. E. CHURCH

The Christmas festival was very pleasantly observed at the German M. E. church on Christmas eve. The church was appropriately decorated for the event. A large tree stood to the right on the platform. The tree being beautifully decorated and well lighted had a fine effect on the spectator, as a reminder of Christ the giver of all good gifts the light of the world and the author of everlasting life.

The program this year was exceptionally good. The choir under the leadership of Mr. Albert Helayne did some excellent singing. The speaking likewise showed an advancement over former years. A good supply of Christmas packages and other gifts were stored beneath the tree and at the close of the program the hearts of the little folks were gladdened by the distributing of these.

The true Xmas spirit was also manifested by a generous collection for the Central Wesleyan Orphanage. Long will the festival of 1903 be remembered.

PRESBYTERIAN.

At the Presbyterian church a beautiful cantata was given, in which there were a number taking part. A tree had also been provided, and it had been artistically trimmed for the occasion. On the tree were hung many useful and valuable presents for the different members of the Sunday School. A short program was also carried out, making the affair a very enjoyable one. The occasion will be remembered as one of the best ever held.

AT THE EPISCOPAL

The Sunday School exercises at Trinity Episcopal church were held at seven o'clock on Christmas eve, and were very quiet and simple. The central point of the observance was the idea of worship in connection with Christmas festivities.

The exercises consisted of a brief service of scripture, collects and carols, followed by a short address by the rector. A tree had been very handsomely trimmed, and in its shadow were the wards the children had earned by faithful attendance during the year. To give as well as to receive, was a lesson whose reception was attested by a substantial offering for Christmas missions.

On Christmas morning there was a service held, with a short sermon on the subject of the "Mission of Christ to Common Place." In the evening a service was held in Vail.

AT THE LUTHERAN.

Undoubtedly one of the most elaborate celebrations of Christmas in the city was at the German Lutheran church Thursday evening.

At 7:30 the time set for the opening of the exercises, every seat in the building had been taken, and five dozen extra chairs were added to accommodate the attentive audience. The service was opened with a song by the children after which followed an invocation by the pastor. Mr. Hilgendorf, teacher of the parochial school then continued with the original program which was in the form of the catechisms, treating of the birth and history of the Christ-child and dwelling chiefly on the prophecies of the old, and the fulfillment of the same in the new Testament.

The program was interspersed by appropriate music for the occasion furnished by the children. A beautiful anthem "Rejoice O Ye Nations" was rendered with great skill by the male choir of the church.

After the program had been rendered and the blessing pronounced by the pastor, gifts were distributed to the children, and the committee had made it their aim not to overlook any in providing sufficiently for every child present. The school-children were awarded a special gift by their excellent work in making the celebration a complete success. The pastor and teachers were also not forgotten, they receiving numerous valuable gifts as a token of friendship and recognition of their work.

The program as such proved to be a great success, and showed earnest work on behalf of the teacher, children and committee.

GREAT SOCIAL EVENT.

Ladies Score a Big Success at the Leap Year Ball Monday Eve.

The ladies leap year ball given at the opera house last Monday evening, was one of the most successful affairs of the kind ever given in Denison. There were sixty couples in attendance, and all enjoyed themselves hugely.

The hall had been very tastefully arranged, being nicely decorated; the decorations being red hearts and bells, etc. Comfortable lounges and rockers were much in evidence, and on the stage and in the galleries were tables for the card players who did not dance. Music was furnished by the Hallowell orchestra, from Correctionville, and was pronounced very fine. Mr. and Mrs. W. D. McAhren led the grand march. At 12 o'clock a delicious lunch was served, consisting of sandwiches, cake, coffee, olives and pickles. The costumes worn by many of the ladies were said to be the finest ever worn in a Denison ball room, while the gentlemen, not to be outdone in the matter of dress, were in their best. The merry crowd did not disperse until about 2 o'clock, declaring the event one of the best in many a day.

Among the guests from out of town, were: Messrs. Len and Robert Salinger, of Carroll; Mr. Micker, Carroll; C. Herrig, Wall Lake; Ren Moore, Dunlap; Mr. Van Scoy, Woodbine; George Fletcher, Hampton, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Osborne, Harlan; Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hunter, Albia; Hugo Kahler, Waterloo; Claude Ainsworth, Enreka, S. D.; C. M. and C. A. Mahan, Vail; Otto Kraul, Stuart, Dr. Pomeroy, Eagle Grove; and the Misses Belle Bartholmew, Chicago; Hazel Mahan, Vail, Runby Osborne, Woodbine; Goldard, Dow City; Art, Charter Oak; Roberts, Charter Oak; Blackman, Earley.

DEATH OF HUGH O'HARE.

Aged Citizen Dies at His Home in Denison, Stomach Trouble the Cause.

Hon. Hugh O'Hare, father of Ex-county Attorney S. V. O'Hare, died at his home in Denison on Sunday morning, Dec. 27, stomach trouble being the cause of his death. Deceased has been failing for about five weeks, but not until recently had he been considered seriously ill. For a number of years Mr. O'Hare has been a resident of Denison coming here from Carroll, where he was editor of the Carroll Times. Prior to his residence in Carroll he was editor-in-chief of the Catholic Citizen at Sioux City, and he was at one time editor of the Iowa State Press, at Iowa City. He was a man a little past sixty five years of age, and leaves a wife, one daughter Miss Mollie, and two sons, S. V. O'Hare ex-county attorney, and John O'Hare. The funeral will be held this (Wednesday) morning from the Catholic church. At this time we are unable to get full particulars of Mr. O'Hare's life, but will publish the obituary in our next issue.

Sheriff Bell was called to Waterloo on Tuesday in answer to a telegram from the Illinois Central detective who said he had a couple of pickpockets who had robbed a man on the train between Denison and the Bluffs. The sheriff was expected to arrive with the prisoners on the afternoon train.

STRONG PROGRAM.

Emersonians of the High School Score a Success.

The Emersonian Literary Society of the High School gave its annual public program in the H. S. Assembly room Wednesday evening. The program was probably the strongest in literary merit ever given by the High School although the attendance was less than usual at these special programs, due to the fact that it was the evening before Christmas eve and the negligence of the society members to support their program by the usual active personal advertising and sale of tickets. The Emersonian is one of the three literary societies of the High School, each of which gives a special public program during the year. It was the aim of the Emersonians to present a program that would demonstrate literary ability and show the nature of the work done by the society, rather than to give a spectacular program, and those who heard their efforts considered that they had fully accomplished their purpose. The program was as follows:

A piano solo "The Dance of the Demons," very artistically rendered by Mr. George Bierbach.

Declamation "The Union Soldier," rendered by Mr. Carl Richardson in a strong and impressive manner.

Book Review, "That Printer of Udell's," carefully studied in plot and literary characteristics by Miss Audrie Alsprague, a student of the class whose home is in Scranton Ia.

The Character Sketch, "How Effie Changed the Life of Silas Marner," an entertaining selection by Miss Myrtle McAhren.

At this point the program was greatly enlivened by "The Gallop Brillante" pleasingly rendered by the High School stringed orchestra, consisting of Misses Beatrice Lally and Maggie Clark, Messrs. George Danielson and John Stoloney with Miss Hazel Laub as accompanist. The orchestra was heartily appreciated and responded to the encore with a happy selection.

The remaining numbers were: Oration "Ancient Rome" a very strongly written and well delivered production by Miss Rose Clark.

Paper, "The Personnel of the Constitutional Convention" a splendid study of the famous men who planned our country's fundamental governmental document, by Mr. Lenzen Moeller.

Piano Duet, an entertaining selection by Misses Rose Clark and Mable Smith.

Original Story, "The Meanest Man" an exceptionally fine effort for an amateur, in both plot and style, written by Miss Dolly Faul. Miss Faul clearly shows that she has unusual ability as story writer and gives promise of becoming a writer of no mean note if she continues to cultivate her special talent. On another page will be found on another page.

A declamation by Miss Hilda Broderick entitled "The Prisoner of Zenda" was the closing number of the program and was duly appreciated as are all of Miss Broderick's elocutionary efforts. The program was a genuine success and was an honor to the young people who gave it and to the Denison High School.

Mr. C. M. Mahon, running out of Kansas City on the Alton railway, spent Christmas at the home of his parents at Vail.

Mr. Zewing Bowen, at one time a typo in the Bulletin office, spent Christmas with his parents in Denison. He has been absent about two years, during that time he has travelled considerable. He is now permanently located in northern Minnesota, where he is acting in the capacity as assistant to the ad man on a large paper.

Mr. Harry Morris, now located at Springfield, Mo. is spending the week in Denison with his parents. He is connected with the railway company at Springfield and says he has a good position. He has changed to some extent and make a fine appearing young man. He rendered valuable assistance to the Episcopal choir on Christmas day.

On Tuesday word was telephoned in from Mr. William Huffman's in Goodrich township to Dr. Boyle requesting that he go out to Mr. Detlef Evers' who lives near Mr. Huffman's as a child was very sick there. When Dr. Boyle arrived at the Evers place he immediately telephoned in for the sheriff to come out. After the deputy sheriff had started word was again received to have the coroner come along with the sheriff. There are different stories in circulation as to the cause of the different requests but up to the hour of going to press we have been unable to get any of the particulars.

DEATH OF E. B. SMITH.

From the Glendora (California) Gleaner, we clip the following regarding the death of Mr. E. B. Smith, brother-in-law to Mr. E. Gulick, of Denison, the same being published at the request of many Denison friends: "THO DEAD, HE YET SPEAKETH."

Surely this is the case with our departed friend and brother, Mr. E. B. Smith; who was so suddenly snatched from among us, leaving to mourn his loss, not only his devoted wife, one daughter, Mrs. F. D. Finn of Chicago, and a sister, Mrs. H. E. Hall, who recently came to make her home with him, but hosts of friends, near and far; for none knew him but to love him. His footsteps followed so closely in those of the Master, whom he lived to serve, that his principle mission for more than thirty years, has been to cheer the faint, lift up the fallen and help the poor and afflicted, while at the same time he performed faithfully all the duties of an active business life.

Less than a year has elapsed since he came to make his home among us; yet he was not a stranger. Many friends from Los Angeles, Pasadena and Pomona were in attendance at the funeral besides all the neighbors and friends for miles around Glendora. Mrs. Smith was greatly comforted by the arrival of her mother, Mrs. M. F. Gulick, and sister, Mrs. Lou F. Martin, from Iowa, the morning after Mr. Smith was taken sick and thus were with her through the entire though brief illness of two weeks. The daughter and her husband arrived in time for the funeral services, which were held at the home, conducted by the Rev. Banks of the Azusa Baptist church, of which Mr. Smith was a member, assisted by Rev. Pittenger of the M. E. church of Glendora.

Mrs. Smith wishes to express her sincere thanks to all who so kindly assisted her in her home, during her recent bereavement, also those of the floral decorations and music.

Frank Lesher, the ice man, is now reaping the ice harvest. The quality of the ice is said to be good, and Mr. Lesher will soon have his big storage house well filled.

Editor Fred Branaka, and wife of Schleswig, spent Friday and Saturday in Denison, the guests of Mr. Branaka's mother. He says the merchants of Schleswig report a good holiday business.

Mr. John Hird, of Eagle Grove, visited a few days with his parents and many friends in Denison. He is still connected with the North-Western and enjoys the confidence and esteem of his superiors in office.

Mr. Chas. Sundstrom, who is now connected with the Stewart Lumber Co., in Nebraska, was a Christmas visitor in Denison. He likes his new position very much and is enjoying the best of health.

Mr. Howard Wygant, of St. Louis, Mo., came up from that place to spend Christmas with his parents. He is now connected with the Missouri Pacific Railway, holding a prominent position in the auditor's office. Howard is quite enthusiastic over the World's fair to be held at St. Louis and has been showing his friends a number of fine views of the different buildings.

RECEIVES PAINFUL INJURY.

Mrs. Rev. Miller Falls on Railway Track at Ames and Breaks an Arm.

Mrs. R. V. Emory Miller, had the misfortune to fall and break an arm while going from the depot to the train at Ames on Friday night. It seems the train had pulled a little past the depot, and in order to get to it Mrs. Miller was compelled to cross three tracks. When going across her foot caught in one of the rails and she was thrown down, the fall breaking her arm. She came to Denison, and Dr. Carr was called and attended the injury. He found the arm swollen so badly that he could not set it at first, and the arm is now in a plaster cast. The injury is a very painful one.

Joe Christensen is the proud possessor of a fine sportsman's cabinet, a Christmas present from his wife. The cabinet is made of finely polished wood with doors, lock and key. There are different compartments, one holding five guns, another for ammunition, another for the hunters clothes, swabs, etc. It is certainly a fine piece of furniture, suitable for any parlor. Joe has it down in his shop, showing it to his friends.

There was a change in the weather on Christmas day of a very decided nature. In the morning the thermometer registered about 23 degrees above zero and at eight o'clock at night one degree below, making a change of 24 degrees in about twelve hours.

Attention Smokers

GREAT PRE-INVENTORY SALE OF CIGARS AT THE PALACE BAKERY

Owing to the fact that I have a large line of cigars on hand, and because of soon taking an inventory, I will offer some of my best lines of cigars at a bargain. Note the following prices:

Henry George, a \$35 cigars, per box of 50, at...	\$1.85	San Marcus, " " " " " " " " " " " "	1.85
Little Tom, " " " " " " " " " " " "	1.85	Presto, " " " " " " " " " " " "	1.85
Maquoketa, " " " " " " " " " " " "	1.85	Capadura, " " " " " " " " " " " "	1.85
Bradley Bros, " " " " " " " " " " " "	1.85	Hand Made, " " " " " " " " " " " "	1.85
Owl, " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	1.85	Butter Ball, " " " " " " " " " " " "	1.85
Speckled Trout, " " " " " " " " " " " "	1.85	Equally as meritorious goods will be sold at.....	1.50

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