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HARTFORD COLLEGE CLOSURES TERM

Annual Commencement Furnishes Week's Entertainment

Sharp Contests For Gold Medals In Declamation And Oratory.

The Annual Commencement exercises of Hartford College began with the Baccalaureate sermon last Sunday at the Presbyterian church by Rev. Virgil Elgin of the M. E. Church South. A splendid musical program was rendered by a select choir. The sermon was replete with good things and was pronounced by all who had the good fortune to hear it, one of the best ever delivered in Hartford on a similar occasion. The text was from Galatians 6:9, "And let us not be weary in well doing; for in due season we shall reap if we faint not." The figure of the text is taken from nature and is easy of interpretation. Said the speaker, among the things which it teaches is that reward comes to the faithful laborers in any field reaps a reward, hence then the first encouragement is suggested from this thought.

1. While the highest motive to any good work is to do right because it is right, nevertheless, conditioned as we are here we act, also, from other motives, a proper one the hope of reward. The farmer sows with reference to the harvest; the business man embarks in business enterprises with reference to success the student works hard in early life with a view to future benefit. So in all callings or occupations it is also, true of the Christian life. God holds up the reward. The "Crown of Life" is promised to the "faithful unto death."

2. The laws of nature teach some truth. The "conservation of energy" is a law now as well established as the indestructibility of matter. No force in physical nature, in the realm of mind, or in moral or spiritual matters is ever lost. Change as it may it can no more be destroyed than matter. All history proves this is so with mental and moral forces. Men who have wrought either well or evil live when their transient acts are long since past. Abel, Abraham, Daniel, Paul, Luther, Calvin, Wesley, Bunyon, and thousands of others live in their deeds to-day and perhaps exert a greater influence than while they walked the earth. So it is true that had men live in evil deeds. In the literary world, Shakespeare, Chaucer, Pope, Milton, Byron, Tennyson, Longfellow and others live in their works. If our deeds live to affect others when we are gone, should not they be good deeds noble actions.

Another motive to a proper life is it is the secret of a happy life. Idle lives are not only worthless lives but unhappy lives. The busy life is the contented and happy one.

Young gentlemen and ladies if you want your life a happy life, let it be an active and useful one. Have high aspirations and be full of noble deeds. And be sure to make your lives holy. Says Solomon, "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep his commandments; for this is the whole duty of man." Then "get wisdom, but with all thy getting get understanding."

DECLAMATORY CONTEST.

Tuesday night the declamatory contest occurred at the Baptist church. Five young ladies and two young men took part in the contest. The program rendered was as follows:

Instrumental Duet—Misses Margaret Nall and Fern Curtis.

The Old Settler's Story—Hattie T. Glenn.

The Chariot Race—Elsie Mathews.

Vocal Duet—Misses Pearl Thomas and Florence Jones.

The Unknown Speaker—Levi Coleman.

The Death Disk—Alta Mae Likens.

Instrumental Duet—Misses Margaret Nall and Mary Keown.

The Boat Race—Nora Wodding.

Violin Solo—Mr. Ernest Field, accompanied by Miss Pearl Thomas.

Van Bibber's Victory—Ireland E. Harrison.

Male Quartette—Messrs. Z. Wayne Griffin, R. D. Walker, E. E. Birkhead and Dr. Pirtle.

Kentucky, Cinderella—Annie Eliza Keown.

There was not a failure in the entire list. Each and every rendition

was as near perfect as could be and the Judges had a delicate and difficult task before them. They were J. C. Wagen, Mrs. Laura Woerner and John B. Wilson. Each contestant was graded on the various points during the delivery of the piece, the judges occupying different positions in the audience so they could not know how their grading corresponded. At the close they compared their record and awarded the gold medal to Miss Alta Mae Likens. The award was made by Judge Wilson in a neat and well timed speech. The medal was given this year by C. M. Barnett.

ORATORICAL CONTEST.

A large audience heard the oratorical contest on Wednesday evening and no one went away disappointed with the entertainment. The following program was carried out:

Instrumental Solo—Miss Mary Keown.

Winning Success—Roy R. Heavrin.

Vocal Solo—Miss Florence Jones.

Blind in the Midst of Beauty—Nellie E. Smith.

Instrumental Quartette—Misses Margaret Nall, Mary Keown, Effie Ronder and Alice Keown.

Our National Hero—McHenry Holbrook.

Violin Solo—Mr. Ernest Field, accompanied by Miss Pearl Thomas.

Stepping Stones—Jessie Raley.

Instrumental Duet—Misses Margaret Nall and Katie Pendleton.

Patriotism—Vernon Crowder.

Male Quartette—Messrs. Z. Wayne Griffin, R. D. Walker, E. E. Birkhead and Dr. Pirtle.

The Judges were E. C. Cooper, Hattie Brown, and J. W. Scott. They awarded the gold medal to Miss Jessie Raley by a vote of 2 to 1. One vote going to Mr. Roy Heavrin. The medal was presented by C. M. Barnett. Mr. R. E. Lee Simmerman donated the medal, which was a very handsome one.

GRADUATING EXERCISES.

Last night closed the weeks exercises when two graduates were given their diplomas. The following program was carried out.

Invocation—Rev. N. F. Jones.

Instrumental Solo—Miss Margaret Nall.

A Typical American—Otto C. Martin.

Vocal Solo—Miss Hattie Barnett.

The Gospel of Labor—Raymer W. Tinsley.

Instrumental Solo—Miss Mary Keown.

Address—Prof. L. N. Gray.

Vocal Duet—Misses Pearl Thomas and Florence Jones.

Address—Col. C. M. Barnett.

Instrumental Duet—Misses Margaret Nall and Mary Keown.

Presentation of Diplomas—Judge J. S. Glenn.

GRADUATES.

Otto Carlston Martin, Raymer Wendell Tinsley.

A splendid Webster's unabridged dictionary was awarded Raymer Tinsley for excellence in scholarship. Mr. Jas. H. Williams makes this contribution to the school each year. So closes one of the most successful years work in the history of Hartford College.

Miss Sue Jenkins Dead

Miss Sue Jenkins died last Saturday morning at 1:45 o'clock at the home of her father on Lewis street of a complication of diseases. She had been an invalid for several months and went to New Mexico last fall in the hope of regaining her health, but was not benefited and came home. She seemed to improve for a time but soon grew worse and sank rapidly. She has been confined to her bed for several weeks and had been unconscious for four days. Paralysis was the latest development of her trouble. She was 35 years old, and was the daughter of Rev. B. F. Jenkins, who survives her as do three brothers, Frank, Smith, and Joseph Clinton Jenkins.

Miss Jenkins was a bright young woman and she taught in the Sunday school of the Third Baptist Church. She formerly lived at Habir, and she was well known to many and all esteemed her highly.

The funeral took place Monday morning at 10 o'clock from the Third Baptist church and the services were conducted by Rev. T. N. Compton. The burial at Elmwood cemetery.—Owensboro Inquirer.

Eight Men Shot in a Battle.

Lexington, Ky., May 18.—Eight men were shot, two of them perhaps fatally, and one horse killed in a fight in Floyd county between the Ratcliffe and Bradley families.

Dock and Gilbert Ratcliffe are fatally wounded. Riley Bradley and three of his kindred whose names could not be learned as well as two men named Shephard, also received bullet wounds. One horse was killed and another shot during the fight.

John Shephard was the only one in the melee who escaped without a scratch. So far as could be learned no arrest has been made.

CRIMINAL PROSECUTION BEGUN.

Parrish and Anderson Arrested at Owensboro.

Revelations of Receivers Cause Issue of Warrants and are Held under \$15,000 Bonds.

Owensboro, Ky., May 18.—James H. Parrish, president of the Owensboro Saving Bank and Trust Company and T. S. Anderson, president of the Daviess County Bank and Trust Company, were both arrested yesterday as a result of the disclosures following the recent failures of the two institutions. Both men waived examination and were held under bonds of \$15,000 each to await the action of the grand jury.

Thirty-one years ago James H. Parrish began work as a clerk in the bank owned at that time by T. S. Anderson. He learned the banking business from Mr. Anderson. His advancement was rapid. In 1884 he purchased the bank from Mr. Anderson. The latter moved to Detroit, Mich., and opened a bank.

The rise of James H. Parrish in the financial world was phenomenal. A few months ago his bank had a capital stock of \$200,000 and deposits of over \$1,000,000. Mr. Anderson quit the banking business in Detroit a few years ago and returned to Owensboro and opened another bank. He too, a few weeks ago, had deposits of \$640,000.

To-night, James H. Parrish, president and largest stockholder of the Owensboro Saving Bank and Trust Company, and T. S. Anderson, president of the Daviess County Bank and Trust Company, the teacher and the pupil, are both under bond of \$15,000 to appear before the August Daviess county grand jury.

Anderson was arrested on two warrants. One charges him with fraudulently converting to his own use \$20,000 of the funds of the bank. The other warrant charges him with receiving deposits when he knew his bank to be insolvent.

Parrish was also arrested on two warrants, both charging him with receiving deposits when he knew his bank to be insolvent. The arrest of Parrish and Anderson did not come as a surprise to the citizens of Owensboro. However, it created one of the most profound sensations in the history of the county.

On April 24, a motion was made for a receiver for the savings bank. T. A. Pedley was appointed and immediately took charge. This came after several weeks of financial distress by the bank, during which time the officers made every effort to keep the doors open. But so much of the paper of the bank had been rediscounted that little paper of value was left that could be realized upon. The city's most prominent business men went to the aid of the bank during its last days, and personally loaned the institution \$50,000 upon being assured that this would tide the institution over. But it was like pouring money into a rat hole. It disappeared in a few days, debts to other banks being paid. Since the appointment of a receiver it has developed that nearly \$300,000 of worthless notes in the bank were executed by members of the Parrish families and their business allies. The depositors became indignant at the revelations, and many threats of warrants were made previous to the taking out of these.

The financial embarrassment of the Daviess County Bank was similar to that of the savings bank. In this bank over \$100,000 has been borrowed by President Anderson and members of his family. James Ward, a farmer of Daviess county, made affidavit to secure the warrant charging Anderson with converting \$20,000 of the bank's funds to his own use. The other warrant against Anderson and the two against Parrish charging them with receiving deposits when they knew these banks to be insolvent were issued on affidavits of depositors.

Anderson and Parrish appeared in County Judge Owens' office at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon shortly after the warrants had been served upon them. They had been notified that the warrants would be issued and had prepared to furnish bond. Mr. Anderson waived his examining trial and executed bond in the sum of \$15,000 for his appearance before the grand jury in August. His bondsmen are S. W. Tompkins, Fred Van Rensselaer, John Reinhardt, Hugh Kimbley, J. H. Hickman and Mrs. Margaret Brodie. Mr. Parrish also waived his examining trial and was held to the grand jury under a \$15,000 bond.

The first list of bondsmen presented by Mr. Parrish was rejected, they being composed of the board of deacons of the Third Baptist church. Later J. W. McCulloch, a prominent distiller, E. T. Franks, collector of internal revenue, and a number of other friends of Mr. Parrish signed his bond.

Mr. Parrish was born in Bullitt county in 1855 and came to Owensboro with his parents in his youth. He is connected with more than a score of industries about Owensboro, several of which have failed since the appointment of a receiver for his bank. For years he was considered one of the best and safest business men of the State. His manner was most affable and he persuaded many men not given to making large investments, to become interested in his bank and other concerns which he promoted. He is one of the leading church workers in the State. With Mr. Parrish in the banking business were his five brothers, they being directors of the institution. One of his brothers was cashier of the bank.

T. S. Anderson is over 70 years of age. He organized the Daviess county Bank and Trust Company in 1899 after his return from Detroit. Mr. Anderson was not very successful in Detroit. He did not agree with his board of directors. Mr. Anderson had religious scruples against employing a watchman for his bank on Sunday nights. His directors objected to this. Neither would he receive liquor money in his bank. Mr. Anderson is an elder in the First Presbyterian church and has always been regarded as one of the leading church men of Owensboro.

Careworn and dejected Mr. Anderson stood in the County Judge's office this afternoon, not speaking to anyone. Bland and smiling, Mr. Parrish walked about the room chatting with his friends and humming a hymn. Mr. Parrish announced he would fight the charges.

Neither the Owensboro Savings Bank nor the Daviess County Bank was a member of the Owensboro Clearing-House Association. The other banks in Owensboro, by their statements, are shown to be in the best of condition and not the slightest uneasiness is felt in the bank circles.

OHIO COUNTY STEERS CLEAR

Of the New Alleged Tobacco Growers Association.

Resolution Adopted Permitting all Tobacco Growers to Pool Tobacco.

The Ohio County Union of the American Society of Equity met at the old Masonic Hall in Hartford Wednesday May 20, 1908 under the following call. The Ohio County Union of the A. S. of E. is hereby called to meet in special session at the Court House in Hartford, Wednesday, May 20, 1908, for the purpose of receiving pooling pledges and attending to other important business that may come up for consideration.

This May 14, 1908.

S. L. STEVENS, President.

The meeting was called to order by President S. L. Stevens who after a brief statement of the purpose of the meeting appointed the following as committee on resolutions. David Moreland, J. R. Weller, Jack Miller, E. W. Jackson, and T. F. Tanner who retired to consider the resolution. A roll call showed twenty-one locals represented. After hearing reports from locals regarding the acreage and pooling pledges a motion was made and seconded that the time for securing signers to the pledge be extended to the regular meeting of the county union in July 1908. The motion was carried unanimously. At this juncture a motion to adjourn until 1 o'clock p. m. prevailed.

At one o'clock the meeting was called to order by President Stevens. At the request of Mr. John P. Foster the call for the meeting and notice concerning same published in the Hartford Republican were read by the Secretary. The report of the special committee to notify President Cantrill of his selection to deliver an address on motion the committee was continued as a reception committee. The committee on resolutions reported as follows:

We, the committee on resolutions of Ohio county union A. S. of E. beg leave to report as follows:

1. We endorse the call of the county union for May 20, 1908.
2. We reaffirm our allegiance to the American Society of Equity and refuse to endorse the new organization known as the Green River District Tobacco Growers Association, believing that it is detrimental to the interest of the A. S. of E.
3. Resolved, That we favor the handling of our tobacco through the finance committee of Ohio county on a plan similar to that of 1907, (from wagon) and we invite all Equity people to co-operate with us.
4. We earnestly entreat any of the Equity people who have or may affiliate with the new organization to submit to the majority of their county and return to the A. S. of E. or they will be brought to trial at the next county union.
5. It is further resolved, That the successors of our present finance committee be elected at our October meeting of county union, to handle the 1908 crop.
6. Resolved, That we call on our finance committee for 1906 to have published a statement of the amount and price of the 1906 crop of tobacco. David Moreland, Ch'm'n. T. F. Tanner, Secretary.

On motion it was ordered that the resolutions be considered by sections. Section one, two, three and four were adopted by practically unanimous vote.

Bro. M. F. Sharp offered as a substitute for Section five, that the finance committee be composed of one member from each Magisterial district union, to be selected by said districts previous to and ratified by the July meeting of the County Union. A vote being taken resulted in its adoption. Section six was adopted after some discussion.

Moved by David Moreland and seconded by W. S. Carter that we endorse the action of the last County Union in restricting the acreage to 10,000 hills to the hand and the issue of acreage pledge and pooling pledge

together. The vote resulted in the adoption of the motion.

Moved by T. F. Tanner and seconded by W. S. Carter that all tobacco growers be allowed to pledge and pool their tobacco in the same manner as members. Vote being taken on the motion resulted in its adoption.

Moved and seconded that the Secretary be directed to have published in both Ohio county papers and both Daviess county papers, the minutes of this meeting motion prevailed.

At this juncture a motion prevailed to adjourn.

S. L. STEVENS Pres. C. E. SMITH, Sec'y.

State Officers Planning to Invade New Capitol.

Frankfort, Ky., May 18.—Secretary of State Bruner is contemplating the removal of a portion of his office to the new Capitol within a few days. The present quarters are badly overcrowded while the new ones are nearly completed roomy and comfortable.

Some of the old furniture will be taken to the new office and used until the interior furnishings of the Capitol are completed.

It is probable that some of the other State departments will follow suit with early occupancy of their quarters in the new building although the structure will not be ready for formal turning over to the Capitol Commission for several months.

REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE OF OHIO COUNTY

As Now Made Up by Election by People, Holdovers and Election By Committee.

The following is the personnel of the Republican committee of Ohio county as elected at precinct conventions May 2, and including eight holdovers in precincts where no election was held and one election by the committee last Saturday.

The committee, as it will be noted, is composed of the very best men of the county and it is safe to say that the work enjoined upon its members will be promptly and cheerfully done. At the meeting last Saturday the committee organized by the election of M. S. Ragland Chairman and John G. Keown Secretary and Treasurer.

East Hartford, John G. Keown, West Hartford, Dr. T. D. Renfrow, Beda, John A. Johnson, Sulphur Springs, John D. Johnson, Magan, C. T. Whitehouse, Cromwell, Joe Jarnagin, Cool Springs, W. T. Brown, North Rockport, Geo. Maddox, South Rockport, Jas. Wilson Sr. Select, J. W. Martin, Horse Branch, Dr. Clarence DeWesse Rosine, J. F. Wallace, East Beaver Dam, E. P. Taylor, West Beaver Dam, Claude Blankenship McHenry, William Hamilton, Centertown, Dr. G. F. Chapman, Smallhouse, J. C. Hill, East Fordsville, C. C. Beard, West Fordsville, J. J. Tilford, Aetnaville, E. H. Morgan, Shreve, Grant Pollard, Olaton, J. F. Allen, Buford, John Blair, Bartlett, D. B. Bartlett, Herlin, T. D. Owen, Ceralvo, E. W. Smith, Point Pleasant, Watt Taylor, Narrows, John H. Thomas, Ralph, H. T. J. Edge, Prentiss, H. B. Taylor, Herbert, O. T. Burdett, Arnold, Mack Cook, Render, Simon Jones.

Notice to Road Overseers.

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W. B. TAYLOR, J. O. C. Like Member of Family. San Antonio, Tex., May 9, 1908. The Hartford Republican, Hartford, Ky. Gentlemen:—Please forward my paper here instead of McHenry. I cannot be without The Republican, as it would be like leaving one of the family to be without it. This is certainly an ideal climate here. Wishing The Republican much success, I am, Yours truly, CHAS. R. CARSON.

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