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Easter As Observed by the Churches.

Day of Sunshine Commemorates the Resurrection.

Typical of Eternal Beauty.

Easter morning dawned clear and bright and the town was fully awake to the commemoration of the Resurrection Day. The Churches were well attended.

The Episcopal church was especially honored of all the Episcopal Churches of the State, because of the distinguished Divine, Bishop Peterkin, of the Diocese of West Virginia. His beautiful sermon on this Easter morning was of "The Resurrection," the old, old story, yet on this occasion so beautifully told, so richly set, as to be a jewel contributed to the Master's Cause.

The song service throughout was impressive and appropriate. The service was conducted by the Rector, Rev. J. H. Gibbons.

The offering of the morning was for the liquidation of the Rectory debt and amounted to \$1,011.61, nearly \$700 of which had been raised by the special efforts of the ladies of the congregation for the past several months, and the remainder by the men of the congregation and their friends.

This magnificent offering was supplemented by a handsome donation of the Bishop of \$400, who has since promised to also pay the interest for the ensuing year on the balance due on the Rectory debt.

The church had been beautifully decorated for the occasion. At the morning service, Minton Lodge A. F. & A. M., attended in a body, while Franklin Commandary attended the night service in a body.

The Song Service held at the Presbyterian Church Sunday night, was a Union Service of the Presbyterian and Southern Methodist Churches, the congregation of the latter being unable to use their church owing to the improvements being made there.

The services were conducted by Mr. P. H. Steenbergen, and the Easter address was delivered by Rev. R. P. Bell, of the M. E. Church South, who made a thoroughly enjoyable and inspiring discourse.

The large Choir rendered some excellent music on this occasion. The Church was decorated with potted flowers.

Services at Trinity Church both Sunday morning and night, were largely attended. The morning service consisted of a splendidly selected and well executed musical program, the pastor taking as the subject "The Open Tomb." The night service was given over to the children, who on this occasion excelled themselves. The church was completely filled by those wishing to enjoy the services. The decorations were profuse and beautiful. The collection at the two services showed the handsome sum of \$105.66 for benevolences, and about \$130 to be applied to preacher's salary.

The Baptist Church celebrated the Holy Communion, otherwise their morning and evening services were that usually held at that church. At the morning service, however, Rev. Friend, the pastor, took for his theme, Resurrection, following the sermon, the hand of fellowship was extended to the eight members, recent accessions to the Church.

Interesting Relic of Civil War.

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Veterans of the Thirteenth West Virginia Infantry, of whom there are many living on both sides of the bend, will be interested in a Civil war relic now on exhibition in the windows of Steele & Russell's harness store at Middleport. This interesting relic is the war saddle of Lieut. Col. James R. Hall, of the regiment above named. The saddle is the property of Isaac A. Lewis, a Thirteenth veteran of near West Columbia, and to those who are familiar with the story of Col. Jim Hall and his tragic end the relic is worth going a good way to see.

Col. Hall was a son of Hon. Jno. Hall, of Point Pleasant, and a brother of Mrs. B. J. Redmond, who died recently at Maggie. When the war broke out he was being educated in a Virginia University, but he came home and enlisted in the above named regiment and from the beginning distinguished himself by a bravery that bordered on the reckless. At the battle of Opequon, Va., Sept. 19, 1864, he received a bad wound in the arm and was sent to his Mason county home to remain until sufficiently recovered to re-enter the service.

But he remained at home less than a month. The war spirit was so strong within him that he scorned the advice of physicians and friends and set off for the front, reaching his regiment just in time to participate in the battle of Cedar Creek, Oct. 29, 1864.

As usual, Col. Hall fought like a madman, and he was a conspicuous figure at every stage of the battle. With his arm in a sling he could be seen riding madly to and fro rallying his men and setting an example of bravery that would have been a pattern for a Ney.

It was while thus engaged—and just before the arrival of Gen. Phil Sheridan on his historic dash from Winchester and the resultant victory of Union arms—that he fell mortally wounded by a rebel bullet and died with the many who went down in that memorable conflict.

EASTER SUNDAY SURPRISE.

Last Sunday, (Easter) J. Milton Burdett, who is now in his 92nd year, was visited at the home of his daughter, E. J. Childers, of Union district, this county. All his living children were present except Mrs. R. W. Calvert, Athens, Ohio; M. G. Burdett, of Leon, who were unable to be present on account of sickness.

Those of his children present were: Mrs. E. G. Childers, James P., of Leon; John M., Point Pleasant; Dallas A., Leon; Monroe and Ezekiel H., of Leon.

The day was spent with the old father, who is in fairly good health for one of his age.

The old gentlemen's living posterity is, 8 children, 48 grand children and 63 great grand children.

L. A. McMillin and wife, of North Point Pleasant, who has been visiting friends and relatives in the country, returned home Saturday.

Mr. P. O. McDade, manager of the wharfoat at this place, spent Easter Sunday with his family at Ravenswood.

SMILE.

Smile, and the world smiles with you.

"Knock" and you go alone; For the cheerful grin Will let you in

Where the higher is never known.

Growl, and the way looks dreary; Laugh, and the path is bright.

For the welcome smile Brings sunshine, while

A frown shuts out the light.

Sing, and the world's harmonious; Grumble and things go wrong.

Yet all the time You are out of rhyme

With the busy, bustling throng.

Kick and there's trouble brewing; Whistle, and life is gay.

And the world's in tune Like a day in June,

And sorrow will melt away.

A Bob Taylor Gem.

The following beautiful sentiment is from the pen of Senator Bob Taylor:

"I would rather fill my purse with money and keep its gate ajar to my happy girls while yet they linger under my roof than to clutch it with a miser's hand until the harp strings of youth are broken and all its muscles forever dead. I would rather spend my last nickel for a bag of striped marbles to gladden the hearts of my barefoot boys than to deny them their childish pleasures, and leave them a bag of gold to quarrel over when I am dead. I adore the pitiless hawk that circles the air only to swoop down and destroy the song of the linnet or bury its talons in the heart of the dove. I despise the soulless man whose greed for gold impels him to strangle the laughter and song in his own family."

EPWORTH LEAGUE PROGRAM

Epworth League program to be rendered at the M. E. Church South Friday April 16.

Leader—Lem Shiflet.

Hymn 28.

Prayer.

Hymn 86.

Topic—The Appeal of our Necessities.

Scripture lesson—Mark 8:1-9:2

13-17. Matthew 14:14-17.

Reading on topic—Eunice Burdett.

Hymn 124.

Comments on topic—Rev. Bell.

Ins. Solo—Gertrude Burdett.

Vocal Solo.

Ins. Solo—Helen Hale.

Recitation—Goldie Comstock.

Ins. Solo—Mary Leftwich.

Vocal Solo—Carolyn Comstock.

Hymn 11.

Ins. Solo—Amelia Steinbach.

Recitation—Ruth Colville.

Ins. Solo—Retta Miller.

Hymn 9.

League Benediction.

All are cordially invited.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

April 3—W. O. Hagley Eva M. McCoy.

April 3—Robert H. Gaskins Fannie McDaniel.

April 6—Oak Grimm Hallie B. Gerlach.

April 10—Ira Adkins Annie Otaig.

April 10—Cleveland Fowler Evalena Fisher.

Miss Eva Williams is visiting friends at Pomeroy.

To Protect the General Public.

In reconstructing the approach to the K. & M. railroad bridge through Point Pleasant, the pedestals on which the iron superstructure rests at the crossings on Viand and Main streets, have been set back on a line with the adjacent property lines, thus widening the walkways so that they will be uniform with the sidewalks on either side. Why the bridge owners were allowed in the first place to build so as to narrow the walkway, we never could understand. Now, while reconstructing and rebuilding this approach, the town council should require the company to place aprons or shields under it wherever it crosses a public street, so that the public will not be compelled to wait the passing of trains in order to keep cinders, water, oil, coal and other loose articles from dripping or falling on them. A move in this direction was made by Council several months ago, but somehow the passage of an ordinance of the character indicated was never reported by the Committee on Ordinances.

THE CHURCHES.

CHRIST CHURCH.

REV. J. HOWARD GIBBONS, RECTOR.

Service at Christ Church tonight 8 p. m. Choir practice after service.

Service Sunday 11 a. m.

Service at Spilman Chapel Sunday 8 p. m. You are invited.

Rev. W. E. Hudson, of Huntington, will preach in the Presbyterian church next Sunday morning and night. At the morning service a congregational meeting will be held to call a minister. All members of the congregation are requested to be present.

At the M. E. Church, South, R. P. Bell, Pastor.

Epworth League Friday evening at 7 o'clock.

Sunday School Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. No preaching Sunday morning.

Services Sunday evening at 7:45 by the pastor.

YOUNG LADY DEAD.

Miss Olivia Dodson, daughter of James Dodson, died last Tuesday at her home at West Columbia, after a short illness of tuberculosis, aged 18 years and 2 months. Funeral services were held at the Clifton M. E. Church, followed by interment in the Walnut Hill cemetery. The mother of the deceased young lady died a few months ago of the same malady.—Pomeroy Independent.

The safe in the postoffice at Marmet was blown to pieces by burglars at two o'clock Sunday morning. However, the cracksmen hardly made expenses, as they secured only a few pennies. The postoffice is located in a building recently erected for that purpose. This building received but little damage as the result of the explosion, although the safe itself is a complete wreck. Outside of wrecking the door to the building no damage was done to the structure. This is supposed to be the same gang that has been working in the Kanawha Valley for some weeks.

Mrs. Chas. Bates was visiting at Gallipolis this week.

Town Council Held Meeting.

Interesting Meeting Held on Monday Night Last.

Streets to be Cleaned.

At an adjourned meeting of the Town Council, held on Monday night, April 12th; Present, John L. Whitten, Mayor, George Miller, John H. Wells, John O. Franklin, Jas. R. Stephenson, G. W. M. Hooft, and Robt. Kiger, Councilmen.

In the absence of W. O. Whaley, Clerk, caused by illness, Robt. Kiger was elected Clerk, pro tem.

O. E. Lawhead and others were granted permission to establish a tennis court on the lot of land between Main Street and the Ohio River at 11th Street, for the season of 1909.

After allowing sundry accounts, the Council went into executive session and the following town officers were appointed:

H. L. Robey, Treasurer, L. O. Somerville, Solicitor, William Foglesong, Policeman, W. J. Kenny Jr., Overseer of Poor,

O. B. Smith, Health Officer, A. J. Kincaid, Cemetery Sexton, O. B. Smith, Chief of Fire Department.

The appointment of Street Commissioner, Keeper of the Look-up, and Night Policeman was deferred until the next regular meeting.

The Committee on Streets were directed to assist and confer with the present Street Commissioner in cleaning up the streets of the town during the present month.

It was ordered that the Police man, Fire Chief, Health Officer, Street Commissioner, Keeper of the Look-up, and Night Policeman, should be employed by the month, or during the pleasure of the Council.

The Mayor appointed the following committees:

Streets and Alleys—Robt. Kiger, Jas. R. Stephenson, John H. Wells.

Wharves, Landings and Ferries—G. W. M. Hooft, J. O. Franklin, John H. Wells.

Poor—J. O. Franklin, G. W. M. Hooft, George Miller.

Indebtedness, Interest and Sinking Fund—J. O. Franklin, G. W. M. Hooft, George Miller.

Lights—J. H. Wells, Jas. R. Stephenson, George Miller.

Ordinances—Jas. R. Stephenson, Robt. Kiger, J. H. Wells.

Cemetery—George Miller, Jas. R. Stephenson, G. W. M. Hooft.

Finance—J. O. Franklin, Robt. Kiger, John H. Wells.

Little Girl Falls Into a Well.

Mary Cross, the six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lon Cross of Union district, Wood county, had a miraculous escape from death Monday when she fell into a well 35 feet deep and which contained six feet of water. She was drawing up water when she lost her balance and fell in.

She was rescued by her father who was lowered into the well and found her holding on a crevice in the wall having drawn herself up out of the water. Outside of a severe nervous shock the child sustained no injuries.

Mrs. Vanscent and baby, of Mannington, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Kate Williams.