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DIRT BROKEN

For New Girl's Dormitory at Baptist Church

Eight Thousand Dollar Building to be Completed by December 1.

Wednesday morning, July 1, was an epoch that marked an era of advancement in our town, and especially in educational lines, when a small audience assembled on the premises and after strong and stirring addresses by Judge H. C. Faulkner, Capt. B. B. Golden, Judge F. D. Sampson, Rev. J. T. Stamper and Prof. Detweiler, Rev. Arvin, with mattock in hand broke the sod for the erection of a new Girl's Dormitory.

This new building when completed will be 40x46 feet, and three stories above the basement and will contain 25 rooms.

It is to be built of brick and will be equipped with plumbing for water throughout and wired for electric lighting, and equipped throughout for the use of natural gas and steam heat.

The contract calls for the completion of this building by December 1, and is contracted to Mr. J. H. Blackburn, of this city, who has 25 years experience as a contractor and builder, and he will take especial pride and delight in erecting this girl's dormitory as a home for the young ladies while seeking an education at this institution of learning.

This will be followed later on by the erection of a boys dormitory and larger buildings for the administration department which has just had an extensive addition built to it within the past year.

Barbourville truly can boast of being better equipped for educating her young people than any town in the mountains now, with her two splendid colleges and her public High school.

There is no town of its size in the State so well equipped with schools. The addresses delivered upon the occasion of the breaking of the dirt for the erection of this new dormitory were all forceful, and to the point.

Music was furnished by the Red Men's Band, who always do their part in helping any worthy cause.

Everyone should now lend a helping hand and make this undertaking a success as it will prove a benefit to our town as well as to the institution.

CIRCUIT COURT.

The jury in the case of the Commonwealth vs. Tom Gambrel, failed to reach a verdict, standing 8 for conviction and 4 for acquittal, when they were finally excused.

The next case was the case of Nelse Gambrel, which was argued and finally submitted to the jury Monday afternoon. Tuesday morning at 10:30 the jury returned a verdict of not guilty.

The next case was that of Rice Gambrel, in which a jury from Laurel county was empaneled on Monday afternoon, composed of the following gentlemen: A. L. Morgan, Harvey Steele, W. C. Kehr, Fred Eversole, E. J. Ford, J. P. Hunley, Sam G. Ames, A. L. Pigg, John Jones, Charley Barnett, Henry Magee, John Brown.

John Gambrel was killed on Stinking creek, at a Church service held at a school house on Sunday, July 28th, 1907, by his cousins who are now being tried for the offense.

THE OUTLOOK

From a Business Standpoint is Very Encouraging in This Section.

The business depression that swept over our country a few months ago has passed away and prosperity is again camping upon its trail to the chagrin and disappointment of the Democratic calamity howlers.

In the Brush creek section of our country work is opening up in fine shape. The Cumberland Railroad is being rapidly pushed to completion and scores of men are now employed where a few weeks ago there was little or nothing being done.

The mines in various parts of the county are beginning to start up, and while none of them perhaps, are running at full capacity, yet, they are all, or practically all of them are now doing some business and have a prospect of increased orders in the near future.

New mines are also being opened and the outlook is good for an exceedingly prosperous year in almost every line of business.

Factories of various kinds are beginning to kindle their fires and soon the hum of industry will be heard throughout our land.

This is poor consolation to the calamity howlers, but it is true nevertheless, and the local banks report that money matters are in better condition than they have been for years.

This taken altogether indicates that the Republican ticket will sweep the country in November.

The Plaint of Our Waste-Basket.

The following was heard proceeding from the capacious, cavernous depths of the waste basket:

"O dear! I am as full now as I can stick, and yet you keep piling in a lot more of trash. And there comes another batch. Now, I should just like to know why that is put in here. 'Anonymous,' is it? Well, if anybody is simple enough, after all that has been said, I will strain a point and take it in.

"And that? Ah I see! the writer thought that 'X. Y. Z.' or ' * * * ' or 'A Reader,' or 'A Friend,' was a signature. Well, it takes people sometime to learn. And what is that? Yes, yes; it is a postal card, beginning: 'That article of yours on so and so, is an outrage in a religious (?) paper.' Well, it doesn't take much room; toss it in.

"My! but that is bulky; it makes me groan just to look at it. Oh! 'tis a very long and minute account of a Sunday school entertainment, giving the name of each scholar, the hymns in full, description of the presents, making somewhat more than a column. Sorry, sorry; I know you would gladly have put it in the paper instead of me, if it had been of any reasonable length. It would have done the people good and the children also. Very sorry that the writer just shut them out by his long-windedness.

"But why that wad? Oh! so it is; rolled, isn't it? would take the best part of five minutes to get it open with the aid of a sharp knife: and by the time it was opened, the contents would be multiplied beyond usefulness. All right, poke it in.

"And that? Oh! I see, somebody has sent you a long, rambling account of something in the local paper, instead of putting the essence of it into half a dozen lines. Well, if the sender did not care enough about the item to take the trouble to put it in shape for publishing, I will make room.

THE FOURTH OF JULY, 1908.

(By permission of Geo. Higgins, Holden, Ky.)

We hail with delight the Fourth of July,
With all of our might for pleasure we vie
With frolic and songs we spend the great day,
Speech making in throngs while merry bands play.

The young and the old together they meet
In friendship's sweet fold each other we greet,
And talk of the past that's long since gone by,
And loving smiles cast while sweet moments fly.

Which lights the heart and drives away care,
While their joys impart each burden to bare,
Let Freedom's name ring all over the land
While praises we bring with cornet and band.

To Him whom this day our praises we owe,
Who guideth our way and conquers our foe
By day nor by night we never should cease
To praise Him for might who giveth us peace.

The Fourth of July what a glorious day,
When oppression from our land fled away
And liberty and union each other to greet
With bonds of affection ever pleasant and sweet.

Exalt all ye people and shout for joy,
Your freedom and rights let nothing destroy,
To the Stars and Stripes let us ever be true
And celebrate the Fourth of July ever anew.

To some cherished spot on the bosom of earth,
Let people be gathered for pleasure and mirth,
With music and speaking, with spirits all high,
To have a good time on the Fourth of July.

This year at the fair grounds arrangements are made,
With plenty of amusements, shelter and shade,
With sweet strains of music by the Red Men's Band
And humble devotion the gates ajar stand.

With music and orations all mingled together,
We will have a good time though sultry the weather,
Let every one come from far and from near
To see and be seen, to talk and to hear.

Let all who may gather with eyes cast above,
Render unto God their thanks for His love,
Who hath guarded with His all watchful eye
And brought us together on another July.

On the Fourth of July each other we greet,
With a smiling welcome ever pleasant and sweet
We will meet with many whom we have not met before,
With smiling faces as in days of yore.

Some of those we met on the last July,
Have quit the walks of life for pleasures on high,
How sad would be the thought as we say good bye
If we had no hopes of meeting next July.

By the grace of Him who reigneth on high,
I hope we all may meet again next July,
But if by chance we shall meet here no more,
I hope we'll all meet o'er on the other shore.

With brother and sister and kindred and friend,
In the great celebration that never will end,
Farewell to all and the Fourth of July
Until we shall meet again by and by.

"And now you are going to load me with another mass. Ah! I see! personal resolutions expressing unutterable affliction and sympathy and grief, which nobody was willing to pay a cent a word for. Shove them in.

"And here is something which does set very heavy, though I am used to such things. A long obituary, which is without the cent a word, and which is accompanied by a request to send half a dozen copies of the paper containing it, as 'none of us take the paper.' It is of no use; words fail me. Silence is the only adequate tribute to such colossal cheek."

Mathew Mitchell For Jailer.

In the proper place in this issue will be found the official announcement of W. Mathew Mitchell for the office of jailer of Knox county.

He made the race in the primary four year ago and was defeated by only 42 votes. Mr. Mitchell is well-known to almost every voter, and on account of his clever, polite and gentlemanly manner, he had made hosts of friends.

He was born and raised on Richland creek, in this county. All of his life he has always taken an active part in politics, working and speaking in the various parts of the county helping to get the voters to the polls.

He is an active member of the Masons, Red Men, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, and Junior Order of American Mechanics, and is a very prominent and influential worker in each of these orders.

If nominated and elected he would make a worthy and painstaking official and would not shrink from his duty.

He is relying upon his friends to carry him through in this contest and he enters the race with that confidence that inspires his friends to work for his election. No better Republican can be found anywhere than he is, and if defeated this time he will

submit as he did in the former race, but if elected he will do his duty faithfully and well.

He told his 12-year-old boy to milk the cows, feed the horses, slop the pigs, hunt up the eggs, feed the calves, catch the colt and put him in the stable, cut some wood, split the kindling, stir the cream, pump fresh water in the creamery and study his lessons three hours then he could go fishing. Whether the boy did all this is not known. We knew a boy down in Owen county, Ky., whose father told him to plant a gallon of beans, then he could go fishing. Bill, (his other name was Martin,) planted beans until he got tired then dumped the rest in a pile and laid a large flat rock over them. He then went fishing, and when he returned his father, (a kindly old gentleman,) asked him if he planted all the beans. Yes, sir, says Bill. In due time the beans came from under cover, and there never was such a bunch of beans seen together since the days of Noah. The old gentleman took Willie by the hand one day and showed him his work. It is said that Bill fainted then and there, but the story is a true one nevertheless, and the fisher-boy of that day is a wholesale shoe merchant in the city of Cincinnati today.

Miss Zelma Shafer and Miss Johnson, of Pineville, are visiting Mrs. W. C. Black, this week. Mrs. F. M. Eversole, of London, is visiting Mrs. J. T. Morgan. Mrs. B. C. Lewis is visiting relatives at Houstonville.

The Ladies Aid, of the Baptist church will give a supper at the Institute on July 7. Music by Red Men's Band.

DEDICATION.

The M. E. Church, in Corbin, will be dedicated on Sunday, July 5th. The dedicatory sermon will be preached by the Rev. W. D. Parr, D.D., of Kokomo, Indiana.

CIVIC LEAGUE

Organized Last Monday by the Ladies of Our Town.

The Ladies of our city met last Monday afternoon at the Christian Church and organized themselves into a body to known as a Civic League.

The purpose of the League is to look after the public thoroughfares of the city, and see that the streets and sidewalks are kept in proper condition and to urge upon our citizens to beautify their premises and in any way in their power to improve and build up our town.

The officers of the League was elected as follows:

President, Miss Elizabeth Lock, 1st vice-president, Mrs. John G. Matthews, 2nd vice-president, Mrs. Jas. D. Black. Secretary, Mrs. W. T. Costellow. Treasurer, Mrs. W. M. Dishman.

Mrs. James D. Black, Mrs. A. W. Hopper, Mrs. W. W. Tinsley Mrs. D. W. Clark were appointed as a committee to prepare present resolutions at the next meeting which will be held Wednesday, July 8th.

The ladies are very enthusiastic in their work and we trust that they will receive such support and encouragement as will urge them to go forward with the good work began.

NOTE—A called meeting for 8 o'clock Monday afternoon.

Practical Education.

The demand has long and noisily confronted us that the education in our schools shall be "practical." Here lies the difficulty. Some say, "teach a child what he shall do in after life." On the face of it this seems a reasonable proposition. Close examination proves it to be nonsense—not worthy of respectful consideration. Who has the prescience to tell what a child is to do in after life—especially an American child.

It will not be seriously questioned that the man launched on the world of affairs, should, so far as he can, devote his talents to that which he can do better than the average of his fellow men. It is undoubtedly the duty of the farmer, as it is certainly his aim, to bring to the market the largest amount of grain and stock in the best condition his farm can be made to produce. But he will be more of a man, and hence a better citizen, if while producing these material products, he knows something of botany, chemistry and geology. Taking more interest in his work by reason of his knowledge of helping science, he will be just so much more of a man.

The province of education is to make the man. The exigencies of his lot will determine what the man shall do. The impractical of education is so to train the child as to make him dependent for his support in life.

Cupid Busy.

Luther Rice, son of Grant Rice, of Artemus, and Miss Cora Blackburn, daughter of Rev. J. H. Blackburn, were united in marriage at the home of the bride last Tuesday morning. The Advocate joins their many friends in wishing them a happy married life.

Creditors Elect Trustee.

The creditors of the Lynn Camp Coal Co., held a meeting in this city last Monday and elected J. M. Robison, as trustee for said company to look after their interest.

SPANISH LANGUAGE

Class Being Taught Here and Interest in That Language Increasing.

The practical utility of a thorough knowledge and mastery of the Spanish tongue is becoming daily more apparent not only to the people generally of the United States, but to leading officials of government, whose duty is to study the moral, industrial and educational interests of all, as will be apparent from a perusal of the following extract from the San Francisco Chronicle, of June 25.

SCHOOLS WILL ADOPT SPANISH.

A resolution was passed by the Board of Education at its meeting yesterday afternoon ordering that the teaching of the Spanish language be introduced in the schools of San Francisco, and that it be made selective with French and German. On account of the proximity of the United States to Spanish-speaking countries and the use of the Spanish language in the Philippine Islands, and other of the possessions of the United States, the adoption of the language in the public schools has been urged by the Federal Government for some time, but the resolution yesterday was the first action taken on the matter in California.

In concluding this subject we are pleased to be authorized to announce to the public of Barbourville and neighborhood, that Prof. G. Braitain Lyttle, a native of Southeastern Kentucky, and son of the late Hon. David Y. Lyttle, popularly known as the "Father of Education in Kentucky," is here at present engaged in the translation of a special work from Spanish into English, which will require several months yet to complete. In the meantime the Prof. who is an efficient teacher of Spanish, and whose residence for the past thirty-five or forty years has been in Spanish-America, would be pleased to have a limited number of pupils to study Spanish from 7 to 9 o'clock p. m., daily, except Sunday and regular holidays. For further information apply to Prof. Lyttle at the Surveyor's office in the court house, or at the home of his sister, Mrs. Harvey L. Hatton, High Street, Barbourville.

Rebecca Lodge Organized.

Last Tuesday night a lodge of Rebecca or Ladies order of Odd Fellows, was organized at Hopper, by District Deputy, Past Noble Grand, J. W. McNamara, who was assisted in the work by Mrs. Matilda O. Webb, of Ludlow, President of the State Assembly.

There were 30 charter members, and a very interesting meeting was held.

The degree team from Bertha was present and put the work on in a very satisfactory manner. The team was composed of the following: R. H. Wolford, Mrs. Nora Ward, Mrs. Alice Truman, Mrs. Nannie Craft, Mrs. Cynthia Messer, Miss Mattie Pennington, Mrs. Fannie Gilbert, Miss Jennie Green, Mrs. Sallie Messer, Mrs. Margaret Kerrin, Mrs. Maggie Fultz, Mrs. Ellen Green, Mrs. Amelia Hodge, Mrs. Annie Childers, Mrs. Laura Trospier, Miss Maggie Frost, Mrs. Jennie Hubbard, Mrs. Jennie Frost, Mrs. Malinda Hammons, Mrs. Sarah Jones, Mrs. Helen Gilliam, Miss Lillie Crook, Mr. Garland Craft, Mr. Jas. Hammons.