

UNANIMOUS

Call Is Extended To Dr. David Francis

As Pastor Of The Vine Street Church Of Christ

Action Taken By The Congregation On Sunday

At a meeting of the membership of the Vine Street Church of Christ held immediately after the morning services last Sunday, an unanimous call was extended to Dr. David Francis, whose term of service terminates on January 1.

A few months ago the services of Dr. Francis were secured temporarily, at that time Dr. Francis, on account of business relations, not feeling warranted in accepting a permanent call. The work of Dr. Francis has been eminently satisfactory, both as



DR. DAVID FRANCIS Unanimously Called as Pastor of Vine Street Church of Christ

preacher and pastor, and the desire has been generally expressed by members of the congregation that he be secured as the regular minister of the church. In pursuance of this expressed desire a meeting of the congregation was called and unanimous affirmative action was had on the proposition of extending the call to Dr. Francis.

Accompanying the call was also a substantial increase in salary.

SAVED FROM AWFUL DEATH

How an appalling calamity in his family was prevented is told by A. D. McDonald, of Fayetteville, N. C. R. F. D. No. 8, "My sister had consumption," he writes, "she was very thin and pale, had no appetite and seemed to grow weaker every day, as all remedies failed, till Dr. King's New Discovery was tried, and so completely cured her, that she has not been troubled with a cough since. It's the best medicine I ever saw or heard of." For coughs, colds, lagrippe, asthma, croup, hemorrhage, all bronchial troubles, it has no equal, 50c, \$1.00. Trial bottles free. Guaranteed by O. R. Baker, and F. Fink of Fredericktown.

OBITUARY

Martha Clark Mrs. Martha Clark died at the Knox county infirmary on Monday evening at about six o'clock after a several weeks' illness caused by a complication of diseases. The deceased was formerly of Gambier, but entered the Home for the Aged in Mt. Vernon, where she remained until about three months previous to her death. She was eighty years of age and is survived by one sister, who resides in Iowa.

The funeral at Oak Grove cemetery at Gambier on Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock. Interment in Oak Grove cemetery.

The Hickman Funeral

The funeral of the late Thomas Hickman, who died at the Mt. Vernon hospital on Monday morning, will occur at the home of his sister, Mrs. C. Snyder on West Pleasant street on Thursday afternoon at two o'clock, Rev. J. T. Black officiating. Interment in Mound View cemetery.

ENDS WINTER'S TROUBLES

To many, winter is a season of trouble. The frost bitten toes and fingers, chapped hands and lips, chilblains, cold sores, red and rough skin, prove this. But such troubles fly before Bucklen's Arnica Salve. A trial convinces. Greatest healer of Burns, Boils, Piles, Cuts, Sores, Eczema and Sprains. Only 25c at G. R. Baker's, and F. Fink, Fredericktown.

BONDS

Sold To A Toledo Firm By Board Of Education

A special meeting of the board of education of Mt. Vernon was held in the office of Clerk Coyner on South Main street Monday evening for the purpose of opening bids for the bonds, which were sold by the local school board. No other business except that pertaining to the bond sale was transacted at this meeting.

The firms who made bids for the bonds were as follows: Stacy & Braun of Toledo, Well Roth & Co. of Cincinnati and Seasongood & Mayer of Cincinnati. Stacy & Braun, the Toledo firm, was successful in securing the bonds, their offer being par and accrued interest, less the expenses of their attorney.

The issue aggregated \$26,000.

COURT HOUSE NOTES

Fourth and Final—J. W. Anders, administrator of Philip Anders, has filed a fourth and final account in probate, showing the following: Received \$688.11, paid out \$718.35, due administrator \$30.24.

Guardian Appointed—Wellington A. Wintermute of Mt. Liberty, O., has been appointed guardian of Ellis Humphrey, giving bond in the sum of \$300, with G. V. McBroom and Smith Gearhart as sureties.

Deeds Filed—Ellen R. Dawson to Frank L. Conn, parcel in Buckeye City, \$336. R. L. Jones to Melvin Davidson, parcel in Bladensburg, \$801.25. Thomas H. Clark to J. B. Waight, part lot 99 O. P. to Mt. Vernon, \$4,560. Clyde C. Messmore to Arthur Barr, lot 13, Messmore's addition to Centerburg, \$1,200. Ross H. Biggs to Charles E. Biggs, parcel in Harrison, \$3,600.

CHANGE

Of Venue Asked By Former Judge R. M. Campbell

R. M. Campbell, through his attorney, J. P. Seward, of Mansfield, filed in the court of common pleas a motion for a change of venue in the case of Campbell vs. J. C. Sloan.

Plaintiff sets forth as reason for a change of venue that he cannot have a fair and impartial trial in Ashland county on account of the prejudice of the people against him, occasioned by the agitation and exaggerated accounts given through the county newspapers on the subject matter of this suit. Robert M. Campbell filed his petition against Squire Sloan, Oct. 22, 1909, in which he claims he was damaged in the sum of \$10,000, alleging that on Jan. 16, 1909, defendant as Justice of the Peace, falsely and maliciously and solely with malice, upon a pretended affidavit, prepared and presented to defendant as Justice of the Peace by George J. Frey, purporting to charge Campbell with forgery, issued a warrant for the arrest of plaintiff, which was served by Constable Holbrook (now deceased) and upon hearing, without criminal charge being contained in affidavit and upon evidence exonerating plaintiff from any criminal act, required and ordered plaintiff to give bail for his appearance in court.

That at the April, 1910, term, defendant appeared before the grand jury and aided Prosecutor Frey to induce that jury to return an indictment against plaintiff for forgery. That at said April term the court sustained a motion to quash said indictment, and plaintiff was discharged from all further prosecution on such charge and the same is wholly ended.

Plaintiff claims that, by reason of defendant's action and hostile feelings against him, he has been injured and degraded in his good name and reputation and as common pleas Judge of the sixth judicial district, wherefore he asks judgement for \$10,000 damages.

Robert M. Campbell has also filed a motion for change of venue in his case against George J. Frey, giving the same reasons as in the case against J. C. Sloan.—Ashland Press.

BIRTHS

A daughter was born Monday afternoon to Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Gleason, who reside on the Wooster road, just north of this city.

ORDINANCE

Granted To The Mt. Vernon Gas Light Company

By The City Council On Monday Evening

Fixing The Rate To Be Charged For Gas

And Thus Giving Two Companies In The City

Other Business Transacted By Council

The city council met in regular session on Monday evening with President Dever in the chair. All members were present at the roll call except Mr. Cole. The minutes of the last regular meeting were read by Clerk McIntire and were approved by the council as read.

The first matter taken up was that of the ordinance introduced one week previous which provided for the fixing of a rate to be charged by the Mt. Vernon Gas Light Co. for gas consumed by the citizens of Mt. Vernon. At the meeting on December 5th, the ordinance was placed in the hands of the ordinance committee for consideration and on Monday evening, the committee recommended the rejection of the ordinance and the introduction of a new one. On motion, the ordinance was read for the second and third times by its title and was lost on the final vote.

An ordinance was introduced to transfer \$25 from one department of the public safety fund to another. On motion, the ordinance was read for the second and third time by its title and was passed on the final vote.

A new ordinance, previously prepared by the ordinance committee in relation to the fixing of the gas rates to be charged by the Mt. Vernon Gas Light Co., was introduced and read for the first time. This ordinance was the same as the initial one, which had been lost, except that it provided for the heating and lighting of the public library free of charge. On motion, the ordinance was read for the second and third time by its title. At this point, Mr. Taylor brought up the matter of the heating and lighting of the first floor of the Third ward engine house. Mr. D. A. Upham, who was present, was asked to add the first floor of the engine house to the free list. After a short consideration of the matter, he made the proposition, but as the clause had not been regularly entered into the ordinance, it was lost on the vote for final passage, which occurred immediately afterward.

An ordinance exactly like the one above, except that it contained the clause providing for the free heating and lighting of the first floor of the engine house, was introduced and read for the first time by Clerk McIntire. On motion, the ordinance was read for the second and third time by its title and was unanimously passed.

Mr. Taylor moved that when council adjourn, it be until the second Monday in January. The motion prevailed.

Council adjourned.

JOHNSTON'S ORCHESTRA

May Be Secured For Annual Reunion Of Clinton Commandery

The officers and past commanders of Clinton Comandery, No. 5, Knights Templars will hold a meeting in the club rooms in the Masonic Temple Wednesday evening to make arrangements for the 68th annual reunion of the commandery.

Johnston's orchestra of Cleveland, Ohio, can be secured to furnish music on the evening of February 15, and it is probable that this will be the date decided upon for the reunion. It is planned to have the best music possible for the reunion this year and to do away with an elaborate banquet and serve light refreshments.

Dr. Washington Gladden says a man may be an angel in old clothes. So may a woman—but we'll wager she doesn't feel like one.

FACTORY: Raised biscuits from Gold Medal Flour are excellent.

PROGRAM

For The Farmers' Institute To Occur At Brandon

The following is the program for the second annual meeting of the Brandon Farmers' Institute to be held in the Brandon Baptist church on Monday and Tuesday, December 19 and 20th:

Monday, 10 O'clock Address, How to Make a Successful Institute—S. E. Strode. Address, The Ohio Department of Agriculture—E. J. Hoddy. Appointment of committees.

Monday 1 O'clock Recitation—Mrs. Howard Sherman. Address, Clover Boosts—E. J. Hoddy.

Address, Some Helps to Better Farming—J. H. Bone. Address, Clover, the Queen Crop of Ohio—S. E. Strode.

Monday, 7:30 O'clock Music. Recitation—Ethel Pitkin. Music. Address—S. E. Strode.

Tuesday, 9:30 O'clock Prayer. Address, Plant Food; or, The Problem of the Soil—S. E. Strode. Address, How I Made My Orchard Pay—Rev. R. H. Lonk.

Address, Pruning the Orchard—E. J. Hoddy.

Tuesday, 1 O'clock Reports of Committees. Recitation—Mrs. C. W. Wintermute. Address, Needed Legislation and Laws—E. J. Hoddy.

Address, Sheep Raising for Profit—L. G. Walker. Address, Mistakes We Farmers Make—S. E. Strode.

Interpersed with music by the Moor Concert Co. of Ashland.

Society News

66th Anniversary Was Celebrated

Probably not one marriage relation in a hundred thousand is permitted to stand unbroken by death for sixty-six years, and for that reason Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Hook, who live on their farm in the southern part of Knox county, and who, Saturday, celebrated the sixty-sixth anniversary of their wedding there, in good health for people of their age, and surrounded by representatives of three generations of their descendants, count themselves singularly fortunate.

They have two children living—Thomas Hook, with whom they reside, and Mrs. O. L. Hartup of Columbus, wife of the first deputy state fire marshal. Both of these, with their families were with their parents at the celebration.

The aged people were married at Hunts Station, Ohio, where Mrs. Hook was born and raised. Mr. Hook was born near Kirksville, Licking county, March 26, 1819, so that he will be 92 next March.

She was married on her twentieth birthday, so that at the same time she was celebrating her sixty-sixth wedding anniversary she also celebrated her 86th birthday anniversary.

The couple have two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Entertained With Dinner

Mrs. John Keys of Bangs gave a dinner party Monday in honor of her daughter, Miss Frances, who will leave after the holidays to attend school in Columbus. The young people enjoyed a merry day and Miss Frances was the recipient of several parting gifts from her guests.

BANKS ON SURE THING NOW

"I'll never be without Dr. King's New Life Pills again," writes A. Schlegel, 647 Elm St., Buffalo, N. Y. "They cured me of chronic constipation when all others failed." Unequalled for Biliousness, Jaundice, Indigestion, Headache, Chills, Malaria and Debility, 25c at G. R. Baker's, and F. Fink, Fredericktown.

THE TIME TO BEGIN

If you are thinking of starting a savings account, now is the time to begin. All money received by us on savings account before the first of January will begin to draw interest at 4 per cent from that date.

No investment can be safe than our 4 per cent certificate of deposit for all money is loaned on first mortgage on Knox county real estate.

Put your money in now and get the best terms possible. The Knox Building & Loan Co. C. F. Colville, Sec'y.

TEACHERS

Can Work For Less Than \$40 Per Month Says Supreme Court Of Ohio

Columbus, O., Dec. 13.—The supreme court of Ohio today practically knocked out the Duvall law, which provides that public school teachers cannot receive less than \$40 monthly. The court holds that teachers may contract for less per month.

WANTS TO HELP SOME ONE

For thirty years J. P. Boyer, of Ferris, Mo., needed help and couldn't find it. That's why he wants to help some one now. Suffering so long himself he feels for all distress from Backache, nervousness, Loss of Appetite, Lassitude and Kidney Disorders. He shows that Electric Bitters work wonders for such troubles. "Five bottles," he writes, "wholly cured me and now I am well and hearty." It's also positively guaranteed for Liver Trouble, Dyspepsia, Blood Disorders, Female Complaints and Malaria. Try them. 50 cents at G. R. Baker's, or F. Fink, Fredericktown.

CHESTERVILLE

Rev. J. H. Smith is conducting a series of meetings at the Salem church, east of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Merritt White and little son, Wilbur, are all quite sick with tonsillitis.

The Epworth League will give an oyster supper on next Saturday evening at the town hall.

The members of the Chester church south of town will give a cantata at their church on Christmas Eve. Everybody invited.

The I. O. O. F. will give a banquet in their lodge rooms here on the 29th of this month.

Miss Mozelle Wilson is recovering from a severe attack of tonsillitis. Mrs. Hays Wilson entertained a few of her friends on Thursday evening with a card party. Delicious refreshments were served during the evening.

The ladies of the Methodist Missionary society met at the home of Mrs. Fulton on last Wednesday afternoon and spent a delightful afternoon.

Mr. Albright, who for the past two years has resided on the farm of George Thomas, south of town, had a sale Thursday of last week. Mr. Albright, with his family, leave in a short time for Oklahoma where he has purchased a farm.

Rev. Mr. Bowers, a returned missionary from India, delivered a lecture in the Chester Baptist church on Sunday at 11 a. m.

Little Ruby Ogden, who has been ill with scarlet fever for a week, is recovering. This makes the third child in the Ogden home who has been ill with the same complaint, and the home has been quarantined for over four weeks.

CENTERBURG

Mr. John McGuire, one of our oldest citizens, is critically ill of paralysis.

L. M. Herrod, a musician in the U. S. A. for several years past, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Kittle Riley.

Mrs. B. C. Ramey spent a portion of last week in Sparta caring for her mother, Mrs. Boekover, who is ill of pneumonia.

Mrs. Florence Wilson entertained the county president of the W. C. T. U., Mrs. Flora Farquhar, Friday night.

Mrs. T. C. Horn of Bethany, W. Va., is visiting friends here. Mr. Horn is a theological student at Bethany college.

Mrs. Joseph Ling is visiting friends at Kibbuck.

Miss Mayme Faraba spent Sunday in Columbus.

Mrs. C. W. Coe visited friends at Cambridge last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Britton of Howard visited Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Jacobs from Thursday until Sunday.

Homor Ramey, teacher at Salem, Morrow county, attended the teachers' institute at Cardington Saturday.

MILLWOOF

Mr. W. Engle made a business trip to Mt. Vernon Saturday.

Mr. Rollie Cochran of Coshocton is the guest of his uncle, J. B. Campbell. Mrs. Chas. Humbert is on the sick list.

The sheep dogs have been getting in their work on the sheep of J. W. Smeeth and Leander Smith. Xmas entertainment at the Presbyterian church Xmas Eve. Mr. Herbert Beach, who has been

CRUSHED

Was Marshall's Hand When A Large Casting Fell

Ray Marshall, employed at the Reeves foundry in South Vernon, sustained a very painful injury while at work on Monday afternoon. Mr. Marshall was assisting in raising a heavy piece of iron, when it was accidentally allowed to drop, alighting on his right hand. All of the fingers on the hand were badly crushed and bruised. Dr. F. L. Singery was immediately called to render surgical attention.

Xmas Presents

XLAS PRESENTS FOR EVERYBODY Ladies' Fine Hand Bags Burnished Brass Toilet Sets Cigar Cases Shaving Sets Cigars, Etc. —Come and Look—

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The acceptable Christmas Gift to all ages. Has each member of your family a Clear Type Teachers' or Sunday School Bible? Our prices will bear comparison with premium or agents' prices. The American Standard Version in all styles.

Arnold's Book Store

If He Smokes Get "IT" at Kilkenny's Cigar Store



Cigars and Pipes

We are practical cigar makers, therefore thoroughly understand the quality of different brands we handle and assure everyone especially the ladies that our Christmas packages of 12, 25, 50, etc., are the same in quality we sell over the case every day. Don't be deceived by fancy tinfoil, etc.

Undoubtedly the largest line of briars, meerschaums and Calabashes in the city — an entire case of them. The selection is good now. A most complete line of cigar and cigarette cases and pouches.

Ladies Welcome 118 South Main Street

A Decided Success Our

Dissolution Sale

thus far has proven very satisfactory. Many people throughout the county have taken advantage of our

10 per cent discount

feeling that it is a good time to shoe the entire family

XMAS IS NOW ONLY A FEW DAYS OFF

What could be more appropriate or more economical than to take advantage of our 10 per cent off sale and present your friends with a handsome pair of slippers, or an elegant pair of Shoes, such as our large stock consists of, thus extending the GOOD CHEER of the Holiday season, at a minimum expense.

REMEMBER—10 per cent Off on every purchase of \$1.00 or more.

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